

Capital One Follow-Up

Thank you so much for being an important part of the community response to the proposal by Linear Retail to bring Capital One to 62-66 Charles Street. Last week's meeting of our Zoning and Licensing Committee was filled with articulate and passionate ideas expressing all we care about and want to preserve for our neighborhood. It left us all with a deep sense of community and a reminder of how very special this neighborhood is.

On Monday, the BHCA's board of directors voted unanimously to oppose the zoning relief needed for Capital One to move into 62-63 Charles Street. Nevertheless, according to its attorney, Linear Retail still plans to appear before the Board of Appeal on February 28 to ask for the zoning relief.

What you can do:

1. Please express your opposition to the Mayor's Office, the Board of Appeal and our elected officials by explaining why you think a bank would be detrimental to our neighborhood (see attached How to Make Your Voices Heard.)
2. If you have not yet done so, please sign a grassroots petition electronically at or on paper at the Charles Street Market or Moxie.
<http://www.change.org/petitions/boston-zoning-board-dont-let-the-old-7-eleven-on-charles-st-become-a-capital-one-bank-branch>
3. Make every effort to attend the daytime hearing on February 28. We will keep you posted on the time as well as any change that may occur between now and then.

Thank you again for your help. Let's all stick together, keep in touch and keep the pressure on until February 28.

And, if you are not yet a member, please consider joining your Civic Association at www.bhcivic.org