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Dear George

You will recall that on November 7, 2011, I sent you the attached email concerning information the Landmarks Commission needs to understand and evaluate the proposal from the Block 100 Foundation. The information I requested was consistent with the elements which the ordinance requires us to consider when evaluating an application for a Certificate of Appropriateness for the demolition of a designated landmark.

To date, you have not responded to my letter. While you do partially answer some of the questions in your letter of intent, you fail to address several of them, calling at least one question "irrelevant" to our task.

I do not believe the questions I raised more than two months ago are irrelevant. I believe they are natural and proper, and seek information the Commission needs to fulfill its responsibility under sec. 33.19 (1) (c) and (5)(c) of the MGO.

Your proposed project would dramatically and permanently change the nature of upper State Street. It has naturally been the subject of great public interest and debate. You are entitled to the timely consideration of your application. However, the Commission is entitled to have all the information it needs to make an informed decision.

To date, you have not provided all the information the Commission needs to make just such an informed decision. I hope you will provide that information promptly, so the Commission will be able to act on your application on January 30. I believe the information is already within your possession, and will not require any research or analysis on your part.

At the public hearing Monday, the Commission is happy to offer you and your team a reasonable amount of time, beyond the normal limits, to make your presentation. Please let me know how much time you think you need.

And please feel free to contact me with any questions concerning the letter of November 7, and this follow-up.

Very truly yours,

Stuart Levitan  
Chair, Landmarks Commission

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**Sent:** Mon, November 7, 2011 10:15:12 AM

**Subject:** State Street Redevelopment Project

George

Attached please find a letter asking for some information about the State Street Redevelopment Project.

Thanks,  
Stuart