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\$450M Fenway project nears residents' OK

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A decade after it was unveiled, John Rosenthal's 1.3 million-square-foot development, to be built on a deck over the Massachusetts Turnpike near Fenway Park, could be approved tonight.

The Citizens Advisory Committee, an 11-member advisory panel appointed by Boston Mayor Thomas M. Menino, is poised to give a unanimous thumbs up to the \$450 million complex. If approved by the panel, the project could get the green-light from the Boston Redevelopment Authority later this month.

"I feel very good about the project and that all the questions have been answered," said Pamela Beale, the panel's chairwoman. "John Rosenthal is a great guy who has tried hard to answer everyone's concerns and to shape a project that people could wrap themselves around. I'm hopeful that the vote will be unanimous."

Fenway Center will include a 23-story tower with 330 apartments, 100,000 square feet of retail, 370,000 square feet of office space and 1,290 square feet of park-



GOING UP? A rendering of Fenway Center, an office and residential project proposed for Kenmore Square.

ing spaces in two garages.

The Red Sox organization is a minority partner in Rosenthal's project. The developer filed plans in January,

after revising an earlier proposal by cutting the number of residential units and adding office space.

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