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## Druker seeks say on Shreve building

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Hub developer Ronald Druker is moving to help thwart an appeal of a city decision to deny landmark status for the former Shreve, Crump & Low building.

A lawyer for the Druker Co. filed a motion last week to intervene as a defendant in the Suffolk Superior Court case.

A group of Back Bay residents filed the appeal Dec. 9 after the Boston Landmarks Commission rejected their petition to preserve the 104-year-old art deco Shreve building.

The appeal is blocking Druker's \$120 million plan to demolish the 330 Boylston St. structure and replace it with a new office and retail building.

"While the Boston Landmarks Commission will act to defend its decision, (Druker Co.'s) interest in the property and the development is not adequately represented by the (commission), which has no interest in the property or in the development," Kevin O'Flaherty, an attorney at Goulston & Storrs, wrote in Thursday's motion.

Druker was not available for comment.

Diana Eckstein, the Back Bay lawyer leading the appeal, will challenge Druker's bid to join the case.

"He's hardly an unbiased party when it comes to determining the historical significance of this building," said Eckstein. "He's the one that wants to tear it down."

The Boston Redevelopment Authority approved Druker's project in October and Mayor Thomas M. Menino supports it.

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