

RESTORATION OF THE BAY VILLAGE NEIGHBORHOOD PARK

Community Briefing

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We want to ensure this conversation is a pleasant experience for all and that all community members/stakeholders are comfortable sharing their comments, questions and feedback.

Please be respectful and mindful of each other's time when asking questions/providing comments, so that all attendees are able to participate in the meeting.

Keep questions/comments project-specific and not personal to yield solution-driven discussion.

Please wait until all attendees have had the opportunity to ask a question/provide a comment before providing additional questions/comments.



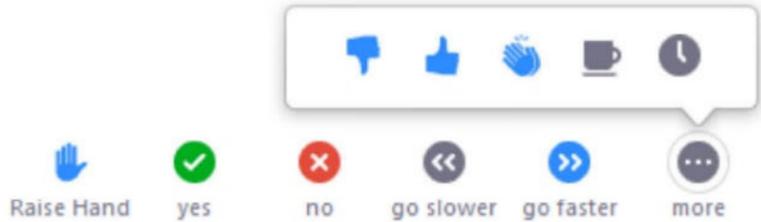
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DURING THE PRESENTATION



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DURING THE Q&A



JOINING VIA PHONE?
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VIA WEB:
Chat to ask question / comments or to provide responses to poll questions.



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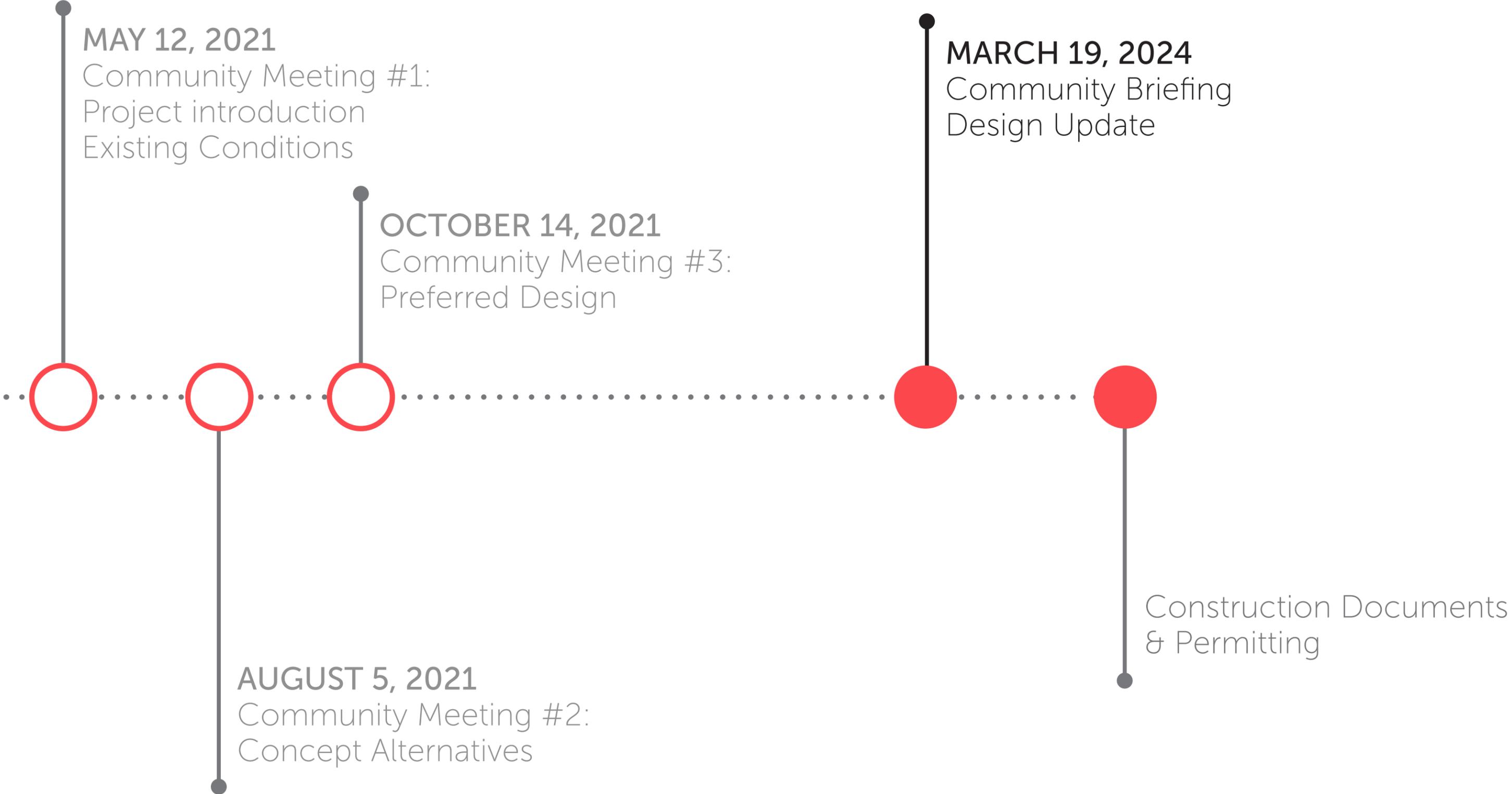
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PROJECT SCHEDULE





A CITY THAT IS:

- 1 DELIVERING EXCEPTIONAL CONSTITUENT SERVICES
- 2 GREEN AND GROWING
- 3 FAMILY FRIENDLY
- 4 CLOSING THE RACIAL WEALTH GAP
- 5 HEALTHY AND SAFE



BOSTON PARKS AND RECREATION GOALS

- 1 ACCESSIBLE AND AVAILABLE TO ALL
- 2 DIVERSE, BALANCED AND EFFICIENT MIX OF USES
- 3 MEANINGFUL AND INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
- 4 ADAPTIVE AND RESILIENT LANDSCAPES
- 5 PROMOTE CONNECTIONS

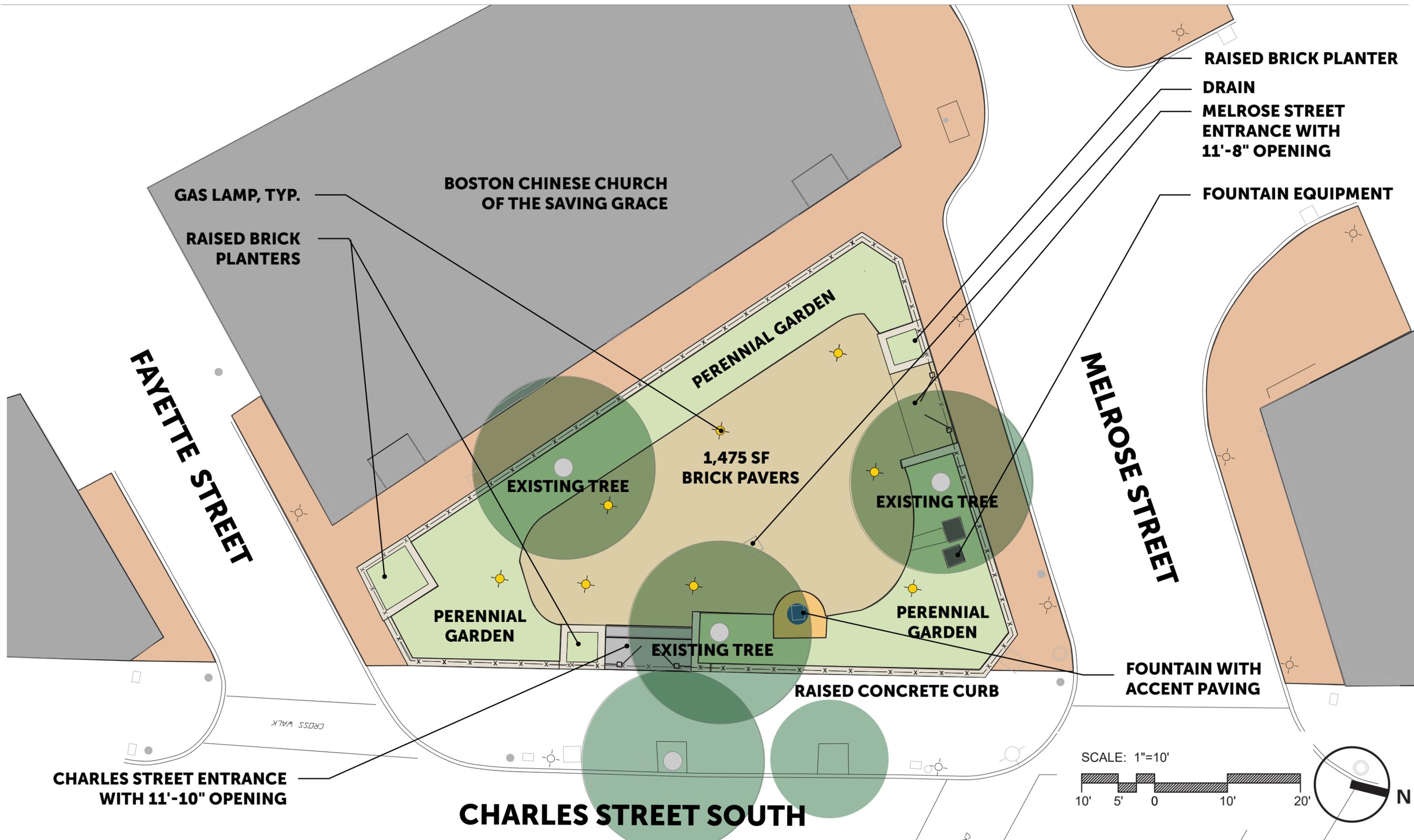


PROJECT SCOPE

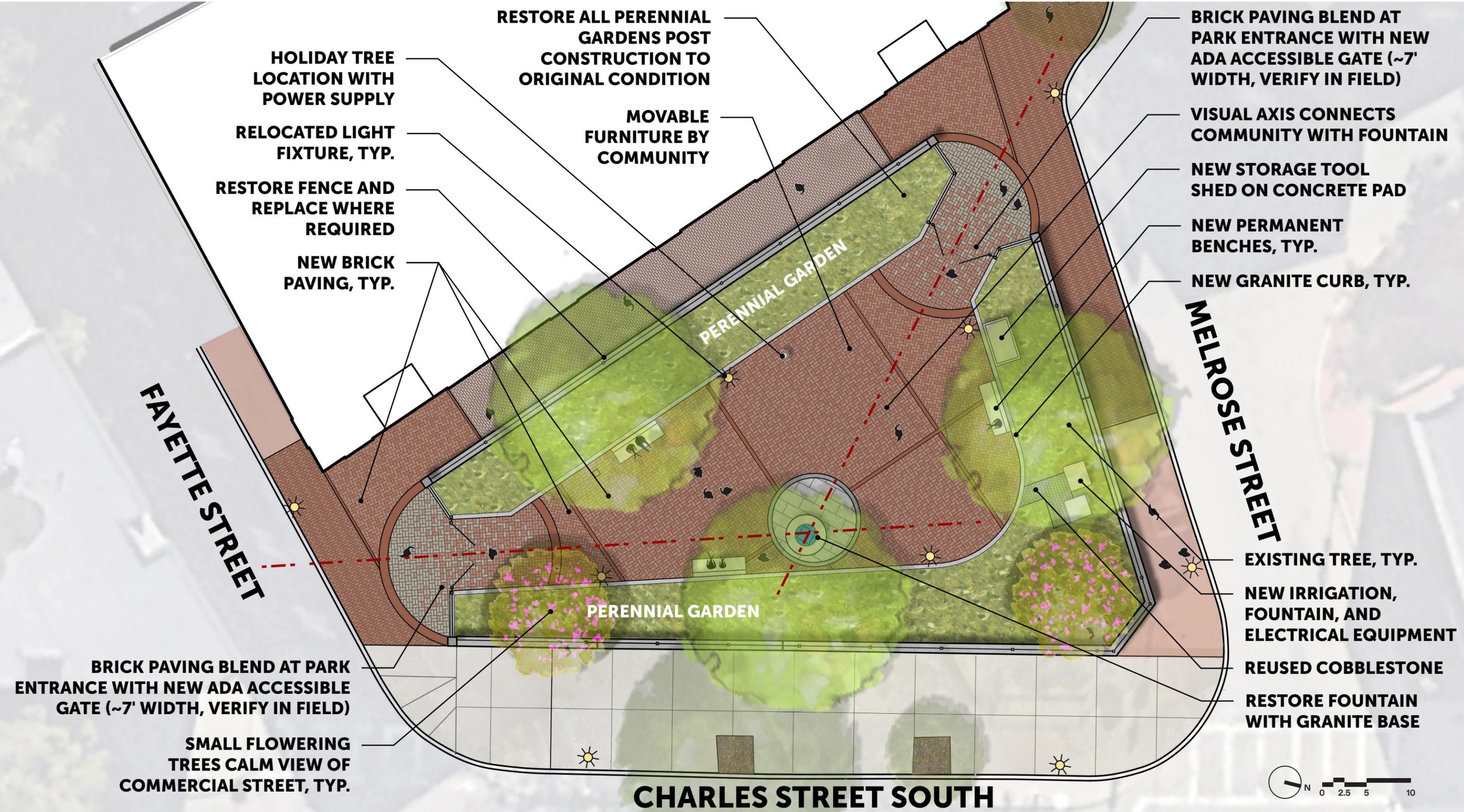
- 1 RETOUCH AND REPAIR CURRENT IRON BOUNDARY FENCE
- 2 RESTORE AND REDEVELOP WATER FEATURE INTO A FULLY FUNCTIONAL WATER FOUNTAIN
- 3 INTRODUCE PERMANENT SEATING INTO THE PARK
- 4 REPAIR OR REPLACE BLACK IRRIGATION BOX
- 5 GAS-TO-ELECTRIC STREETLIGHT TRANSITION
- 6 INTRODUCE ELECTRICITY FOR SEASONAL LIGHTING



CURRENT SITE PLAN



PLAN - FINAL CONCEPT DESIGN



DESIGN CHANGE COMPARISONS - SITE FURNISHINGS

PERMANENT SEATING



Granite Block Seating



Boston Parks & Recreation steel strap bench

PLANT BED EDGE



6" Wide granite curb

PAVING MATERIAL



Existing brick paving



New wire struck accessible brick paving



Existing gas lamps



Updated LED light to match historic light

B GAS-TO- ELECTRIC STREETLIGHT RETROFIT

What you need to know

BACKGROUND AND GOALS

There are approximately 2,800 natural gas streetlights, primarily in the Beacon Hill, Bay Village and Back Bay neighborhoods.

This gas-to-electric streetlight retrofit is the continuation of a citywide engagement process. With this retrofit, we will develop a path forward to reach our environmental goals, while preserving Boston's historic character.

The City of Boston's Renew Boston Trust program is working with Public Works to retrofit existing streetlights to:

- enhance energy efficiency,
- save money, and
- reflect the historical integrity of each neighborhood.

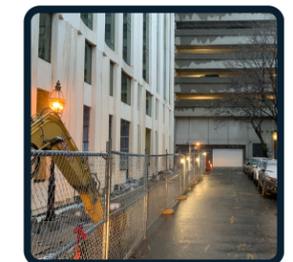
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

Retrofitting natural gas streetlights to use electricity is necessary to meet the City's carbon neutrality goal. In Boston, just 4% of the city's street lights are gas lit but they account for 37% of the emissions from street lights.

Two gas lamps burn as much gas each year as the average house in MA.*



Based on citywide average for gas lamp fuel consumption. Data from National Grid and MA DOER.



THANK YOU FOR JOINING!

PLEASE VISIT THE WEBSITE:

[https://www.boston.gov/departments/parks-and-recreation/
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