

Memorandum

To: Lauren Bryant, Project Manager, Boston Parks and Recreation Department (BPRD)

From: Sean Sanger, Principal, Copley Wolff Design Group (CWDG)

Date: 11/15/2018

Re: Dorchester Park Playground – Community Workshop Summary

This memorandum summarizes the community workshop for the Dorchester Park Playground Renovation Project, which took place on October 27, 2018 at the Adams Street Branch of the Boston Public Library in the Dorchester Neighborhood of Boston, MA. The community workshop was set up as an informal open house between 3:15 and 4:15 PM.

Lauren Bryant, Project Manager with the BPRD, initiated the workshop by introducing the design consultants, Sean Sanger and Christine Wilson from CWDG, and then provided a brief overview of the project. Following Lauren’s workshop introduction, community members engaged in a conversation about the history of the park, concerns with existing conditions, and hopes for the renovated playground. Three of the community members in attendance are members of the Dorchester Park Association (DPA) and others in attendance live nearby the park. All were able to provide details on how the playground and surrounding park space is currently used, including both the strengths and the deficiencies.



- Spaces/elements both very young children and teenagers would be ideal
- Water play was requested
- Chess tables to promote multi-generational play was requested
- Entrance should be “spruced up”
- Events that take place in Dorchester Park include: Easter Egg Hunt (at tennis courts)
Car Show (Sunday after Labor Day), and Dorchester Day

