

;;;BOSTON CITY COUNCIL C
;;;THURS 11/29/2018 4:00 - 6:00 PM

>> GOOD AFTERNOON EVERYONE,
WELCOME TO THE BOSTON CITY
COUNCIL CHAMBERS.
MY NAME IS MICHELLE WU AND I'M
CITY COUNCILOR AT LARGE AND
LUCKY TO CHAIR THE CITY COUNCIL
COMMITTEE ON PLANNING
DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSPORTATION.
WE ARE HERE FOR DOCKET NUMBER
1087 MESSAGE AND ORDER TO
DECLARE SURPLUS SEVERAL CITY
OWNED PUBLIC CITY WORKS
DEPARTMENT PARCELS.

I AM HERE WITH MY COLLEAGUES ON
THE COUNCIL AND I KNOW ARE MORE
WILL JOIN US AS THE HEARING
PROCEEDS.

DISTRICT COUNCILOR ED FLYNN.
AT LARGE COUNCILOR MICHAEL
FLAHERTY, DISTRICT COUNCILOR
MARK SEE MOW, JOSH ZAKIM, FRANK
BAKER AND TIM MCCARTHY.

I WANT FIRST TO GIVE A COUPLE
HOUSEKEEPING ITEMS AND THEN A
LITTLE BIT OF SUMMARY OF FORMAT.
THE MATTER BEFORE US.
THE PROCESS.

AND THEN TURN IT OVER TO OUR
EXPERT FROM THE COMMUNITY AND
THEN EXPERTS LATER FROM THE
ADMINISTRATION.

SO JUST TO REMIND EVERYONE, THIS
IS A PUBLIC HEARING OF THE
BOSTON CITY COUNCIL WHICH MEANS
IT'S BEING RECORDED AND
BROADCAST LIVE ON CHANNEL
COMCAST 8, RCN82 AND VERIZON
196 AS WELL AS STREAMING ON THE
CITY OF BOSTON WEBSITE.

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONES
AND OTHER DESIZES.

WE WILL ALSO TAKE PUBLIC
TESTIMONY THROUGHOUT THE HEARING
AND SO IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE
REMARKS, PLEASE SIGN IN ON THE
APPROPRIATE SHEET RIGHT OVER
THERE BY THE DOOR.

AND AT THE START OF YOUR
TESTIMONY, IF YOU WOULD STATE
YOUR NAME, ADDRESS AND

AFFILIATION.

AGAIN, TODAY'S HEARING IS ON DOCKET NUMBER 1087, AND I NEED TO READ THE DOCKET IN ITS ENTIRETY INTO THE RECORD.

MESSAGE AND ORDER TOITY CLAIRE SURPLUS CITY OWNED FORMER PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT PARCELS OF VACANT LAND AND TRANSFER OF THE CARE, CUSTODY, MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL OF SAID PROPERTY TO THE PUBLIC FACILITIES COMMISSION.

THE LAND LOCATED AT 400 FRONT TUJ ROAD IN SOUTH BOSTON WARD 8 PARCEL 10024040 FRONT TUJ ROAD IN SOUTH BOSTON WHERE PARCEL AND FRONT TUJ ROAD IN SOUTH BOSTON WARD 8 PARCEL 0 024187 AND 01024037.

THE MATTER IS SPONSORED BY THE MAYOR AND REFERRED TO THIS COMMITTEE ON JULY, 2018.

FIRST I WANT TO THANK THE ADMINISTRATION FOR BEING PART OF THIS CONVERSATION AND NOW IN OUR SECOND HEARING AND ESPECIALLY TODAY THANKING THEM FOR BEING WELL EAGER TO HAVE THE FORMAT FOR THIS HEARING THAT PUT COMMUNITY FRONT CENTER AND MADE SURE WE WERE LISTENING TO PUBLIC TESTIMONY THROUGHOUT.

I WANT TO THANK PIE COLLEAGUES ALSO FOR -- MY COLLEAGUES FOR AGREEING TO DEFER OPENING STATEMENTS SO WE CAN DIVE RIGHT IN.

TODAY THIS DOCKET AGAIN WAS FILED ON JULY 11, 2018 AND HOSTED AN INITIAL HEARING ON AUGUST 30, 2018.

A QUICK OVERVIEW FOR THE COMMUNITY PANEL BEFORE THEY JUMP IN.

THESE THREE PARCELS MAKE UP AN 18 AND-A-HALF ACRE SITE. IT HOUSES THE CITY OF BOSTON LOT PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING AND OTHER MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS.

IT MAKES UP ABOUT ONE THIRD OF THE LARGER CIRCLE AREA WHICH ALSO INCLUDES STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION LAND, FOOD PRODUCERS, MARKET AND A FEW

OTHER BUSINESSES THAT HAVE OPERATIONS THERE.

IT IS ONE OF THE LOWEST LYING AREAS IN THE CITY.

IN FACT, REPRESENTATIVE DROPPED OFF AT MY OFFICE EARLIER TODAY AN 1883 MAP OF THE TOY OF BOSTON WHICH I WOULD LIKE TO ALSO ENTER INTO THE RECORD WHICH SHOWS THE AREA IN QUESTION ENTIRELY IN WATER AND THE BOUNDARIES OF ROXBURY PROPER.

WE WILL HEAR LATER FROM EXPERTS WHO WILL TALK ABOUT THE CLIMATE CHANGE VULNERABILITY.

THIS MEANS WE MUST HAVE A FUNDAMENTAL COMPONENT IN ANY POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENT HERE BUT ALSO THE USE OF THIS PARCEL WILL HAVE AN IMPACT ON SURROUNDING NEIGHBORHOODS NOT JUST WHEN IT COME TO TRAFFIC AND CONGESTION BUT FOR CLIMATE WHETHER THE WATER IS PUSHED OVER INTO SURROUNDING NEIGHBORHOODS OR THE INFRASTRUCTURE AND THEREBY PROTECTING THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES.

AS COMMITTEE CHAIR I WANT TO CLARIFY WHAT SURPLUS ORDER MEANS.

THE VOTE THAT THIS ORDER SEEKS IS A CLARIFICATION ON WHETHER THE COUNCIL SHOULD REMOVE THIS FROM PUBLIC LAND OWNED BY THE CITY AND TRANSFER OWNERSHIP THROUGH A PROCESS TO THE BRA OR THE BOSTON DEVELOPMENT AGENCY FOR POTENTIAL SALE OR LEASE.

THE DOCKET BEFORE US IS NOT ABOUT WHETHER BOSTON SHOULD OR SHOULDN'T HAVE A SOCCER STADIUM OR ANY OTHER PARTICULAR USE, IT IS ABOUT WHETHER THIS PARCEL SHOULD REMAIN PUBLIC LAND FOR NOW AND WHAT SHOULD HAPPEN TO IT.

ONCE THE CITY COUNCIL TAKES A VOTE TO DESIGNATE THE PARCEL OF SURPLUS OUR DIRECT OVERSIGHT ENDS.

THERE MAY BE MORE PUBLIC PROCESSES TO FOLLOW BUT THAT WOULD BE MANAGED BY THE BRA.

FINALLY, JUST A QUICK OVERVIEW OF THE FORMAT, AGAIN I WOULD LIKE TO ENTER THE FIRST PUBLIC TESTIMONY SO WE WILL START OFF WITH THREE OR FOUR PEOPLE A AMOUNTING TO FIVE MINUTES OF PUBLIC TESTIMONY FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC THEN WE'LL TRANSITION TO A PANEL OF EXPERTS FROM THE COMMUNITY.

THEN IN TERMS OF GENERAL PUBLIC TESTIMONY THEN HEARING FROM THE ADMINISTRATION AND THEN OPEN IT UP FOR ANYONE ELSE WHO WISHES TO SPEAK FROM THE PUBLIC.

AND OF COURSE WE'LL HAVE COUNCILORS QUESTIONS IN BETWEEN AS WELL.

SO, IF YOU COULD HELP ME.

WHILE WE ARE SEEING WHO THE FIRST LUCKY PEOPLE WERE WHO SIGNED UP TO TESTIFY I'LL READ INTO THE RECORD A LETTER FROM UP YEAH PRESSLEY.

DUE TO MY NEW SCHEDULED OVERTIMATION IN WASHINGTON DUNCHESS KRRNTLE I WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ATTEND TODAY'S COMMITTEE REGARDING THE LAND SPECIFICALLY THE PARCEL.

I WANT TO THANK THE CHAIR FOR HOSTING THIS HEARING AND INCLUDING COMMUNITY WORKERS IN THIS CONVERSATION, DISPOSING OF CITY OWNED LAND SHOULD AIM TO MAXIMIZE PUBLIC BENEFIT.

I ASK FOR THE CITY COUNCIL'S APPROVAL AND TRANSFER WITHOUT THE ABILITY TO UNDERSTAND FUTURE BIDS AND SPECIFIC USE OF PARCELS.

I LOOK FORWARD TO REVIEWING THE RECORDING, THE QUESTIONS AS WELL AS PUBLIC TESTIMONY.

SO WE'LL TAKE THE FIRST THREE PEOPLE WHO HAVE SIGNED TESTIFY. STEVE, CRAIG AND LOUISE.

>> MY NAME IS STEVE, I LIVE IN SOUTH BOSTON -- NOT ONE SERVICE FACILITY IN THE CONTEXT OF MY COMMENTS.

THE CITY OF BOSTON WANTS TO SELL 18 ACRE FRONTAGE ROAD THROUGH A

BIDDING PROCESS [INDISCERNIBLE]
CIRCLE WHETHER TO DETERMINE THE
LAND'S VALUE OR ON ITS POTENTIAL
FOR HIGHEST AND BEST USE --
MULTIGENERATIONAL HOUSING
CRISES.

DOES THE BPBA HAVE THE
RESPONSIBLE FOR PLANNING LARGE
TRACTS BEYOND WAITING FOR
PROPOSALS, AMAZON STADIUM TO
FALL FROM THE SKY.

A HISTORY OF POST AUDIT -- WHEN
IT COMES TO PLANNING AND
REZONING -- AS WELL AS BRA.
AS A REMINDER -- TESTIFIED FOR
BOSTON CITY COUNCIL WHEN WINTER
SQUARE WAS FOLLOWED AT 40
MILLION HAVING NEVER TAKEN THE
TIME TO PLAN DOWNTOWN OR TO
ASSESS THE -- ON THE EXISTING
SHADOW LAWS.

BPBA FILED TO HOLD THE
SPECIFICATION DEVELOPER FOR MANY
MARKET BASE COMPETITION WITH
RESPECT TO \$53 MILLION BID.

THE BPBA FAILED TO REASSESS THE
SALE PRICE AS THE PROJECT
QUIETLY BLOATED FROM THE SLENDER
807,000 SQUARE FOOT TOWER AND
WAS PRESENTED TO THE PUBLIC IN
2017 TO THE .6 MILLION SQUARE
FOOT PROJECT -- 1.6 MILLION
SWEAR FOOT PROJECT.

THE CIRCLE WAS HERALDED BY THIS
ADMINISTRATION AS A CIVIC MASTER
WORK.

IT INCLUDED A FEW MILLION SQUARE
FEET OF COMMERCIAL USES AND
4,000 HOUSING UNITS.

UNITS THAT RELIEVES MARKET
PRESSURE ELSEWHERE.

THAT TINLTD POTENTIAL NO
DOUBT -- TILTED POTENTIAL NO
DOUBT -- SO WHAT HAPPENED TO THE
MIDTERM PLAN IN FOLLOWING YEARS.

IT WAS MENTIONED IN BOSTON
2020 -- I'M NOT OPPOSED TO THE
IDEA OF A SOCCER STADIUM BUT THE
BIG PICTURE MATTERS.

VALUE MATTERS.

POTENTIAL MATTERS.

IMPACTS IN OUTLYING COMMUNITIES,
TRANSPORTATION PLANNING
MATTERS -- FLOOD WATER AND

OTHERWISE WILL ENTER DORCESTER
AND BEYOND.
MY RECOMMENDATIONS JUST QUICKLY,
NO ACTION ON 18 ACRE FRONTAGE
ROAD UNTIL BPBA HAS A MASTER
PLAN -- COMPREHENSIVE STEM WATER
MITIGATION PLAN.
THE CIRCLE MUST INCLUDE AN
ALTERNATIVE -- TO SOUTH SEAS
EXPANSION.
THE ONLY SALE PUBLICLY OF THE
CIRCLE THE CITY SHOULD REMAIN A
PARTICIPANTS IN THAT DEPARTMENT
IN THE STAKE OF THE OUTCOME OF
THE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME, I
REALLY APPRECIATE IT.

>> THANK YOU, STEVE.
CRAIG.

>> THANK YOU CHAIRMAN WU AND THE
BOSTON TOY COUNCIL.
MY NAME IS CRAIG, I'M WITH
COMMUNITY -- THREE TEAM
MASSACHUSETTS -- DESPITE THE
PAST 12 YEARS OF MY LIFE TRYING
TO STOP IT.
WE HAVE FAILED TO STOP CLIMATE
CHANGE.
NO MATTER WHAT WE DO IT IS GOING
TO GET WORSE.
THE QUESTIONS BEFORE US ARE HOW
QUICKLY CAN WE DECARBONIZE OUR
ECONOMIES TO MINIMIZE HOW BAD IT
WILL GET AND PREPARE FOR THE
COMING CHANGES.
THESE A SECOND QUESTION I WOULD
LIKE TO DISCUSS WITH YOU ALL
TODAY.
BECAUSE THE WALSH ADMINISTRATION
CURRENT PLAN TO DEVELOP A
COASTAL PIECE OF PROPERTY TO
BUILD A SOCCER STADIUM WOULD BE
LAUGHABLE IF IT WERE NOT TRUE.
THE CITY THAT SEEKS TO BE
PROGRESSIVE -- IS STILL
UNDERMINING NEW CONSTRUCTION ON
COASTAL PROPERTY IN CLIMATE
DENIAL.
SEA RISE WILL EXPANS THE CENTURY
WILL BE MEASURED WITH
YARDSTICKS.
THIS PROPERTY COULD HELP

MITIGATE AGAINST COASTAL FLOODING IF IT WAS RETURNED TO IT'S FORMER WEST LANDS AS THE PANEL WILL EXPLAIN -- GOING TO OCCUR, IT SHOULD BE RESERVED FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING.

BOSTON FACES AT LEAST TWO CRISES RIGHT NOW, A GLOBAL CLIMATE CLIESES AND A REGIONAL HOUSING AFFORDABILITY CRISES.

WE ARE NOT HOWEVER FACING A SOCCER STADIUM CRISES.

IT CONTINUES TO RISE MAKING BOSTON UNAFFORDABLE TO MORE FAMILIES WITH THE PASSING YEARS WITH OBVIOUS SOCIAL COSTS AND LESS OBVIOUS CLIMATE COSTS -- INCREASING CLIMATE POLLUTION IN THE PROCESS.

WE'RE ASKING CITY COUNCIL TO DELAY A VOTE TO ALLOW FOR MORE PUBLIC INPUT AND INFORMATION INCLUDING THE STUDY OF HOW WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO CO-LOCATE SOME AFFORDABLE HOUSING ON ANY PORTION OF THE LAND, BEING RESTORED AS WET LANDS.

THIS IS A QUESTION OF PUBLIC GOOD.

HOW TO PREPARE FOR CLIMATE FEATURE WHILE PROTECTING THE MOST VULNERABLE COMMUNITY MEMBERS.

THE PARCEL SHOULD BE RESERVED FOR WETLANDS RESTORATION -- CLIMATE CHANGE DEMAND WE TAKE THE APPROPRIATE TIME TO ARE CONSIDER CAN OPTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE MOVING FORWARD.

ON BEHALF OF A THOUSAND MEMBERS AND SUPPORTERS I ASK YOU NOT TO RUSH TO A DECISION BUT WAIT FOR MORE CAREFUL DECISION TO GUIDE THIS PROCESS AND DECISION. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

>> THANK YOU.

FINALLY FOR THIS SEGMENT, LOUISE BAXTER.

>> I'M VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE CLIMATE CHANGE.

IF YOU BUILD ON TOP OF SOMETHING THAT'S GOT WATER IT'S GOING TO

SPREAD OVER TO THE OTHER AREAS.
I AGREE WITH HIM.
MY THOUGHT ON THE PUBLIC WORKS.
THE CITY GARAGE, THE TRACKS.
IF YOU TAKE THEM AWAY, WHERE ARE
YOU GOING TO SHOVE THE ROCKS OUT
TO.
THAT AREA IS GOOD BECAUSE IT'S
NOT NOX TO A HOUSE OR ANYTHING.
IT'S BETWEEN TRAIN TRACKS AND
EXPRESSWAY UNDER IT.
I WOULD LEAVE IT THERE BECAUSE
IT'S MUCH CLOSER TO GET TO THE
EXPRESSWAY.
SO THEY DON'T DRIVE THROUGH
TRAFFIC.
I DON'T WANT MY WALK TWO BLOCKS
AWAY FROM ME.
WHERE IT IS IT GETS DELIVERED.
THIS IS BUSINESSES.
EVEN THE FOOD THAT KEEPS THE
CITY GOING THEY ARE NOT GROUND
RULES.
BEFORE WE PUT HOUSING THERE --
BEFORE WE PUT ANY TYPE OF
HOUSING THERE I WOULD WANT TO
RESEARCH THE HEALTH FACTORS.
LIKE BEING NEAR A HIGHWAY AND
THE TRAIN TRACKS.
IF YOU BUILD HOUSING THERE, HOW
CLOSE IS IT GOING TO BE?

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH, LOUISE.
OKAY.

I WANT TO FINAL ME RECOGNIZE
COUNCILOR O'MALLEY IS WITH US IN
THE CHAMBER AS WELL AND ALSO I
ALWAYS LIKE TO EXTEND A VERY
WELCOME BACK TO FORMER
COUNCILORS AND NOT ONLY CHOIRNL
CHUCK TURNER WHO YOU'LL HEAR SHORTLY
BUT ALSO MIKE MCCORMICK IN THE
AUDIENCE.

TURNING OVER TO THE PANEL IF YOU
WOULD MAYBE JUST TO ONE ROUND
DOWN OF INTRODUCING YOURSELVES
AND ANY AFFILIATION AND THEN
WHATEVER ORDER AND WE WOULD LIKE
TO START TO DIVE IN.

>> CHUCK TURNER.
I'M COORDINATOR OF THE BOSTON
JOBS COALITION.

>> I'M EMILY IN THE PAST OF NEW
ROOTS IN DORCESTER AND A FELLOW
WITH THE GREEN JUSTICE
COALITION.

>> MY NAME IS EMILY NORTON.
I AM THE SKEW DIRECTOR OF
CHARLES RIVER WATERSHED
ASSOCIATION.

>> I'M JULIE WOOD ALSO WITH
CHARLES RIVER WATERSHED
ASSOCIATION.

>> I WORK AT THE COMMUNITY GROUP
CALLED ALTERNATIVES FOR
COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENT.

>> I'M LISA OWENS I'M THE
DIRECTOR OF CITY LIFE URBANA AND
A MEMBER TO THE RIGHTS OF THE
CITY COALITION.

>> ALL RIGHT.
THANK YOU PANEL.
WHO WOULD LIKE TO BEGIN?

>> I'LL TAKE A MOMENT QUICKLY TO
FRAME I THINK WHAT YOU'LL HEAR
IN SOME OF THE CONVERSATIONS
THAT EACH OF THE PANELISTS
RAISE.
I WANT TO BEGIN BY SAYING THAT I
AM A RESIDENT OF DORCESTER.
I LIVE IN ST. WILLIAMS PARISH
WHICH I KNOW IS NOT MOTHER
TERESA BUT IT'S TILL
ST. WILLIAMS.
I GREW UP IN ROXBURY.
I LIVED THROUGH THE TOUGH TIME
OF THE 90'S AND I HAVE WATCHED
THE MASSIVE TRANSITION OF BOSTON
OVER MY LIFETIME.
I WILL BE 40 NEXT YEAR WHICH IS
ALSO UNBELIEVABLE TO ME BUT I
HAVE LIVED AND WATCHED WHAT
HAPPENED TO THE CITY OVER THE
LAST 40 YEARS.
I REMEMBER WHEN PEOPLE WERE
AFRAID TO COME TO THE TOY, WHEN
PEOPLE THAT I WENT TO SCHOOL
WITH WHERE THEIR PARENTS
WOULDN'T ALLOW THEM TO COME
VISIT ME IN ROXBURY BECAUSE THEY

WERE AFRAID THIS WERE GOING TO
GET SHOT.

I LIVED IN GROVE HALL IN THE
UPPER CENTER OF THE VIOLENCE
THAT SHOOK THE CITY AND I'M
CONCERNED TO MAKE SURE WE NEVER
GO BACK TO THOSE DAYS BECAUSE
THEY WERE DARK DAYS AND
CHALLENGING TIMES.

I ALSO AS A CHILD NEVER
EVER VISITED THE NEIGHBORHOODS
OF SOUTH BOSTON, CHARLESTOWN OR
THE NORTH END BECAUSE I ALSO HAD
A FEAR I WOULDN'T BE SAFE THERE
TOO.

WE'VE COME A LONG WAY.

I HAVE FRIENDS WHO LIVE IN THOSE
COMMUNITIES BUT I SAY THIS
BECAUSE I HAVE WATCHED THIS CITY
SHIFT IN MANY WAYS.

SOME FOR THE GOOD.

THE REALITY IS THAT I DO FEEL
SAFE GOING TO CHARLESTOWN AND
HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO HANG OUT
IN THE NORTH END SPECIFICALLY ON
COMPANY SAINTS DAYS AND HAVE A
REALLY GOOD TIME THERE.

THERE ARE OTHER THINGS IN THIS
CITY THAT'S REALLY CHALLENGING.

WHEN I LOOK AT THE FRIENDS I
GROW UP WITH I'M THE ONLY ONE
WHO IS ACTUALLY A PROPERTY OWNER
IN THE CITY OF BOSTON RIGHT NOW.
TO SOME EXTENT -- MY HUSBAND'S A
LITTLE BIT OLDER THAN I AND LIVE
IN A BETTER PLACE FINANCIALLY
WHEN WE WERE MARRIED AND ABLE TO
BUY IN 2005.

I COULD NOT AFFORD THE HOUSE I
CURRENTLY LIVE IN IF I WAS
TRYING TO BUY IT IN THE MARKET
AS WHAT IT IS RIGHT NOW.

I REMEMBER WHEN THE NEW FOLKS
MOVED IN NEXT DOOR TO ME WHEN
THEY RENOVATED THE HOUSE NEXT
DOOR TO ME WHICH FOR MANY YEARS
HAD BEEN FOLKS RENTING.

WE ALWAYS USED TO DO HALLOWEEN
TOGETHER AND GO TO THE PARADE
TOGETHER AND THEY GOT MOVED OUT
AND THE PEOPLE WHO MOVED IN PAID
MORE THAN \$6 00,000 NEXT TO ME
AND SAID YOU MUST BE HAPPY THAT
YOUR PROPERTY VALUE HAS RISEN.

MY RESPONSE WAS I REMEMBER WHEN
KIDS USED TO RIDE THEIR BIKES
DOWN THE STREET AND NOW THERE'S
ALMOST NO CHILDREN IN MY
NEIGHBORHOOD BECAUSE PEOPLE WHO
HAVE KIDS CAN'T AFFORD TO LIVE
THERE.

THAT IS A VERY REAL TRUTH OF
WHAT WE ARE FACING IN BOSTON.

I KNOW MANY OF YOU LIVE IN
NEIGHBORHOODS WHERE YOU ARE
SEEING THE SAME EXACT THING.
AND SO I AM HERE BECAUSE MANY OF
US ARE ASKING TOUGH QUESTIONS
ABOUT WHO BOSTON IS GOING TO BE
FOR AND WHAT BOSTON IS GOING TO
BE AS A CITY.

AND THE ANSWERS THAT WE'RE
SEEING RIGHT NOW ARE A LITTLE
CONCERNING TO SAY THE LEAST.
AND WANT TO PUSH BACK ON
ANYTHING THAT KEEPS IN A TREND
IN A DIRECTION THAT PEOPLE THAT
HAVE LIVED HERE FOR THERE WHOLE
LIVES CAN'T AFFORD TO STAY IN
THE CITY.

SO WHEN I THINK OF ALL THE INJOB
ADVERTISES WHO IS BENEFITING
FROM THE CITY THE WAY IT IS
RIGHT NOW THAT'S ONE LEVEL OF
CONCERN AND ONE THING WE SHOULD
BE THINKING ABOUT.

BUT THE OTHER SIDE OF THE FEAR
THAT I DEAL WITH IS AS CRAIG
MENTIONED, EVERY DAY, WELL NOT
EVERY DAY BUT MANY DAYS I WAKE
UP AND I GO RUNNING AND ONE OF
MY FAVORITES PLACES TO GO
RUNNING IS CARSON BEACH.

NOT NOW BECAUSE AS YOU KNOW IT'S
WINDY DURE CANNING THE SUMMER
BUT IT'S ALSO WINDY DURING THE
WINTER SO WE HAVE SHUT DOWN THE
CARSON RUNNING BEACH SCHEDULE AT
THIS POINT BECAUSE I JUST CAN'T
HOLD OUT WHEN THOSE GUSTS COME.

CARSON IS A BEAUTIFUL PLACE.

LAST YEAR I HAD A MOMENT WHERE I
SAT ON THE BEACH AND ACTUALLY
CRIED BECAUSE I REALIZED
CHILDREN IN THE FUTURE PROBABLY
WON'T BE ABLE TO GO TO CARSON
BEACH IT WILL PROBABLY BE UNDER
WATER WHERE I SPEND TIME GROCERY

SHOPPING WHERE I GO WALKING.
OF THOSE COMMUNITIES WILL BE
UNDER WATER AND THAT IS
SOMETHING THAT I LIVE WITH ON A
DAILY BASIS.

THERE'S NOT A DAY THAT GOES BY
THAT I DON'T THINK ABOUT IT.
SO THE REALITY IS BOSTON'S
FUTURE IS THE SUBJECT OF THIS
CONVERSATION.

IT'S NOT JUST ABOUT 18 ACRES OF
LAND.

THIS IS ABOUT WHO BOSTON IS
GOING TO CHOOSE TO BE AND WHAT
KIND OF BOSTON WE WILL HAND OVER
TO OUR GRANDCHILDREN.

SOMETIMES WE SAY WE THINK ABOUT
THE BIG PICTURE BUT THEN I FIND
SOMETIMES IN OUR DAILY ACTIONS
WE DON'T LIVE THAT BIG PICTURE.
AT CHURCH I SAY THERE ARE THREE
THINGS WE WANT TO BE THINKING
ABOUT, WHO WE REALLY ARE, WHO WE
WANT TO BE AND WHO GOD CALLS US
TO BE.

THE BIG DANGER IS WHEN THERE ARE
MAJOR GAPS BETWEEN THOSE THREE
THINGS.

WHEN WHO WE ARE DRASTICALLY
DIFFERS FROM WHO WE SHOULD BE
AND WHEN WHO WE WANT TO BE
DRASTICALLY DIFFERS FROM WHO WE
ARE CALLED TO BE.

THIS LAND MAKING THE DECISION
ABOUT THIS LAND IS CLOSING, IS
ABOUT CLOSING THE GAP BETWEEN
WHO BOSTON IS, WHO BOSTON WANTS
TO BE AND WHO BOSTON IS CALLED
TO BE, NOT JUST IN THE CITY BUT
AROUND THE STATE AND AROUND THE
WORLD.

WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY IN THIS
PIECE OF LAND TO MAKE POWERFUL
DECISIONS ABOUT THE FUTURE OF
THIS CITY AND HOW WE WILL TAKE
INTO ACCOUNT ALL OF THE
DIFFERENT DEMANDS AND NEEDS THAT
WE .

SO YOU WILL HEAR FROM PEOPLE
ABOUT JOBS AND LAND AND
CLIEVMENT CHANGE AND HOUSING AND
ALL OF THOSE DIFFERENT
CHALLENGES.

I WANT TO KNOW THAT OUR LARGEST

CONCERN IS THAT THIS CITY DOES NOT HAVE A STRONG HISTORY OF DOING PLANNING IN A WAY THAT WAYTHAT BRINGS ALL OF THESE THINGS TOGETHER.

I CAN SAY PRETTY CLEARLY FROM THIS GROUP WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THIS LAND SHOULD BE HANDED OVER TO THE BRA FOR THE KINDS OF PROCESSES WE HAVE SEEN IN THE PAST.

WE BELIEVE THAT THIS IS AN IMPORTANT AND POWERFUL OPPORTUNITY FOR OUR CITY TO GET IT RIGHT ABOUT WHO WE ARE AND WHO WE WANT TO BE INTO THE FUTURE.

SO I WILL NOW HAND IT OVER FOR YOU TO HEAR FROM ALL OF THESE DIFFERENT PANELISTS WHO HAVE RAISED DIFFERENT CHALLENGES. BUT AGAIN, OUR GOAL IS NOT JUST TO RAISE EACH OF THESE THINGS SEPARATELY BUT TO SEE THIS LANDS ADD AN OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT ALL OF THESE THINGS TOGETHER AND DO SOMETHING THAT WE CAN BE PROUD OF FOR GENERATIONS TO COME. THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR AND CITY KOIRNLDZ FOR GIVING US THIS TIME.

WE HAVE SOME SLIDES THAT WE'RE GOING TO GO THROUGH IF I CAN FIGURE OUT HOW THIS WORKS AND WE'RE OFF TO A GOOD START. AND WE'RE GOING TO IN THE INTEREST OF TIME SPEED THROUGH THEM A BIT SO THERE IS MORE DETAIL IN THE HANDOUTS YOU HAVE AND WILL BE HAPPY TO TAKE QUESTIONS AT THE END AS WELL. FIRST JUST SOME QUICK BACKGROUND ON CHARLES WATER SHED SO IS YAWTION.

WE WERE FOUNDED IN 1965 AND THEY ARE MOST WELL-KNOWN FOR OUR LEADERSHIP CLEANING UP THE CHARLES RIVER. LOOKS LIKE WHEN I WAS A CHILD

AND MOST OF YOU WERE CHILDREN
WAS A STINKING SPLOOTD MESS THAT
PEOPLE WHO GIVEN UP UP.

THE EPA GAVE THE CHARLES RIVER
AN A MINUS FOR WATER QUALITY.
THE APPROACH THEN AND NOW IS
BASED ON SCIENCE, DATA,
EVIDENCE, NOT POLITICAL, PEED
YUNLSY.

THOSE ARE OFTEN AT ODDS NOT JUST
AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL BUT
LOCALLY.

THERE'S SOME FORESHADOWING.
SUPER QUICKLY THERE WAS A REPORT
YET ANOTHER DIRE REPORT WAS
RELEASED ON FRIDAY, THE NATIONAL
CLIMATE ASSESSMENT THAT HAD MORE
OF THE SAME BUT JUST MORE DIRE
BUT WHAT WE'VE SEEN IN THE PAST
PARTICULARLY FOR THE NORTHEAST
GENERALLY MEANS MORE WATER, MORE
HEAT BOTH OF WHICH WILL AFFECT
THIS PROPERTY.

THIS NEXT SLIDE IT'S LIKE I SAID
IN YOUR POCKET GOES INTO SOME
DETAIL ABOUT IMPERMEABLE
SURFACES MEANING WHY THEY ARE
BAD WHEN IT COMES TO CLIMATE
CHANGE.

VERY BRIEFLY WE'VE GOT
BUILDINGS, ROADS, TENNIS COURTS,
ETCETERA.

WATER CANNOT ABSORB INTO THE
LAND AND KEEP IN MIND THAT
BEFORE EUROPEANS CAME TO THESE
HANDS, IT WAS VIRTUALLY ALL
WATER.

STREAMS, RIVERS, MARSHES, WET
LANDS.

OUR ENVIRONMENT ALLOWS US TO
HAVE A MODERN LIFE WHICH IS A
GOOD THING BUT IT HAS COME WITH
COSTS.

AS IT SUMMARIZES IN GENERAL
SURFACES MEANS MORE WATER, MORE
HEAT AND BECAUSE OUR
INFRASTRUCTURE IS SO OLD,
CLIMATE CHANGE IS JUST
EXACERBATING THE PROBLEMS THAT
WE ALREADY HAVE.

AND WITH THAT CHEERY START I'M
GOING TO TURN IT OVER TO JULIE.

>> THANK YOU.

GOOD AFTERNOON EVERYONE.
SINCE WE'RE HAVING VISUALS, AN
IMPORTANT THING TO PUT UP IS
SORT OF THE AREA THAT WE'RE
TALKING ABOUT HERE AS WAS WELL
DESCRIBED IN THE INTRODUCTION.
THIS IS JUST A SHOT HERE OF THE
CITY 'S 2013 CLIMATE READY
BOSTON REPORT THAT IDENTIFIED
SOME OF THE VULNERABLE CITY OF
BOSTON PROPERTIES AND RIGHT ON
THE LIST FROM THE 2013 REPORT AS
COUNCILOR WU MENTIONED IS THE
400 FRONTAGE ROAD PROPERTY.
ADDITIONALLY JUST A FEW SLIDES
FROM THE CLIMATE-READY BOSTON
VULNERABILITY ANALYSIS ON-LINE
MAPPER.
THIS SHOWS THREATS THERE STORM
WATERS FLOODING THAT WE EXPECT
TO SEE FROM SEVERE STORMS WHICH
ARE ALREADY GETTING MORE SEVERE
AND EXPECTED TO CONTINUE.
IF I ZOOM IN ON THE AREA, WE SEE
THE IMPACTS OF STORMWATER
FLOODING OVERLAID WITH THOSE
AREAS IN PINK WHICH ARE LOW
INCOME POPULATION AREAS AS WELL.
AS YOU'LL SEE WE'LL TALK ABOUT
SOME OPPORTUNITIES TO POSSIBLY
USE THIS PARCEL TO PROTECT SOME
OF THOSE VULNERABLE INDIVIDUALS
AS WE TRY TO ADAPT TO THE
CHANGING CLIMATE.
ANOTHER IMPORTANT ISSUE OF
COURSE IS SEA LEVEL RISE,
ZOOMING IN ON THE SEA LEVEL RISE
HAS HAS BEEN MENTIONED BY OTHERS
ZOOMING IN ON THE AREA FOCUSED
ON SEA LEVEL RISE.
THIS IS ONE OF THE LOWEST AREAS
IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.
IT IS LIKELY TO FLOOD SOON.
IT IS ALSO LIKELY TO ALLOW FLOOD
WATERS TO REACH OTHER AREAS
SOONER THAN THEY OTHERWISE,
SOONER THAN IT OTHERWISE MAY
HAVE.
THERE IS SOME QUESTION IN OUR
HISTORY.
WE TO OUR BEST TO PREDICT THE
FUTURE BUT WE CANNOT.
AS EMILY REST -- REFERENCED
THOUGH EVERY TIME WE HEAR

SOMETHING NEW ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE, IT'S GETTING WORSE NOT GETTING BETTER.

SO WHEN BOSTON PUT OUT THE VULNERABILITY ANALYSIS IN 2016, THERE WAS CERTAINLY A WIDE RANGE OF WHAT WE MIGHT SEE FROM SEA LEVEL RISE RANGING FROM TWO AND-A-HALF FEET UP TO 10 AND-A-HALF FEET.

THAT FRIEND IS DEFINITELY NOW VEERING TOWARD THE HIGHER END. WE TONIGHT HAVE TO WAIT FOR THE FUTURE HOWEVER, WE CAN THINK ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED LAST JANUARY WITH OUR WINTER STORMS THAT WERE VERY SEVERE.

THIS WAS AN ARTICLE FROM THE BOSTON GLOBE REFERENCING THAT THE TOW LOT WAS UNDER WATER. I'M GOING TO DIVE INTO THE WORK THAT CHARLES RIVER WATERSHED ASSOCIATION HAS DONE ON THIS PARCEL.

AT CHARLES RIVER WATERSHED ASSOCIATION WE LIKE TO LEARN LESSONS FROM NATURE.

THERE'S A LONG HISTORY THERE WITH NATURE, MUCH LONGER THAN OUR HUMAN HISTORY SO WE THINK THERE'S SOME WISDOM THERE TO CALL FROM.

SO AS COUNCILOR ALREADY MENTIONED THIS AREA WAS ONCE WATER.

IT WAS ONCE THE SOUTH BAY. THE SOUTH BAY IS NOT JUST A SHOPPING CENTER, IT IS ALSO AN INLET FROM BOSTON HARBOR.

SO IN THE 1700'S, 1800'S, IT WAS ESSENTIALLY COMPLETELY UNDER WATER.

AS WE ZOOM INTO THE 1900'S, THIS IS THE MAP FROM 1934, WHAT WE SEE, AND I APOLOGIZE IT'S A BIT HARD FOR FOLKS TO SEE, WHAT WE SEE IS THE AREA WAS FILLED PROGRESSIVELY FROM THE NORTHWEST TO.

SOUTH, TO THE SOUTHEASTERN SIDE OF THE PARCEL.

AND THAT IN THE 1920'S AND 1930'S, THERE DID REMAIN A CANAL AS WELL AS A SMALL AREA OF

BROOK, AND THERE'S A PHOTO OF 1925 WHICH PURPORTS TO BE FROM ALBANY STREET WHICH WAS ESSENTIALLY STILL A SHIPPING CANAL.

INTERESTINGLY, IF YOU OVERLAY THE CITY OF BOSTON'S CURRENT STORM WATER INFRASTRUCTURE ON TO THIS MAP, WHAT YOU SEE IS THAT CANAL IS NOW A PIPE THAT BOSTON WATER AND SEWER COMMISSION CALLS THE ROXBURY CANAL.

AND THAT AREA OF BROOK IS ALSO A PIPE, AN UNDERGROUND PIPE THAT THE BOSTON WATER AND SEWER COMMISSION CALLS THE DORCESTER BROOK CONDUIT.

SO THESE WATER WAYS ARE STILL THERE.

THEY'RE JUST UNDERGROUND NOW. SO WE'RE HERE TODAY TO MAKE TWO RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE CITY COUNCIL IN CONSIDERING THIS DECISION.

OPTION ONE WOULD BE TO CONSIDER PRESERVING THIS AREA AND RESTORING THIS AREA AS A NATURAL FLOOD CONTROLLED BARRIER. THIS IS AN OPTION WE'RE CALLING RESTORE THE BAY.

AN EXAMPLE, IF YOU WERE TO PRESERVE A 300 ACRE LAND MASS IN THIS AREA, YOU COULD STORE WATER FROM A 10 "STORM FOR THE SURROUND -- INCH STORM.

YOU HAVE FLEXIBILITY IN SEA LEVEL RISE ALONG THIS VULNERABLE POINT ALONG THE COAST.

HAVING OPEN PACES AND IMPROVE WATER QUALITY AND HABITAT.

AN AREA WE'RE CALLING THE FOUR POINT WETLAND.

OPTION TWO WITH DEVELOPMENT, RESTORE SOME STREAM AND GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE AND SOME NATURAL SPACES INCORPORATED INTO ANY OTHER DECISIONS THAT THE CITY MAKES WITH THE COMMUNITY FOR MOVING THIS PARCEL FORWARD INTO A NEW USE.

BY DAYLIGHTING THESE CULVERTED STREAMS, THE ROXBURY CANAL AND THE DORCESTER BROOK YOU COULD POTENTIALLY PROTECT THE

SURROUNDING AREA INTO A MODEST
RAINFALL EVENT LIKE A ONE YEAR
STORM.

BRINGING THOSE CULVERTED STREAMS
OUT OF THIS THICK SIZE CULVERT
AND PROVIDING SOME NATURAL FLOOD
BANK WILL IMPROVE YOUR ABILITY
TO MANAGE STORMWATER, REDUCE
FLOODING, POSSIBLY REDUCE
COMBINED SEWER OVERFLOWS WHILE
ALSO CREATING A NEW OPEN SPACE
AND IMPROVING WATER QUALITY AND
HABITAT.

SO HERE'S WHAT THE AREA RIGHT BY
THE DPW BUILDING LOOKS LIKE
TODAY.

IF YOU WERE TO CAN CULVERT THAT
STREAM, YOU CAN SEE IT.

I JUST WANT TO CLOSE BY SAYING
OUR RECOMMENDATIONS ARE
CONSISTENT WITH THE RECENT
REPORT OUT FROM THE CITY
INTENTIONED RESILIENT BOSTON
HARBOR FOR CREATING RESILIENT
AND REIMAGINED FOUR POINT
CHANNEL, ENGAGING THE
NEIGHBORHOOD IN PROTECTING THIS
AREA AND BEGINNING SOME OF THE
IMPORTANT WORK TO PROTECT THIS
AREA FROM BOTH STORMWATER AND
COASTAL FLOODING.
THANK YOU.

>> I'M GOING TO CLOSE OUT ONE
LAST POINT.

MAYOR WALSH GAVE A MAJOR SPEECH
LAST MONTH ABOUT CLIMATE
RESILIENCY AND WE NEED TO SPEND
HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS IF NOT MORE
TO PROTECT THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT
IN SOUTH BOSTON, EAST BOSTON,
CHARLESTOWN, ETCETERA.

YOU HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY HERE TO
AVOID THAT FATE, TO NOT BUILD
SOMETHING THAT WE WILL THEN HAVE
TO ABANDON OR SPEND A TON OF
MONEY TO PROTECT.

TO US IT'S BASICALLY SORT OF
HASHTAG DOES NOT COMPUTE TO SAY
THAT YOU'RE FOCUSING ON CLIMATE
RESILIENCY AND THEN MOVE AHEAD
WITH BUSINESS AS USUAL IN
DEVELOPING AN AREA THAT USED TO
BE OPEN WATER WHEN WE KNOW THAT

THE WATER IS COMING BACK.
SO IF SHORT YOU HAVE AN
OPPORTUNITY TO PROTECT PUBLIC
HEALTH, SAVE MONEY AND BUILD
BEAUTIFUL GREEN SPACE FOR BOSTON
RESIDENTS, EMPLOYEES AND
VISITORS.
THANK YOU.

>> GOOD AFTERNOON MY NAME IS
LEE.

I'M HERE TOEING ON BEHALF OF
ALTERNATIVES FOR COMMUNITY
ENVIRONMENT AND I THINK ONE
THING I'LL JUST SAY IS YOU KNOW
THAT OUR MEMBERS HAVE WORKED
REALLY HARD TO REALLY IMPROVE
THERE COMMUNITIES, RIGHT.
WE HAVE YOUNG PEOPLE WHO HAVE
DONE SUCH AMAZING WORK TO TAKE
BACK VACANT LOTS AND MAKE THEM
INTO PRODUCTIVE URBAN GARDENS
AND WE'VE HAD MEMBERS WHO ARE TO
GO WORK TO TALK ABOUT HOW WE
CONTROL LOCAL DEVELOPMENT IN
ROXBURY AND BEYOND.

WE HAVE MEMBERS WHO ARE ALSO
WORKING ON PUBLIC TRENDS TO MAKE
THAT HAPPEN.

WE HAVE PEOPLE WHO HAVE MADE
THIS CITY THE CITY IT IS AND NOW
THEY ARE FEARING FOR THEIR
ABILITY TO REMAIN IN THIS CITY.
WE HAD A WONDERFUL HEARING IN
ROXBURY.

IT WAS BOTH DIFFICULT TO LISTEN
TO BUT ALSO REALLY IMPORTANT.
THAT SORT OF SHED LIGHT ON SOME
OF THOSE STORIES.

I MENTION THAT BECAUSE I THINK
FOR US WE HAVE A VISION WHAT
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT LOOKS
LIKE.

AND IT SHOULD BE ROOTED IN THE
HANDS OF EXPERTS AND I'M NOT
JUST TALKING ABOUT CITY PLARNLZ.
THOSE WHO ARE CONFRONTING RENT
INCREASES AND CONFRONTING AND
DEALING WITH EVICTION, MAYBE
EVEN HOMELESSNESS AND STRUGGLING
THROUGH THESE CITY PROCESSES
THAT THE BPA IS LADLING IN TERMS
OF NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING.
SO I SEE THIS FRONTAGE ROAD

CONVERSATION EXACTLY WHAT WAS TALKED ABOUT.
IT'S MUCH BIGGER AND A PLATFORM FOR US TO TALK ABOUT ALL OF THESE VARIETY OF ISSUES.
I REALLY THINK IT'S AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THIS CITY AND THE CITY COUNCIL TO CREATE A MORE EQUITABLE AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS.
AND RESULTS AS WELL.
AND SO MORE SPECIFICALLY YOU ACTUALLY HAVE THE POWER TO ADOPT AND ENFORCE A CLEAR SET OF PRINCIPLES AND EVEN STANDARDS TO GUIDE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT ON THIS LOT AND I THINK THAT'S REALLY IMPORTANT AND I APPRECIATE YOU TAKING THE TIME TO LISTEN TO THESE DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVES.
A COUPLE OF THE THINGS I'M GOING TO SPEAK TO, HAVE BEEN ASKED TO SPEAK TO RELATE TO TRANSPORTATION IMMACS AND PUBLIC HEALTH IMPACTS.
I'M GOING TO DO SOME OF THAT BUT I THINK THIS IS THE TYPE OF INFORMATION AND THIS IS REALLY COMPELLING INFORMATION FROM THE CHARLES RIVER WATERSHED ASSOCIATION IS EXACTLY WHAT WE NEED TO TAKE TO THE PUBLIC.
PEOPLE NEED TO UNDERSTAND THIS AND ENGAGE IN THE PROCESS TO LEARN MORE ABOUT WHAT'S GOING ON BEFORE ANY VOTE IS TAKEN TO MAKE SURE THAT THIS LAND IS TRANSFERRED TO THE BPA.
ON THE TRANSPORTATION FRONT, I WAS SAYING EARLIER, OUR MEMBERS ARE MOSTLY BUS RIDERS PEOPLE WHO DEPEND ON PUBLIC TRANSIT.
WE TALK ABOUT CONGEST YOUIAN BEING YOU CAN -- CONGESTION BEING STUCK ON A BUS SOMEWHERE IN TRAFFIC AND THAT'S RUNNING OFF TIME AND LIMITING PEOPLE FROM GETTING TO WHERE THEY NEED TO GO.
TRAFFIC AND CONGESTION, RIGHT.
IT WAS MENTIONED EARLIER.
PEOPLE EXPERIENCE THIS IN OUR CITY.
I THINK PEOPLE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT

WE NEED MORE AND BETTER
INFRASTRUCTURE TO MAKE SURE
WE'RE GETTING PEOPLE AROUND MORE
EFFICIENTLY, AND TO THAT END, I
THINK PEOPLE ALSO UNDERSTAND AND
HAVE HEARD THESE CRAZY FACTS
ABOUT WHAT HOW BAD IT IS IN THIS
CITY.

WORST CITY IN THE NATION IN
TERMS OF CONGESTION.

2017 BOSTONIANS SPENT AN AVERAGE
OF 60 HOURS IN CONGESTION AND
THAT LEAVES A HUGE PRICE ON OUR
REGION AND INDIVIDUALS.

THE FOLKS WHO DID THIS SCORE
CARD TALKED ABOUT HOW IT WAS
ACTUALLY AN ANNUAL COST TO
DRIVERS INDIVIDUALLY OF ALMOST
OVER \$2,000 AND COST TO THE
REGION OF OVER \$5.7 BILLION.

I THINK THIS CAN'T BE IGNORED.
THE TRANSPORTATION STUDIES WITH
WHAT WE DO WITH THIS LOT HAS
REALLY RICH AND AN IMPORTANT
LENS.

THE NEXT IS PUBLIC HEALTH.

WE CAME TO THE ISSUE OF
TRANSPORTATION BECAUSE OUR
NEIGHBORHOOD HAD THE HIGHEST
RATES OF CHILDHOOD ASTHMA AND
SIX TIMES THE STATE AVERAGE AS A
MATTER OF FACT.

THIS WASN'T BY MISTAKE.

IT'S HOME TO HOME DEPOSE AND
PARKING LOTS AND THE LARGEST BUS
DEPOT IN THE SYSTEM.

AGAIN THESE REALLY COMPELLING
CLIMATE CONSIDERATIONS WHICH WE
CONSIDER A PUBLIC HEALTH
CONSIDERATION, THE ONLY OTHER
ONE WE LIKE TO THINK ABOUT IN
TERMS OF AIR QUALITY AND AIR
POLLUTION.

AND SO WE HAVE TO UNDERSTAND THE
QUALITY, THE IMPLICATIONS OF
BUILDING RIGHT NEXT TO A
HIGHWAY, RIGHT.

IN PARTICULAR, THE WAY THE BUILD
BLOWS, IT GOES RIGHT OVER THAT
PARCEL FROM THE HIGHWAY, RIGHT.

AND ONE INTERESTING THING IS TO
UNDERSTAND IN THE CONTEST OF AN
UNREGULAR LAIPTD SORT OF --
REGULATED MOOTANT AND WE NEED TO

STUDY MORE AND WE'RE TALKING
ULTRA FINE POLLUTANTS.
THESE ARE THINGS SUSPECTED IT'S
MINIMIZES VEHICLES IT'S NOT
REGULAR HATED AND EXPECTED TO BE
WORSE THAN THE PARTICULATE
MATTER TRIGGERING ASTHMA ATTACKS
AND THESE SORTS OF THINGS.
RESEARCH HAS SHOWN THESE ULTRA
FINE PARTICULATE MATTER ALSO
INCREASE THE RISK OF DEVELOPING
HEART DISEASE.

THESE ARE SHORTER TERM IMPACTS
WE'RE TALKING ABOUT AND THERE
ARE OTHERS AS WELL BUT I WANT TO
BRING THAT ONE UP IN PARTICULAR
BECAUSE IT'S UNREGULATED RIGHT
NOW.

I THINK I'LL JUST CLOSE BY
MENTIONING A COUPLE THINGS.
ONE IS, YOU KNOW, WE SEE THIS,
THIS IS A MAJOR RESOURCE FOR
THIS CITY, RIGHT, OUR LAND.
ONE OF PROBABLY THE MOST
VALUABLE ASSETS THAT WE .
AND I THINK I'VE HEARD OTHERS
SAY AND I AGREE WE HAVE TO
ACTUAL ME TAKE TIME TO BOTH
UNDERSTAND THE IMPLICATIONS AND
THOUGHTFULLY PLAN OUT AND NOT
SELL OUT FOR A SHORT TERM
PROFIT.

I THINK IT WOULD BE A MAJOR
MISTAKE POTENTIALLY CATASTROPHIC
UNDER THESE SEA LEVEL RISE
PROJECTIONS AND I THINK WE SEE
THIS PARCEL AS OFFERING AN
AMAZING AND POWERFUL OPPORTUNITY
TO ENGAGE THE PUBLIC, REALLY
LISTEN AND CO-CREATE A PLAN THAT
WILL CREATE MORE EQUITABLE AND
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT TO MEET
THE NEEDS OF OUR COMMUNITIES.
SO I'LL HAND IN OUR TESTIMONY
AND ALSO CAN ATTACH SOME OTHER
RESOURCES THAT PEOPLE CAN LOOK
AT ABOUT BUILDING HIGHWAYS AND
ABOUT THE TRANSPORTATION IMPACTS
AS WELL.

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH, LEE.

>> THANK YOU.

>> GOOD EVENING, EVERYBODY.
MY NAME IS LISA OWENS AGAIN AND
I WANT TO FIRST JUST THANK
EVERYBODY FOR OPENING UP AND
TALKING ABOUT THE PERSONAL
IMPACTS.
I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR ALL
OF US TO THINK ABOUT WHO HAS A
TAKE IN THIS VASTLY CITY ASSET.
AND SO I WANT TO FOLLOW THE LEAD
AND JUST SAY THAT I'M, THAT I
HAVE A STAKE FOR A FEW REASONS.
AND SO AS THE DIRECTOR OF A
HOUSING JUSTICE ORGANIZATION
THAT REPRESENTS 700 FAMILIES IN
THE CITY OF BOSTON WHO ARE
STRUGGLING TO STAY IN THEIR
HOMES, WHO ARE FIGHTING TO BE
PUT INTO DISPLACEMENT BUT
FIGHTING FOR COMMUNITY CONTROL
OF LAND AND HOUSING.
I HAVE A STAKE IN SIDING
SHOULDER TO SHOULDER WITH MY
RESIDENTS BEEN, WITH MY MEMBERS,
RIGHT.
I HAVE A STAKE PERSONALLY.
I GREW UP IN THE CITY, I GREW UP
IN ROXBURY AND I HAVE FAMILY WHO
BOTH OWN AND RENT STILL IN
ROXBURY AND JAMAICA PLAINS AND
IN DORCESTER.
SO I HAVE A STAKE IN BEING ABLE
TO LIVE HERE AND FOR MY NIECES
AND MY NEPHEWS AND THEIR
CHILDREN TO BE ABLE TO LIVE HERE
AND TO, AND THAT THE CITY FOR
THE STAKE IN THE CITY REALLY
TAKING SERIOUSLY THE
ENVIRONMENT, THE IMPLICATIONS OF
THIS PARCEL.
AND THEN LASTLY, I LIVE ON THE
EAST BOSTON WATER FRONT SO I
PERSONALLY HAVE A STAKE IN
CLIMATE MITIGATION AND SO FOR
ALL OF THESE REASONS I'M REALLY
THANKFUL OF COUNCILOR WU THAT
YOU OPENED THIS PROCESS UP TO
THE COMMUNITY SO THAT THE
COUNCILORS CAN HEAR THESE VERY
REAL PERSONAL STAKES THAT WE
HAVE AND ALSO THAT WE CAN LOOK
SYSTEMICALLY SO THAT WE CAN KIND
OF ZOOM OUT OF SHORT-TERM
DEVELOPER PROFIT AND ACTUALLY

LOOK AT WHAT'S BEST FOR ALL OF US.

WHAT'S BEST FOR ALL OF US AS PEOPLE, AS RESIDENTS, AS STAKEHOLDERS IN THE CITY. SO I REALLY APPRECIATE THAT. SO AS I SAID, I'M TESTIFYING BOTH AS MEMBER OF CITY WIDE AND AS A MEMBER OF THE CITY WIDE RIGHT TO THE CITY COALITION. SO AS AN ORGANIZATION OF CITY LIFE HAS A STAKE IN IDENTIFYING THE CURRENT AND ALSO FUTURE PROJECTED DRIVERS OF DISPLACEMENT.

IT'S NOT A SECRET THAT WE ARE IN ACUTE HOUSING AFFORDABILITY AND DISPLACEMENT CRISES.

AND ALTHOUGH OUR MEMBERS ARE NOT CLIMATE JUSTICE EXPERTS, WE'RE FORCED TO BE INTERSECTIONAL NOW, WE'RE FORCED TO PROJECT HOW CLIMATE CHANGE CAN BE A DRIVER OF DISPLACEMENT.

AND WE'RE NEW FOR THIS SO WE'RE LEARNING FROM OUR COLLEAGUES ON THIS PANEL AND THE CITY.

AND ALSO WE'RE LOOKING, WE'RE LEARNING FROM WHAT COASTAL CITIES IN THE U.S. WHO ARE ALREADY EXPERIENCING THE IMPACTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE.

I HAVE TO SAY THIS IS SCARY STUFF.

IT'S SCARY TO THINK THAT IN 15 YEARS, WE MIGHT BE AT A POINT OF NO RETURN.

IT'S SCARY TO SEE THIS PARCEL OF LAND THAT ALREADY IS GOING, ALREADY EXPERIENCES MAJOR FLOODING AND SCARED TO THINK THAT BECAUSE OF THE, BECAUSE OF OUR INTRA STRUCTURE, IT'S POSSIBLE THAT THE LOW INCOME AREA AROUND THIS PARCEL COULD BE AFFECTED.

CERTAINLY IF WE'RE NOT CAREFUL AND THOUGHTFUL ABOUT HOW WE DISPOSE OF THIS LAND.

SO WE HAVE A STAKE IN GETTING IT RIGHT.

WE'RE EXCITED TO BE PART OF THIS PANEL TRYING TO FIGURE OUT THE BEST, THE BEST USE OF THIS

PUBLIC ASSET.

AND AS A ONLY OF THE CITY WE ALSO HAVE A STAKE IN KIND OF ASSURING AS RESIDENTS WE ARE KEEPING WHAT WE CALL OUR FUNDAMENTAL RIGHT IN THE FOREFRONT.

SO WE WANT TO HIGHLIGHT OUR RIGHT AS A CITY TO BROAD DEMOCRATIC PARTICIPATION AND NEIGHBORHOOD WIDE AND CITY WIDE DECISIONS THAT DIRECTLY IMPACT OUR LIVES.

WE'RE GOING TO HIGHLIGHT OUR RIGHT TO THE PUBLIC GOOD WHICH MEANS THAT PUBLIC ASSETS, AND THIS IS A MAJOR PUBLIC ASSET AS WAS MENTIONED THAT PUBLIC ASSETS ARE USED FOR THE HIGHEST BENEFIT OF ALL RESIDENTS AND NOT JUST A FEW.

I WANT TO HIGHLIGHT OUR RIGHT TO LIVE IN A HEALTHY COMMUNITY AND A RIGHT TO BE PART, TO BE CO-CREATORS WITH OUR TOY AND IN PROCESSES THAT PLAN PROACTIVELY TO ANTICIPATE AND MITIGATE THE HARM IF IMPACTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE NEEDS OF THE MOST VULNERABLE PEOPLE.

AND WE WANT TO HIGHLIGHT OUR RIGHT TO REMAIN IN STABLE COMMUNITY FREE OF FEARS OF DISPLACEMENT AND ALSO THINKING TOGETHER SOME OF THIS FOR THE FIRST TIME ABOUT HOW CLIMATE IS A NEW DRIVER OF THIS OR CAN BE A NEW DRIVER OF DISPLACEMENT. SO WE ARE VERY KERNED ABOUT THE DISPOSITION OF THE FRONTAGE ROAD PARCEL.

BOTH THE PROCESS OF WHO GETS TO DECIDE AND HOW AND ALSO ABOUT THE DECISION ITSELF, WHAT ULTIMATELY WILL GET DECIDED BECAUSE I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT, I THINK WE PROBABLY OUGHT TO KNOW THIS BECAUSE WE'VE ALL SEEN THE MAPS, THE VERY SCARY MAP THAT OVERLAYS THE LOW INCOME COMMUNITY, WITH THE IMPACTS OF SEA LEVEL RISE BUT LET ME JUST SAY IT AGAIN.

THE PEOPLE WHO WILL BE MOST IMPACTED BY WHATEVER DECISION ARE THOSE LOW INCOME COMMUNITIES AND ROXBURY AND SOUTH BOSTON AND THE SOUTH END AND PARTS OF DORCESTER.

IT IS THEREFORE CRITICAL THAT WE, OUR RESIDENTS ARE PART OF THE PROCESS, RIGHT.

WE ARE THE MOST IMPACTED SO WE HAVE TO BE PART OF THE DECISION-MAKING PROCESS.

AND SO WE'RE ALSO, SO WE ARE, TYPICALLY WE COME BEFORE YOU AS CITY WIDE RIGHTS TO THE CITY ADVOCATING FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING.

WE'RE IN DISPLACEMENT CRISES. WE'RE IN AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING CRISES.

WE'RE ACTUALLY NOT HERE TODAY ADVOCATING FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING NECESSARILY ON THE SITE. WE FEEL LIKE WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH INFORMATION.

WE ACTUALLY, WE ACTUALLY DON'T KNOW WHAT THE IMPACT OF DEVELOPING HOUSING OR DEVELOPING ANYTHING ON THIS LOT WILL BE ON THE SURROUNDING LOW INCOME COMMUNITIES, RENTERS WITH COLOR AND WORKING CLASS RENTER.

BUT WHAT WE ARE LEARNING FROM OUR, FROM FELLOW COASTAL CITIES LIKE MIAMI THAT ARE, THAT RIGHT NOW IS IN THE MIDST OF CLIMATE GENTRIFICATION.

WHAT WE'RE LEARNING IS WE HAVE TO BE THOUGHTFUL AND WE HAVE TO PLAN IN ADVANCE.

WE HAVE TO LIST OUT THE QUESTIONS WE HAVE TO SAY SAY, WHAT DO WE KNOW, WHAT DON'T WE KNOW.

SO WE ACTUALLY THINK THE CITY SHOULD FIGURE OUT AND SHARE WITH THE PUBLIC WHAT WOULD BE THE IMPACT OF BUILDING HOUSING ON THIS LAND.

BOTH TO PERSPECTIVE RESIDENTS AND TO SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES. WHAT IMPROVEMENTS TO SLUM WATER OR DRAINAGE INTRA STRUCTURE WOULD BE NEEDED FOR US TO BE

SAFE.

WHAT OTHER MITIGATION WOULD BE NEEDED TO KEEP EXISTING AND PROSPECTIVE RESIDENTS SAFE.

ARE THERE WAYS AS WE HEARD FROM THE CHARLES RIVER WATERSHED ASSOCIATION, ARE THERE WAYS THAT THE LAND RIGHT NOW COULD BE USED TO PROTECT THE SURROUNDING NEIGHBORHOOD?

IF SO, THEN THE CITY IN ITS ROLE OF PROTECTING THE INTERESTS OF ALL RESIDENTS IN THE CITY, IT'S INCUMBENT ON THE CITY TO FIND OUT AND TO FIGURE OUT WHAT IS THE HIGHEST AND BEST USE OF THIS LAND.

SO, NOT TO BELABOR THE MOMENT BUT WE ARE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE RISKS TO THE PEOPLE, LOW INCOME RENTERS, FAMILIES, SENIORS.

AND WE'RE CONCERNED ABOUT WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF WE'RE NOT THOUGHTFUL ABOUT THIS.

WE STRONGLY BELIEVE THAT IF WE ALLOWED DEVELOPERS TO JUST PUT IN BIDS WITHOUT HAVING GONE THROUGH A PUBLIC PROCESS, WITHOUT HAVING ASSESSED THE RISKS OF DEVELOPING ON THIS LAND, THAT THE CITY OPENS ITSELF UP TO INADVERTENTLY DRIVING DISPLACEMENT.

AND THEN IN SHORT TERM BUT ALSO IN THE LONG TERM NOT CAPTURING THE FULL VALUE OF THIS LAND. NOT JUST THE FINANCIAL VALUE BUT THE SOCIAL VALUE AND ENVIRONMENTAL VALUE OF THIS LAND AS A WAY TO PROTECT THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES.

SO WE URGE THE COUNCIL TO CONDUCT AN IMPACT ANALYSIS ON THE TRUE COST OF DEVELOPING ON THIS LAND, FOCUSING BOTH ON THE COST OF DISPLACEMENT AND ALSO ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS.

WE URGE THAT THE COUNCIL RELEASE THE RESULTS TO THE PUBLIC AND ALONG WITH THE COMMUNITY, CO-LEAD A PLANNING PROCESS WITH IMPACTED RESIDENTS AND OTHER KEY STAKEHOLDERS THAT WE CAN USE

TOGETHER TO PLAN WHAT THE
HIGHEST AND BEST USE OF THIS
LAND WILL TRULY BE.
SO THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

>> THANK YOU, LISA.
COUNCILOR TURNER.

>> THANK YOU.

I WANT TO START BY THANKING
COUNCILOR WU TO FOR HOLDING THIS
HEARING AND FROM PERSONAL
STANDPOINT, THANKING HER ARE FOR
INVITING ME TO COME TO THE
PLANNING SESSIONS THAT OCCURRED
BEFORE THIS PANEL.

THE REASON WHY I'M SAYING IT'S
PERSONAL IS THAT I'VE ASSUMED I
WAS KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT THE
ISSUES OF CLIEFNLT CHANGE,
THAT -- CLIMATE CHANGE, THAT I
WAS CONCERNED AND I THINK ALL OF
US ARE THAT I TRIED TO DO MY
PART IN VARIOUS WAYS, SOMETIMES
NOT AS WELL AS I WOULD HAVE
LIKED TO BUT WAS TRYING TO BE
PART OF THE MOVEMENT.

BUT THREE WEEKS AGO MY
UNDERSTANDING OF THE DANGER THAT
WE ALL ARE IN REACHED A LEVEL
THAT I HAD NEVER OCCURRED TO ME
BEFORE.

BECAUSE I HAVE THE HONOR OF
BEING WITH PEOPLE WHO UNDERSTOOD
THE DANGERS TO THE NATURE, TO
THE LAND, TO THE EARTH THAT
WE'RE ON.

AND WE'RE ABLE TO TALK IN VERY
SPECIFIC WAYS ABOUT WHAT THE
FUTURE HAS IN HAND AND TO BEGIN
TO HAVE ME AS WELL AS OTHER
PEOPLE THINK ABOUT WHAT OUR
PRIORITIES ARE.

IF WE'RE TALKING ABOUT
DEVELOPMENT OF BOSTON, IF WE'RE
TALKING ABOUT DEVELOPMENT OF THE
REGION, IF WE'RE NOT JUST
TALKING ABOUT 2030 BUT WORE
WE'RE TALKING ABOUT 2025 AND
2070 THEN WE HAVE TO BEGIN TO
LOOK FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, MY
PERSPECTIVE ON THE QUESTIONS OF
HOW WE PROTECT THE EARTH, HOW WE
PROTECT THE EARTH THAT WE'RE ON,

HOW WE PROTECT THE LAND.
HOW WE CREATE THE BASIS FOR OUR
CHILDREN, OUR GREAT
GRANDCHILDREN TO LEAVE HERE IN
PEACE AND HARMONY NOT ONLY WITH
EACH OTHER BUT THE EARTH.
THAT'S WHY I THINK COUNCILOR WU,
THE EXPERTS I'VE HAD A CHANCE TO
SIT WITH AND WANT TO FOCUS ON MY
VIEW OF THE OPPORTUNITY AND THE
CHALLENGE THAT OTHERS HAVE BEEN
TOUCHED ON.
I WANT TO COME BACK TO IT.
TO PROVIDE LEADERSHIP, TO
PROVIDE LEADERSHIP HERE IN
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS.
NOT JUST FOR THE MOMENT BUT
LEADERSHIP THAT REALLY LAYS A
FOUNDATION ENABLE YOU, A CITY, THE
PEOPLE OF THE CITY TO UNDERSTAND
THIS, THIS TIME THIS YEAR, THIS
AGE WAS USED TO REALLY PULL AWAY
FROM THE THOUGHT THAT WHAT IS
IMPORTANT IF WE'RE BUILDING A, A
MEGA CITY.
TO THINK ABOUT ONE THE EARTH,
THE RELATIONSHIPS TO US AND TWO,
THE PEOPLE, THE PEOPLE OF THE
CITY.
THERE ARE THREE PARTICULAR STEPS
I WOULD RECOMMEND WITH THE OTHER
PANELISTS.
THEY RECOMMENDED TWO.
I HAVE A THIRD I THINK IS
SOMEWHAT DIFFERENT.
THE FIRST IS THIS IS A
TREMENDOUS OPPORTUNITY FOR THE
COUNCIL TO LEAD THE CITY, THE
COMMUNITIES IN THE EDUCATION
AROUND WHAT THE FUTURE
POTENTIALLY HOLDS FOR US IF
WE'RE NOT WISE AND UNDERSTANDING
BASED ON LOOKING AT THE
CHALLENGES THAT WE FACE I
STARTED OFF TALKING ABOUT MY
IGNORANCE.
I THINK IT'S VERY IMPORTANT
THAT, THAT ALL OF US BEGIN TO
RAISE A QUESTION, DO WE REALLY
UNDERSTAND WHAT THE CLIMATE
CHANGE WILL DO FOR THIS, TO THIS
CITY.
DO TO THE NEIGHBORHOODS.
DO TO THE PEOPLE OF OUR CITY.

IF WE'RE REALLY TALKING ABOUT BUILDING A CITY FOR THE FUTURE THEN WE REALLY HAVE TO BEGIN BY UNDERSTANDING OUR RELATIONSHIP TO NATURE.

WE KNOW NATURE CREATES THE REALITY AS TIME GOES FORWARD. VERY SPECIFICALLY.

MY QUESTION IS WHETHER THE CITY COUNCIL SHOULD BE CONDUCTING A CITY WIDE PROCESS OF EDUCATION. FOCUS ON HELPING US TO BEGIN TO UNDERSTAND WHAT THE DANGERS TO ALL OF US ARE AND PARTICULARLY TO THIS CITY IF WE DON'T BEGIN TO LOOK AT THE INFORMATION THAT IS BEING PRESENTED TO US.

I THINK WE ARE NOT TAKING SERIOUSLY ENOUGH.

NOT THINKING ABOUT THE IMPLICATIONS.

THE CITY COUNCIL I THINK IS IN A POSITION WHERE BECAUSE OF YOUR CONNECTION TO THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY YOU HAVE A OPPORTUNITY TO REALLY ESTABLISH A PROCESS THAT CAN REALLY WAKE US UP.

GUESS US TO BEGIN TO THINK ABOUT ISSUES WE ARE NOT THINKING ABOUT.

REALLY JOIN BEHIND YOU AND JOIN THE LEADERSHIP THAT YOU CAN PROVIDE US AND REALLY BECOMING AN EDUCATED CITIZENRY.

I DON'T THINK WE ARE IF YOU REALLY LOOK AT THE ISSUES OF THE CLIMATE AND WHAT IS HAPPENING HERE IN BOSTON.

SECOND, IT'S BEEN POINTED OUT THAT THIS SITUATION IS REALLY PRESENTING THIS SITUATION IN TERMS OF THE AUTHORITY OF THE COUNCIL OVER THE LAND.

TREATING A SITUATION WHERE THE TOUPT TO BUILD, TO BRING DIFFERENT ASPECTS OF OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER.

THOSE WHO DEAL WITH CLIMATE.

THOSE WHO DEAL WITH HOUSING.

THOSE WHO DEAL WITH BUSINESSES, ETCETERA, TO BRING US TOGETHER TO REALLY DEVELOP A PLANNING PROCESS WHERE FROM A GRASSROOTS LEVEL.

A COMMUNITY PERSPECTIVE WORE
ABLE TO SHARE WITH EACH OTHER
OUR THOUGHTS AND SEE WHAT OUR
DIFFERENCES ARE.
SEE HOW WE CAN WORK THROUGH THE
DISS.
THIS IS A TREMENDOUS
OPPORTUNITY.
THE MAYOR IS APPROPRIATELY VERY
CONCERNED ABOUT HOW WE COME
TOGETHER AS PEOPLE.
HOW DO WE MOVE BEYOND THE, THE
NEGATIVE VOWS THAT WE HAVE ABOUT
EACH OTHER THAT COME FROM THE
PAST.
THE OPPORTUNITY TO COME TOGETHER
AND STUDY TOGETHER.
THINK P HOW WE BUILD TOGETHER A
FUTURE THAT IS NOT ONLY
BENEFICIAL TO US BUT FOR TOUT
YOU ARE BEGIN RATIONS.
REALLY I THEURPG CAN DO A
TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF MOVING THE
GOAL THE MAYOR HAS FORWARD.
THE THIRD, THE THIRD STEP I
THINK IS ESSENTIAL FOR THE
COUNCIL THERE THE STAND POINT OF
THE JOB SITUATION.
FOR THE PEOPLE, THE PEOPLE OF
BOSTON.
ANOTHER WAY OF PRAEUPLING IT
WOULD BE TO TALK ABOUT WHAT IS
THE A TP-BGT OF COMMERCIALISM ON
THE PEOPLE OF THIS CITY.
AS YOU LOOK AT THE TROPBTAGE
ROAD ISSUE THERE IS GOING TO BE
A TREMENDOUS CRY OF TO WASTING
THE TIME.
YOU KNOW IT'S TIME TO MOVE
FORWARD.
THIS IS COULD BE THE PACE IS OF
DEVELOPMENT.
BRING MORE MONEY.
BRING MORE JOBS, BRING MORE
GROWTH TO THE CITY.
WHAT ARE YOU ALL THINKING ABOUT
NOT MOVING THIS PROCESS FORWARD.
I THINK YOU HAVE A
RESPONSIBILITY TO REALLY HELP
THE PEOPLE OF THIS CITY AND THE
STATE TO REALLY UNDERSTAND WHAT
COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT IS DOING
TORE THE PEOPLE.
ORE THE WORKING CLASS PEOPLE.

TORE PEOPLE OF CHORE.
FOR THE BASE.
THE BASE OF THE PEOPLE OF THE
CITY.
NOT THE UPPER INCOMES BUT THOSE
STRUGGLING TO STAY HERE.
HOW WOULD YOU DO THAT.
I THUFRPG THE OPPORTUNITY IS
REALLY RIGHT THIS ROPT OF US.
HOW DOES THE SEAPORT PROVIDE A
OPPORTUNITY TO REALLY UNDERSTAND
THE AFFECT OF COMMERCIALISM ON
THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY.
WHY IS THAT IMPORTANT TO LOOK AT
THE SEAPORT?
MY VIEW IS THAT IF THE MISTAKE
IS MADE TO GO AHEAD WITH
COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT ON
FRONTAGE ROAD WE'RE BUILDING A
SECOND SEA PORT.
DEVELOPERS WILL COME IN AND THE
MODEL THEY WILL USE IS A MODEL
THAT WE SEE AT THE SEA POERLT.
WHAT DO WE SEE AT THE SEA PORT
IN TERMS OF JOBS.
THE AFFECT OF THE PEOPLE ON THE
CITY.
WELL LET'S START WITH
CONSTRUCTION.
WHEN I WAS GOING TO THE COURT IN
TO 10 IT WAS OPEN LAND.
YOU KNOW VERY OPEN LAND.
WHEN I COME BACK NOW IT'S A
DEVELOPED AREA.
THERE WERE, THERE HAD BEEN
THOUSANDS OF CONSTRUCTION
WORKERS, REALLY THOUSANDS OF
CONSTRUCTION WORKERS EARNING
TREMENDOUSLY VALUABLE SALARIES
WHO HAVE BUILT THE SEAPORTS INTO
THE AREA THAT, THAT IS IT JUST
LIKE CONSTRUCTION WORKERS WOULD
BUILD THE FRONTAGE ROAD AREA
INTO A COMMERCIAL, YOU KNOW A
COMMERCIAL VISION.
HOWEVER THE QUESTION TO RAISE AS
BOSTON CITY COUNCILORS IS WHO,
WHO REALLY BUILT THE SEA PORT?
WHO WERE THE CONSTRUCTION
WORKERS?
WHO WERE THE COMPANIES THAT
REALLY MADE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS
FROM THAT DEVELOPMENT?
THEY WERE NOT BOSTON WORKERS.

WE HAVE THE STKAT A IN THE
RESIDENT DEBT SEE JOB POLICY
OFFICE THAT CAN SHOW YOU THE MEN
AND WOMEN WHO WERE MAKING THE
THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS ARE FROM
WORKING ON THAT PROJECT WERE
SUBURBANITES.

SHOULD OF COLOR, BUT THEY WERE
SUBURBANITES.

THEY WERE NOT THE PEOPLE OF
BOSTON.

WE HAVE A CAT FORE CALLED -- A
STANDARDS CALLED THE 50% FOR THE
RESIDENT DEPARTMENTS OF BOSTON.

LOOK AT THE STATISTICS FOR THE
SEA PORT.

THEN RAISE THE QUESTION WHETHER
THE SEA PORT REALLY BENEFITED
THE WORKING PEOPLE OF BOSTON WHO
WERE CONSTRUCTION WORKERS.

I THINK IF YOU REALLY DO A STUDY
AS YOUR THIRD PIECE.

DO A STUDY OF THE CONSTRUCTION
OF THE SEA PORT AND SHARE IT
WITH PEOPLE THERE WILL BE AN
AWAKENING THAT WE DON'T AGO
KNOWLEDGE AT THIS POINT.

WORK IS GOING ON.

BUILDING IS GOING ON.

WE DON'T BENEFIT EVEN THOUGH THE
CITY IS WORKING HARD TO HAVE
STANDARDS.

THE REALITY IS IT DIDN'T HAPPEN.
FRONTAGE ROAD IS LIKELY TO BE A
SIMPLE, A SIMILAR EXAMPLE.

WHO IS WORKING THERE.

WHO IS WORKING THERE?

YOU OUGHT TO BE DOING A SURVEY
ON WHO ARE THE PEOPLE WHO ARE
WORKING THERE?

PEOPLE FROM BOSTON?

WHEN WE LOCK AT THE PEOPLE FROM
BOSTON WORKING THERE WHAT ARE
THE JOBS THEY'RE WORKING IN?

ARE THEY WORKING IN THE 25, PO,
HA DOLLAR JOBS?

ARE THEY WORKING IN THE
11-DOLLAR, 1 DOLLAR, 13-DOLLAR
JOBS?

I BELIEVE THAT IF YOU DO THE
STUDY.

IF YOU LOOK AT THE QUESTION OF
WHAT IS HAPPENING IN THE SEA
PORT RIGHT NOW WHAT YOU WILL SEE

IS THAT THE PEOPLE OF BOSTON,
THE WORPBGING PEOPLE OF BOSTON,
THE LOW INCOME PEOPLE OF BOSTON
YOU ARE SERVING IS NOT SERVED BY
THAT.

IN FACT OUR INTERESTS ARE BEING
HARMED BY THE DEVELOPMENT.
BECAUSE OF THE COST OF LIVING
RISES AS THE CITY SHAPES ITSELF
AROUND THE BUSINESSES AND THE
PEOPLE WHO ARE MOVING THAT AREA
FORWARD.

OUR INTERESTS ARE LEFT BEHIND.
OUR INTERESTS ARE LEFT BEHIND.
IN FACT WE ARE DRIVEN OUT.

CITY DEVELOPS.

DOES THE RISE AND THE COST OF
LIVING HELP US MOVE FORWARD AS
PEOPLE?

NO.

IT DRIVES US OUT.

WE ARE TALKING ABOUT THE SEA
PORT, RIGHT.

WE WOULD BE TALKING ABOUT FRONT
APLG ROAD.

HOW DO WE TALK ABOUT FIGHTING
GENTRIFICATION AND AT THE SAME
TIME TALKING ABOUT COMMERCIALISM
BE A HELP FOR THE CITY IF THE
FRONTAGE ROAD AREA IS RELEASED.
LET ME END BY SAYING I THINK
THIS IS A TREMENDOUS OPPORTUNITY
FOR THE COUNCIL.

SOMETIMES THEY'RE PUSHED INTO
THE CORNER THAT DOES THE GET A
OPPORTUNITY TO READILY
DEMONSTRATE IT'S CREATIVITY AND
CAPABILITY THIS.

IS A OPPORTUNITY YOU CAN PROVIDE
THE LEADERSHIP YOU ALL WANT TO
PROVIDE IN A MAJOR WAY.

ONE BY EDUCATING US AROUND
CLIMATE CHANGE AND WHAT IT MEANS
IN A REAL WAY.

SECONDLY BY BEING A FORCE AND
PULLING TOGETHER THE VARIOUS
SEGMENTS OF THE CITY TO BEGIN TO
PLAN TOGETHER AND LOOK AT HOW TO
BUILD THE CITY OF THE FUTURE.

SO WE CAN HAVE A SENSE THAT IT'S
NOT JUST ME.

IT'S ME AND THEM THERE IS A
ONENESS.

I THINK YOU HAVE A OPPORTUNITY

TO KEEP WORKING WITH THE MAYOR
IN HIS EFFORT.

IN A SOMEWHAT DIFFERENT PACE IS
BY PULLING US TOGETHER AROUND
THE PLANNING PROCESS THAT I
DON'T THINK THE CITY IS REALLY
DOING AT THIS POINT.

THE THIRD AND PERHAPS MOST
IMPORTANT YOU HAVE THE
OPPORTUNITY I THINK TO DO A
STUDY OF THE SEA PORT AND WHAT
THE SEA POERLT IS DOING.
IS IT YATEING JOBS FOR US,
HELPING OUR QUALITY OF LIFE, OR
CREATING A ECONOMIC SITUATION
THAT WILL CONTINUE TO DRIVE MORE
AND MORE OF THIS OUT.

I THINK AS YOU PROVIDE THE
LEADERSHIP AROUND THOSE THREE
AREAS THEY WILL HAVE THE
OPPORTUNITY TO BUILD A CITY THAT
REALLY IS MEANINGFUL AND
UNDERSTANDING IN TERMS OF OUR
RELATIONSHIP TO THE EARTH.
EVEN MORE IMPORTANTLY IN TERMS
OF OUR UNDERSTANDING TO EACH
OTHER.

UNFORTUNATELY WE OFTEN THINK
THAT COMMERCIALISM IS THE ANSWER
FOR US IN THIS CITY.

WE DON'T REALIZE IT'S REALLY A
DESTRUCTIVE FORCE THAT'S PULLING
US APART AND DRIVING US FROM THE
CITY.

THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU, COUNSELOR TURNER.

>> I'M --
[LAUGHING]

>> I'M JUST SAYING, QUICKLY.
I JUST WANT TO NOTE THAT THE WAY
IT WAS CHARACTERIZED IN THE
GLOBE, AS IF THIS IS A FIGHT
BETWEEN THE COUNCIL AND THE
MAYOR.

I WANT TO NOTE THAT SOMETIMES
REPORTERS THINK IT ALWAYS HAS TO
BE A CERTAIN KAOEUD OF WAY
POLITICALLY.

I WANT TO NOTE THAT DOESN'T HAVE
TO BE THAT WAY.

COUNSELOR TURN I REMEMBER TALKED

ABOUT IT.

WE SEE THIS AS A OPPORTUNITY TO
BRING PEOPLE TOGETHER IN A NEW
WAY.

ROXBURY, CHINA TOWN, DORCHESTER,
ALL TOUCHED.

THAT WE WOULD BE EXCITED TO HAVE
THE DIFFERENT COUNSELORS WORK
AND BE CLEAR ON WHAT WE'RE
FACING AND BE CREATIVE.

I WANT TO NAME THIS IS NOT A PIE
IN THE SKY BELIEF THAT SOMETHING
NEW IS POSSIBLE.

FOR THE PAST TWO YEARS I HAVE
LITERALLY, LITERALLY BEEN
PRAYING.

MANY KNOW I HAVE BEEN AN
ACTIVIST IN THIS COMMUNITY FOR
YEARS WORKING ON SOERBGT JUSTICE
AND VIOLENCE ISSUES THIS.

IS THE FIRST TIME THAT
ENVIRONMENT FOLKS, HOUSING
FOLKS, AND JOB FOLKS SAT DOWN AT
A TABLE TOGETHER AND SAID HOW DO
WE LOOK AT SOMETHING FROM ALL OF
THESE PERSPECTIVES AND NOT JUST
COME WITH OUR PARTICULAR HAT BUT
TRY TO DECIDE WHAT IS BEST FOR
THE CITY.

I WANT TO NOTE THAT WE'RE TRYING
TO LIVE OUT WHAT WE'RE ASKING
YOU TO DO.

CAN WE HAVE A PROCESS THAT
BRINGS PEOPLE TO GET EAR CROSS
DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVES.

LOOKS AT IT TOGETHER TO MAKE THE
BEST CHOICE.

OUR SENSE IS THE BPDA DOES NOT
HAVE A HISTORY OF DOING THAT
WELL.

THEY'RE NOT ACCOUNTABLE TO
ANYBODY.

SO, WE WOULD MUCH RATHER WORK
WITH FOLKS ACCOUNTABLE TO US,
PEOPLE WHO WE SEE OUT IN OUR
NEIGHBORHOODS AND OUT IN OUR
COMMUNITIES WHO WE HAVE ASKED TO
BE OUR LEADERS AND PAY ATTENTION
TO WHAT IS BEST FOR US.

THAT'S WHO WE BELIEVE SHOULD
LEAD THIS PROCESS.

NOT YOU KNOW GOVERNMENT STAFF
PEOPLE WHO ARE GREAT AND SHOULD
CONTRIBUTE TO THE PROCESS BUT

NOT THE FOR FRONT OF IT.
THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU, ALL.
I KNOW I'M VERY GRATEFUL FOR ALL
YOU HAVE TAUGHT ME.
ALL THE WORK THAT YOU DO.
DAY TO DAY, YEAR AFTER YEAR.
I KNOW WE HAVE A SECOND PANEL.
THE ADMINISTRATION HAS WAITED SO
PATIENTLY TO CONTRIBUTE TOO. MY
COLLEAGUES HAVE QUESTIONS.
WE WILL TAKE QUESTIONS FOR
COUNSELORS, PUBLIC TESTIMONY AND
THEN ONTO THE ADMINISTRATION
PANEL.
COUNSELOR ED FLYNN.
I'M SORRY, COUNSELOR FLYNN, I
WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE COUNSELOR
EDWARDS AND COUNSELOR
ESSAIBI-GEORGE ARE IN THIS
HEARING AS WELL.
THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU, COUNSELOR WU FOR
YOUR IMPORTANT LEADERSHIP ON
THIS ISSUE.
THE MAYOR AND HIS ADMINISTRATION
THIS IS A CRITICAL DISCUSSION
WE'RE HAVING TODAY.
DISCUSSING THE FUTURE OF
18 ACRES THE CITY OWNED LAND.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.
I REPRESENT THE IMPACTED
NEIGHBORHOODS.
INCLUDING THE SOUTH END.
THE SOUTH BOSTON, CHINA TOWN.
FOUR POINT, SOUTH BOSTON
WATERFRONT.
I VISIT THESE NEIGHBORHOODS
EVERY DAY, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK.
OVER THE LAST FEW WEEKS I HAVE
HEARD FROM RESIDENTS FROM EACH
NEIGHBORHOOD.
I THINK EVERYONE AGREES THAT WE
HAVE A CONCERN.
ALSO A TREMENDOUS OPPORTUNITY.
AS COUNSELOR TURNER MENTIONED TO
DISCUSS THIS FUTURE FOR THE LAND
AND HOW IT IMPACTS CITY
SERVICES.
HOUSING.
ISSUES THAT WE HEAR ABOUT EVERY
DAY.

YOU KNOW CAN WE EXPLORE THE
OPTION OF COMMUNITY ENTITIES
LIKE LAND TRUST.
LONG TERM STEWARDSHIP.
AFFORDABLE HOUSING.
WHAT ROLL WOULD THAT HAVE IN THE
CITY.
I HAVE HAD CONVERSATIONS WITH
THE CHINESE PROGRESSIVE
ASSOCIATION ABOUT HOUSING AND
MAKING SURE THAT WORKING CLASS
FAMILIES AND ELDERLY AND THE
POOR CAN LIVE IN THOSE
NEIGHBORHOODS.
WE ALSO NEED TO FULLY ACCESS
ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL
IMPACTS.
WE WANT TO WORK WITH THE
COMMUNITY FOR JOB -- AS
COUNSELOR TURNER MENTIONED
BOSTON JOBS FOR BOSTON
RESIDENTS.
OPPORTUNITIES FOR COMMUNITIES OF
COLOR, PERMANENT JOBS FOR WOMEN.
OUR BOSTON BUILDING TRADES
MAKING GREAT PROCESS IN BRINGING
MORE WOMEN, COMMUNITIES OF COLOR
TO THE BOMBING BOSTON ECONOMY
THROUGH JOB TRAINING.
DESCENT WAGES ASK HEALTHCARE.
RESIDENT CENTS FROM SOUTH WORST
ON, CHINA TOWN, THE SOUTH END
HAVE MENTIONED THE SIGNIFICANT
TRAFFIC.
THE CONGESTION WE ARE CURRENTLY
FACING ON OUR ROADS.
THEY TALK ABOUT THE IMPACT.
THE FUTURE THAT THIS PARCEL
COULD HAVE AND OUR CURRENT
CHALLENGES ARE TO ADDRESS.
THE GROAN COMMITTEE OF THE
NEIGHBOR HOD ASSOCIATION OF THE
BACK BACON TACTED ME RECENTLY TO
HIGHLIGHT THE ISSUES OF CLOY MAT
CHANGE.
SEA LEVEL RISE.
STORM WATER MANAGEMENT, WETLAND.
THEY INDICATED STONNING SUPPORT
FOR HAVING LAND SET ASIDE FOR
FLOOD PROTECTION.

>> THIS IS A IMPORTANT ISSUE FOR
EVERYBODY.
AS I MENTION I REPRESENT THESE

NEIGHBORHOODS.

I ALSO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY
EVERY DAY TO VISIT, VISIT SHINE
A TOWN.

I KNOW WE HAVE HUGE
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS IN THAT
COMMUNITY.

THE HIGHEST ASTHMA RATE OF ANY
NEIGHBORHOOD IN THE CITY, ONE OF
THE HIGHEST DIE BOATS RATES OF
ANYWHERE IN THE CITY.

CHINESE WOMEN HAVE THE LOWEST
RATE OF SCREENING FOR BREAST
CANCER.

I'M WORKING WITH THE PUBLIC
HOUSING OF BOSTON TO ADDRESS
SHOULD OF THESE ISSUES.

WHAT IS IMPORTANT DISCUSSING
THIS PROJECT IS FOR EVERY
RESIDENT AND EVERY NEIGHBORHOOD
TO COME TOGETHER AND LEARN FROM
EACH OTHER AND SEE HOW WE CAN
MAKE THIS A BETTER CITY WHEN WE
ARE DEALING WITH PUBLIC
EDUCATION.

WE DEAL WITH HOUSING, PUBLIC
HEALTH.

I LEARNED A LOT FROM THE
PANELISTS TODAY.

WHAT WAYS WE CAN GO FORWARD.

I THANK MY CITY COUNCIL
COLLEAGUES FOR TH +* STRONG
LEADERSHIP.

I THANK THE MAYOR'S OFFICE WHO
HAS COMMITTED TO INSURING A GOOD
COMMUNITY PROCESS.

I DON'T HAVE ANY QUESTIONS RIGHT
NOW.

I WILL THANK YOU, COUNSELOR WU
FORGIVING ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO
SPEAK.

>> COUNSELOR FLYNN, THANK YOU.
COUNCIL FLAHERTY.

>> QUICKLY.
FOLKS KNOW IT'S IN MY
NEIGHBORHOOD AND THE SURROUNDING
NEIGHBORHOODS I REPRESENT AS
CITY WIDE COUNCIL.

I WILL WORK WITH MY COLLEAGUE,
THE DISTRICT COUNSELOR FROM THAT
AREA.

HE KNOWS THE BEST INTEREST OF

HIS DISTRICT AND FOLKS HERE AND THOSE WITH AN OPINION AND THE ADMINISTRATION TO MAKE SURE WE'RE DOING THE BEST INTEREST OF THE CITY AS WE MOVE FORWARD. THE OPPORTUNITIES CREATED DOWN HERE.

THE BIGGEST ISSUE WE FACE AS A COMMUNITY AND CITY ARE TRANSPORTATION WOES.

FROM DAY ONE I HAVE SAID BOSTON BONES ARE SO BIG.

WE'RE NOT NEW YORK, CHICAGO OR LA.

WE HAVE TO BE MINDFUL AND WE HAVE TO MAKE SURE WE PUT IN THE BEST AND MOST PRACTICAL TRANSPORTATION SOLUTIONS.

WE NEED TO THINK OUTSIDE OF THE BOXES.

OUR HOPE IS TO CONTINUE TO GET THE RESOURCES AT THE STATE AND LOCAL LEVEL.

WHEN I HEAR WITH TENANTS NOT RENEWING THEIR LEASES.

-- EMPLOYEES ARE ASKED TO WORK FROM HOME.

THEY CAN'T GET IN AND OUT OF A SOUTH BOSTON WATERFRONT OR ANOTHER PART OF THE CITY.

THAT'S A PROBLEM WE NEED TO TAKE PRIDE IN.

WE TALK ABOUT ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY AND JOB CREATION AND CONTINUING TO GROW AND DEVELOP IN OUR CITY, IT'S GOOD STUFF.

A LOT OF GOOD NEWS, BAD NEWS. PEOPLE WANT TO BE HERE FOR THE INTELLECTUAL CAPITAL.

BEST COLLEGES, HOSPITALS, UNIVERSITIES.

THESE ARE GREAT THINGS WE HAVE GOING FOR US AS A CITY.

THE ENVY OF CITIES ACROSS THE COUNTRY.

WITH THAT SAID WE HAVE OUR ISSUES WE GRAPPLE WITH.

WE PAY ATTENTION TO THIS ISSUE WE'RE MINDFUL OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS.

WE HAVE TO LOOK TO SOLVE OUR TRANSPORTATION ISSUES.

AS WE CONTINUE TO GROW AND DEVELOP WE SUFFOCATE OURSELVES

AND NEIGHBORHOODS.
THAT'S THE FOR FRONT OF MY
OPINION.
I CAN NOT SUPPORT THIS I AM
MINDFUL AND KEEPING A WATCHFUL
AYE.
I CAN'T BE SUPPORTIVE.
THAT WOULD CHOKE ALL OF THE
NEIGHBORHOODS TOGETHER.
THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

>> THANK YOU, COUNSELOR
FLAHERTY.
COUNSELOR CIOMMO.

>> I WANT TO THANK THE PANEL.
THANK YOU.

>> COUNSELOR BAKER.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.
THANK YOU FOR MENTIONING THE
GLOBE TODAY FOR WHATEVER REASON
THEY WANT TO SELL PAPERS.
I DON'T THINK IT'S PRODUCTIVE TO
THE DISCUSSION.
A COUPLE OF POINTS I WANT TO
MAKE.
SOME PEOPLE, NOT SOME PEOPLE --
I THINK TO TALK ABOUT THE
MILLENNIUM TOWERS IT WAS, I
THINK, IT WENT THROUGH THIS
PROCESS TEN YEARS BEFORE WE, WE
HAD IT.
IT WENT THROUGH THE THREE YEAR
PROCESS.
WE ON THE COUNCIL.
SO MANINO DID THE PROCESS TEN
YEARS EARLIER.
THEN WHEN WE WENT TO ACTUALLY
FIND SOMEBODY TO BUILD IT WAS
ANOTHER THREE YEARS.

>> TO ME THAT WAS A GREAT DEAL.
WE GOT 25,000 FOR THE BOSTON
COMMON AND THE PUBLIC, DEFERRED
MAINTENANCE AND ALL THE THINGS
WE NEED TO DO OPERATIONALLY FOR
THE CITY.
THE CITY COUNCIL NEEDS TO
UNDERSTAND.
NOT UNDERSTAND BUT NEEDS TO MAKE
SURE THE CITY OF BOSTON
OPERATES.

28,000 FOR THE COMMONS.
AT THAT THOUSAND FOR FRANKLIN
PARK.
10-15 MILLION FOR COLUMBIA ROAD
FOR THE GREEN WAY TO CONNECT THE
EMERALD NECKLACE TO MAKE THE
CONNECTION TO CARSON BEACH.
THEN THERE IS ANOTHER 60 MILLION
COMING.
WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IS HOW
DO YOU PROPOSE TO PAY FOR
BRINGING BACK STRINGS.
BRINGING BACK ALL OPEN SPACE.
GREAT I LOVE IT WOULD I LOVE A
BIG PARK THERE.
WHAT WE'RE NOT MENTIONING IS THE
NEEDS OF THE CITY.
THIS IS STUFF, WE HAVE A PUBLIC
WORKS YARD.
WE NEED TO PROVIDE.
THE CITY NEEDS TRANSPORTATION.
HOW DO WE PROPOSE TO PAY FOR
THIS IF WE A BELONG IT.
B HAVE A FIVE OR TEN YEAR BOSTON
PLANNING PROCESS.
I THINK, I THINK THERE ARE WAYS
HERE.
OPPORTUNITIESES HERE FOR US TO
MAKE AND KEEP THIS LONG TERM.
I DON'T KNOW WHAT THIS LOOKS
LIKE MADAM CHAIR.
I KNOW, I DO NOT THINK THAT THIS
ADMINISTRATION WOULD JUST SIGN
OFF ON AN RFP THAT WOULD NOT
ACCOMMODATE RESILIENCY NO A
PLAN.
I DON'T THINK IT'S GOING TO
HAPPEN.
AND TO ALMOST SCARE US INTO
THAT.
TO BLOCK, I DON'T KNOW IF YOUR
POSITION IS TO BLOCK.
I'M NOT REALLY SURE.
I NINK WE HAVE TO MAYBE COME UP
WITH A SITUATION WHERE WE MAKE
SURE THAT AFTER IT'S CONVEYED
THAT WE'RE STILL IN THE PROCESS.
I THINK WE WILL BE.
THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME MAKE
POINTS THERE.
LOOKING TO USE THE LAND AS A
LEVERAGE.
THERE MAYBE A OPPORTUNITY TO
BUILD THE BUILDINGS AND --

AROUND THE BUILDINGS.
I DON'T KNOW.
IF WE CAN'T JUST CONVEY THE LAND
AND STOP THE DISCUSSION I DON'T
THINK WE'RE DOING OUR JOBS.
THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU, COUNSELOR BAKER.
COUNSELOR McCARTHY.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT.
THANK YOU FOR PUTTING TOGETHER
YOUR OPINIONS.
YOU KNOW I LOOK AND SEE AROUND
THE TABLE.
THERE IS A LOT OF OPTIONS HERE
AND OPPORTUNITIES.
I TOOKED AT JULIE AND THOUGHT
THE PICTURE OF THE STREAM AND
THE BUILDING ON THE SIDE AND
THINGS LIKE THAT, I THINK THAT'S
THE DISCUSSION THAT NEEDS TO
HAPPEN HERE.
COUNSELOR BAKER YOU KNOW HE HIT
THE NAIL ON THE HEAD.
SOMETHING HAS TO GO THERE.
WE NEED TO TAKE CARE OF THE CITY
WHEN THE SNOW STORMS COME.
WHEN THE CITY OFFERED A TOUR OF
THE BUILDING.
I DIDN'T NEED A TOUR OF THE
BUILDING.
I WORKED THERE FOR SA YEARS.
I DIDN'T NEED THE TOUR.
I KNOW IT'S FALLING APART.
WE DON'T NEED THE SIZE AND SCOPE
OF THAT BUILDING.
TIMES HAVE CHANGED.
WE CAN WORK SMARTER.
WITH THAT SAID WE HAVE TO TAKE
CARE OF THE CITY.
WE HAVE TO PLOW THE ROADS, MOW
THE LAWNS.
AS THIS ADMINISTRATION I GIVE
THEM A TON OF CREDIT.
STARTING TO LOOK AT A TRUE BASIC
CITIES SERVICE TEAM.
PUBLIC WORKS PARK,
TRANSPORTATION, EVERYONE WORKING
TOGETHER.
WE DON'T NEED THE SPACE.
I LOOK FORWARD TO THE
CONVERSATION.
I AGREE WITH FRANK.

COUNSELOR BAKER.

I DIDN'T THINK THE ARTICLE WAS
ON TARGET BY ANY STRETCH OF THE
HAPPENINGATION.

I THINK THE CONVERSATION IS
BEGINNING AND PEOPLE HAVE OPEN
EARS ON HOW TO DO IT.

I WAS AT THE PRESENTATION
REGARDING THE FLOOD WATER AND
THAT PRESENTATION.

IT DOES AS COUNSELOR TURNER
ELUDED TO IT BLOWS YOUR MIND THE
DEVASTATION THAT COULD POSSIBLY
HAPPEN.

I DON'T THINK ANY DISCUSSION
WILL HAPPEN WITHOUT THAT BEING
SQUARELY PART OF THE
CONVERSATION.

THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU, COUNSELOR
McCARTHY.
COUNSELOR O'MALLEY.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.
GOOD EVENING, LADIES AND
GENTLEMEN.

I WANT TO BEGIN BY THANKING
MEMBERS OF THE FIRST PANEL.
I HAVE WORKED WITH VIRTUALLY ALL
OF YOU ON A HOST OF ISSUES.
HOUSING, JOBS, EQUITY, MOST
FREQUENTLY ENVIRONMENTAL ITCH
USE.

I SEE FOLKS I HAVE PARTNERED AND
OUR COLLEAGUES DESPITE THE FACT
OF LEADERSHIP IN WASHINGTON DC
AND THE CLIMATE.
CRISIS IS UP TO CITIES AND TOWNS
TO LEAD.

>> I AM ENORMOUSLY LUCKY TO WORK
WITH YOU AND OTHER FOLKS HERE.
THIS IS WHAT DRIVINGS THE
DECISIONS HAVE IN THIS CASE.
AS IT RELATES TO FRONTAGE ROAD
WE HAVE TWO QUESTIONS HERE.
SHOULD THE CITY SELT PAR SELLS.
COMPELLING CASES CAN BE MADE FOR
BOTH SIDES.
WE WOULD HAVE THAT MONEY BACK,
NOT INTO SOMEONE'S POCKET BUT
BACK INTO CITY PROGRAMMING.
THERE IS A COMPELLING ANSWER,

SHOULD THE CITY NOT SELL THE
LAND.
MORE DIRECT CONTROL OF WHAT WE
COULD DO.
IN TERMS OF HOUSING, CLIMATE, IN
TERMS OF PREPAREDNESS.
THE SECOND QUESTION THAT I THINK
ALL OF YOU TOUCHED UPON.
NEXT WE MAY GET DEEPER, WHAT IS
THE PROCESS FOR ANSWERING THE
FIRST QUESTION.
IS IT SIMPLY TO ALLOW OR TAKE AN
ACTIVE VOTE FOR THE DPBA TO DIN
THE PROCESS, AS THEY HAVE DONE I
WOULD ARGUE FAIRLY WELL IN SERP
CASES NOT SO WELL IN OTHER
CASES.
OR IS IT BECAUSE OF THE
UNIQUENESS AND THE SIZE, BECAUSE
OF THE PROXIMITY OF WATER ON
THESE PAR SELLS.
IS IT TO CREATE A DIFFERENT
PROCESS BEFORE WE EVEN GET TO
THE FIRST POINT?
THAT IS WHAT I THINK ALL OF US
HAVE TO BE THINKING OF IN THE
WEEKS, IN THE MONTHS AHEAD.
SO THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR, THANK
YOU, NO QUESTIONS.
GREAT TO BE WITH YOU ALL.

>> THANK YOU, COUNSELOR OWE MALE
. COUNSELOR EDWARDS.

>> THANK YOU.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.
I APOLOGIZE FOR COMING IN LATE.
I HEARD SHOULD FROM MY OFFICE.
YOUR TESTIMONY HIT THE NAIL ON
THE HEAD OF US COMING TOGETHER
TO DO SOMETHING AND CREATE
SOLUTIONS.
THAT TONE I WANT US TO CONTINUE
TO HAVE, WE'RE CREATING TEAMS
AND LOOKING TOWARDS A BETTER
FUTURE WHILE WE'RE WORKING
TOGETHER NOT IN OPPOSITION TO
GET SOMETHING DONE FOR A CITY WE
LOVE.
THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS THERE
ARE POINTS ABOUT MONEY, PLANNING
AND COMMUNITY THAT WE NEED TO
FURTHER DIVE INTO WHEN IT COMES
TO IN GENERAL.

I THINK COUNSELOR O'MALLEY YOU
TOOK THE WORDS RIGHT OUT OF MY
MOUTH, HOW WE WILL ANALYZE WHAT
IS TO BE SOLD.

I THINK IT'S VERY IMPORTANT.
I THINK IT'S BEYOND THE CITY
COUNCIL AND BEYOND THE
ADMINISTRATION.

I PUT IT ON YOUR SHOULDERS AS
WELL.

I LOOK TO YOU, WOULD YOU HAVE
THE PEOPLES PLAN, DO YOU OR
COULD YOU CONSIDER A PEOPLES
PLAN FOR DEVELOPMENT?

LOOK CAN AT LARGE SWATHS OF
LAND.

THINK IT'S TEAM BUILDING AND A
DEEP CONVERSATION.

THE GUIDELINES COMING FROM THOSE
IMPACTED FROM DISPLACEMENT.

WHAT DEVELOPMENT WOULD LOCK
LIKE.

NOT WHAT WE DON'T WANT IT TO BE.
I THINK THAT'S THE CONVERSATION
WE NEED TO START AND HAVE MORE
OF.

I LOOK FORWARD TO THOSE
CONVERSATIONS.

AGAIN I HAVE, I THINK I'M
EQUALLY CONCERNED OF TO SELL,
NOT TO SELL AND THE STANDARDS
FOR.

THAT I PUT THIS BACK ON THE
SHOULDERS OF THE ADVOCATES
SPEAKING ON BE HALF OF THE FOLKS
WHO ARE TALKING WITH THOSE
STRUGGLING.

THEN WHAT CAN WE DO?

WHAT SHOULD WE DO.

HOW DO WE ASSESS TO SELL?

IS THERE A FINANCIAL GAIN TO BE
HAD.

WHAT'S THE LIMIT.

IF IT'S TOO LITTLE WE DO
SOMETHING ELSE.

IF IT'S HIGH WE TAKE THE MONEY.

I WANT YOU GUYS TO HAVE SOME OF
THE ANSWERS AND LOOK AT THE
RESILIENCY AND HOW IT PLAY THOSE
THAT AS WELL.

TO ASSUME WE SHOULD COME UP WITH
THE STANDARDS AND ANSWERS

WITHOUT YOU IS NAIVE ON MY PART.

THANK YOU, I LOOK FORWARD TO YOU

BEING THERE LATER ON.

>> COUNSELOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE.

>> THANK YOU.

I APPRECIATE THIS PROCESS AND
APPRECIATE GOING LAST.

I WILL BE VERY BRIEF.

THE CORE WHAT HAD WE'RE HEARING,
WHAT YOU HAVE PRESENTED AND WHAT
OUR CONVERSATIONS HAVE BEEN
ABOUT ON THE COUNCIL AND OUR
NEIGHBORHOODS.

ESPECIALLY THOSE MOST IMPACTED
IS THIS DESIRE TO BE AN ACTIVE
PARTICIPANT IN THE PROCESS WE'RE
ABOUT TO UNDER TAKE.

THINK THAT'S CORE TO THE
CONCERNS EXPRESSED.

ALSO A DEEP CONSIDERATION FOR
THE IMPACTS ON THE DECISIONS WE
MAKE ON THE LONG TERM NOT JUST
THE IMMEDIATE.

>> THANK YOU, COUNSELOR
ESSAIBI-GEORGE.

I WILL JUST OBSERVE THAT I THINK
MUCH -- NOT JUST THE OUTCOME BUT
THE PROCESS TO GET TO THE OUT
COME DOES FOLLOW ON COUNSELOR
EDWARDS POINTS, DOES DEPEND ON
THIS CO PILOTING COMMUNITY AND
COUNCIL AND CITY ADMINISTRATION
COMING TOGETHER PUTTING IN THE
TIME AND EFFORT WITH A LOT ON
OUR PLATES.

MY QUESTION FOR THE PANEL IS DO
WE EMBARK ON A PROCESS THAT
WON'T BE FIVE OR TEN YEARS LONG.
BUT A REASONABLE PROCESS WITH
COUNCIL, WITH ADMINISTRATION,
WITH COMMUNITY.

THERE ARE MANY COMMUNITY GROUPS
IN THE ROOM.

WHAT DO YOU NEED FROM THE CITY
TO MAKE THAT SUCCESSFUL OR DO
YOU HAVE THE CAPACITY TO EMBARK
ON THAT?

>>

>> I HAVE STARTED TO HAVE
CONVERSATION WITH FOLKS AND FUND
THOSE THINGS.

AGAIN I THINK THE EXCITEMENT IS
WE HAVE PEOPLE WILL TO WORK
TOGETHER THAT HAVEN'T WORKED
TOGETHER.

IN THE COUNCIL AND THE
ADMINISTRATION IS WILLING TO
WORK TOGETHER AND DO SOMETHING
DIFFERENT IS EXCITING FOR PEOPLE
WHO DESIGN THESE PROCESSES AND
PAY FOR THESE PROCESSES.

I AM CONFIDENT THAT IF
COMMUNITY.

THE COUNCIL AND THE
ADMINISTRATION COMMIT TO WORKING
TOGETHER ON A GOOD PROCESS WE
WON'T HAVE ANY PROBLEM
MARSHALING THE RESOURCES WE NEED
TO HAVE THAT COME TOGETHER AND
BE A GOOD PROCESS.

>> SO I DIDN'T MENTION BEFORE.

I HAVE A NIGHT GIG AS A CITY
COUNCILOR IN NEWTON.

I FEEL YOUR PAIN.

SYMPATHETIC FOR A PLACE FOR DPW
THINGS TO BE STORED.

I WANT TO EMPHASIZE -- BELIEVE
ME I GET IT.

THE SNOW BUDGET IS OUT OF
CONTROL.

I COULD GO ON AND ON HOW CLIMATE
CHANGE IS AFFECTING CITIES.

SOME NOT AS WELL RESOURCED AS
BOSTON.

I DEAL WITH A LOT OF CITIES AND
TOWNS.

I JUST WANT TO REPLAY A QUOTE
THAT I NEED TO FIGURE OUT WHO
CAME UP WITH IT.

IT'S THAT, MOTHER NATURE BATS
LAST AND ALWAYS BATS A THOUSAND.

WE MAY NEED A PLACE, THE CITY
MAY NEED A PLACE TO STORE SALT
AND VEHICLES.

WE MAY NEED A LOT OF THINGS.

>> IF WATER RISES THREE FEET,
SIX FEET, TEN FEET.

ALL I'M SAYING, WE'RE SAYING IF
I WAS YOU ALL I WOULD WANT TO BE
FULLY INFORMED ON THE SCIENCE.
LOOK WHAT HAPPENED IN HOUSTON,
LOOK AT NORTH CAROLINA, LOOK
WHAT HAPPENED IN JANUARY HERE.

THAT'S OUR FUTURE.
THAT'S WHAT I'M SAYING.
I COMMIT WE WILL BE A PARTNER
ANYTIME ANYWHERE.
AS A COMMITTEE OR INDIVIDUAL LY
WE WILL DO OUR PART WITH ALLIES
HERE TO HELP YOU MAKE THE MOST
INFORMED DECISION YOU CAN.
THE BIGGEST CITY IN
MASSACHUSETS, BIGGEST CITY IN
NEW ENGLAND.
WHAT BOSTON DOES MATTERS FAR
BEYOND YOUR SHORES.

>> PEOPLE ARE TALKING ABOUT --
WE KNOW AND UNDERSTAND.
THANK YOU FOR ADDING ONTO OUR
UNDERSTANDING.
WE KNOW WHAT WILL HAPPEN.
I BELIEVE THAT THE PEOPLE WHO
COME UP WITH THE REQUIREMENTS
AND RESILIENCY PLAN, THEY WILL
BE RIGHT AT THE TABLE HERE.
SO I THINK WE'RE, WE'RE TALKING
ABOUT RESILIENCY AND CLIMATE.
I BELIEVE THE WAY WE WILL PAY
FOR A LOST RESILIENCY AND
CLIMATE PREPARATION ALONG THE
SHORE IS WITH PRIVATE DOLLARS
AND DEVELOPMENT.
WE DON'T HAVE HAVE THE MONEY. WE
DON'T HAVE THE MONEY TO TURN
THIS INTO A WET LANDS --

>> I KNOW THE COUNSELOR DOESN'T
WANT A BACK AND FORTH.

>> YOU'RE A NEWTON CITY
COUNCILOR.
I'M A BOSTON CITY COUNCILOR.

>> WE SHOULD TALK MORE.

>> YES.
WE SHOULD.

>> RESPECTFULLY.
ONE FINAL COMMENT FROM THE
PANEL.
WE HAVE MANY QUESTIONS WETTER
SUITED FOR THE ADMINISTRATION
PANEL NOW WAITING FOR A VERY
LONG TIME.
IF YOU ALL COULD.

IF THERE ARE CLOSING COMMENTS
FROM THE PANEL FEEL FREE NOW.

>> I THINK WE STATED OUR CASE.
ONE THING WE WILL SAY AS SOMEONE
PAYING CLOSE ATTENTION WE'RE NOT
HERE TO BE CRITICAL.
WE'RE HERE TO SAY THERE IS A
POSSIBILITY.
I WANT TO BE HONEST AS SOMEONE
WATCHING THIS CLEARLY.
WE HAVE RESILIENCY AND PLANNING
CONVERSATIONS HAPPENING BUT NOT
TOGETHER.
I DON'T WANT TO, I WON'T GO
DEEP.
IF YOU WANT TO TALK DEEPER WE
WILL GO SOMEWHERE ELSE.
WHAT I'M SAYING IS THIS IS A
OPPORTUNITY TO BRING THOSE TWO
THINGS TOGETHER.
WE HAVE NOT DONE THAT WELL
BEFORE.

>> I APPRECIATE THE PANEL'S
TIME.
OH, SORRY.
COUNSELOR CIOMMO, YES.

>> MY NEW NEIGHBOR -- OKAY.
THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU.
AS WE DO THE SWITCH OVER FROM
THIS PANEL TO THE AD MY STATION
PLEASE FEEL FREE TO COME DOWN.
IN THE MEANTIME WE WILL TAKE
THREE MORE MEMBERS FROM THE
PUBLIC.
STACY, KIRA AND WILL.
STACY, KIRA AND WILL YOU CAN USE
EITHER PUBLIC TESTIMONY
MICROPHONE.

>> THANK YOU.
I THINK AS A ADVOCATE AND A TEN
THOUSAND PERSON MEMBERSHIP I
WANT TO TALK ABOUT THE PROCESS.
JUST GIVEN THE CONVERSATION
TAKEN PLACE TODAY I WANT TO URGE
YOU ON STKHRAEUNG THE VOTE AND
WORKING ON A ROBUST MEANINGFUL
PROCESS FIRST.
I WOULD SAY THAT I AND MY STAFF

SPEND OUR EVENINGS AND WEEKENDS
IN PUBLIC PROCESSES RAN BY
AMAZING PEOPLE IN THE CITY.
MANY OF THE PROCESSES DON'T WORK
FOR THE PEOPLE IN THE CITY OF
BOSTON THIS.
IS A LACK OF TRUST.
THAT'S NOT PERSONAL.
IT'S JUST THE REALITY.
I THINK THIS IS NOT A SIMPLE
PIECE OF LAND.
IT HAS HUGE IMPLICATIONS FOR THE
FUTURE OF BOSTON.
IT'S OKAY FOR US TO ACKNOWLEDGE
WE HAVE HAD PROBLEMS WITH OUR
PROCESSES.
I HAVE STOOD ON STREET CORNERS
WITH MANY OF YOU AND TALKED TO
BOSTONIANS.
THEY TALK TO US ABOUT TRAFFIC.
THEY TALK ABOUT FEARS OF
DISPLACEMENT.
THEY'RE SCARED IF THIS VOTE
MOVES FORWARD SOMETHING BAD WILL
HAPPEN.
THAT DOESN'T MEAN IT WILL.
I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO
ACKNOWLEDGE THE FEAR EXISTING
AND CREATE A PROCESS FIRST
THAT'S COLLABORATIVE.
I ECHO THIS.
I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH
ALL OF YOU TO MOVE FORWARD IN
WHATEVER WE DECIDE TOGETHER WE
WILL HELP YOU HOW TO FIGURE OUT
HOW TO FUND IT.

>> THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU.

>> IT KIRA HERE?

>> WILL, PLEASE.

>> ALRIGHT.

MY NAME IS WILL JUSTICE.

T RIDERS UNION.

WE CLAIM ROXBURY.

I WILL SAY THAT THE CITY WOULD
BE BETTER TO WORK WITH THEN THE
BPDA.

THEY DON'T REPRESENT MY PEOPLES
INTERESTS ACROSS THE BOARD.

THEY HAVE WORDS FOR PEOPLE WHO
TRADE SERVICES FOR MONEY.
I WON'T SAY IT, BUT WE CAN'T BE
THAT.
THAT'S STRAIGHT UP AND DOWN.
WE CAN'T TRADE SERVICES FOR
MONEY.
ENVIRONMENTALLY BOSTON IS VERY
BACKWARDS.
WE HAVE DESTROYED MOUNTAINS TO
CREATE LAND FILLS, TO BILLED ON
TOP OF THAT THE WATER WILL TAKE
BACK OVER.
I MEAN IT MAKES NO SENSE.
WE'RE MOVING BACKWARDS.
WE NEED TO SHOW WE'RE FORWARD
MOVING.
IF YOU ARE SPEAKING ON
ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE, YOU WILL
TURN US INTO REFUGEES.
WE ACCEPT REFUGEES FROM OTHER
COUNTRIES DEALING WITH
ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES.
WHEN WE BECOME IT WE WILL BE THE
REFUGEES.
IN ORDER TO LESSEN THE IMPACT WE
NEED TO BE MOVING FORWARD ON
THIS.
SPEAKING ON THE ENVIRONMENT
THERE IS NOTHING -- IT'S LIKE
MOVING AGAINST NATURE.
YOU CAN'T FIGHT NATURE AND WIN.
WANT TO FIGHT A LOSING COMBAT
WILL.
BATTLE.
YOU WILL AFFECT MY PEOPLE.
YOU HAVE ALREADY AFFECTED MY
PEOPLE.
WE LEARN TO WORK WITH NATURE NOT
GO AGAINST NATURE.
THIS IS THE MOST IMPORTANT
THING.
THE DIVORCE OF NATURE CAUSES A
BUNCH OF PROBLEMS.
YOU TALK ABOUT GROWTH.
ALL GROWTH IS NOT GOOD.
CANCERS ARE GROWTHS THAT ARE NOT
GOOD THIS.
IS WHAT IS GOING ON.
YOU GET WHAT I'M SAYING.
I JUST HAVE TO MAKE THAT VERY
POINT THAT LITERALLY -- TREMOUNT
WAS THROW MOUNTAINS TURNED INTO
LAND FILLS AND THE WATER WILL

TAKE BACK OVER.
WORK WITH NATURE OR WORK AGAINST
IT.
WILL YOU LOSE.
WE ALL LOSE.
YOU GET WHAT I'M SAYING.
GET NO KNOWING WHAT NATURE IS.
WE'RE NOT GOING TO WIN A BATTLE
AGAINST NATURE.
DON'T FIGHT NATURE.
LET'S WORK WITH EACH OTHER.
LIKE I SAID DPDA HAS NOT
REPRESENTED OUR INTEREST.
THEY'RE NOT GOOD PEOPLE TO PUT
THIS POWER IN THEIR HANDS.
KEEP YOUR POWER.
DON'T GIVE IT AWAY TO THEM.
THEY WILL LITERALLY DO MORE
DISPLACEMENT OF US.

>> THANK YOU, WILL.
SO I APPRECIATE THE
ADMINISTRATION SO MUCH.
I KNOW COMMISSIONER HAS A TIME
CONSTRAINT.
FEEL FREE TO STAY AS LONG AS YOU
CAN.
COUNSELOR CIOMMO IS RUNNING TO A
MOATING IN HIS DISTRICT AND HAS
A FINAL COMMENT TOO.

>> ACTUALLY IT'S NOT A MEETING.
MY MOST IMPORTANT ASSET, MY MOST
IMPORTANT ASSET BESIDES THE LAND
IS MY WIFE.
IT'S HER BIRTH DAY.
THAT'S WHERE I'M GOING.
I JUST WANTED TO MAKE A FINAL
COMMENT.
HAVING GONE THROUGH THE WINTHROP
SQUARE PROCESS.
I LOST VOTES FOR THAT ONE VOTE.
JUST PUTTING IT OUT THERE.
THAT WAS ONE ACRE PARCEL.
OVER \$150 MILLION WE'RE GETTING
FROM THIS.
PART OF HOW WE DEVELOP THE RFP.
WE CAN DO THOSE STUDIES.
WE CAN PAY FOR THEM.
WE CAN PUT IT IN THE RFP.
THE MANDATES THAT ANY
DEVELOPMENT HAS TO DO THE
STUDIES.
TO FRANK'S POINT WE DON'T HAVE

THE MONEY TO DO THAT THIS.
IS AN 18-ACRE SITE.
18 ACRES.
MULTIPLY BY 150.
BIG MONEY.
WE CAN DO KPWOEGT.
WE CAN MOVE THE PROCESS FORWARD.
THE PROCESS MAY NOT OF BEEN THE
MOST PERFECT PROCESS.
THERE WAS CERTAINLY A LOT OF
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT.
WORKING SESSIONS.
WE HAD THE BRA DOWN NUMEROUS
TIMES.
THAT IS ALL I'M GOING TO SAY.
I WILL GO TAKE MY WIFE TO
DINNER.

>> HAPPY BIRTHDAY, LAURA.

>> THANK YOU, COUNSELOR.

>> CHIEF, WOULD YOU LIKE TO
START US OFF.

>> THANK YOU.
THE COUNCILORS ARE HERE, THE
PREVIOUS PANEL, THE MEMBERS OF
THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE TESTIFIED
AND TESTIFYING AFTER THIS I'M
MAYOR WALSH'S CHIEF THE STREETS.
I AM JOINED BY --
IN AUGUST WE WERE LAST IN THIS
ROOM.
I SPENT ABOUT 30 MINUTES OF YOUR
TIME GOING THROUGH A LONG
POWERPOINT PRESENTATION.
I'M NOT DOING THAT TONIGHT.
FOR THOSE INTERESTED I CAN BRIEF
ANYONE OR CHECK OUT PREVIOUS
SESSIONS.
BASICALLY TO SPARE THE TIME I
WILL GIVE A SHORTENED VERSION.
FOR US THE PURPOSE WE'RE HERE,
THE REASON WE HAVE ADVANCED THE
PROJECT IS TWO FOLD.
ONE, STRENGTHEN CITY SERVES
AND.
MUCH OF THE WORK STARTS WITH
FRONTAGE ROAD.
FRONTAGE ROAD IS THE 18-ACRE
PARCEL.
IT'S THE HOME TO ROUGHLY 400
EMPLOYEES OF THE PUBLIC WORKS

DEPARTMENT.

TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT.

THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

I APPRECIATE LOUISE, THE THIRD
SPEAK THEY ARE MORNING.

THE LINE, WE ARE NOT NECESSARILY
GLAMOROUS BUT KEEP THE CITY
GOING.

YOU'RE RIGHT.

THESE ARE 400 PEOPLE WE HAVE THE
HONOR TO WORK WITH AND KEEP THE
CITY GOING.

>> IF YOUR STREET HAS BEEN
PLOWED IT'S BECAUSE OF THOSE OUT
OF FRONTAGE ROAD.
IF YOU HAVE PARKING ENFORCEMENT
ON YOUR STREET IT'S THE WORK
FROM FRONTAGE ROAD.
YOUR TRASH, COMPOST PICKED UP
THAT'S FROM FRONTAGE ROAD.
THE CAMPUS THEY'RE WORKING ON IS
IN SERIOUS NEED.
YOU HAVE ALL HAD A CHANCE TO
VISIT.

THANK YOU FOR THE SUGGESTION OF
THE TOUR.

AS POINTED OUT IN THE SLIDE SHOW
IF YOU ARE ON THE TOUR YOU SAW
WHERE IN THE TOW LOT ON
JANUARY 4th IT FLOODED.

WE HAD A NORTHEASTER DURING A
MAJOR SNOW STORM.

YOU SAW THE CRACKS IN THE FLOOR
BECAUSE OF SETTLEMENT OF THE
FOUNDATION.

AT FRONTAGE ROAD YOU HAD A
SIGNIFICANT TOUR OF THE PLACES
IN THE BUILDING THAT ARE NEAR OR
PAST THEIR USEFUL LIFE.

WE ARE, WE'RE FACING A VERY
SERIOUS BASIC CITY SERVICE
PROBLEM.

WE ARE AT A MOMENT WHERE THE
LITERAL FOUNDATION OF THE HUB,
OUR BASIC CITY SERVICES ARE
CRUMBLING.

WHAT IS GREAT IF YOU WERE ON THE
TOUR IT'S NOT JUST A CHANCE TO
FIX BUT TO TRANSFORM.

WE HAVE A CHANCE TO REIMAGINE
BASIC CITY SERVICES.

THINK ABOUT GIVING OUR EMPLOYEES
THE SPACES AND STOOLS AND SHOPS

THEY NEED FOR GENERATIONS TO COME.

THAT'S WHY WE THINK THERE IS A URGENCY.

THAT'S WHY WE THINK WE HAVE A GREAT OPPORTUNITY BEFORE US. THE OTHER REASONS WE'RE PUSHING THIS FORWARD IS THE GOOD WORK FROM IMAGINE BOSTON THAT SARA LEAD.

LOCKING ASSET THE DIRECTION OF THE CITY AS A WHOLE.

PARTICULARLY THIS AREA AROUND IT FIVE THEMES BUBBLED TO THE TOP.

THEE OF THOSE KEEP THOEPLZ ARE ONES YOU HAVE TALKED ABOUT TONIGHT.

CORE TO OUR FRONTAGE ROAD TO PROVIDE.

ONE AND PERHAPS THE TOP OF THE LIST IS THE OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT SERIOUS RESILIENCY CHALLENGES TO THE CITY.

THE SECOND IS ONE THAT COUNSELOR FLYNN SPOKE TO.

THIS SITE IS ONE I REALIZE OTHER FEELS IT'S A WEDGE AND A OPPORTUNITY TO THINK ABOUT HOW TO RECONNECT PART OF THE CITY THROUGH A EXPANDED NEIGHBORHOOD APPROACH.

THE THIRD IS A HIGH PRIORITY FOR US.

THIS SITE IS ON THE LINE.

WE CAN THINK ABOUT THE TRANSFORMATION AND THE BROADER WORK.

ALL THAT HAD WORK, THOSE TWO TRACKS.

TRACK OF BASIC SERVICES.

THERE IS NO STATUTORY REASON IT'S CONNECTED.

THE POLICE FACILITIES ARE THERE. WE HAVE SENIOR FACILITIES THERE.

THOSE ARE EXPENSIVE PR PROPOSITIONS.

WE HAVE A OPTION OF REV NOW AND REDUCE MONEY IN SCHOOLS.

REDUCE MONEY IN PARKS.

REDUCING MONEY TO TRANSFORM STREETS, LIBRARIES AND COMMUNITY CENTERS.

WE NEED TO FIND A NEW SOURCE OF REVENUE TO ADDRESS THIS IN FRONT

OF US.

THE NEXT IS A PRACTICAL AND
PHYSICAL REASON.

NO MATTER WHAT WE DO THERE IS
THE VALUE OF THE PARCEL FOR IT
TO REMAIN, PORTION FOR BASIC
CITY SERVICE PURPOSE.

IF THAT'S THE CASE UNDERSTANDING
IT ALL AT THE SAME TIME IS
IMPORTANT TO US.

WITH THAT SAID I WON'T GO NO
MORE DETAILS.

I CAN TAKE QUESTIONS WITH FELLOW
COLLEAGUES.

WE'RE AT THE END OF THE
BEGINNING OF THE PROCESS.

WE ARE HERE BEFORE YOU.

WE'RE REQUESTING A PUR PLUS VOTE
NOT A SALE.

NOT EVEN REQUESTING THE TRANSFER
TO THE BPDA.

WE'RE REQUESTING TO TRANSFER TO
ANOTHER CITY DEPARTMENT TO
ENGAGE IN THE NEXT ROUND OF
PUBLIC CONVERSATIONS AND
PLANNING CONVERSATIONS TO FIGURE
OUT WHAT IS THE RIGHT THING TO
DO AT THIS PARTICULAR LOCATION.

THE RIGHT FUTURE USE IF IT'S NOT -- WITH THAT I WILL TURN IT
BACK TO YOU GUYS.

>> THANK YOU, CHIEF.

THANK YOU, EVERYONE.

COUNSELOR FLYNN IS DEFERRING.

COUNSELOR FLYNN HAS A FEW
QUESTIONS.

>> -- I KNOW HOW IMPORTANT AND
CRITICAL IT IS ON THE DPW SIDE
OF THE HOUSE TO GET SALT TO THE
ROADS AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE I
BELIEVE.

IT'S A MAJOR PUBLIC SAFETY
ISSUE.

WE HAVE THE CAPABILITIES OF --
WHAT IS THE PLAN FOR THE SALT.
WE DO NEED IT.

>> THE SALT PARTICULARLY.

SO FOR THOSE WHO ARE NOT AWARE
FRONTAGE ROAD ITSELF IS A
ELONGATED PARCEL THE WORK THIS
YEAR WE HAVE LOOKED AT THE RIGHT
USE OF THE SITE MIGHT BE IN THE

FUTURE.
A LOT OF THE VALUE.
FROM A RESILIENCY PERSPECTIVE IS
THE NORTHERN EPBTD.
THIS WOULD BE THE SOUTHERN END.
A PORTION OF IT WE MAY RETAIN A
PRINCIPLE SALT FACILITY TO GET
TO OUR NEIGHBORHOODS.
GENERALLY ACCESSIBLE.

>> I WANT TO MAKE SURE THERE IS
A PLAN.
SE SEE ELIMINATE THE LOCATION
AND IT GOES SOMEWHERE.
IT'S A VITAL FUNCTION.
THE OTHER IS 150 TO 200 VEHICLE
LOT.
FROM THE TRANSPORTATION
PERSPECTIVE WHETHER IT'S A TOED
VEHICLE OR ABANDONED VEHICLE OR
EXCITE TASK ISSUE WE RUN
PROBLEMS THROUGH FRONTAGE ROAD.
I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT'S
ELIMINATED AND WE HAVE SOME
LOCATION.
LOCATIONS IN MIND TO COMPENSATE
FOR THE 1250 TO 200 VERY
PRECIOUS SPOTS I THINK THE
TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT NEEDS
AND USES REGULARLY.
I'M NOT SURE OF THE PLAN ON.
THAT.

>> -- ADD MORE.
ONE THING WE NOTICED AND
DOCUMENTED THERE IS ABOUT A
MILLION SQUARE FEET OF FACILITY
BETWEEN FRONTAGE ROAD AND TWO
SATELLITE FACILITIES WE.
HAVE 60% IS SURFACE PARKING.
THERE IS A HUGE OPPORTUNITY TO
THINK ABOUT REDUCING OUR FOOT
PRINT AND OPERATIONAL
EFFICIENCIES.
WHETHER THAT'S GOING TO WORK FOR
TOWING OR A DIRECTION WE WOULD
GO WE NEED TO REDUCE OUR SPACE
AND BE MORE EFFICIENT IN THE
FUTURE.

>> I WOULD ADD THAT THE TOWING
OPERATION IS CUSTOMER FACING.
SO PROVIDING A FACILITY THAT
WOULD BE SAFE AND ACCESSIBLE FOR

THE PUBLIC IS PARAMOUNT TO US.

>> VERY GOOD.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.
MY COLLEAGUE, COUNSELOR FLYNN
FOR DEFERRING.

>> COUNCIL FLYNN.

>> THANK YOU.
THANK YOU TO THE PANELIST FOR
THE INPUT AS WELL AND LEADERSHIP
AS WELL.
CHIEF, CAN YOU EXPLAIN IF THIS
DOES GO THROUGH AND THERE IS
DEVELOPMENT ON THIS LAND WHAT
WOULD THE TRAFFIC PATTERNS LOOK
LIKE KNOWING THAT DUMP TRUCKS
WILL BE IN AND OUT.
IT'S A HIGHLY, HIGHLY -- A LOST
VEHICLES ON THESE ROADS.
WHAT IMPACT WILL THE TRAFFIC
HAVE?

>> SO, THAT'S A GREAT QUESTION.
THE STUDY WE HAVE BEEN GOING
THROUGH LOOKS AT SIX DIFFERENT
POTENTIAL CONFIGURATIONS.
FOUR HAVE SOME DEGREE OF
UTILIZATION OF A SOUTHERN END OF
BASIC CITY SERVICES.
NO ADDITIONAL TRIP GENERATION.
DEPENDING ON THE USE FOR THE
NORTHERN PORTION OF THE SITE OR
POTENTIALLY A LARGER PORTION OF
THE SITE THAT DEPENDS ON
WHATEVER WENT THROUGH THE ACTUAL
RFP.