23 A Street January 30, 2024





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Edgewater Food Forest, Mattapan

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About the Grassroots Program

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GROWBOSTON

Office of Urban Agriculture



The Food Project - East Cottage Farm

GrowBoston's goal is to increase food production and support local food producers in Boston, including gardeners, farmers, beekeepers, and more.

- Support for innovative food production strategies
- Technical assistance to farms and gardens
- Educational resources
- And more!
- Part of the Mayor's Office of Housing (MOH)

GRASSROOTS PROGRAM

Program of GrowBoston



Savin Hill Wildlife Garden

- Provides City-owned land, grant funds, and technical assistance to neighborhood groups and non-profits for:
 - Community gardens
 - Urban farms
 - Other open space uses

MOH LAND DISPOSITION PROCESS





MOH PROCUREMENT PROCESS

Under Chapter 30B

- <u>M.G.L. c. 30B (Chapter 30B)</u> establishes an advertised proposal process that COB must follow in acquiring and disposing real estate property by purchase, sale or rental with a value greater than \$35,000.
- Under Chapter 30B we are required to conduct an open and fair competitive process that places all proposers on common footing, solicit information that will allow manageable and meaningful comparisons of offers and base decisions solely on the information solicited (what we've heard from the community).



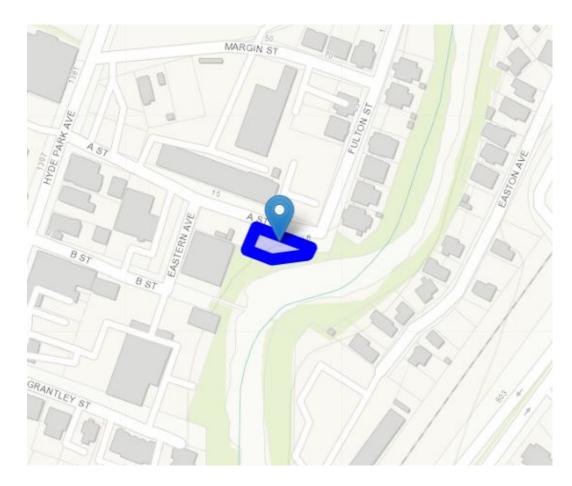
About the Site

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SITE DESCRIPTION AND MAP

- 23 A Street, Hyde Park
- Total Size: 3,600 sq ft
- 1 parcel











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PROPOSED FUTURE USE

- Public open space
- Landscaping and restoration activities encourage to recreate nature setting
- Provide view of Neponset River, with possible future water access

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

- Do you have any questions or concerns regarding the possible permanent use of this site for passive open space?
- Do you want to see this space preserved as open space into the future?
- Is there anything you would NOT want to see on this site?
- Any other comments, questions or concerns?

Next Steps

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