Norwell Radcliffe Open Space Community Meeting *July 25, 2023*



This meeting is being recorded.





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OVERVIEW

- Introductions
- About the Grassroots Program
- Site Details
- Discussion: Comments and Q+A
- Next Steps



INTRODUCTIONS

- MOH/GrowBoston staff
- Elected officials



Edgewater Food Forest, Mattapan

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About the Grassroots Program

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GROWBOSTON

Office of Urban Agriculture



East Cottage Farm, Roxbury

- 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, Dorchester

- 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

4 parcels in Dorchester

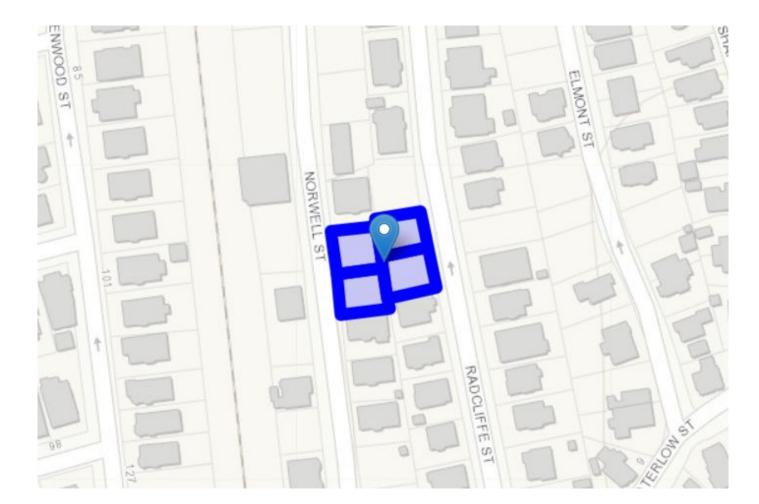
116 Norwell St

- Parcel ID 1402341000
- Unnumbered Norwell St
 - Parcel ID 1402340000

• 89 Radcliffe St

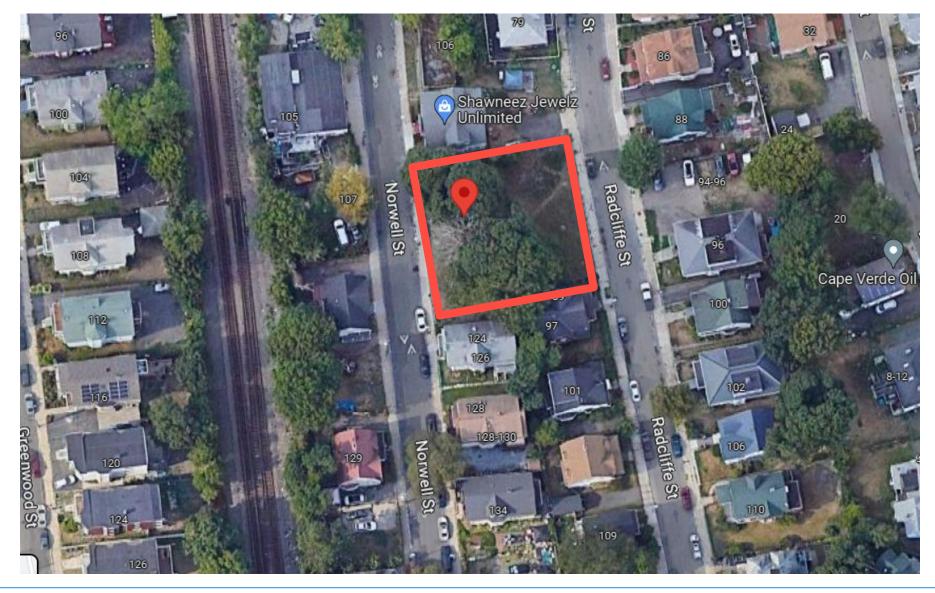
- Parcel ID 1402357000
- Unnumbered Radcliffe St
 - Parcel ID 1402358000

• Total Size: 11,672 sq ft





SATELLITE VIEW



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View from Norwell Street

View from Radcliffe Street

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Discussion: Comments and Q+A

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PROPOSED FUTURE USE

Open Space

- Permanently protected as open space by deed restriction
- Preservation of existing healthy, mature trees
- Maintain sight lines throughout
- Addition of raised garden beds for community use

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Open Space

- Do you have any questions or concerns regarding the possible permanent use of this site for **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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