

OVERVIEW



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

INTRODUCTIONS

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- MOH/GrowBoston staff
- Elected officials or their representatives



Edgewater Food Forest, Mattapan



GROWBOSTON

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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

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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



Identify site

2 Evaluate development feasibility

Public RFP planning meetings

4 Issue RFP including community feedback

7 Review RFP responses for eligibility

9 Tentative developer designation

10 Developer financing and permitting

Property transferred to developer

2 Construction

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).



SITE DESCRIPTION AND MAP

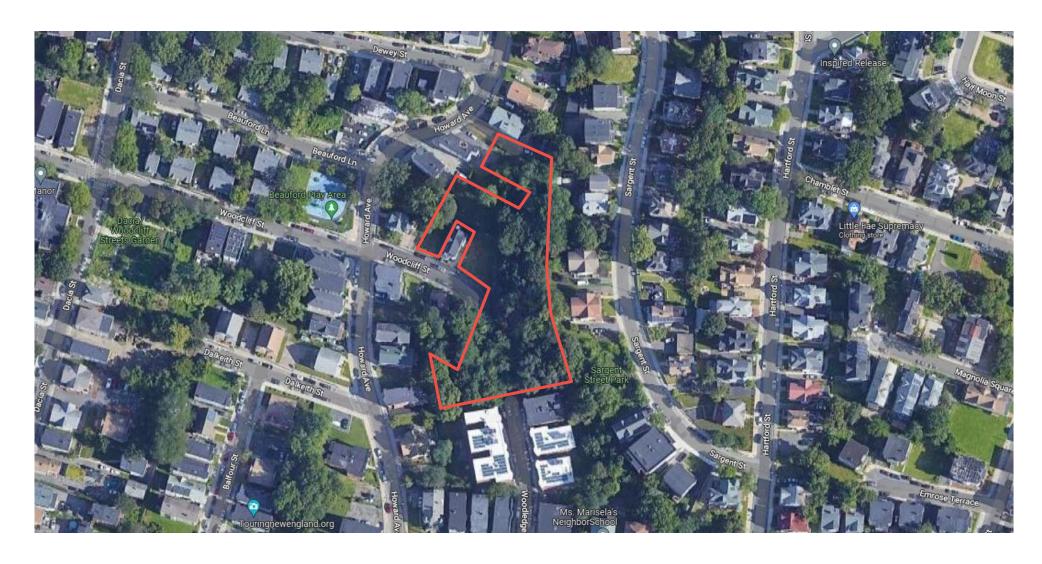


- Location: Roxbury
- Total Size: 57,466 sq ft
- 14 vacant parcels
 - 1-3 Letterfine Terrace
 - 2-4 Letterfine Terrace
 - 5-7 Letterfine Terrace
 - 6 Letterfine Terrace
 - 10-12 Letterfine Terrace
 - 14-16 Letterfine Terrace
 - 78 Woodcliff Street
 - One (1) unnumbered Letterfine Terrace parcel
 - One (1) unnumbered Woodledge St. parcel
 - Two (2) unnumbered Sargent St. parcels
 - Three (3) unnumbered Woodcliff St. parcels















View towards Howard Avenue





















View from 78 Woodcliff Street towards Sargent Street













PROPOSED FUTURE USE



Open Space

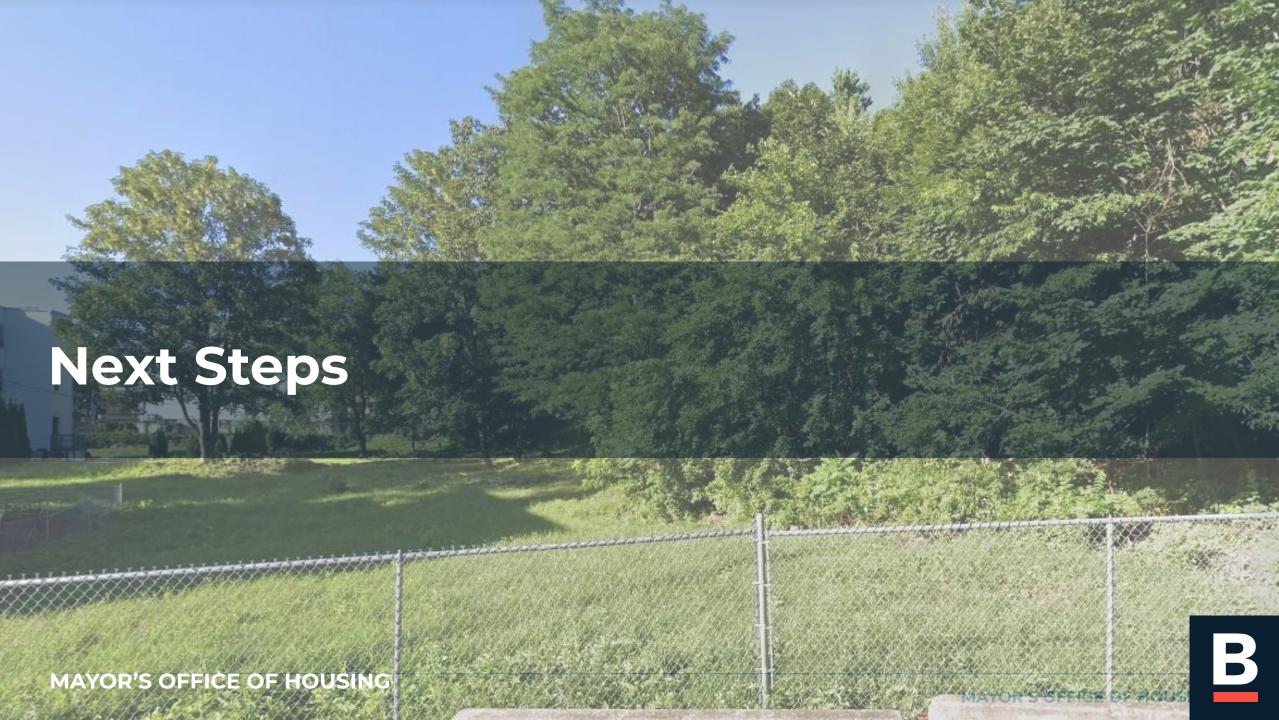
- Improved urban forest and community open space
- Open for public use
- Raised beds for community use
- Possible food forest elements fruit or nut trees and bushes for community use
- Possible small building on on flat parcels off of Woodcliff
- Most of site permanently protected as open space by deed restriction
- Possibility that some parcels in use by abutters could be sold to them (at appraised value)

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!



Open Space

- Do you have any questions or concerns regarding the possible permanent use of this site as open space for community use including maintaining forested areas, planting fruit trees, installing garden beds, and a constructing a small building?
- Do you want to see this space preserved as public open space into the future?
- Is there anything you would NOT want to see on this site?
- Any other comments, questions or concerns?



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