ZOOM TIPS
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**VIA WEB:**
- Turn video on / off.

**VIA WEB:**
- Raise Hand
- Chat (bottom of screen)
- responses to poll questions

To use these non-verbal options click on participants (bottom of screen); these options will pop up in side bar.

**DURING THE Q&A:**

**JOINING VIA PHONE?**
- Use *9 to raise hand to ask for audio / video permission to ask questions or provide comments.

**VIA WEB:**
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AGENDA

1. INTRODUCTION

2. PRESENTATION & LIVE POLLING

3. LISTENING & DISCUSSION

4. CLOSING REMARKS, NEXT STEPS
PROJECT TEAMS

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LOCAL OPEN SPACE CONTEXT

Nearby Open Space

Ryan Playground
- playground, street hockey, baseball field, softball fields, multi-purpose open field

Hood Green
- 1 acre open space

Garden for Charlestown
- community garden (non-public)

Doherty Playground
- playground, basketball courts, tot spray area

Mishawam Playlot (2)
- playground (non-public)

Edwards Playground
- playground, basketball court, street hockey

Charlestown Overlook
- urban wilds

St. Francis Burying Ground
- cemetery (non-public)

Bunker Hill Athletic Fields
- basketball court, baseball field, tennis courts, multi-purpose open field

Phipps St Burying Ground
- cemetery

William Zeke Marsden
- Playground

Bunker Hill Monument
- monument and open space

Charlestown Community Center, High School
- sports fields, community room, fitness center, indoor pool
HOW DOES HOOD GREEN COMPARE IN SIZE TO OTHER OPEN SPACE IN CHARLESTOWN?

- CHARLESTOWN NAVAL YARD PARK: 210,000 SF
- WINTHROP SQUARE: 39,204 SF
- BUNKER HILL MONUMENT: 164,000 SF
- HOOD GREEN: 43,500 SF
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HOW DOES RYAN PLAYGROUND COMPARE IN SIZE TO OTHER OPEN SPACE IN CHARLESTOWN?

- **CHARLESTOWN COMMUNITY CENTER/HIGH SCHOOL**: 387,684 SF
- **RYAN PLAYGROUND**: 381,586 SF
- **BUNKER HILL COMMUNITY COLLEGE**: 566,280 SF
WHAT PROGRAMS COULD FIT IN EACH SITE?

HOOD PARK
1 Acre (43,560 sq ft)

- High School Baseball Field
  105,000 sq ft
- Little League Baseball Field
  40,000 sq ft

NEW SULLIVAN SQ. OPEN SPACE
1.25 Acres (54,450 sq ft)

- Standard Hockey Rink
  7,800 sq ft
- Standard Tennis Court
  7,200 sq ft

RYAN PLAYGROUND
8.75 Acres (381,150 sq ft)

- Dog Park
  Minimum 6,000 sq ft
- Amphitheater
  Minimum 4,000 sq ft
- Playground
  Minimum 1,000 sq ft
- Splash Pad
  Minimum 500 sq ft
- Farmers’ Market
  Flexible in scale
- Passive Recreation
  Flexible in scale
- Outdoor Dining
  Flexible in scale
FLOOD RISK ASSESSMENT

MASS COASTAL FLOOD RISK MODEL

BOSTON HARBOR FLOOD RISK MODEL

Annual Exceedance Probability of Coastal Flooding

2030

2070
ALL THE PROCESSES TALKING ABOUT OPEN SPACE IN THIS AREA

**PLAN Charlestown**
Boston Planning and Development Agency

**Climate Ready Boston**
Environment Department

**Healthy Places:**
Heat Resilience Study
Environment Department

**Ryan Playground**
Boston Parks and Recreation
PLAN: CHARLESTOWN

We’ve previously discussed Open Space in prior PLAN: Charlestown meetings

- **Open Space and Climate Resilience Workshop**: Parks shared Charlestown’s different park typologies and the Environment Department discussed Climate Ready Boston Phase I and II

- In *Land Use Through Time Part II*, people shared hopes for more parks in the future.

- **Planning Places: Rutherford Avenue and Sullivan Square**: Community members discussed where and what types of open space they hoped to see

  Share your thoughts: [bit.ly/mapcharlestown](bit.ly/mapcharlestown)
During these meetings we heard hopes for:

- More parks, trees, and open space free of air, light, and noise pollution
- Safe and accessible connections to the waterfront, such as the Harborwalk, and existing open space
- A climate-ready Charlestown with improved flood resiliency
- New public spaces that foster a sense of community
- A dog park
- More active recreation space
- A green corridor

Summarized responses from 4/7 Land Use Through Time Part II Workshop and 5/26 Planning Places: Rutherford Avenue and Sullivan Square
We’ve also heard in general that the community would like planning in Charlestown to be an *interdepartmental and holistic process*, which is the goal of this meeting.

**Goal:** Gather input on desired futures uses of each site given...
- The opportunities and challenges of each individual site
- The other park sites in Sullivan Square
- Park space in Charlestown as a whole
RYAN PLAYGROUND - PROJECT TIMELINE

**SEPT 2021**
Ryan Playground Community Meeting 1 - Site Analysis

**OCT 2021**
Sullivan Square Open Space Meeting - Ryan Playground, Hood Green, and Rutherford Avenue Joint Meeting for Programming

**DEC 2021**
Ryan Playground Community Meeting 2 - Design Concepts

**SPRING 2022**
Permitting

**JAN 2022**
Ryan Playground Community Meeting 3 - Schematic Design Proposal

**FALL 2022**
Construction begins
RYAN PLAYGROUND - EXISTING SITE LAYOUT
The gradations of blue in the map show how the 1% annual chance flood extent changes as sea levels rise. The colors do not indicate depth of flooding. The arrows show the flood entry points and pathways with current sea levels, 9 inches of sea level rise (2030s), and 36 inches of sea level rise (2070s).
NEW OPEN SPACE AT SULLIVAN SQUARE
Proposed extents of improved pedestrian and bicycle connections to City Square Park, Bunker Hill Community College, Ryan Playground, two MBTA transit stations and the new Sullivan Square open space and Hood Green.
NEW OPEN SPACE AT SULLIVAN SQUARE - PROJECT TIMELINE

- **OCT 2021**: Sullivan Square Open Space Public Meeting
- **APR 2022**: 75% Design
- **NOV 2022**: Final Design
- **JUL 2023 - FEB 2027**: Construction
- **JUN 2021**: 25% Design Public Hearing
- **MAR 2023**: Project Advertisement
NEW OPEN SPACE AT SULLIVAN SQUARE - PROJECT OVERVIEW

Historic Sullivan Square Park and Train Station

Historic Sullivan Square 1920

LEGEND
- Existing Open Space
- Proposed Open Space
- Green Space
- Shared Use Path
- Bike Path

EXTENSION OF RYAN PLAYGROUND
FUTURE DEVELOPMENT PARCELS
SULLIVAN STATION
SULLIVAN SQUARE
RUTHERFORD AVE
CHARLESTOWN
SCHRAFFT’S
RYAN PLAYGROUND

TO BOSTON
TEAMSTERS BUILDING
TO EVERETT
NEW OPEN SPACE AT SULLIVAN SQUARE - CIRCULATION
NEW OPEN SPACE AT SULLIVAN SQUARE - CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

- Ensure safety of all users
- Provide clear flows of circulation
- Allow for passive and active uses to accommodate a range of users
- Incorporate climate resilient design features
- Potential to include food and entertainment programming
- Potential for garden elements - living and/or built
NEW OPEN SPACE AT SULLIVAN SQUARE - POTENTIAL SITE FEATURES

- Shared use path for bicycles and pedestrians
- Lighted pedestrian way through square
- Open lawn with stepped seating
- Plaza with table and chair seating
- Tot-lot
Temp. replacement slide to align with other intro slides - if Hood would like to replace with something else please do so.
HOOD GREEN - PROJECT TIMELINE

*Hood Green Timeline is contingent upon aligning with the timing of completion of construction of the section of Rutherford Avenue between Spice Street and Hood Park Drive (currently using February 2027).

- **Minus 17-20 Months**
  - Finalize Community Input
  - Process for Hood Green

- **Minus 13-16 Months**
  - Comment Construction Documents for Hood Green

- **Minus 9-12 Months**
  - Commence Construction of Hood Green

- **February 2027**
  - Completion of Hood Green Concurrent with Completion of Rutherford Ave Reconstruction
LIVE POLLING
Join us at: slido.com/openspace

OR

1. Open a web browser
2. Type in slido.com
3. Enter code: openspace

You can toggle between the Q&A tab and the polls tab here!
What do you enjoy doing in public open spaces that could occur either at Hood Green, Ryan Playground, or the Sullivan Square site? Choose all that apply.
Use ONE word to describe what activity Ryan Playground is uniquely suited for.
Use ONE word to describe what activity Sullivan Square might be uniquely suited for.
Use ONE word to describe what activity Hood Green might be uniquely suited for.
Should activities at these three sites be
What would make the difference for you in deciding to go visit these sites?
Is there a primary issue in Charlestown that these sites could address? What would that be?

Start presenting to display the poll results on this slide.
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Charlestown Little Mystic Channel Park
Autumn Open House — October 16

There's a new initiative to re-imagine the area around Little Mystic Channel as a park with a harborwalk loop.

Stop by our Open House, share your ideas, grab a donut, play some Charlestown trivia, and find out how to get involved with the community-driven design process. This is a kid-friendly event.

When: Saturday, Oct 16th, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

Where: Little Mystic Channel between Charlestown Community Center Athletic Fields & CharlesNewtown (See Map 📍)

Learn more at: mysticriver.org/charlestown
THANK YOU!

Your voice matters!

Take our survey about Ryan Playground, Hood Green, and Sullivan Square

Check back in to view survey results or learn more about Ryan Playground:

boston.gov/ryan-charlestown

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