

Henry Hansen Park

487 Medford Street, Somerville, MA

Application for Funding from the
Parkland Acquisitions and Renovations for Communities
(PARC) Grant Program, FY23



Submitted by the City of Somerville to:

Melissa Cryan

RE: BID ENV 23 DCS 02

Bid # BD-22-1042-ENV-ENV01-72542

Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs

100 Cambridge Street – Suite 900

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July 14, 2022

Renovation of Henry Hansen Park – City of Somerville

Executive Office of Energy & Environmental Affairs Parkland Acquisitions and Renovations for Communities (PARC) Grant Program FY 23

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
KATJANA BALLANTYNE
MAYOR

June 23, 2022

Melissa Cryan
Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs
100 Cambridge Street, Suite 900
Boston, MA 02114

Dear Ms. Cryan:

As Mayor of the City of Somerville I am pleased to submit the accompanying proposal to the FY23 Parkland Acquisitions and Renovations for Communities (PARC) Grant Program for the renovation of Henry Hansen Park at 487 Medford Street.

Henry Hansen Park is currently a city-owned 0.06 acre passive park that was developed in 2005 with limited funds and the volunteer participation of Somerville residents eager to bring attention to a true Somerville hero, Henry Hansen, who helped raise the first flag on Mt. Suribachi and died at the Battle of Iwo Jima in 1945. The park design was meant to be temporary until greater investment could be made, and residents have been advocating for this ever since. Seventeen years after its construction, the park consists of two unshaded benches and educational information that is missing or unreadable. Its two entrances are not ADA accessible.

Despite its current deficits, Henry Hansen Park is ideally situated to serve Somerville residents, workers, and visitors. The park is located on the edge of an EJ neighborhood that covers most of eastern Somerville. It also sits on the edge of heavily-urbanized Magoun Square, right at the point where the Square's commercial sector gives way to the surrounding blue collar residential neighborhood. And, when the Magoun Square/Lowell Street Green Line Extension



station opens later this year, Henry Hansen Park will also be located less than 400 feet from the split between Magoun Square and the Lowell Street access to the train station.

We are looking forward to a Henry Hansen Park that is quiet, shaded, comfortable, accessible, informative, and relaxing. The current park is, unfortunately, none of those things. PARC Grant funding will enable us to reconfigure the park to make better use of space; open up the Medford Street side to make it fully accessible; replace dying greenery with local plantings that offer shade and beauty; provide comfortable gathering space; enhance the education elements so that residents can learn who Henry Hansen was and how he and the park fit into Somerville history; and add a water bubbler and water bottle filler to make this small park a weigh station for travelers and park-users alike.

I thank the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs for its consideration of Somerville's efforts to make Henry Hansen Park everything it was meant to be. I look forward to hearing from you on this important endeavor.

Sincerely,



Katjana Ballantyne

Mayor

RENOVATION OF HENRY HANSEN PARK

APPLICATION FORM AND REQUIRED AUTHORIZATIONS

Parkland Acquisitions and Renovations for Communities (PARC) Grant Program Application Form FY 2023

Instructions:

- *The application must be submitted through [this online form](#) and a hard copy must be submitted separately. The Applicant will be asked to enter all of the information in the table below directly into the form.*
- *The application can be saved while working on it. Click "Save and Resume Later" at the bottom of the form and then click on "Save and Get Link." A link to the application will be provided which must be copied and saved in order to return to the application. A good way to ensure that the link is not lost is to email it to yourself. Please note that this link is good for 30 days only.*
- *Please note that all documents which have been uploaded at the end of the application will not be saved if leaving the site before submitting the application. The files must be uploaded again upon re-entering the site and submitting the application.*
- *Total size of all documents attached to the online form cannot exceed 25 MB.*
- *Please ensure that all files you upload are consistently labeled. Please make file names consistent with the following: [Name of municipality]_[Shorthand version of project title]_[Name of attachment from attachment checklist]_PARC*
- *Please upload files to the online form as PDFs if possible, unless otherwise specified*

1. **Municipality:** Somerville

Population: 81,045

2. **Project Name:** Renovation of Henry Hansen Park

Type of Project:

Acquisition – acreage _____ New development Renovation of existing park

Project address: 487 Medford Street, Somerville, MA 02145 (corner of Medford Street & Partridge Avenue)

Total park acreage: 0.06 acres

1. **Registry of Deeds Information** (where the park's deed is located – for development and renovation projects only):

Registry of Deeds Name: Middlesex South Registry of Deeds

Registry of Deeds Address: 208 Cambridge Street, Cambridge, MA 02141

Recording Information for Park: Book: 25234 Page: 47

4. **Contact Person:** Arn Franzen, Project Manager/Director of Parks

Agency: Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development

Address: City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue

Somerville, MA

Zip: 02143

Telephone: 617-625-6600 x2545 Fax: _____

Email: afranzen@somervillema.gov

Please note: the contact person is the official representative for this project as authorized under item #15(b) of this application, usually not the chief municipal officer.

5. **Briefly describe the project on TWO attached pages.** Use the PARC Selection System as an outline for the description, as well as the items bulleted below, to ensure the maximum score possible for your project.

a.) Acquisition Projects:

- site location – directly serves Environmental Justice population and/or site's distance to the nearest park
- rare species (include letter from NHESP) (to determine if NHESP must approve site plans)
- historic or archaeological resource (include letter from MHC) (to determine if MHC must approve site plans)

b.) Development or Renovation Projects:

- describe facilities being developed (please note projects that require a significant amount of tree removal will not be looked at favorably)
- describe community needs, including park equity/need in this neighborhood
- new acres dedicated as parkland

c.) All Projects:

- directly serves an Environmental Justice population or area of the community that lacks park resources (show on map) and how the project will increase recreational opportunities for residents in areas of the state that currently do not have sufficient access
- how the needs of people with disabilities have been incorporated into the project's design (projects that have gone above and beyond to incorporate these needs will be reviewed most favorably)
- water-based recreation (include linear footage of bordering water resource, if appropriate)
- how the project's design incorporates climate resiliency
- fiscal or future maintenance cooperation with any other governmental agency (state, federal, county), private nonprofit, local business, etc.
- consistency with any nearby State Priority Development or Preservation Areas as shown on the South Coast Rail Corridor Plan, Merrimack Valley Land Use Priority Plan, 495/ MetroWest Development Compact Plan, Metro North Plan, or CMRPC Plan
- environmental education/interpretive services planned for site
- regional or statewide facility (communities applying in these categories should submit a Usage Report)
 - accessible via public transportation (within a 1/2-mile walk)
 - parking for 100 (or more) vehicles

6. Proposed Funding:

The PARC Grant Program is a **reimbursement** program. Grant recipients are reimbursed after invoices have been paid by the municipality. **The total project cost must be raised or appropriated by the municipality through a City Council or Town Meeting vote.** Costs incurred prior to grant approval and contract execution are ineligible, **including design costs.** Force account labor, volunteer hours, and donations are also ineligible. Refer to PARC regulations (Section 5.07) for eligible cost details. Sample budget can be found in Attachment E.

Total Eligible Project Cost: \$ 670,043.00 _____

PARC Request: \$ 375,224.08 _____
 (52-70% of total project cost based on Equalized Valuation Per Capita, can be found on DCS web page, maximum of \$400,000)

Municipal Share: \$ 294,818.92 _____
 (Community Development Block Grant via federal or local government sources, Community Preservation Act, etc., please specify in narrative)

Other: \$ 0 _____
 (i.e. private donation to community, fund raising, etc. Note that any donations for the project must be put into a municipal account earmarked for the project as EEA can only reimburse on a canceled municipal check or wire transfer statement.)

(PARC Request + Municipal Share + Other = Total Eligible Project Cost)

Attach a one-page description of the proposed project budget including:

The source of all local funding including donations and Community Preservation Act (CPA) funds.

- Description of the details of any donation, if applicable (be sure these funds are gifted to the community and earmarked for the project).
- Description of any other sources of funding including federal, state, municipal, or nonprofit organizations. List these partners and describe their contribution. Not all sources of state and federal funds are compatible with every DCS grant program.
- Budget should be broken into two distinct fiscal years for renovation and development projects – FY 23 costs associated with design, FY 24 costs associated with construction. Please note that PARC grants cannot reimburse municipalities for design costs only.

7. Project Type: Please indicate type of project, refer to the program's regulations for definitions (Sec 5:03) and to the list of required attachments found at the end of this application form to substantiate any "yes" answers. Indicate here whether:

Your municipality is an urban population center (city of any size or town with 35,000 or more residents)

Your project qualifies as a regional or statewide project (town with 35,000 or less residents whose proposed project has public transportation access (within 1/2 mile of the proposed project) and/or over 100 car parking) (submit a Usage Report)

Your project qualifies as a "small town" project (town with 35,000 or less residents) – please note that these applications will be competing amongst themselves in a separate pool of \$400,000 with a grant maximum of \$100,000

Your municipality is on Cape Cod or the Islands (eligible for \$400,000 grant award maximum)

8. Community Preservation Act

Has your community passed the Community Preservation Act?

Yes

No

If "yes", please note that successful grant applicants that have purchased real property interests for open space or recreational purposes using money from the Community Preservation Fund must have all conservation restrictions required by Section 12 of Chapter 44B approved by the Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs and recorded prior to receipt of final project reimbursement from the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs. Also, any communities that have acquired land through the Cape Cod Land Bank must show CRs as well.

9. Describe **outstanding leases, restrictions or other rights or interests** held by others in the project site area and enclosed copy of the same.

None.

10. Is the property **permanently dedicated for park, playground, or recreation purposes** (MGL Chapter 45, Section 3 or 14)? If not, please submit draft dedication language for DCS review as all PARC Grant Program projects must be dedicated for park, playground, or recreation purposes.

Yes

No

11. Are **fees currently charged or proposed** for this facility? If yes, please attach a copy of the fee system. Charging fees is allowed subject to DCS approval. If applicant is awarded a grant, the site cannot be restricted to municipal residents only. If fees are charged based on residency, fees for nonresidents are subject to Section 5.08(3) of the PARC Grant Program regulations.

Yes (copy attached)

No

12. Municipal Open Space and Recreation Plan

Describe how your project meets the recommendations in your current Open Space and Recreation Plan. To receive points in this category, you must cite specific goals, objectives, and/or actions from the Action Plan and the associated page number references. If we already have a copy of your plan, there is no need to submit another copy.

	Goal, objective, or action plan item from current OSRP	Page #
1	Renovate existing parks and open spaces to ensure attractive, safe, accessible public lands.	111
2	Improve maintenance practices in parks & open spaces to protect the City's investments.	111
3	Continue to improve access to parks & open spaces for persons with disabilities & the elderly.	111
4	Continue to incorporate sustainable design in response to the challenges of climate change.	111
5		
6		

13. Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan

Describe how your project advances the Outdoor Recreation Goals and Objectives (Chapter 5) in the [Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan](#).

This project advances two SCORP goals and touches on a third: It will fulfill Goal 1 (access for underserved populations) by redeveloping an existing open space in an Environmental Justice neighborhood so more of the space is usable. The new design will go beyond ADA requirements by providing universal access to a comfortable, contemplative, educational place for young and old alike. The project will fulfill Goal 4 (support the creation and renovation of neighborhood parks) by vastly improving a park whose closest neighboring park is 0.4 miles away, and by incorporating new green and passive amenities. Although the project will not incorporate water-based recreation in keeping with Goal 3, it will add a new water refreshment feature (bubbler and water bottle filler) to enhance the experience of spending time in the park and enable users to stay longer on hot days.

14. Enhanced Outreach to Environmental Justice Populations

In support of [EEA's EJ Policy](#), it is critical that EJ populations are able to participate in the project selection and design process **prior** to the submission of the grant application. Describe how EJ populations in your community (or neighboring communities) were able to participate. Also include any flyers, mailings, etc. that were distributed to the community and list here where they were distributed. Please note that the public participation must have occurred within the past year for the process to be considered in the project's rating.

This project was the subject of four public meetings in 2018 (March 26, May 1, August 21, and September 26), during which community members identified problems and suggested solutions for the existing park and contributed to the design described in this application. Neighbors of all descriptions participated, especially local veterans. Unfortunately, the project was put on hold in 2019 as Somerville focused on park renovation projects that were tied to other ongoing construction. Three of these received PARC grants, including Prospect Hill Park, which was already under construction with prior PARC funding, Central Hill Playground, which was tied to construction of the adjacent high school, and Somerville Junction, which was tied to expansion of the Somerville Community Path. Since almost four years have passed since the last public meeting Somerville will hold at least one more public meeting no later than July 14, 2022, heavily marketed in five languages (English, Spanish, Portuguese, Haitian Creole and Nepali) to the surrounding EJ community. If the meeting is well-attended and participants are satisfied with the current project design, that will be the final meeting. If not, Somerville will hold additional public meetings.

15. Community Compact

Has your community signed a Community Compact?
 Yes No

If “yes”, please list the Sustainable Development and Land Protection Best Practices included in it.

Somerville's Best Practices focus on economic development, housing, and waste management. Sustainable development and land protection are priorities in the City's OSRP and master plan, SomerVision.

16. Municipal Vulnerability Program

Is your community an MVP Community?
 Yes No

If “yes”, please describe how this application supports a priority implementation project within your MVP plan or how the plan includes other implementation project(s) relevant to parks and land conservation. Include the page(s) from your MVP plan that lists the relevant priority implementation project(s).

This application supports Priority 9 (open space and trees are highly valuable commodities to be protected and enhanced), and elements of Priority 8 (climate change is a potential serious public health issue for vulnerable populations) and Priority 7 (temperature is a ubiquitous threat throughout the city) in the City's Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment, which serves as the MVP plan. This project supports Priority 9 through utilization of sustainable practices in maintenance and planting of native species, Priority 8 by increasing shade along a transit corridor, and Priority 7 by enhancing a greenspace tucked into a parcel that is too small and awkwardly shaped to be otherwise developed.

17. Housing Choice Initiative Program

Has your community been designed as a Housing Choice Community? For more information please visit <https://www.mass.gov/housingchoice>.
 Yes No

18. Check the following if applicable to project:

- Yes No Prime agricultural lands (see Ex. Order #193)
- Yes No Cultural, historic, archeological site: Contact MA Historical Commission (617) 727-8470
- Yes No Endangered species habitat: Contact MA [Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program](#)
- Yes No Environmental intrusion, i.e. **overhead power lines (must be buried)**, safety hazards
- Yes No Located in the State Priority Preservation Area as shown on the South Coast Rail Corridor Plan, Merrimack Valley Land Use Priority Plan, or the 495/MetroWest Development Compact Plan, Metro North Plan, or CMRPC Plan
- Yes No Environmental Justice population (see [EJ data viewer](#))

Acquisition projects only

Yes No Acquisition involving relocation of residents, tenants, or businesses
 Do you have a Purchase and Sales Agreement or Agreed Price? Yes No
 If yes, amount: \$ _____
 Is Clear Title available? Yes No
 If no, is an eminent domain taking anticipated? Yes No
 If yes, proposed pro tanto award amount: \$ _____

Note that if clear title is not available, the community may decide to acquire the property by a friendly taking (eminent domain) process to clear the title. It is best to know if there is a potential title problem as soon as possible since this can complicate the acquisition process.

Note: Appraisals must be emailed separately to melissa.cryan@mass.gov

Appraisal Report #1

Appraisal Report #2 (if needed) (see section 2B for details)

Valuation: \$ _____
Appraiser: _____
Valuation Date: _____

Valuation: \$ _____
Appraiser: _____
Valuation Date: _____

19. Check if the following permits are required:
- Yes No U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (404 or Rivers and Waterways)
 - Yes No MA DEP Division of Wetlands & Waterways (617) 292-5518
 - Yes No U.S. Coast Guard
 - Yes No U.S. Dept. of Agriculture (Zoos)
 - Yes No C. 131 s. 40 Wetlands (municipal conservation commission)
 - Yes No MEPA Review (301 CMR 11.00: MEPA Regulations) (617) 626-1020

IMPORTANT NOTICE

If any of the above permits are required, the permit or application for the permit must be submitted. Should the project be selected for funding, the permit will be required as part of the final application.

20. Attach certification of:

- a. The **Chief Executive Officer's legal authorization to execute contracts**. This is a resolution, motion, or similar action that has been duly adopted or passed as an official act of the community's governing body that authorizes the filing of the applications, including all understandings and assurances contained therein by the signatory, **usually a page from the town/city charter** will satisfy this requirement (this is not a DCS form to be completed, nor is it specific to this grant application); and
- b. Authorization from chief municipal officer identifying individual named on the first page of this application who acts as official of municipality in connection with the application and who will provide such additional information as may be required (See Grant Regulations 5.04:(6)).

6/16/22
Date

Katjana Ballantyne
Signature of Chief Municipal Officer

Katjana Ballantyne, Mayor
Name and Title (Typed)

January 2022 - December 2023
Duration of Term

Mailing Address: City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue

Somerville, MA 02143

Telephone: 617-625-6600 x2100

Approved as to form:
[Signature]
City Solicitor

City of Somerville – Response to Application Form Question 20b:

As the Chief Municipal Officer of the City of Somerville, I hereby authorize Arn Franzen, the individual named as “Contact Person” on the first page of Somerville’s application to the Parkland Acquisitions and Renovations for Communities (PARC) Grant Program, to serve as the official representative of the City of Somerville in connection with the application. He will provide such additional information as may be required.



Katjana Ballantyne, Mayor

Date 6/6/2022

Sec. 22. [Appointment of person to examine books and accounts.]

The mayor may at any time appoint a suitable person or persons to examine, without notice, the books and accounts of any department, officer, or employee of the city.

Sec. 23. [Suspension and removal of officers.]

The mayor may in writing suspend any executive officer, and he shall at once report his action and his reason therefor to the board of aldermen. The suspension of any such officer shall, unless previously revoked by the mayor, be a removal at the expiration of fifteen days after said report is made, unless within that time such officer asks for a hearing before the board, which hearing shall forthwith be granted. If within one week after the conclusion of such hearing the board, by two-thirds vote, shall set aside the suspension, the officer shall thereby be reinstated; otherwise the suspension shall constitute a final dismissal from office.

Sec. 24. [Mayor may call special meetings of the board of aldermen.]

The mayor shall communicate to the board of aldermen such information and shall recommend such measures as in his judgment the interests of the city require. He may at any time call a special meeting of the board of aldermen, upon such notification as he may deem sufficient, and other special meetings of said board may be called at such times and in such manner as may be prescribed by the rules of said board.

Sec. 25. [Mayor to enforce laws, ordinances, etc.; appointment of secretary authorized.]

The mayor shall cause the laws, ordinances and orders for the government of the city to be enforced, and shall cause a record of all his official acts to be kept, and for that purpose and to aid him in his official duties he may appoint a secretary and define his duties; and, subject to the approval of the board of aldermen, shall fix the salary of the secretary. No increase in the salary of the mayor shall take effect in the calendar year in which it is noted.

(Acts 1982, Chapter 656, approved Jan. 5, 1983)

Sec. 26. [Mayor to have sole power to sign, execute, etc., deeds, leases, contracts, etc.]

The mayor shall have the sole power to sign, seal, execute and deliver in behalf of the city, deeds and leases of land sold or leased by the city, and other deeds, agreements, contracts, leases, indentures and assurances on behalf of the city.

(Acts 1932, Chapter 308, approved June 7, 1932.)

Sec. 27. [Acting mayor authorized when mayor unable to perform duties.]

In case of the inability of the mayor from the absence of any other cause to perform the duties of his office the president of the board of aldermen shall, until such inability is removed, exercise the powers and perform the duties of mayor, under the style of acting mayor, except that he shall not, unless authorized thereto in a special instance by the board of aldermen, and then only in case of exigency requiring an immediate appointment or removal, make any permanent appointment or removal, and shall not, unless such inability of the



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October 12, 2017

Luisa Oliveira
Mayor's Office of Strategic Planning & Community Development
93 Highland Avenue
Somerville, MA 02143

Re: Open Space and Recreation Plan

Dear Ms. Oliveira:

Thank you for submitting Somerville's Open Space and Recreation Plan to this office for review for compliance with the current Open Space and Recreation Plan Requirements. I am pleased to write that the plan is approved. This final approval will allow Somerville to participate in DCS grant rounds through November 2023.

Congratulations on a great job. Please call me at (617) 626-1171 if you have any questions or concerns about the plan.

Sincerely,

Melissa Cryan
Grant Programs Supervisor

RENOVATION OF HENRY HANSEN PARK

PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND BUDGET DETAILS



Henry Hansen Park
487 Medford Street, Somerville
FY2024 PARC Grant Application - Funding Narrative

With this PARC application the City requests \$375,224.08 from the PARC Grant Program, for a maximum of 56% of the eligible construction costs, estimated to be \$670,043. The city of Somerville understands that the grant is a reimbursable grant, and that if awarded, the City of Somerville will fund 44% of the costs and any additional costs over and above the 56% of the budget funded by the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, Department of Conservation Services.

The City is committed to funding the renovation of Henry Hansen Park through a reimbursable PARC grant. If the grant is awarded, the secondary funding sources will be Community Preservation Act (CPA) funds, or City bond funds, or both. The Somerville Community Preservation Committee has supported the project previously through the funding the park's new design, however, if CPA funds are not available, the City will use Bond funds.

Henry Hansen Park was established in 2004 on a small budget to honor and memorialize a Somerville war veteran; and a significant moment in our country's history, and to provide a calm respite from the City that surrounds it. However, the park is now in need of renovation as many of the original "temporary" features have been vandalized or have fallen into a state of disrepair. The park is also lacking ADA accessibility, and other features which could significantly increase community benefits. Therefore, as a part of the renovation, improvements within the park will include greater street access, 100% ADA access, new green and sustainable elements, a sloping lawn, new pathways, stairs, retaining walls, a rolling green space, native and pollinator plantings, a drinking fountain and bottle filler, café tables and chairs, permeable surfaces, fencing, lighting, historic signage, and an expanded plaza area that will continue to provide a calm and attractive respite for the urban City that surrounds the park.

The renovation will be conducted by the City of Somerville Public Space and Urban Forestry (PSUF) team and will be maintained by the City of Somerville Department of Public Works.

1. As stated above, the design for the renovation has been provided by Community Preservation Act (CPA) funds, and therefore the city is not applying for Design funding in FY23. PARC grant funds will only be applied to construction costs that are not expected to accrue until after July 1, 2023.

a. Fiscal Year breakdown: This grant application is for Fiscal Year 24, starting July 1, 2023.

Eligible Project Costs:

1. FY 2023: \$0.00
 2. FY 2024: \$670,043
 3. PARC Grant Request: \$375,224.08
 4. Community Preservation Act and/or City Bond: \$294,818.92
2. The City is aware of the funding obligations of the PARC Grant. The City Council is currently reviewing the Municipal Vote request to apply for the Grant (see "required Authorizations and Certifications"). The City fully understands that this is a reimbursable grant and is also prepared to provide whatever additional funding is necessary, above and beyond that provided by the PARC grant.
 3. Please see the following spreadsheet with a construction cost estimate for a more detailed analysis of the proposed renovation costs. Images of proposed design are included in the Site Development Section.

Henry Hansen Memorial Park		Budget/Cost Estimate
Demolition and Site Preparation	\$	32,887.50
Mobilization- Demolition - Removals		
Paving and Edging	\$	222,972.00
Concrete seat wall, pavement, concrete stairs, precast pavers.		
Furnishings, Fencing, and Restoration	\$	51,875.00
Big Belly containers, handrails, chain link fence, Wood bench, café tables, tree grate		
Utilities and Lighting	\$	47,330.00
Lights, Electric Cabinet, Water Cabinet Catch basin, Drain, Drain line Electric Conduit, Water line Drinking Fountain/Bottle Filler		
Memorial Elements	\$	24,625.00
Graphics Panel, Flagpole, Concrete Form liner		
Plantings, Pruning, and Topsoil	\$	29,993.75
New trees, Loam and Sod Perennial bed Arborist Irrigation System		
Bond, Overhead, profit, contingency	\$	153,631.00
Escalation	\$	28,165.72
Construction Administration	\$	17,650.00
Additional 2022 Contingency (10%)	\$	60,913.00
TOTAL	\$	670,042.97

RENOVATION OF HENRY HANSEN PARK

SITE DEVELOPMENT PLANS AND COST ESTIMATES



Henry Hansen Memorial Park – Somerville MA

Existing Conditions



Henry Hansen Park – High Fences, closed off from street, lacking ADA, dated and broken displays



Older and broken displays, lacking any historic or educational information.



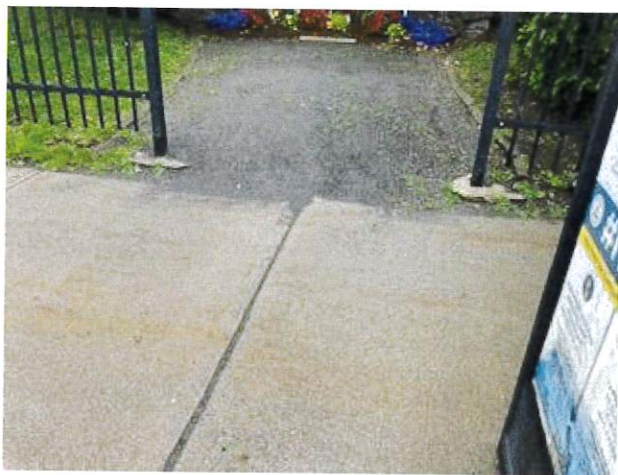
High fences



Broken memorial removed from park



Older unit block walls in need of replacement



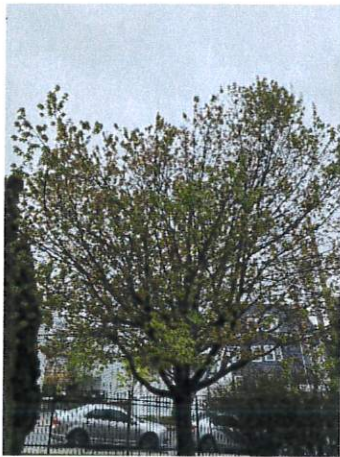
Lack of ADA access to the street and between the seating and flagpole display areas



Utility area overgrown.



Lack of access from side street

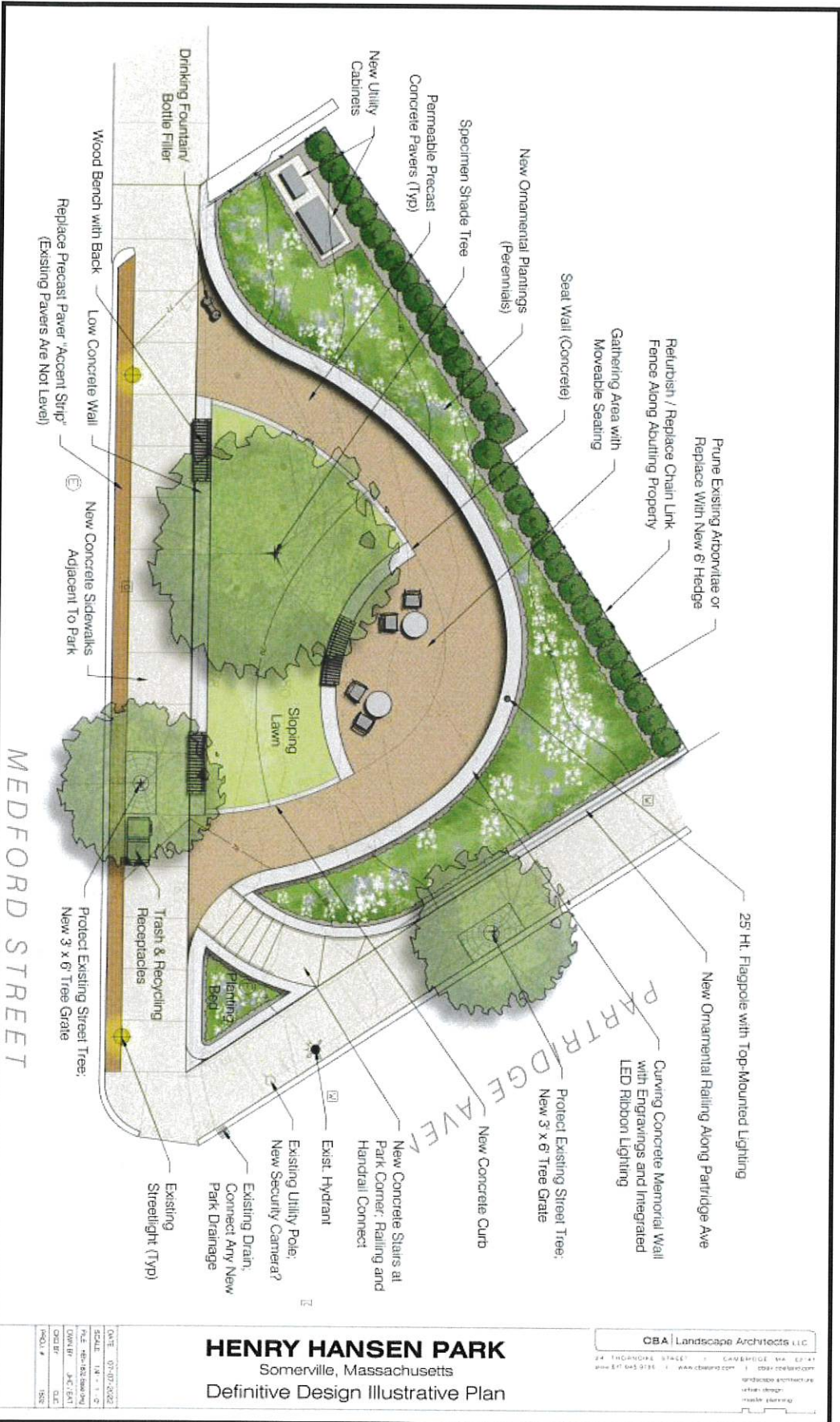


Maple tree with girdling roots and slow die back – to be replaced



Henry Hansen Memorial Park – Somerville MA

Proposed Design



HENRY HANSEN PARK
Somerville, Massachusetts
Definitive Design Illustrative Plan

CBA | Landscape Architects LLC
 24 FREDERICK STREET | CAMBRIDGE, MA 02141
 617.452.9134 | www.cbaia.com
 landscape architects
 urban design
 master planning

DATE	07-07-2022
SCALE	1/8" = 1'-0"
DRAWN BY	HEP/DO/BAW
CHECKED BY	JAC/BAW
DATE	07-07-2022
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Henry Hansen Park – Somerville MA

Proposed Design Views



Henry Hansen Park – Proposed Design – View No 1

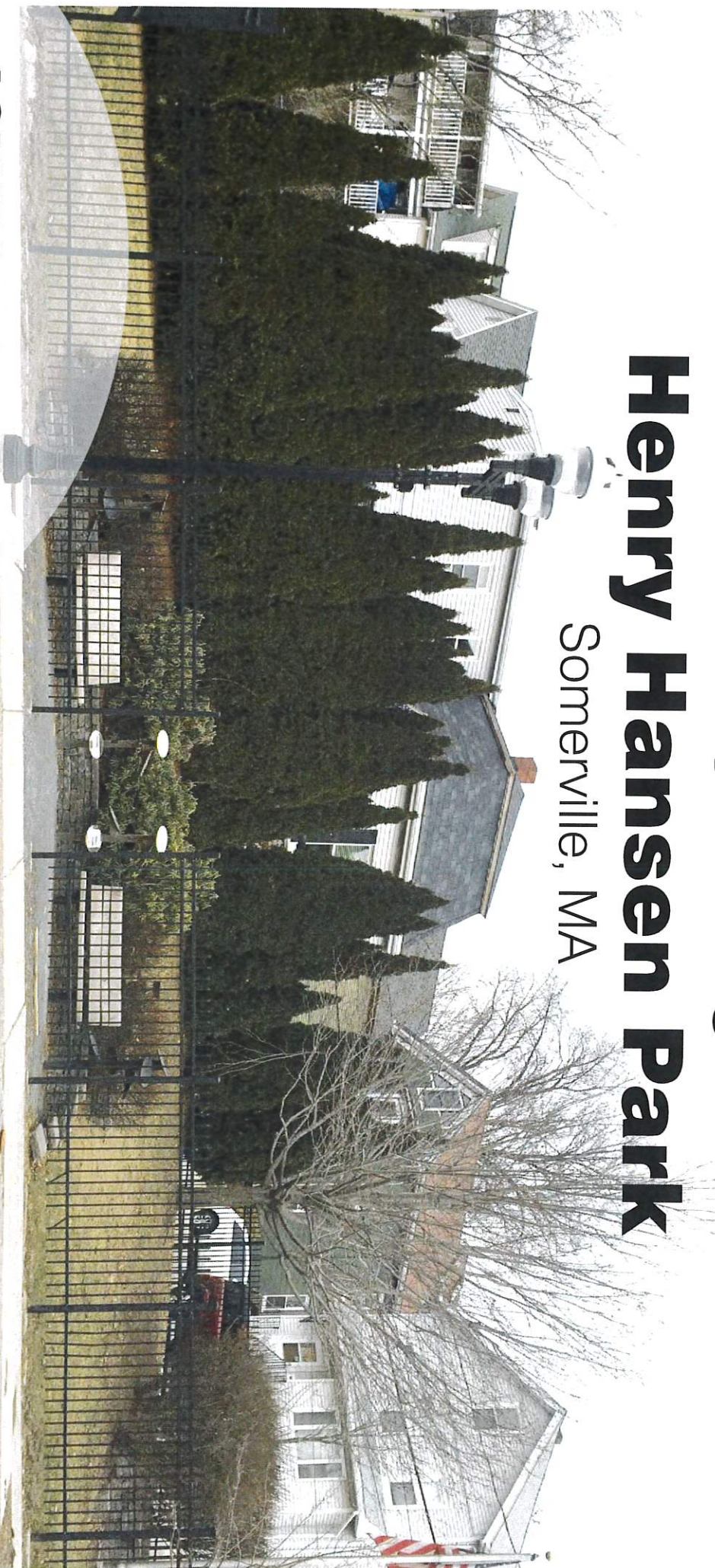


Henry Hansen Park – Proposed Design – View No 2

Community Meeting #4

Henry Hansen Park

Somerville, MA



AGENDA

- Project Overview & Update
- Review of Prior Meetings
- Tree Update
- Proposed Park Design

Thursday, July 7, 2022

PROJECT OVERVIEW

INTRODUCTIONS

City of Somerville

Arn Franzen, Senior Project Manager, Public Space & Urban Forestry
Ted Louis-Jacques, Commissioner of Veterans' Services

CBA Landscape Architects LLC

D.J. Chagnon, Principal-in-Charge & Project Manager
Jessica Choi & Liz Thompson, Staff Landscape Designers

DESIGN SCHEDULE

PROJECT OVERVIEW

Community Meeting 1 (March 26, 2018): Presented history, site analysis, and precedents. Gathered community input, and developed wish list to guide Schematic Designs for future meetings.

Community Meeting 2 (May 1, 2018): Presented Schematic Design Alternatives based on first meeting input. Community review and discussion, with the goal of defining a consensus plan.

Community Meeting 3 (September 26, 2018): Presented Definitive Design for park construction, including features and site furnishings based on community discussions. With community input, discussed project budget, bidding process, suggested Alternates, and prioritized strategy to maximize budget. Public discussion regarding proposed Tree Removal.

Design Development (Fall 2018-Fall 2019): CBA further developed the design and prepared detailed preliminary construction documents while the City explored funding alternatives.

Community Meeting 4 (July 7, 2022): The City of Somerville has identified Henry Hansen Park for this year's PARC grant application to the Commonwealth to obtain a matching grant for finalizing design and funding construction. Community Meeting held to update stakeholders on the project status and timetable.

Construction Documents (Winter - Spring 2023): CBA will finalize the existing design and suggested Alternates into detailed Construction Documents suitable for bidding purposes.

Construction Start (Summer - Fall 2023) If the grant is obtained, park construction could begin as soon as July 1, 2023 and is expected to last several months.

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PROJECT OVERVIEW

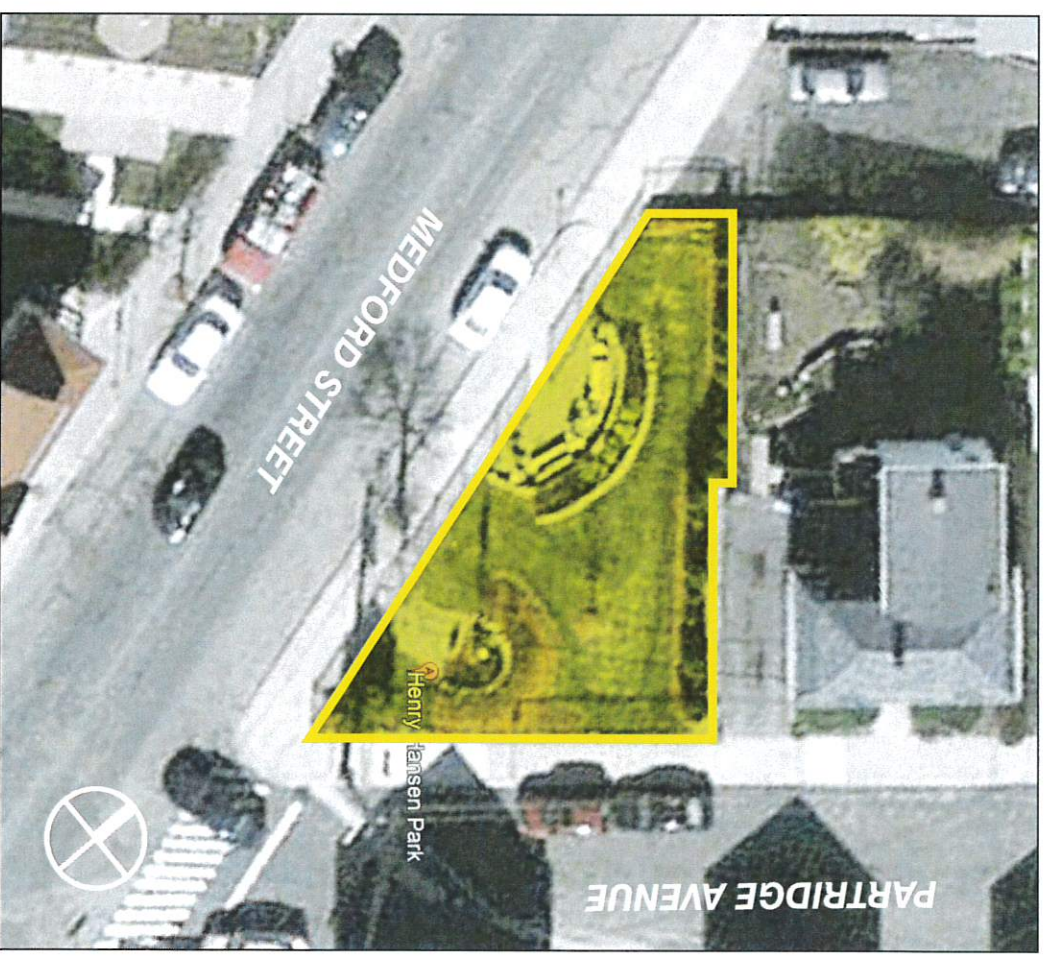
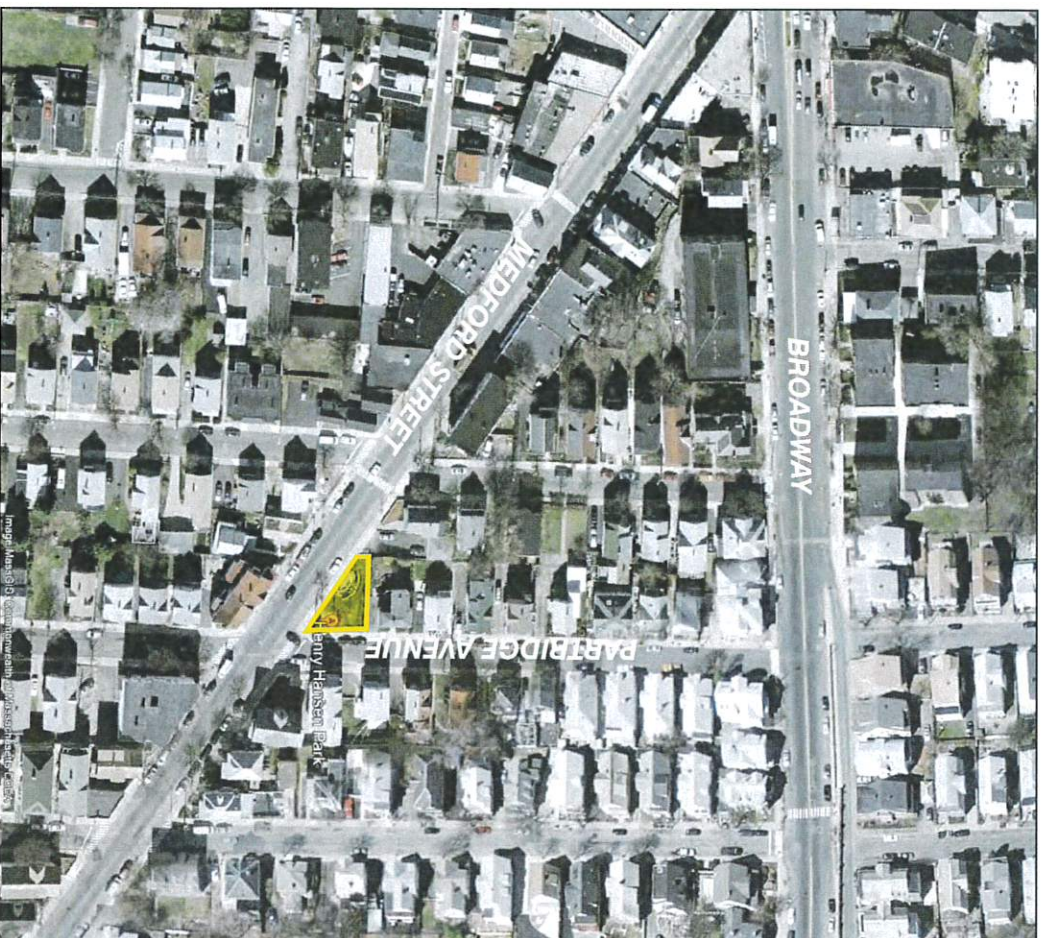
To renovate Henry Hansen Park - a small gem of Somerville's park system with an important story to tell in both local and national history.

The new design will provide a calm respite from the surrounding city where visitors can have contact with nature and experience the qualities of the natural landscape. The park is also intended to honor an important local son and war veteran, Henry ("Hank") Hansen, the historic event in which he participated, and other Somerville veterans.

Key Design Elements

- Quality, Sustainable Materials
- 100% ADA Compliance
- Safe and Attractive Entrances
- Imaginative Lighting
- Landscape Plantings
- Low-maintenance Design
- Thoughtful, Interpretive Signage / Features

REVIEW OF PAST MEETINGS



2005

Henry Hansen Park was constructed, honoring a Somerville WWII veteran and serving as a place of pride for the Veterans community. It faced the home of H. Hansen's last remaining relative in the neighborhood.

SITE ANALYSIS SUMMARY

MEETING 1 REVIEW

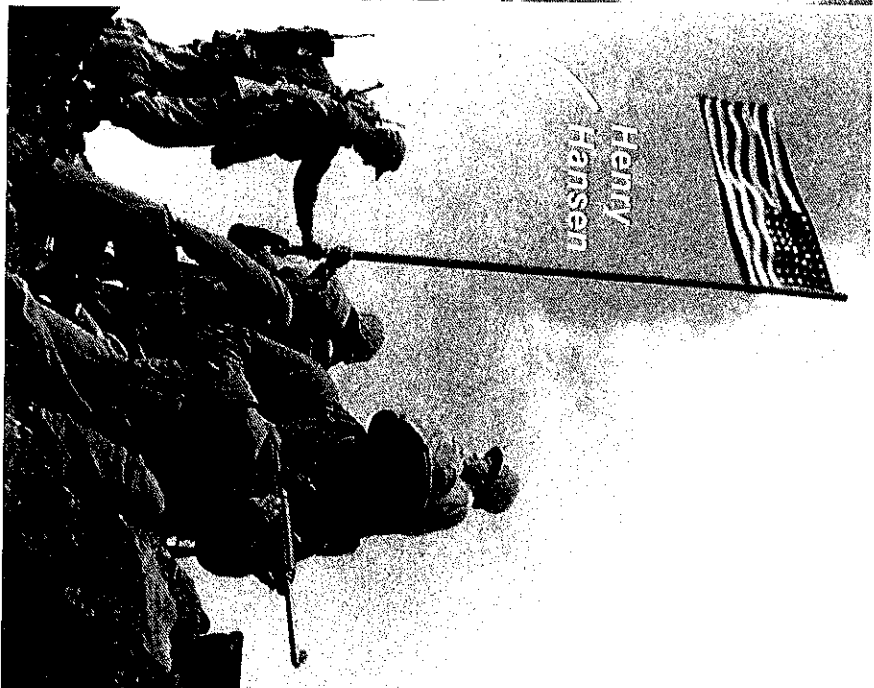


SERGEANT HENRY OLIVER HANSEN

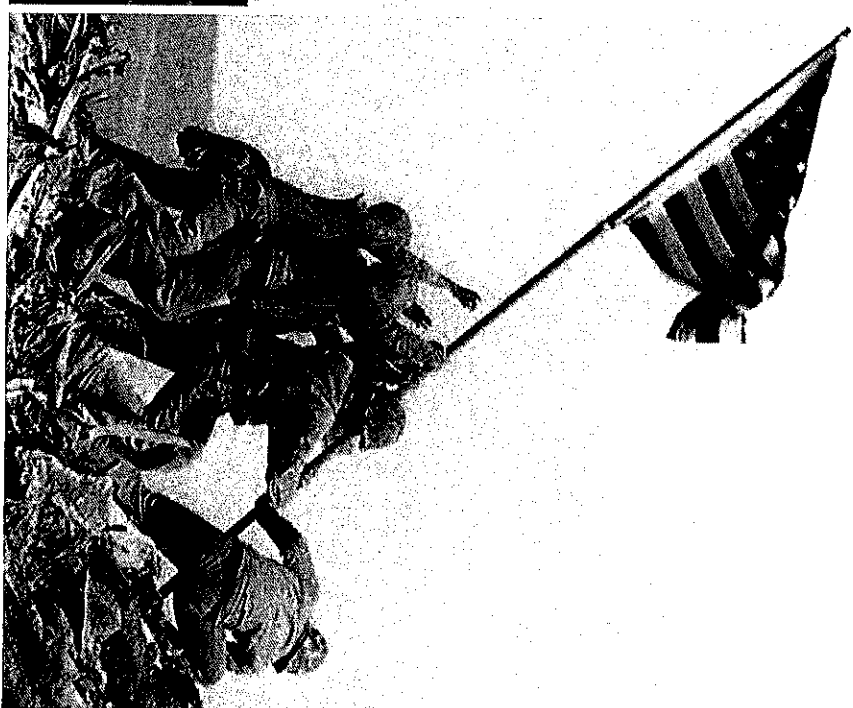
MEETING 1 REVIEW



Henry Oliver "Hank" Hansen was born and raised near Magoun Square with one sister and three brothers. He graduated from Somerville High in 1938, and joined the US Marine Corps in 1939.



As Sergeant, he was one of six members of the combat patrol that climbed, captured, and helped raise the first of two US flags on top of Mt Suribachi on February 23, 1945.

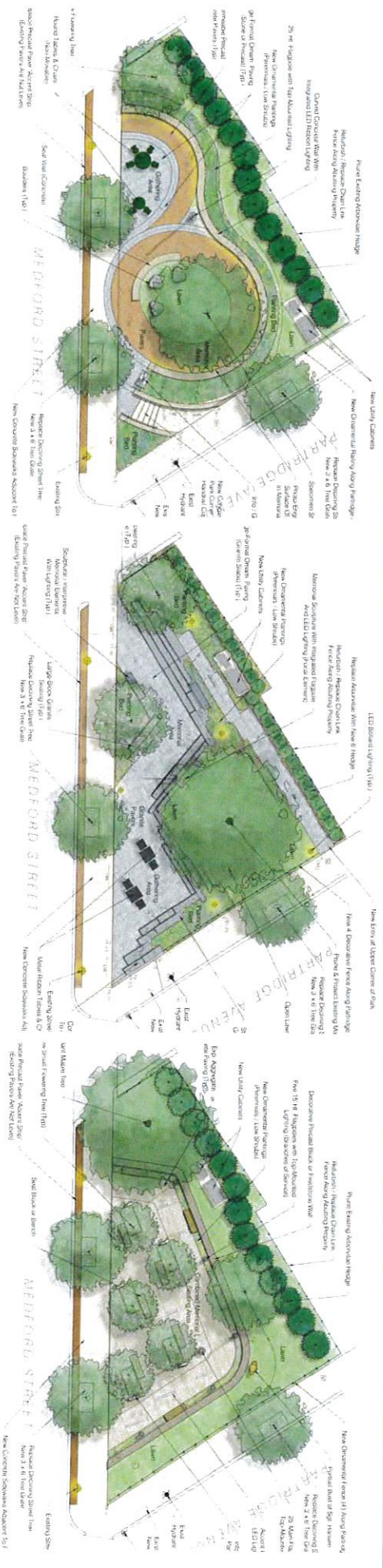


The second flag raising happened shortly after on the same day. Though not featured in this famous photo by Joe Rosenthal, Hansen was there to witness this moment. He died in action during the Battle of Iwo Jima in WWII on March 1, 1945.

- The fencing along the street sides makes the park feel unwelcoming, but the fence along Partridge Ave. is important as an extra handhold when the sidewalk is icy.
- Fencing on the abutters' sides is important to those abutters and should be kept or replaced.
- Paving materials should be easy to maintain, weed-free, and attractive. There was an interest in permeable paving if feasible and appropriate.
- The existing maple is possibly in decline and casts strong shadows; there are concerns that it has overgrown its space.
- The arborvitae are much taller than necessary - consider pruning or replacing them.
- Both of the street trees are in fairly poor condition.
- Concern about the idea of a water feature, particularly due to rodent issues.
- The site is already used both for school history classes (Winter Hill) and as a recreational space; consider incorporating elements accessible to children, and consider how the space will be played in.
- The current open lawn is nice for picnics; some accommodation of that should be in the design.
- Several neighbors expressed a preference for more traditional materials and memorial features.
- One option mentioned was a portrait bust similar to the one of George Dilboy at City Hall.

COMMUNITY & CITY FEEDBACK FROM MEETING 2

MEETING 2 OVERVIEW

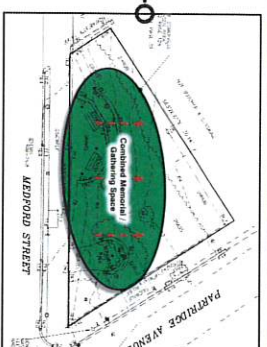


- Given the small scale of the park, community and city expressed a strong preference for a simple, unified space, integrating memorial and park with a curvilinear aesthetic.
- The hillside naturally lends itself to a space to be carved out and defined by a wall that will become the memorial element/experience itself.
- Community reacted positively to the idea of integrating the flagpole into main memorial element.
- Community didn't feel strongly about keeping existing maple tree.
- Community reacted positively to the stairway connection at the corner of Partridge and Medford Streets shown in Design Option 1.
- City emphasized providing a place or areas to gather/sit (whether it be with moveable cafe furniture, along a seat wall, or on lawn) to help draw more people into the space.

CONSENSUS DESIGN ELEMENTS

MEETING 3 OVERVIEW

Layout: Unified Single Space.....



Design Concept: Curvilinear space defined by a memorial wall.....



Wall Material: Cast concrete.....



Paving: Precast or Permeable Pavers.....



Memorial Element: Engraved wall with photo-imagery, timeline, and integrated flagpole.....



Furniture: Seat wall, moveable chairs & tables.....



Lighting: Ribbon lighting integrated into wall.....



CONSENSUS DESIGN PLAN

MEETING 3 OVERVIEW



TREE REMOVAL UPDATE

TREE DIAGRAM (2018)

PROPOSED TREE REMOVALS



CBA met with the City's Conservation Agent / Urban Forestry & Landscape Planner, Vanessa Boukili, in early August 2018, to discuss the proposed tree removals of the large central maple and the arborvitae around the site. A tree removal discussion was held as part of Meeting 3. Ms Boukili and Breck Miller, the City's Tree Warden, assessed the trees again in Spring 2022, and provided the following updated assessment.

- The large (12" cal.) Red Maple continues to show decline / stress in the upper canopy. In addition, the root flare exhibits serious root girdling (wrapping roots) that may be causing that decline, and that could potentially cause more serious decline in the coming years, especially with the added stresses of any construction project on the site. Their assessment is that the girdling roots are starting to have a serious impact and the tree is likely to continue to decline. A large-caliper replacement is proposed.
- Since the last meeting, the deceased street trees have been replaced, and will be protected in the new design.
- The arborvitae in the front corner (~20' tall) are proposed for removal due to obstruction of views and would be replaced by lower plantings. The arborvitae hedge along the back of the park (ranges from 8' to 15' tall) is proposed for pruning, or possibly removal and replacement with a lower, more easily maintained hedge.

LARGE MAPLE: DECLINE AT TOP

PROPOSED TREE REMOVALS



LARGE MAPLE: SEVERE ROOT GIRDLING

PROPOSED TREE REMOVALS



CORNER ARBORVITAE

PROPOSED TREE REMOVALS



ARBORVITAE HEDGE

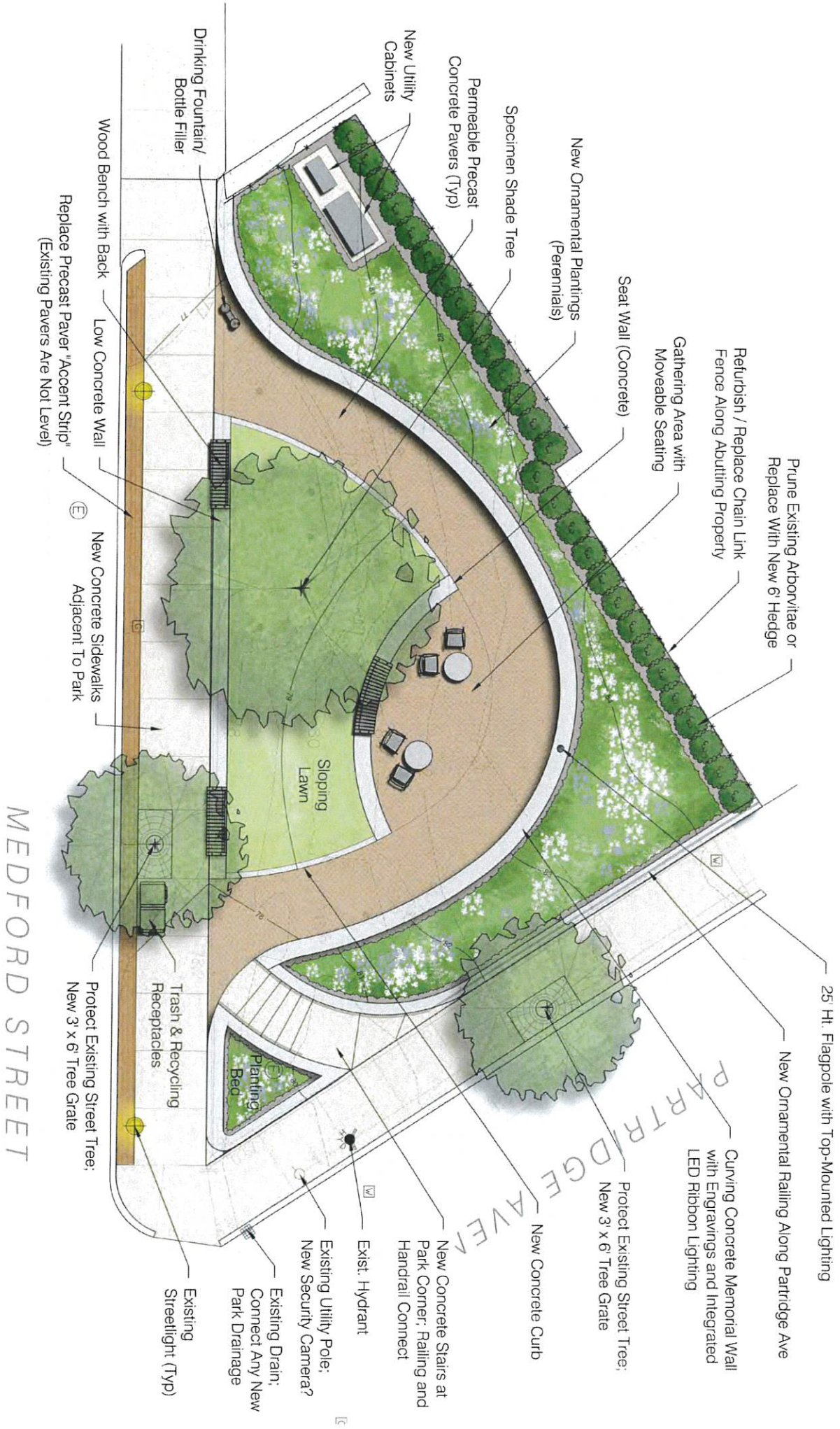
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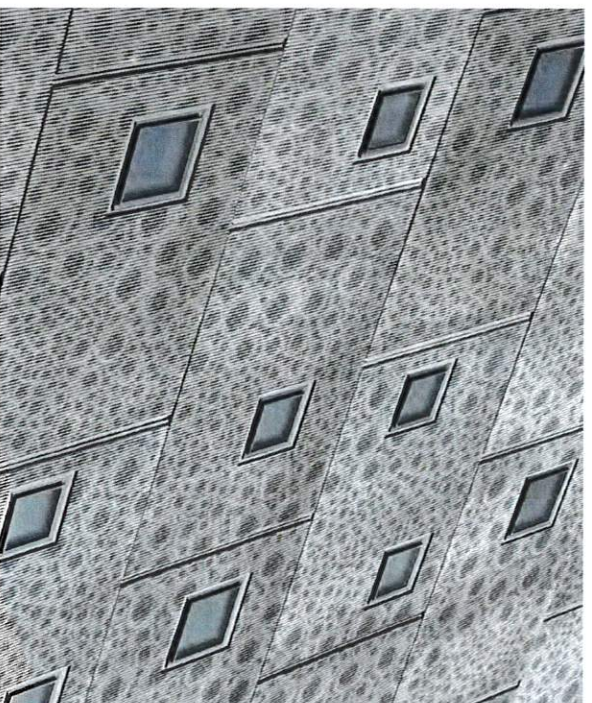
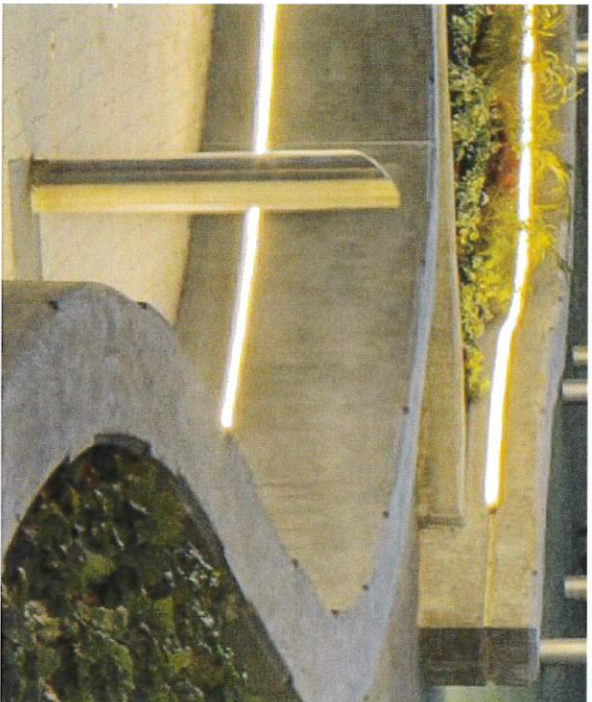
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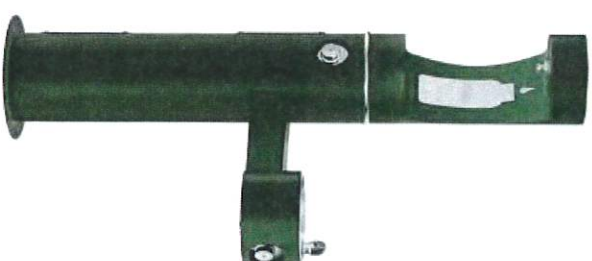
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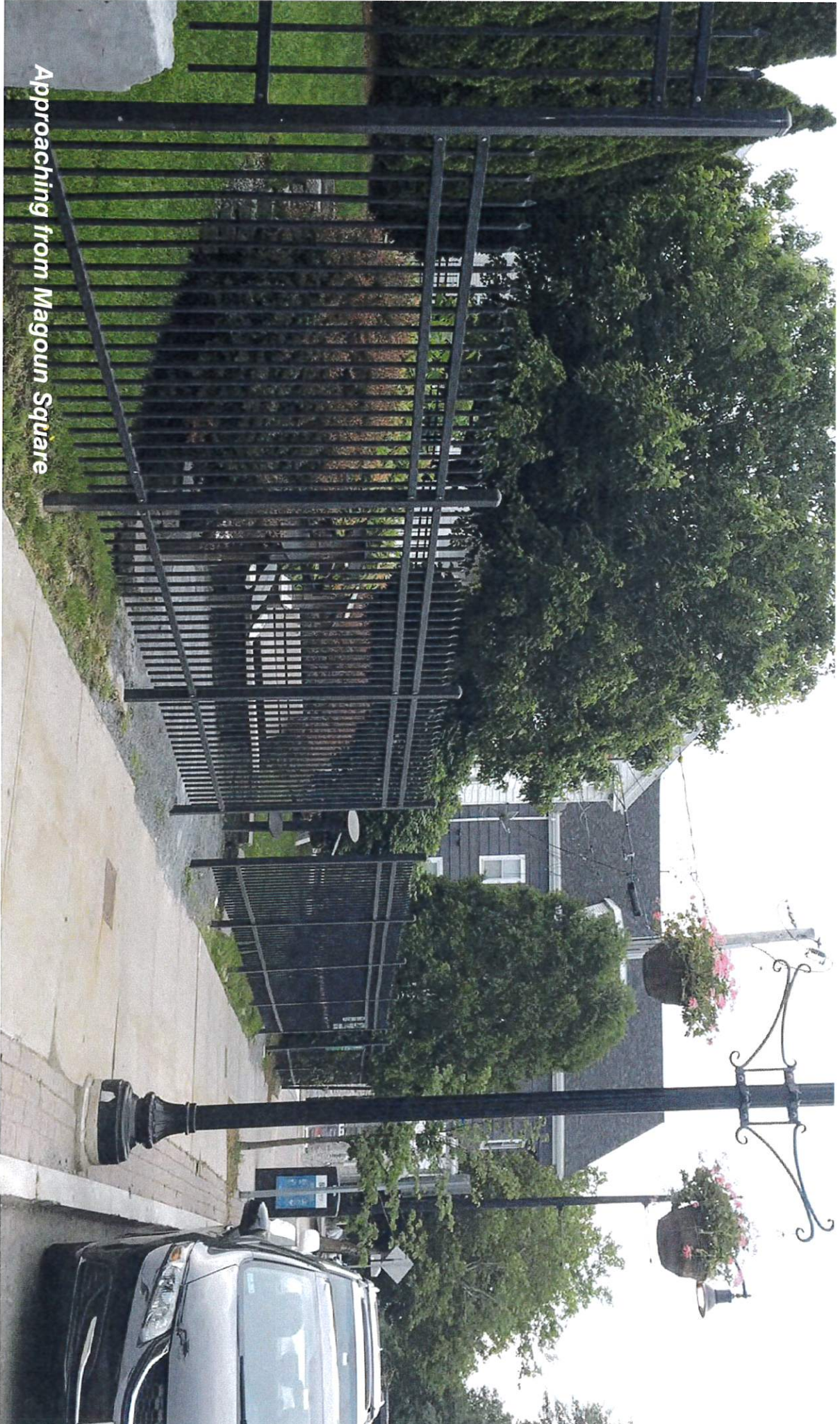
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VIGNETTE 1 - EXISTING

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Approaching from Magoun Square

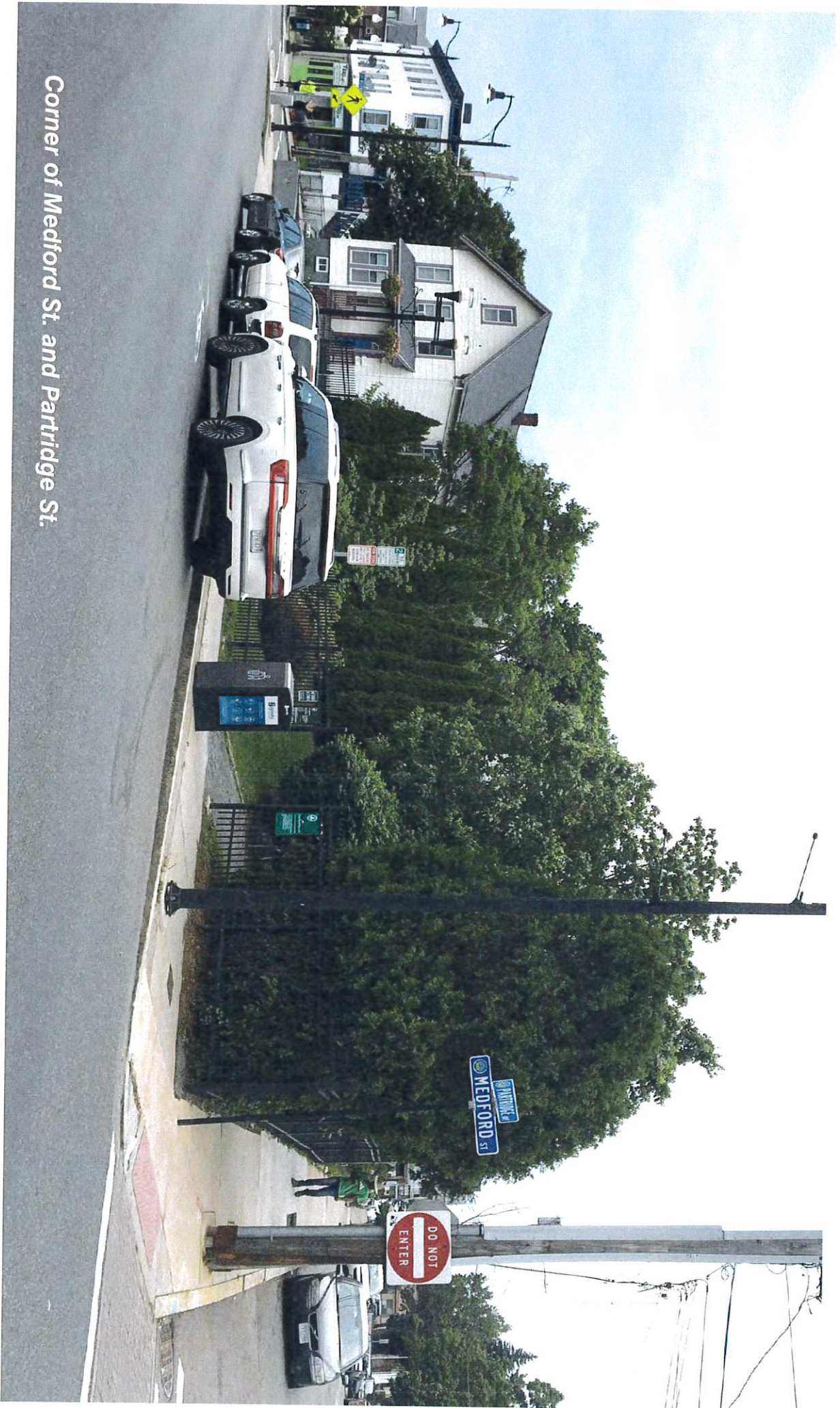
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VIGNETTE 2

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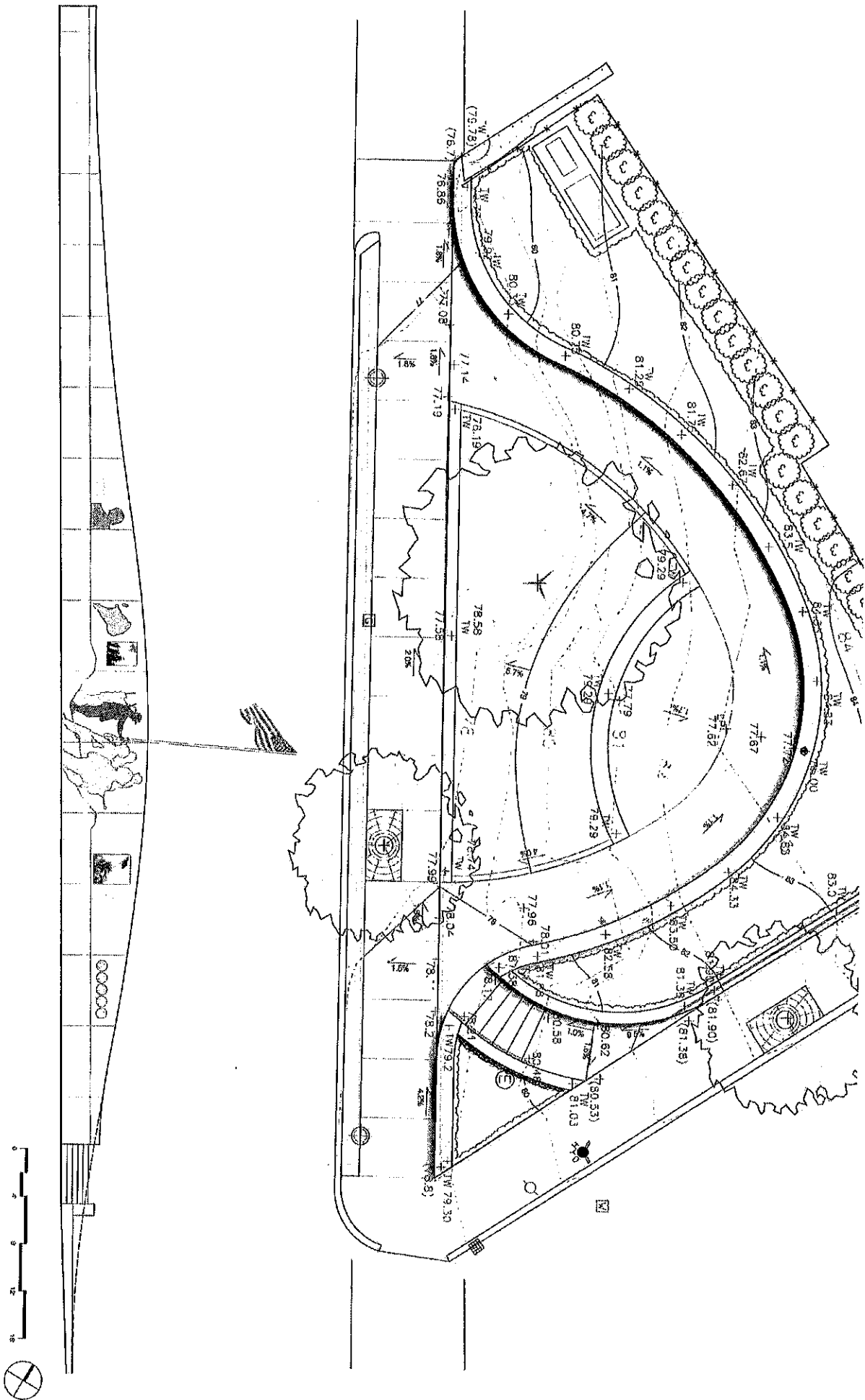
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ELEVATION STUDY

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Other questions, concerns, and ideas? Interested in receiving project updates or sending more feedback? Please contact:

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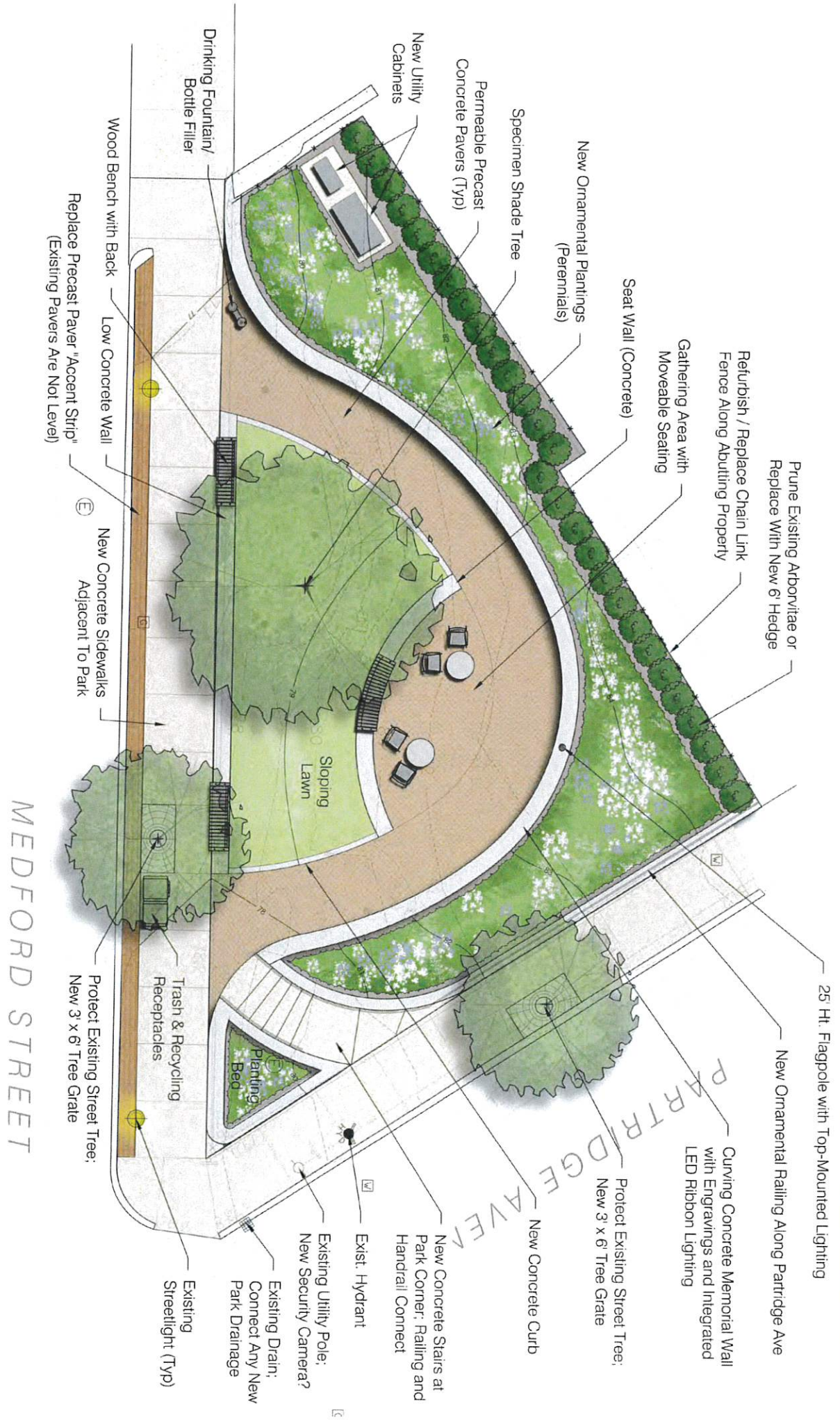
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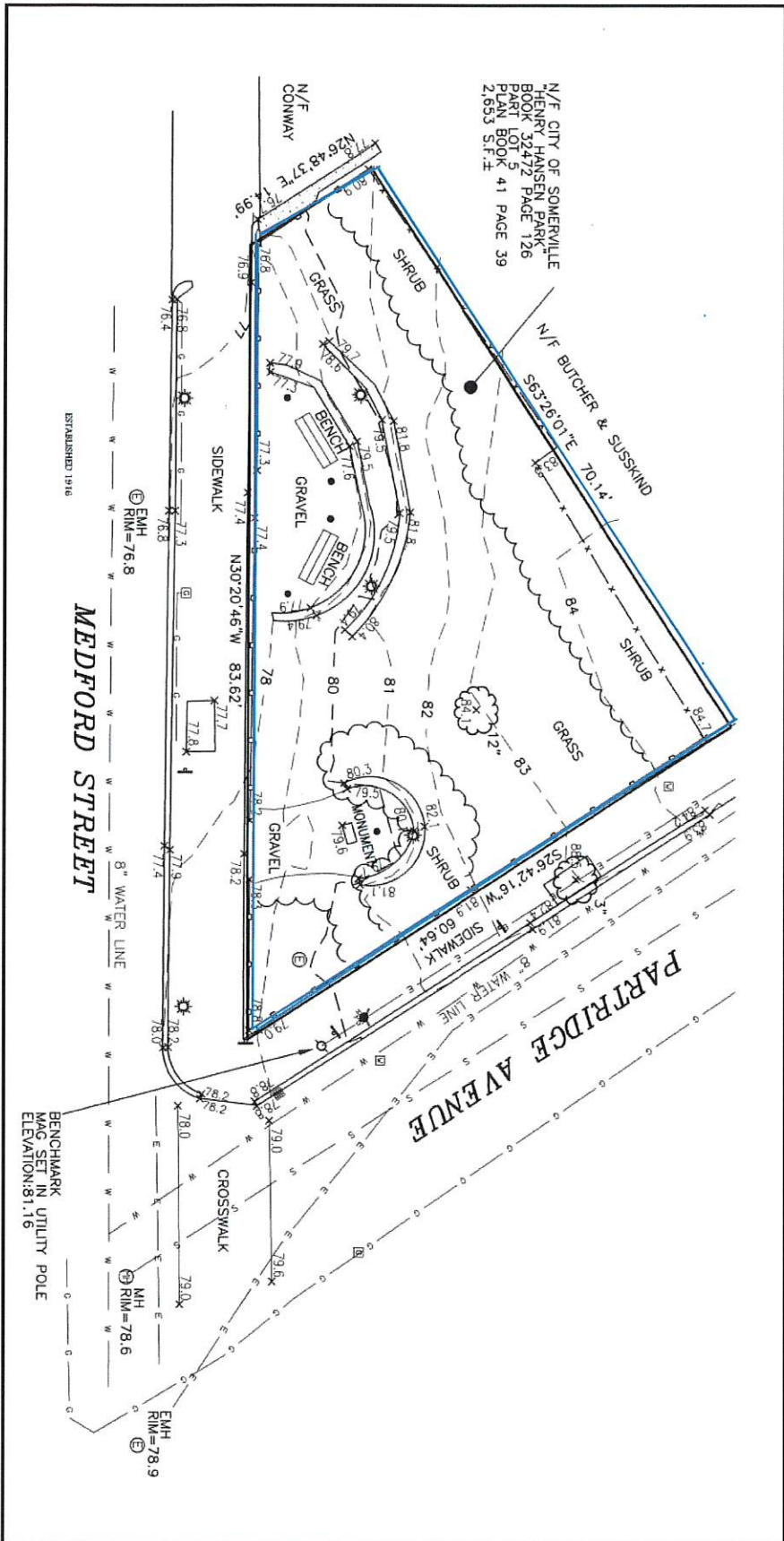
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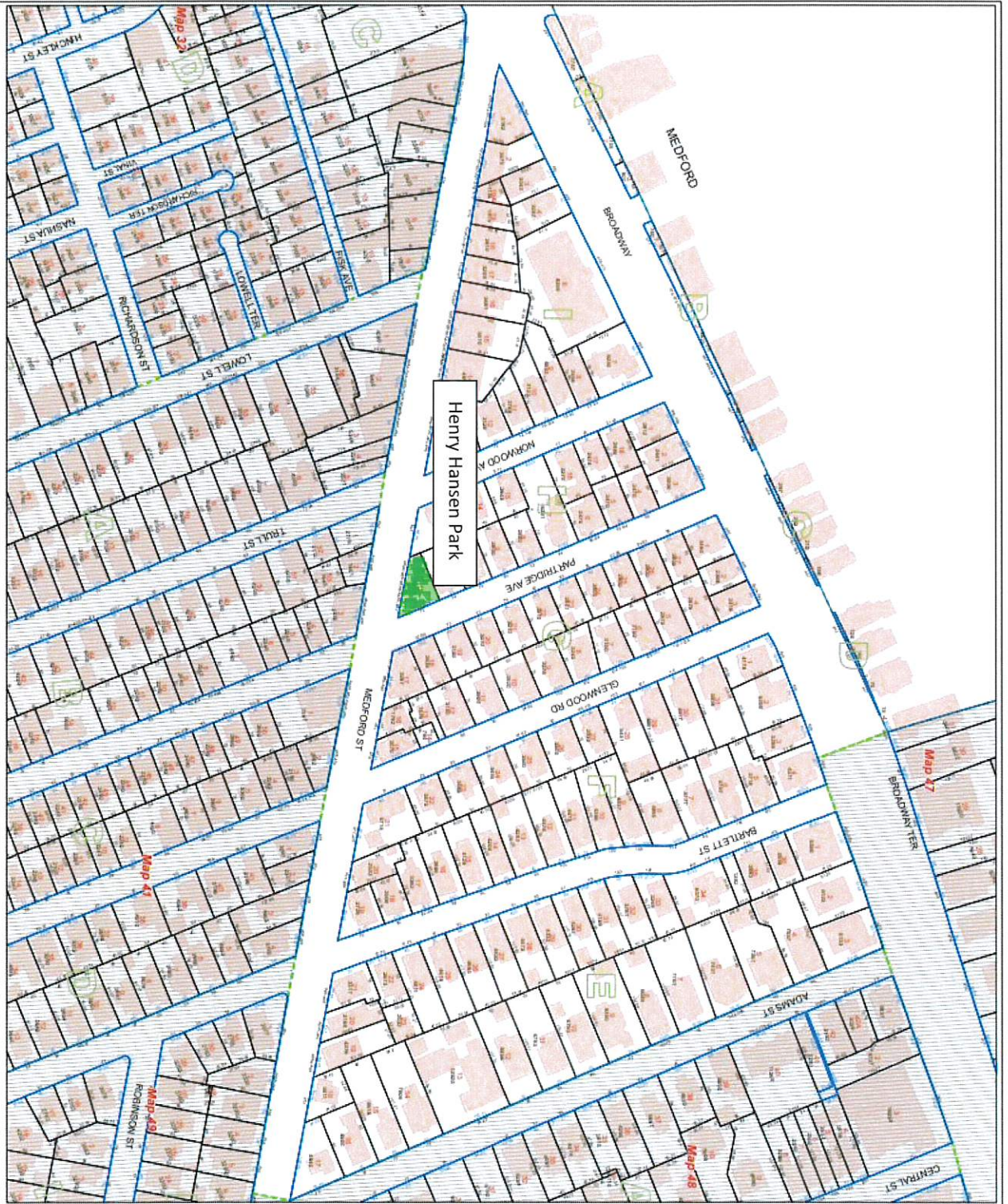


RENOVATION OF HENRY HANSEN PARK

**BOUNDARY PLAN OF SITE, USGS LOCUS AND EJ POPULATIONS
MAPS**

Henry Hansen Park - Somerville MA Survey and Boundary Map

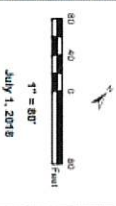
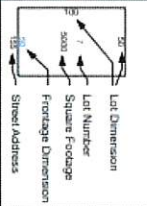




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Assessors Map

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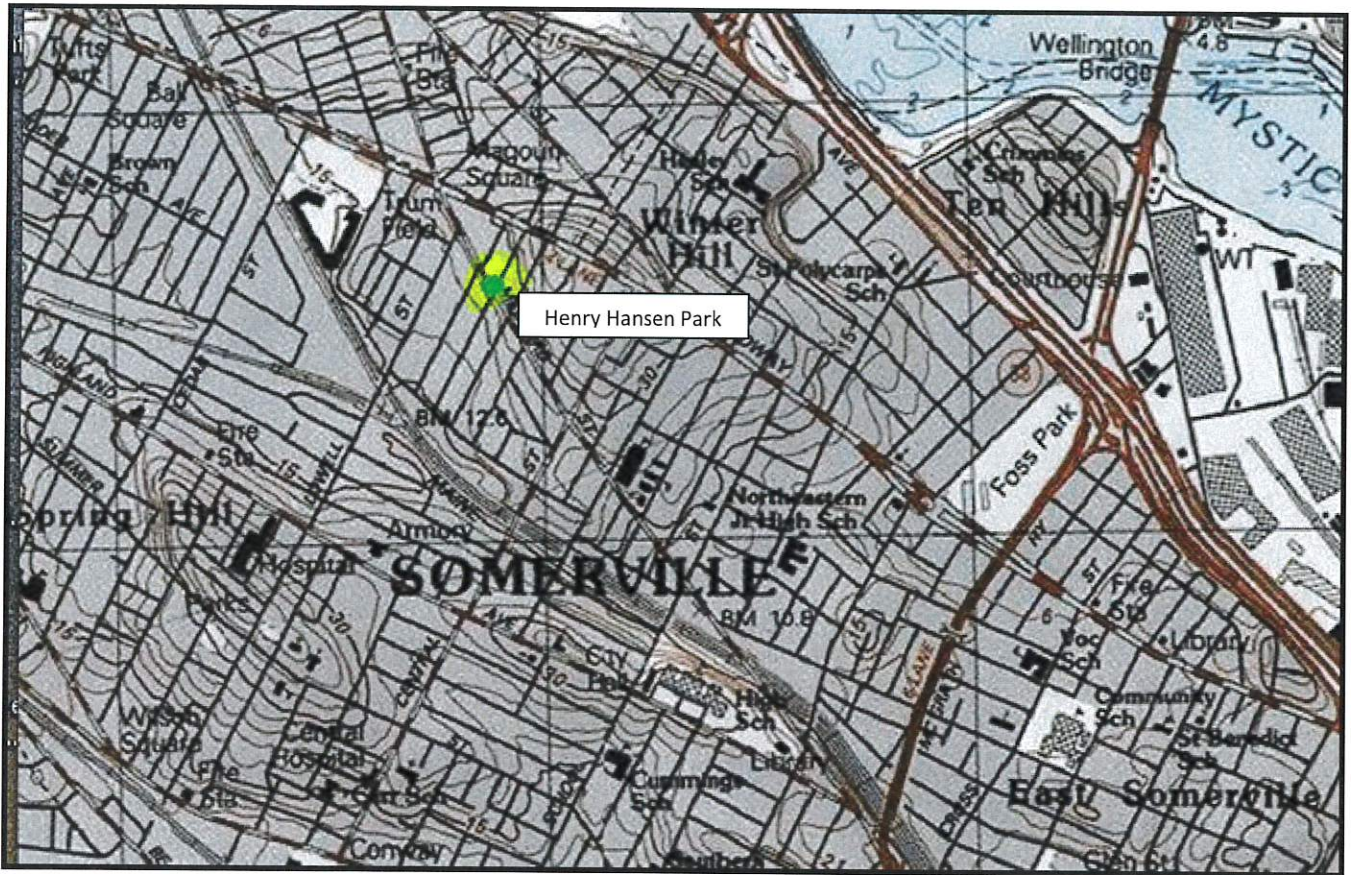


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Henry Hansen Park – Somerville, MA - USGS Map



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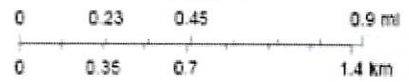
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OUTREACH TO EJ POPULATIONS FOR PUBLIC MEETINGS



Henry Hansen Park Redesign Community Meeting

Monday, March 26, 2018

6:00pm

Visiting Nurses Association

259 Lowell Street

3rd Floor Conference Room opposite the community room

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Community Meeting #2
Henry Hansen Memorial Park
Somerville, MA



AGENDA

- Project Overview & Update
- Review of Community Meeting 1
- Design Elements
- Schematic Design Possibilities
- Questions for Discussion

Tuesday May 1, 2018



Henry Hansen Park Redesign Final Community Meeting With Potential Tree Removal Discussion

Wednesday, September 26, 2018

6:30pm

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SOMERVILLE FINAL HENRY HANSEN PARK REDESIGN COMMUNITY MEETING, AUGUST 21

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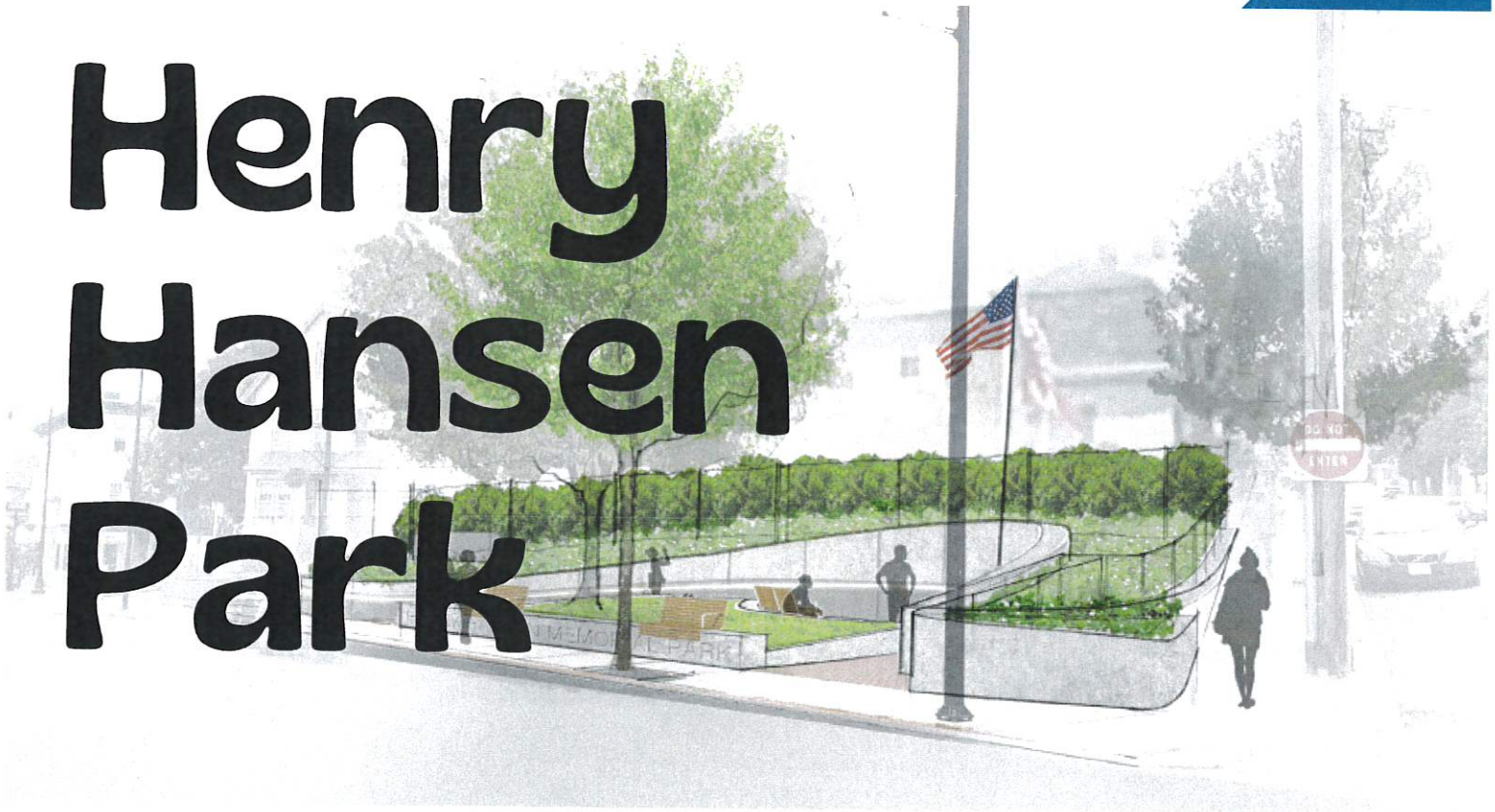
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Thursday, July 7 2022
GoTo Webinar, 6pm

CBA Landscape Architects will review the park's history, the new design that is being developed, and will solicit community input. Register using the QR code below.

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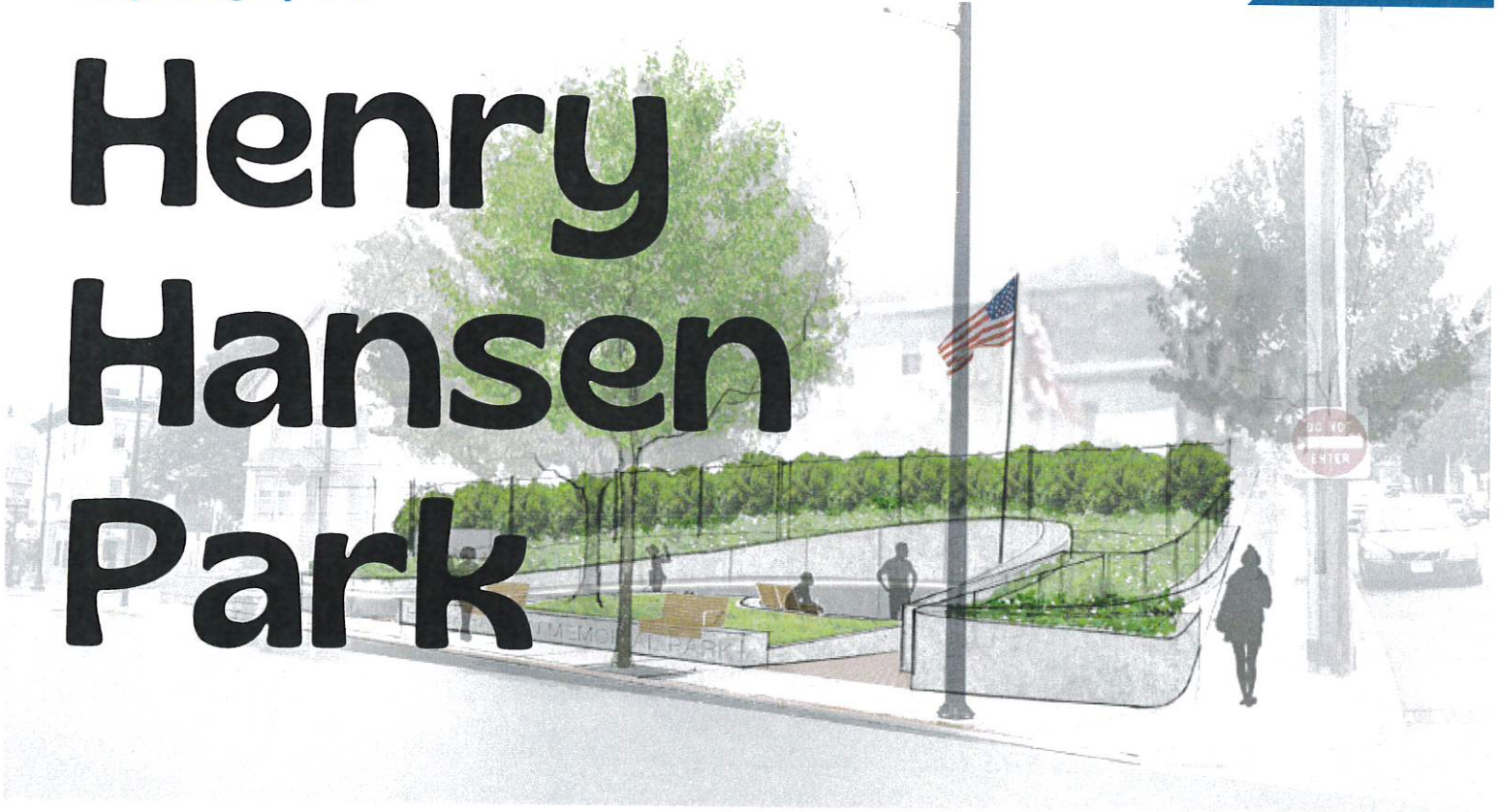




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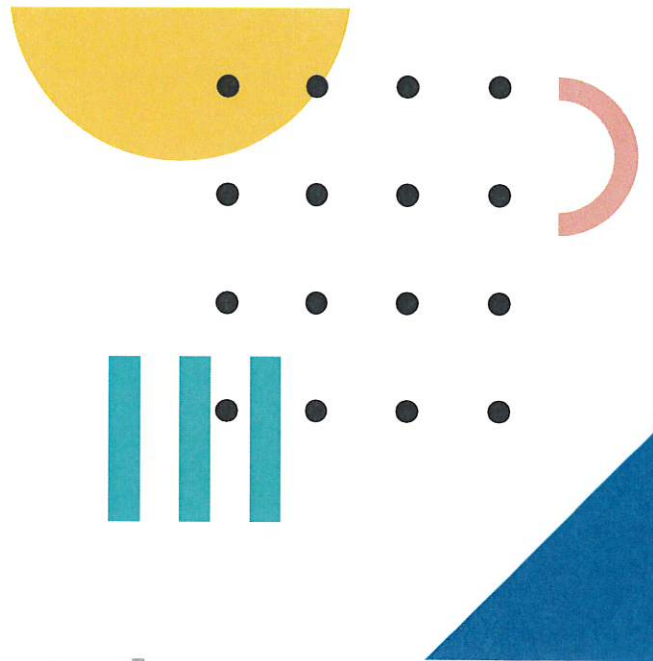
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RENOVATION OF HENRY HANSEN PARK

**MUNICIPAL VOTES ACCEPTING CONSERVATION COMMISSION
AND RECREATION COMMISSIONS AND THEIR MEMBERS**



CITY OF SOMERVILLE

In Board of Aldermen January 20, 1972

ORDERED:—

That the City of Somerville does hereby accept the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 8c, as amended, and establishes the Conservation Commission of the City of Somerville, for the purposes and with the rights and duties provided by law, to be composed of seven (7) members appointed for the term of three (3) years, except that the initial appointments shall be two (2) for one year, two (2) for two years, and three (3) for three years; that there be established a Conservation Fund as authorized by law with funds appropriated to such a Conservation Fund to be under the control of such Commission.

James F. McCarthy

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:
John J. Long
CITY CLERK

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ORDER

Let the City of Somerville hereby accept the provisions of G. L. Chapter 40, Section 21, as amended, and establish a Conservation Commission of the City of Somerville.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN,

JAN 27 1972

Adopted,

William J. Donovan
Clerk

Approved: *1/31/1972*
S. Keith Kelly
Mayor

February 1, 1972

Letter and copy of order to:

John F. X. Davoren
Secretary of the Comm.
Auditor
Solicitor
Oct 30 1972
His Honor the Mayor

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:

John J. Long
CITY CLERK



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
KATJANA BALLANTYNE
MAYOR

**Somerville Conservation Commission Members July 2022,
Approved by the City Council**

Michael Fager

Aladdine Joroff

Megan Kearns

Tatiana Ng

Susan O'Brien

Newton Tedder

David Turin

Terms that have expired continue pending re-appointment.



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CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
CITY COUNCIL

Docket # 207213

Mayor's Request
Appointment

Regular Meeting, December 12, 2019
Item ID 19917

SUMMARY: Requesting the re-appointment of Michael Fager as a member of the Conservation Commission.

COMPLETE TEXT:

To the Honorable Board:

I hereby re-appoint, subject to your Honorable Board's approval, Michael Fager as a member of the Conservation Commission.

Thank you for your consideration of this item.

Respectfully Submitted,
Joseph A. Curtatone, Mayor

RESULT: APPROVED

APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MA, AT A
REGULAR MEETING ON THE 12th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2019.

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MA, ON THE 17th DAY
OF DECEMBER, 2019.

ATTEST:


John J. Long, City Clerk



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
CITY COUNCIL

Docket # 209237

Mayor's Request
Appointment

Regular Meeting, December 12, 2019
Item ID 22090

SUMMARY: Requesting confirmation of the re-appointment of Aladdine Joroff to the Conservation Commission.

COMPLETE TEXT:

To the Honorable City Council:

I hereby re-appoint, subject to the Honorable City Council's confirmation, Aladdine Joroff as a member of the Conservation Commission.

Thank you for your consideration of this item.

Respectfully Submitted,
Joseph A. Curtatone, Mayor

RESULT: APPROVED

APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MA, AT A
REGULAR MEETING ON THE 12th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2019.

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MA, ON THE 17th DAY
OF DECEMBER, 2019.

ATTEST:

John J. Long, City Clerk



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
CITY COUNCIL

Docket # 209404

Mayor's Request
Appointment

Regular Meeting, February 25, 2020
Item ID 22019

SUMMARY: Requesting confirmation of the appointment of Titania Ng to the Conservation Commission.

COMPLETE TEXT:

To the Honorable City Council:

I hereby appoint, subject to the Honorable City Council's confirmation, Titania Ng as a member of the Conservation Commission. Titania will fill a vacant position.

Thank you for your consideration of this item.

Respectfully Submitted,
Joseph A. Curtatone, Mayor

RESULT: APPROVED

APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MA, AT A
REGULAR MEETING ON THE 25th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2020.

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MA, ON THE 27th DAY
OF FEBRUARY, 2020.

ATTEST:

John J. Long, City Clerk



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
CITY COUNCIL

Docket # 207214

Mayor's Request
Appointment

Regular Meeting, December 12, 2019
Item ID 19918

SUMMARY: Requesting the re-appointment of David Turin as a member of the Conservation Commission.

COMPLETE TEXT:

To the Honorable Board:

I hereby re-appoint, subject to your Honorable Board's approval, David Turin as a member of the Conservation Commission.

Thank you for your consideration of this item.

Respectfully Submitted,
Joseph A. Curtatone, Mayor

RESULT: APPROVED

APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MA, AT A
REGULAR MEETING ON THE 12th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2019.

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MA, ON THE 17th DAY
OF DECEMBER, 2019.

ATTEST:


John J. Long, City Clerk



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
CITY COUNCIL

Docket # 209236

Mayor's Request
Appointment

Regular Meeting, December 12, 2019
Item ID 22018

SUMMARY: Requesting confirmation of the appointment of Newton Tedder to the Conservation Commission.

COMPLETE TEXT:

To the Honorable City Council:

I hereby appoint, subject to the Honorable City Council's confirmation, Newton Tedder as a member of the Conservation Commission. Newton will fill a vacant position.

Thank you for your consideration of this item.

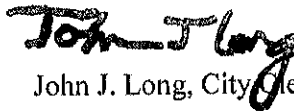
Respectfully Submitted,
Joseph A. Curtatone, Mayor

RESULT: APPROVED

APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MA, AT A
REGULAR MEETING ON THE 12th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2019.

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MA, ON THE 17th DAY
OF DECEMBER, 2019.

ATTEST:


John J. Long, City Clerk



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
CITY COUNCIL

Docket # 211746

Mayor's Request
Appointment

Regular Meeting, October 14, 2021
Item ID 24588

SUMMARY: Requesting confirmation of the appointment of Megan Kearns to the Conservation Commission.

COMPLETE TEXT:

To the Honorable City Council:

I hereby appoint, subject to the Honorable City Council's confirmation, Megan Kearns as a member to the position of Conservation Commission.

Thank you for your consideration of this item.

Respectfully Submitted,
Joseph A. Curtatone, Mayor

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Mbah, Rossetti, Strezo, White Jr., McLaughlin, Scott, Ewen-Campen,
Clingan, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

APPROVED. BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MA, AT A
REGULAR MEETING ON THE 14th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2021.

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MA, ON THE 20th DAY
OF OCTOBER, 2021.

ATTEST:

Kimberly M. Wells, City Clerk



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
CITY COUNCIL

Docket # 213496

Mayor's Request
Appointment

Regular Meeting, May 12, 2022
Item ID 28461

SUMMARY: Requesting confirmation of the appointment of Susan O'Brien to the Conservation Commission.

COMPLETE TEXT:

To the Honorable City Council:

I hereby appoint, subject to the Honorable City Council's confirmation, Susan O'Brien as a member of the Conservation Commission. Susan O'Brien will fill a position formerly held by Cristina Kennedy. Thank you for your consideration of this item.

Respectfully Submitted,
Katjana Ballantyne, Mayor

RESULT: APPROVED

APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MA, AT A
REGULAR MEETING ON THE 12th DAY OF MAY, 2022.

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MA, ON THE 17th DAY
OF MAY, 2022.

ATTEST:

Kimberly M. Wells, City Clerk

CITY OF SOMERVILLE
ORDINANCE NO. 2003-09
IN THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN: June 26, 2003

Be it ordained by the Board of Aldermen, in session assembled, that Chapter 2, Division 7, Section 2-246 and 2-247 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Somerville, be stricken in their entirety and replaced with the following:

DIVISION 7. RECREATION AND YOUTH COMMISSION

Section 2-246. Recreation and Youth Commission.

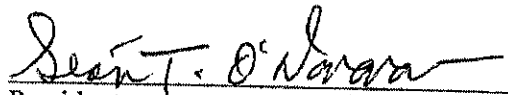
There shall be established in Somerville a Recreation and Youth Commission. The Director of the Recreation and Youth Commission shall be in charge of the Commission. The Commission shall be composed of ten citizens of the city.

Section 2-247. Recreation and Youth Commission Appointments and Assistants.

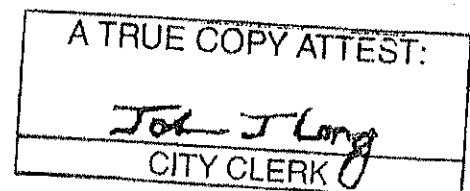
The Director of the Recreation and Youth Commission shall be appointed by the Mayor, subject to confirmation of the Recreation and Youth Commission. The members of the Commission shall be appointed by the Mayor subject to the approval of the Board of Aldermen, five in each year to serve for two years and until the appointment and qualification of their successors. Any vacancy shall be filled by appointment for the balance of the unexpired term.

The Director of the Commission, subject to appropriation and to the approval of the Mayor, may employ and discharge, at pleasure, such clerks and assistants as may be necessary to perform his powers and duties.

Approved by the Board of Aldermen:



President





CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
DOROTHY A. KELLY GAY
MAYOR

HEATHER E. ROWE
CHIEF OF STAFF

CATHLEEN B. O'DEA
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

June 26, 2003

The Honorable Board of Aldermen
Somerville City Hall
93 Highland Ave.
Somerville, MA 02143

Dear Honorable Board Members:

I hereby submit subject to the approval of Your Honorable changes to Chapter 2, Division 7, Section 2-246 and 2-247.

This order is a necessary measure for the merging of the Somerville Community Youth Agency and the Recreation Commission.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Dorothy A. Kelly Gay
Mayor

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

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COMMUNICATION FROM THE MAYOR
REQUESTING APPROVAL OF THE
AMENDMENT OF ORDINANCE 2-246
--247 RE: THE MERGER OF THE
YOUTH AND RECREATION DEPTS.

JUN 26 2003

Approved Under
Rules
Board of Alderman
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APPROVED John J. Long
CLERK

*Old White moved Reconsideration
Reconsideration Failed.*

A TRUE COPY ATTACHED
John J. Long
CITY CLERK

JUL 02 2003

APPROVED
Donohue Kelly
MAYOR

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN
Passed to be ordained
President _____
Attest John J. Long
Clerk

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN
DATE 6-26-03
PASSED TO BE ENROLLED
Clerk John J. Long



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
KATJANA BALLANTYNE
MAYOR

Current Somerville Recreation Commission Members
July 2022
Approved by the City Council

Jill Lathan, Director of Parks and Recreation

Richard Liberatore, President

Natalie Vieira



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CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
BOARD OF ALDERMEN

Docket # 204915

Mayor's Request
Appointment

Regular Meeting, December 13, 2018
Item ID 17602

SUMMARY: Requesting the re-appointment of Jill Lathan as Director of Parks and Recreation.

COMPLETE TEXT:

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen:

I hereby re-appoint, subject to your Board's confirmation, Jill Lathan to the position of Director of Parks and Recreation for the City of Somerville.

Respectfully submitted,

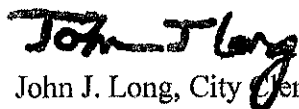
Joseph A. Curtatone
Mayor

RESULT: APPROVED

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MA, AT A REGULAR MEETING ON THE 13th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2018.

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MA, ON THE 17th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2018.

ATTEST:


John J. Long, City Clerk



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SOMERVILLE, MA

CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
JOSEPH A. CURTATONE
MAYOR

June 10, 2004

The Honorable
Board of Aldermen
City Hall
93 Highland Avenue
Somerville, MA 02143

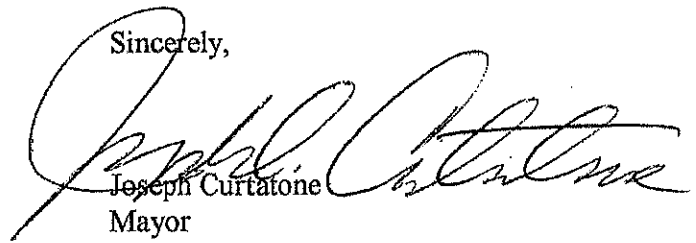
Dear Honorable Members of the Board:

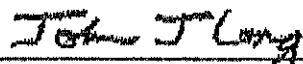
I hereby appoint, subject to the confirmation of Your Honorable Board, the following members to the Recreation Commission. I will forward resumes to you.

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|----------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| Jim Monagle | 89 Ossipee Rd. | (replace Harold Mitchinson) |
| Natalie Vieira | 14 Bolton St. | (replace Rodney Scott) |
| Chris Harkins | 38 Robinson St. | (replace Tom O'Connor) |
| Karen Goodrich | 24 Malvern Ave. | (replace Brian Langton) |

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,


Joseph Curtatone
Mayor

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:

CITY CLERK



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Mayor's Request

Requesting confirmation of the appointment of Jim Monagle, Natalie Vieira, Chris Harkins and Karen Goodrich to the Recreation Commission

JUN 10 2004

In Board of Aldermen

Approved Under
Suspension of the Rules

John J Long
City Clerk

JUN 18 2004

APPROVED
[Signature]
MAYOR

6-21-04 *Secret Letters*

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:
John J Long
CITY CLERK



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CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
CITY CLERK'S OFFICE
SOMERVILLE, MA
JOSEPH A. CURTATONE
MAYOR

June 10, 2004

The Honorable
Board of Aldermen
City Hall
93 Highland Avenue
Somerville, MA 02143

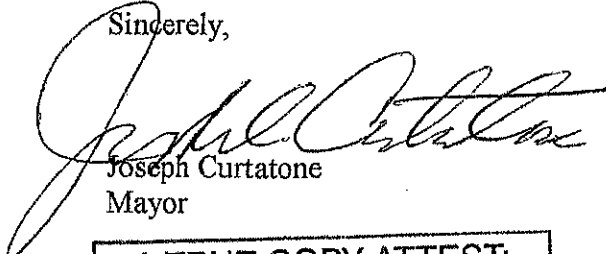
Dear Honorable Members of the Board:

I hereby re-appoint, subject to the confirmation of Your Honorable Board, the following members to the Recreation Commission. I will forward resumes to you.

Thomas Helen	5 Desden Circle
Marie Santamaria	5 Lincoln St.
Richard Libertore	42 Bay State Ave
Anthony Alibrandi	224 Willow Ave.
Leo Martini	166 Summer St.
Thomas Joyce	10 Ames St.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,


Joseph Curtatone
Mayor

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:

JC/kc 
CITY CLERK

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Mayor's Request Requesting continuation of the re-appointment of Thomas Helen, Marie Santamaria, Richard Libertore, Anthony Alibrandi, Leo Martini and Thomas Joyce to the Recreation Commission.

JUN 10 2004

In Board of Aldermen

Approved Under
Suspension of the Rules

John J Long
City Clerk

JUN 18 2004

APPROVED

[Signature]
MAYOR

Mailed ⁶ Letters 6/18/04

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:
John J Long
CITY CLERK

RENOVATION OF HENRY HANSEN PARK

DRAFT CITY COUNCIL ORDERS PERTAINING TO PROJECT

Comment on Required Municipal Vote Authorizing Application; Raising, Borrowing or Appropriating the Total Project Cost (application item #6); and Dedicating Land to Park, Playground, or Recreation Purposes (application item #10)

The City of Somerville's municipal vote authorizing its application, appropriation of the total project cost, and dedication of Henry Hansen Park to park and recreational purposes is docketed and in process. It will be reviewed by the City Council at their next meeting following completion of the municipal budget process for fiscal year 2023. The project has Mayor Ballantyne's support.

Municipal vote requesting authorization to seek funding and enter into related agreements with the Parkland Acquisitions and Renovations for Communities (PARC) grant, appropriate funding, and dedicate Henry Hansen Park to open space and recreational use in perpetuity.

July 12, 2022

The Honorable City Council
City Hall
93 Highland Avenue
Somerville, Massachusetts 02143

Dear Honorable Council:

I respectfully request that you approve an authorization for the City to apply for a PARC grant from the Massachusetts Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, through its Division of Conservation Services, to receive funds to assist in the renovation of Henry Hansen Park, located at 487 Medford Street, shown on the Assessors' Map in Map 40-Block H-Lot 12. The City owns the land by virtue of an Order of Taking for nonpayment of taxes, pursuant to M.G.L. c. 60, §§ 53 and 54 and dated February 10, 1995, as recorded in the Middlesex County (Southern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 25234, Page 47. As a condition of receiving a PARC grant, Henry Hansen Park must be dedicated to active recreational use in perpetuity according to M.G.L. c. 45, §3; the City will dedicate the park (0.06 acres/4,647 square feet) upon completion of the renovation.

The estimated total project cost is \$670,043 and the Administration seeks the maximum grant amount, \$375,224.08, permitted under Somerville's reimbursement rate of 56%, as described in the PARC grant guidelines. The PARC grant program is a reimbursement program requiring applicant municipalities to appropriate the total project cost in order to be eligible. This vote serves as the City Council's commitment to appropriate the total project cost.

The proposed grant funding will be used toward improvements to the existing passive park, including vastly enhanced educational and interpretive displays and signage, replacement of dying vegetation with new local plantings, increased ADA accessibility, a bubbler/water bottle filler, and expanded and more comfortable seating.

The PARC grant application is due on July 14, 2022, to qualify for the FY2023 grant round. Since this is reimbursement funding, the City hereby assures the State that we have the funds to finance the renovation of Henry Hansen Park and will provide the State with the appropriate documentation for reimbursement.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

Katjana Ballantyne
Mayor

A RESOLUTION TO FILE AND ACCEPT GRANTS WITH AND FROM THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS FOR THE PARKLAND ACQUISITIONS AND RENOVATIONS FOR COMMUNITIES PROGRAM FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO HENRY HANSEN PARK

- Whereas: Henry Hansen Park, located at 487 Medford Street, is a community-wide asset and preservation and improvements to City open space are a City priority as evidenced in the most recent Open Space and Recreation Plan ("Plan"); and
- Whereas: Henry Hansen Park is not yet dedicated to active recreational use in perpetuity under M.G.L. Chapter 45, Section 3; and
- Whereas: Henry Hansen Park's restoration, guided in principle by SomerVision 2040, will greatly enhance this facility with vastly enhanced educational and interpretive displays and signage, replacement of dying vegetation with new local plantings, increased ADA accessibility, a bubbler/water bottle filler, and expanded, more comfortable seating; and
- Whereas: The main focus of the restoration, in accordance with the Plan, is to renovate Henry Hansen Park in order to provide a fully-accessible, fully-integrated greenspace where residents can learn about the strength and heroism of a former Somerville resident while finding respite from busy Magoun Square. The overall cost of the Henry Hansen Park project and fiscal budget constraints prevented the City from proceeding forward with implementation; and
- Whereas: The project was a priority to be implemented as fiscal resources were available, with the intention of securing grant funding, when and if available, to assist in this effort; and
- Whereas: The Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (EEA) is offering reimbursable grants to cities and towns to support the preservation and restoration of urban parks through the Parkland Acquisitions and Renovations for Communities (PARC) grant program (301 CMR 5.00); and
- Whereas: Restoration and expansion of Henry Hansen Park will cost approximately \$670,043 (Six Hundred and Seventy Thousand and Forty-three Dollars) and the City hereby commits to allocating \$670,043 to support the project.
- Whereas: As a condition of receiving a PARC grant, Henry Hansen Park must be dedicated to active recreational use in perpetuity according to M.G.L. c. 45, §3 and the City hereby commits to dedicating the park (0.06 acres/ 4,647 square feet) upon completion of the renovation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

1. That the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to file grant applications with the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, and to accept any grants subsequently awarded with City Council approval; and
2. That the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to take such other actions as are necessary to carry out the terms, purposes, and conditions of this grant to be administered by the Mayor's Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development; and
3. That this resolution shall take effect upon passage.

City of Somerville draft language requesting dedication of park in perpetuity

Date

The Honorable City Council
City Hall
93 Highland Avenue
Somerville, Massachusetts

Dear Honorable Council:

I respectfully submit for your approval a request to dedicate for recreational use, in perpetuity, pursuant to G.L. c.45 s.3, the parcel of land known as Henry Hansen Park. A boundary map is attached that delineates the property.

Respectfully,

Katjana Ballantyne
Mayor

A RESOLUTION TO DEDICATE HENRY HANSEN PARK FOR RECREATIONAL USE IN PERPETUITY

- Whereas: Henry Hansen Park, located at 487 Medford Street, is a community-wide asset and preservation and improvements to City open space are a City priority as evidenced in the most recent Open Space and Recreation Plan ("Plan"); and
- Whereas: Renovation of Henry Hansen Park has long been a priority to be implemented as fiscal resources became available; and
- Whereas: The Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (EEA) has awarded the City of Somerville a reimbursable grant of \$XXX,XXX to support the renovation of Henry Hansen Park through the Parkland Acquisitions and Renovations for Communities (PARC) grant program (301 CMR 5.00); and
- Whereas: As a condition of acceptance of a PARC grant the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs requires that all properties renovated using PARC funds become protected parkland under Article 97 of the Amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, dedicated to recreation use in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 45.
- Whereas: Henry Hansen Park is not yet dedicated to park and recreation purposes under M.G.L. Chapter 45.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

1. That this City Council approves dedication of Henry Hansen Park to park and recreation purposes in perpetuity under M.G.L. Chapter 45 s.3; and
2. That this resolution shall take effect upon passage.

RENOVATION OF HENRY HANSEN PARK

PROPERTY DEED

INSTRUMENT OF TAKING

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

City of Somerville

Office of the Collector of Taxes

I, Sheila M. Tracy, Collector of Taxes for the CITY OF SOMERVILLE pursuant and subject to the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 60, Sections 53 and 54, hereby take for said City/Town the following described land: 18963148

PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

The description may be sufficiently accurate to identify the premises for which it is taken. In the case of real estate, the City Collector of Taxes shall also file a copy of the description with the Registry of Deeds and the Registrar of Motor and Motor Vehicle Licenses.

18963148 11:00:24 225

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 00487 MEDFORD ST

DESCRIPTION OF LAND: A PARCEL OF LAND CONTAINING ABOUT 2,647 SQUARE FEET.

19516/330

Said land is taken for non-payment of taxes as defined in section 43 of said Chapter 60 imposed thereon by EMT REALTY TRUST El P Theodasios M. Theodasios, Trustee the year 1994-91 which were not paid within fourteen days after demand therefor made upon EMT REALTY TRUST El P Theodasios M. Theodasios, Trustee on 07/11/1994 and now remains unpaid together with interest and incidental expenses due thereto to the date of taking in the amounts hereinafter specified, after notice of intention to take said land given as required by law.

1994-93 TAXES REMAINING UNPAID	\$	\$6,395.18
INTEREST (TO THE DATE OF TAKING)	\$	\$1,187.57
INCIDENTAL EXPENSES AND COST (TO THE DATE OF TAKING)	\$	\$6.00
SUM FOR WHICH LAND IS TAKEN	\$	\$8,107.75

WITNESS my hand and seal this TENTH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1995 (DATE OF TAKING)

Sheila M. Tracy
(COLLECTOR OF TAXES)

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
DATE: 2/10/1995

Then personally appeared the above named Sheila M. Tracy and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be her free act and deed as Collector of Taxes, before me,

Edwina L. Donatelli
Notary Public

My commission expires August 10 2001

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
LAND COURT
DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT

Case No. 108940 T.L.

FINAL JUDGMENT IN TAX LIEN CASE

City of Somerville

vs.

Eleftherios M. Theodosiou

JUDGMENT

MSJ 03/08/21 03:37:48 785 30-88

This case came on to be heard and was argued by counsel, and thereupon, upon consideration thereof, it is
ADJUDGED and ORDERED that all rights of redemption are forever foreclosed and barred under the deed
given by the Collector of Taxes for the City
of Somerville in the County of Middlesex
and said Commonwealth, dated February 10, 1995 and duly recorded in
Book 25234 Page 47

By the Court (Breuer, Deputy Recorder)

Attest:

Dated October 31, 2000

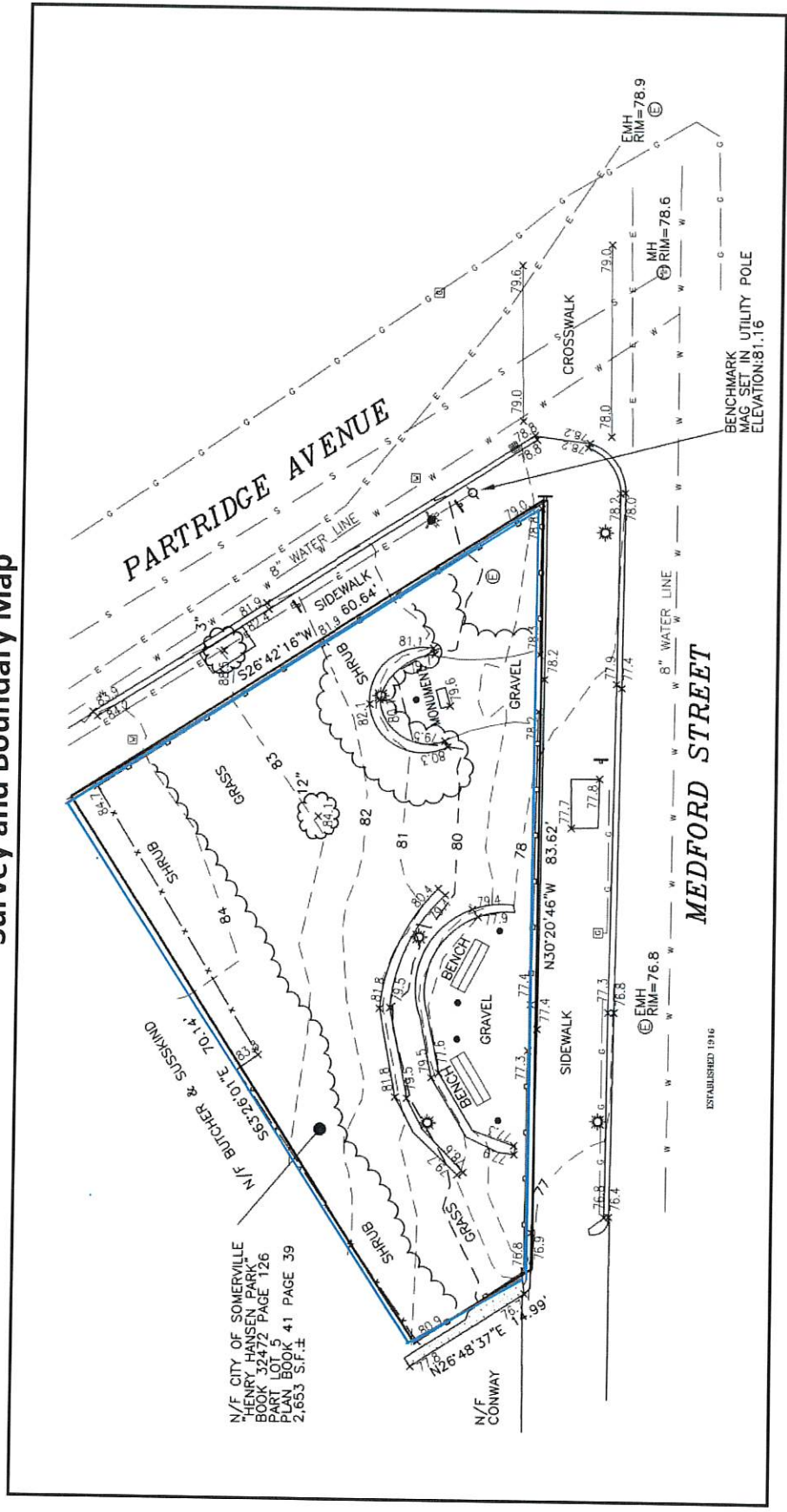
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Henry Hansen Park - Somerville MA Survey and Boundary Map



RENOVATION OF HENRY HANSEN PARK

MUNICIPAL VULNERABILITY PREPAREDNESS DOCUMENTATION

PRIORITY 6: Union Square, Assembly Square, and the Inner Belt, Somerville's transformative economic development districts, are highly vulnerable to flooding impacts.

The ongoing development in these areas presents an opportunity to better prepare these neighborhoods for climate events and shape how they will experience and respond to future events by coupling infrastructure improvements with new development and construction. New development both finances infrastructure and presents an opportunity to develop buildings that can adapt to a wetter, hotter climate. Assembly Square and areas of the Inner Belt are vulnerable to flooding from storm surge through the Amelia Earhart Dam pathway and the Schrafft Center pathway, respectively. These areas are not expected to experience impacts from sea level rise alone and therefore, addressing the origin of the flooding should protect these important development areas during storm events. New development in Assembly Square incorporates strategies, such as mechanical equipment above the basement level, that provide more resilience to flooding relative to older building stock.

Precipitation events are also expected to impact Assembly Square and Union Square. Detailed drainage modeling of the Assembly Square area suggests that the drainage system has adequate capacity to handle the projected increase in the frequency and intensity of precipitation events. Union Square does not currently have the same level of adaptive capacity built into its drainage system; however, the City of Somerville is actively working to improve the water and sewer infrastructure in Union Square. The Somerville Avenue Sewer Separation and Streetscapes Restoration is an approximately \$40 million project currently underway that will include a 0.8 million gallon storage box culvert and a complete streets restoration, with enhanced pedestrian, transit rider, and bike facilities, including green infrastructure and landscaping features. Sewer and water utility improvements are also included. Nearby, the Nunziato Field Stormwater Storage Project will create a 1.2 million gallon stormwater tank that will hold stormwater before it reaches the heart of Union Square.

PRIORITY 7: Temperature is a ubiquitous threat throughout the city and will be relatively more intense in some areas based on a combination of surface types, lack of vegetation and level of emissions.

In Somerville, temperature is projected to increase over time and may be an issue in the present-day with increasing periods of sustained heat in the summer months. Average historic temperatures could increase by as much as 17%, over present-day averages of approximately 50°F, by 2070. In addition, by 2070, annual days greater than 90°F could increase by as much as nine times, over historical averages of 11 days per year, with a possible result of one continuous heat wave lasting the entire extent of the summer.

That increase in temperature will be exacerbated by the presence of factors that contribute to urban heat island effects, such as lack of tree canopy and limited open space, high percentages of impervious surface, and high levels of emissions from vehicles, among others. While heat can be an important concern to particular types of assets, the actual ambient air temperatures would have to be extreme to have significant, critical-failure levels of impact to any of the infrastructure. However, the energy grid may experience noticeable impacts to its overall level of service during extreme heat events resulting from increased demand for cooling services. This increased demand could cause brown outs and other types of reduced service from increased demand and decreased transmission efficiency.



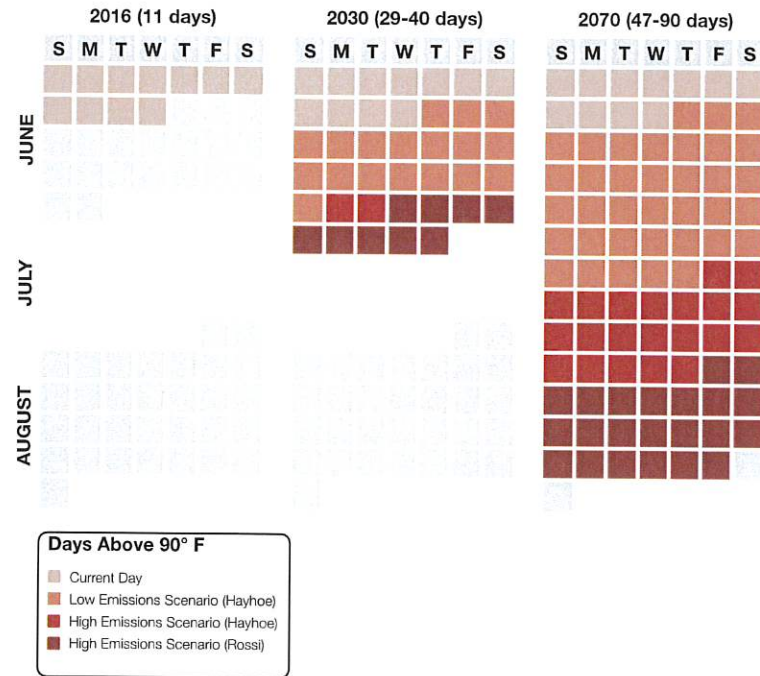


Figure 51: Comparison of Days above 90°F for Low and High Emissions Scenarios

Somerville’s built environment and existing housing stock also contribute to increased heat exposure and UHI effects. While parks and open space are composed of natural surfaces that absorb carbon dioxide and reduce the impacts of extreme heat, materials used in the built environment are typically darker and thus, absorb large amounts of solar radiation, which makes the buildings very effective at holding in heat; this insulation results in higher temperatures in the areas surrounding buildings. The City of Somerville’s built environment is extremely dense; the density of the landscape contributes to the urban heat island effect because heat lingers between the buildings. Thus, the impacts of increasing temperatures are exacerbated throughout the city.

In order to combat the effects of UHI, Somerville should consider policies that require or incentivize the use of lighter-colored building materials, the construction of green roofs or the dedication of a portion of a development area as open space, and the planting of street trees. Figures 52 and 53 detail some of the neighborhood-level and building-scale UHI concerns and thus, identify areas where Somerville could take direct action to reduce UHI, implement new building code requirements, and/or incentivize alternative construction techniques.

The most common housing structure in Somerville is the two-family home; thus, the building-scale analysis was conducted for the typical two-family structure. Contributing UHI factors include: dark-colored roofing and building materials; lack of landscaping or street trees on the parcel; paved driveways and additional impervious surfaces; and, direct exposure of windows to sunlight and uncoated windows that allow significant heat gain.

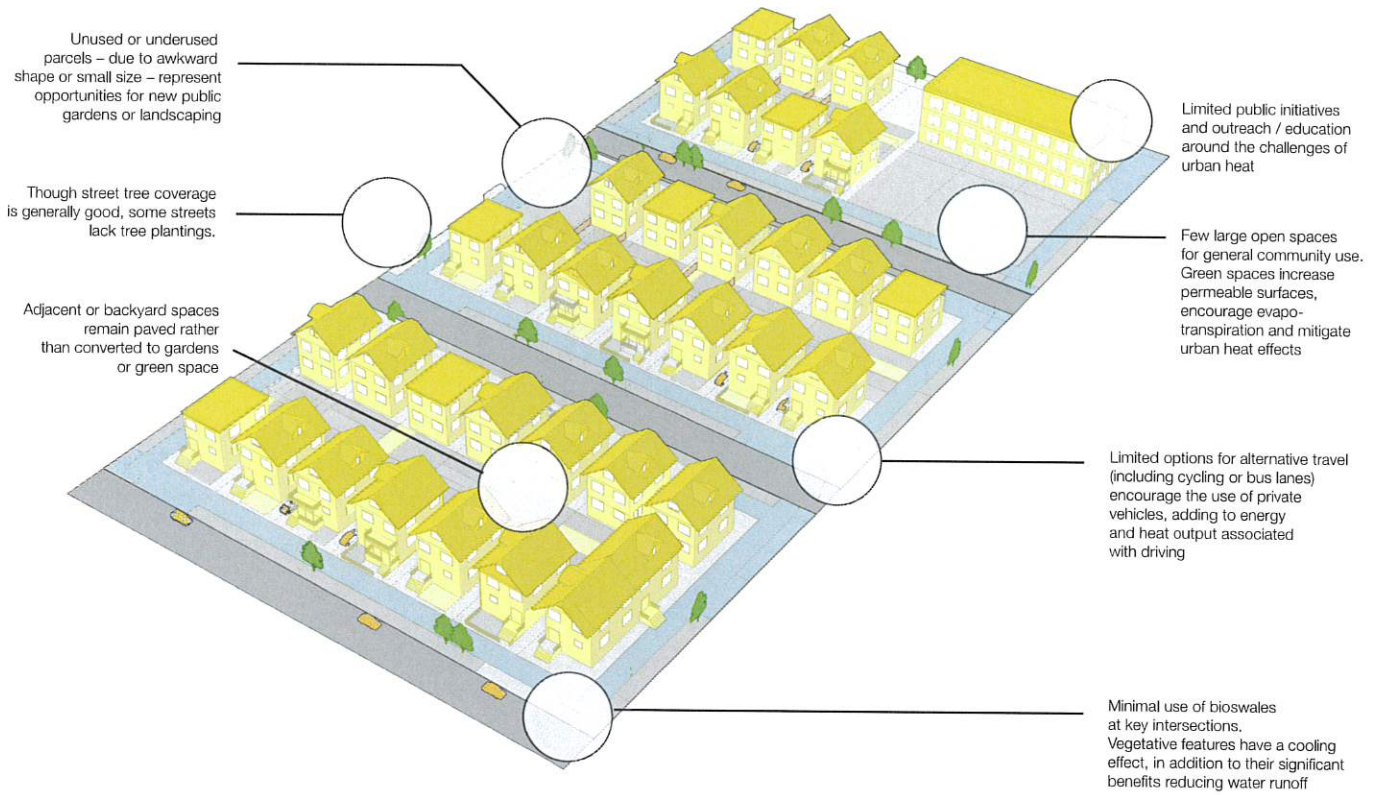


Figure 52: Potential Heat Concerns at a Neighborhood Level

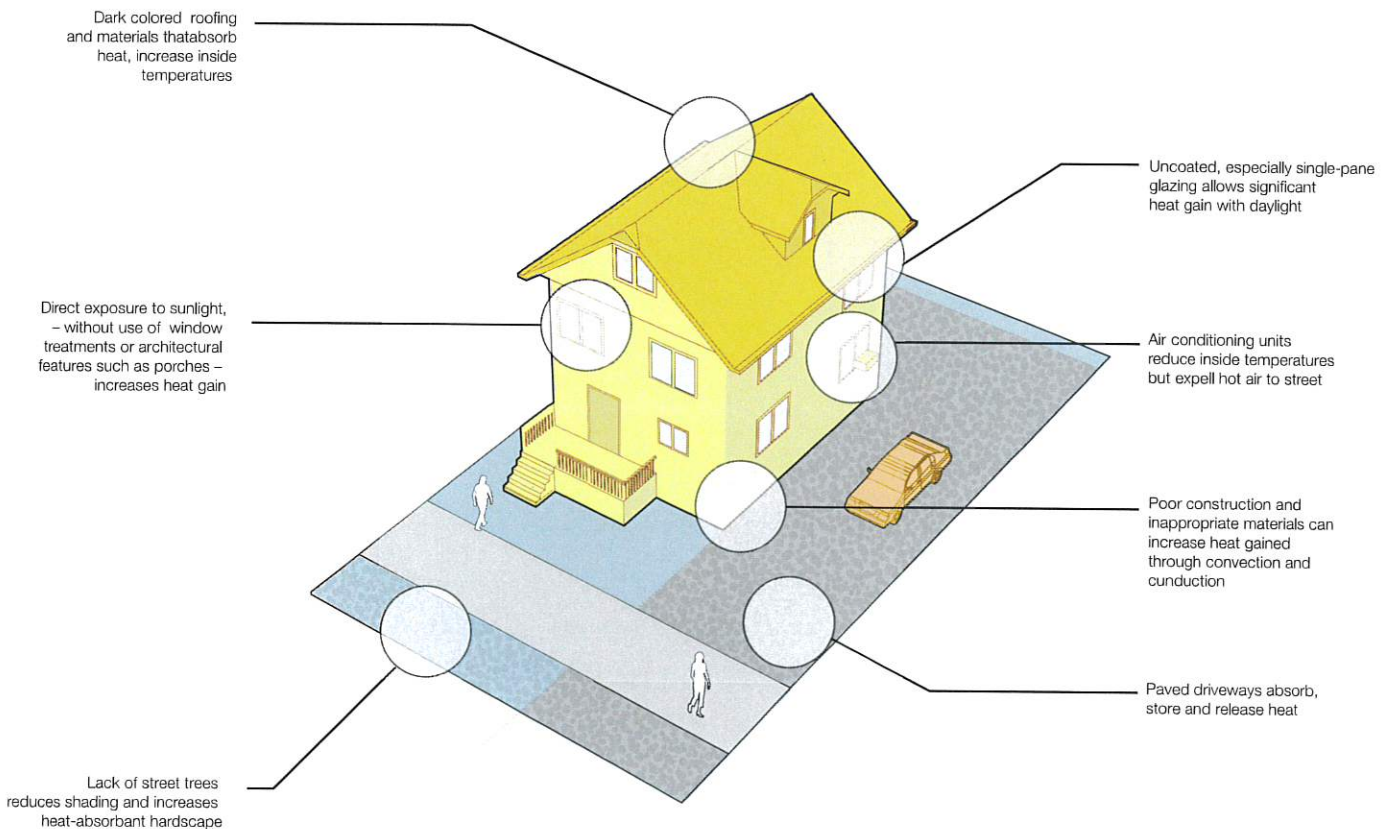


Figure 53: Potential Heat Concerns for a Typical Somerville Two-Family Structure

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PRIORITY 8: Climate change presents the potential for serious public health impacts to vulnerable populations.

Vulnerable populations, including the elderly, young, disabled, limited English proficiency residents and low-income residents, typically stand to suffer more frequently and severely from climate-related impacts. Vulnerable populations within Somerville are concentrated in West Somerville, Ward Two & Inner Belt, East Somerville & Assembly Square, Ten Hills, and Winter Hill. When high concentrations of vulnerable populations are coupled with high exposure to coastal and precipitation flooding and heat risk, such as in East Somerville & Assembly Square, the personal and community impacts can be devastating.

Lower income residents have a more difficult time recovering from flooding damage due to limited or lack of insurance, and less disposable income to pay for repairs. As a result, residents may have to miss work, often without compensation, to recover from the damage, further increasing economic burdens. When houses with water damage are not repaired quickly, diseases and illnesses can spread more quickly, leading to more days without income. Residents who do not speak English may feel isolated and unable to ask for help. Elderly, young and disabled residents may be dependent upon others for care and support, while those they rely on are tied up or need to take care of themselves first. In heat wave or high heat conditions, vulnerable populations are more susceptible to heat-related illness and mortality because they spend more time outdoors (due to the nature of their work), because of their reliance on public transportation, and/or because of a lack of access to indoor cooling systems.

Likewise, warming climates allow for the propagation of vector-borne diseases carried by insects that might otherwise not survive in colder environments. Examples include West Nile Virus, Eastern Equine Encephalitis, Zika Virus, Lyme Disease and Dengue Fever. Air quality is another aspect that is often negatively impacted by extended periods of extreme heat, resulting in increased respiratory and cardiac health concerns.

In some cases, there are direct actions Somerville can take to reduce the climate exposure and the associated risks to vulnerable populations. For heat, increasing shade along transit corridors and providing more indoor and outdoor cooling centers can improve resilience during high heat conditions. This opportunity overlaps with the opportunity to shape the way Assembly Square and Union Square are redeveloped, since the developments are located in areas with more concentrated numbers of vulnerable populations. In terms of coastal and precipitation flooding, any public infrastructure projects in these areas can reduce flood risk and support vulnerable populations. However, residents who live in public housing may rely on Somerville to advocate to the Somerville Housing Authority for improvements to public housing complexes.

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PRIORITY 9: Open space and trees are highly valuable assets to Somerville and need to be protected and enhanced.

Open spaces and natural assets across Somerville are exposed to coastal flooding (Draw Seven Park, Foss Park, Mystic River Reservation), precipitation flooding (Foss Park, Lincoln Park, Glen Park, Albion Playground, Hodgkin's-Curtin Park) and heat (citywide, but parks, trees and plants in Davis Square, Ward Two & Inner Belt, and East Somerville & Assembly Square have increased exposure based on UHI factors).

Unfortunately, Somerville only owns 37% of its open spaces.⁴⁸ Although parks like Draw Seven and Foss Park are owned by the state, the city can advocate to the state for improvements to these important state-owned parks.

According to the Somerville Open Space and Recreation Plan, 2016-2021, the city is already undertaking several measures to prepare for, mitigate and adapt to climate change in parks under the city's jurisdiction, including:

- Selecting plant and turf species that are more resilient to warmer/more severe climates and are more drought tolerant;
- Employing sustainable practices in the maintenance of parks as they relate to materials used, plant health and the ecosystems of parks;
- Reducing water usage through plant species selection, sustainable maintenance practices, low-flow water heads in water features, as well as the capture and reuse of stormwater;
- Improving stormwater retention capacity in all parks through the use of permeable pavements, underground storage chambers to store water, and rain gardens;
- Increasing tree canopy on sidewalks, parks and open spaces to reduce urban heat island effects. This includes: surveying health and level of tree canopy citywide; directing resources for replanting and arbor-care as needed to ensure shade and healthy trees; selecting species of trees that adapt to heat, drought, pests and wind; and, continuing to revise tree plantings; and,
- Reducing energy consumption for park and field lights, and fountains by continually upgrading energy efficient systems and equipment.

However, it is important to note that increasing vegetation and improving stormwater retention will not protect the parks and surrounding infrastructure from the risks of flooding. Additional flood protection projects and initiatives should be undertaken by the city to supplement the mitigation and adaptation efforts currently underway.

While the location of many of Somerville's parks means they are exposed to flooding, their location can be used to their advantage. Draw Seven Park, while a state-owned park, is in an opportune location to develop flood protection landscaping to protect the infrastructure and building assets that are situated inland of the park. The city can look to develop future parks, and expand and/or redesign existing parks in strategic locations (along waterways and roadways and in areas with limited tree canopies) that can alleviate flooding and heat exposure. Strategic design of Somerville's existing and planned open spaces could lead to multi-functional parks that provide flood protection and recreation opportunities.

Conclusion

While many of these priorities can be addresses individually, several of these priorities and the larger concerns around climate change are actually systems-based issues that will require a coordinated, regional effort in order to create resilient adaptation solutions. The transportation system and Amelia Earhart Dam have been highlighted above. Other specific regional assets include the Mystic Generating Station in Everett, public service and safety organizations, healthcare facilities, and the food distribution network in the region.

⁴⁸ Somerville Open Space & Recreation Plan, 2016-2021. http://archive.somervillema.gov/sites/default/files/documents/Somerville.%20OSRP%202016-2021_lowres.pdf.

RENOVATION OF HENRY HANSEN PARK

**MASSACHUSETTS NATURAL HERITAGE & ENDANGERED SPECIES
PROG. AND MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION LETTERS**



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June 28, 2022

Lynn Harper
Habitat Protection Specialist
Natural Heritage & Endangered Species Program
DFW - 1 Rabbit Hill Road
Westborough, MA 01581

Dear Ms. Harper:

I am writing to request a letter regarding the presence or absence of rare species listed under the Massachusetts Endangered Species Act, to support our application for a Parkland Acquisitions and Renovations for Communities (PARC) grant for improvements to Henry Hansen Park at the corner of Medford Street and Partridge Avenue in Somerville.

The City of Somerville is applying for funds from the PARC Grant program through the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (EOEEA), Division of Conservation Services (DCS). These funds will underwrite improvements to Henry Hansen Park and provide 0.06 acres of new permanently dedicated open green space in the midst of this very urban city.

The park itself only dates to 2004, and while it was developed to honor and memorialize a Somerville war veteran and a significant moment in our country's history, it is now in need of renovation as many of the original "temporary" features have been vandalized or have fallen into a state of disrepair. With the planned renovation, the design intent is to feature new green and sustainable elements in a design that will creatively honor the role of all veterans in the City and will continue to recognize Henry "Hank" O. Hansen in particular. Notably, Somerville resident Henry Oliver Hansen was one of six members of a combat patrol that climbed, captured, and raised the first flag on Mt. Suribachi, Japan - Iwo Jima, where he died a week later at age 25.

The improvements within the park will include greater street access, 100% ADA access, new seating, café tables, rolling green spaces and native pollinator plantings, a water bottle filler, and a memorial plaza space that will provide historic educational elements for all Somerville residents. The renovation will be conducted by the City of Somerville Public Space and Urban Forestry (PSUF) team and will be maintained by the City of Somerville Department of Public Works.



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If awarded, the renovation will be conducted by the City of Somerville Public Space and Urban Forestry (PSUF) team and will continued to be maintained by the City of Somerville Department of Public Works.

The PARC grant program requires review and approval by the Natural Heritage & Endangered Species Program. The City will then forward copies of the comment letter(s) to any appropriate funding agency. Enclosed for your reference are a USGS quadrangle map, and a project boundary map of the area.

Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions please contact Arn Franzen, Senior Project Manager, at afranzen@somervillema.gov, or Rebecca McKeivitz, Planner, at rmckeivitz@somervillema.gov, at our Office of Public Space and Urban Forestry.

Sincerely,

George Proakis
Executive Director
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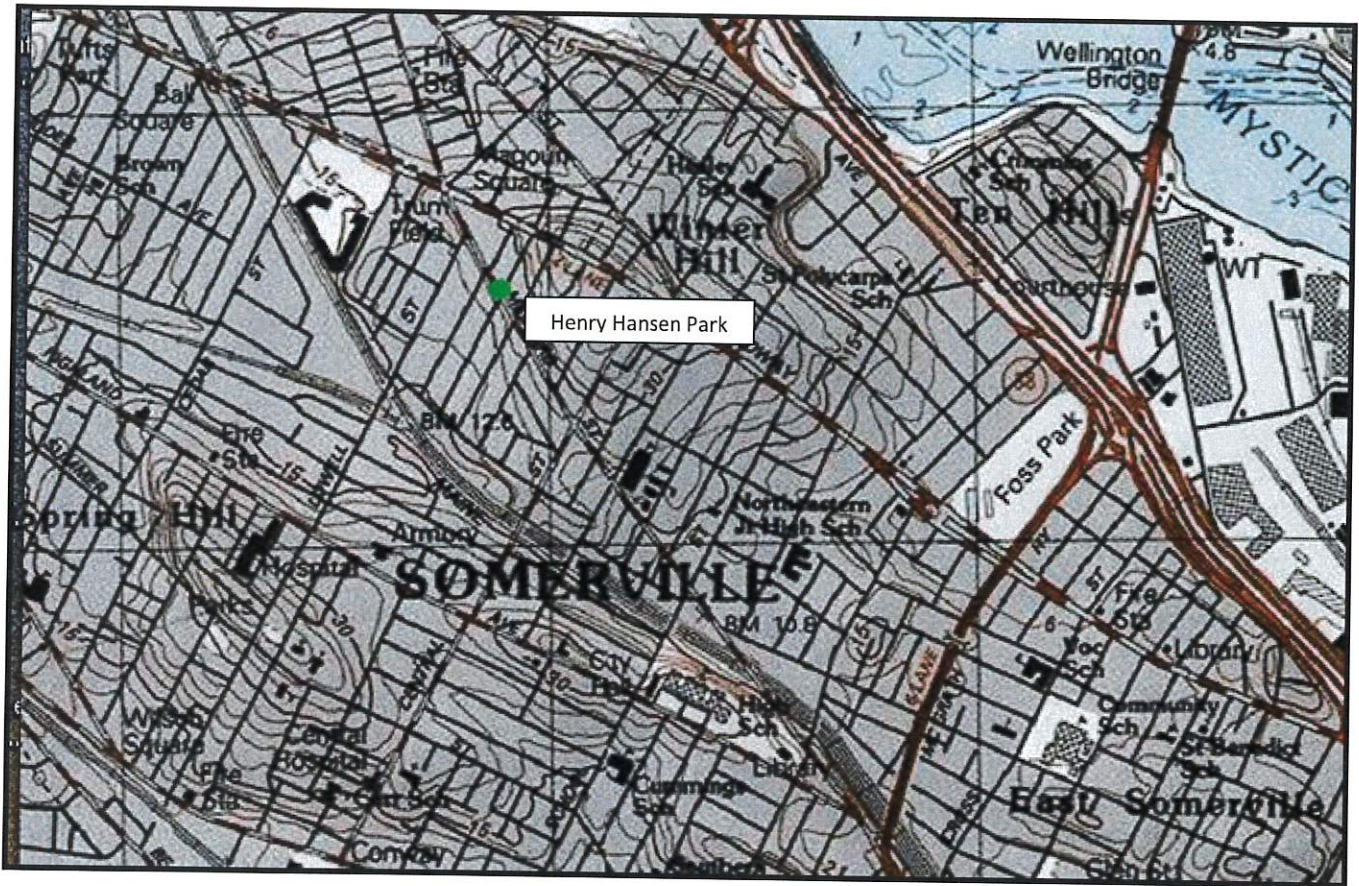
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Henry Hansen Park – Somerville, MA - USGS Map





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June 28, 2022

Ms. Brona Simon
Massachusetts Historical Commission
220 Morrissey Boulevard
Boston, MA 02125

RE: Project Notification Form, Renovation of Henry Hansen Park, Somerville.

Dear Ms. Simon:

The City of Somerville is applying for funds from the PARC Grant program through the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (EOEEA), Division of Conservation Services (DCS). These funds will underwrite improvements to Henry Hansen Park and provide 0.06 acres of new dedicated open green space in the midst of this very urban city. Henry Hansen Park is located at the corner of Medford Street and Partridge Avenue, and with this grant award it will become a permanent part of the City of Somerville parks network.

The park itself only dates to 2004, and while it was developed to honor and memorialize a Somerville war veteran and a significant moment in our country's history, it is now in need of renovation as many of the original "temporary" features have been vandalized or have fallen into disrepair. With the planned renovation, the design intent is to feature new green and sustainable elements in a design that will creatively honor the role of all veterans in the City and which will continue to recognize Henry "Hank" O. Hansen in particular. Notably, Somerville resident Henry Oliver Hansen was one of six members of a combat patrol that climbed, captured, and raised the first flag on Mt. Suribachi, Japan - Iwo Jima, where he died a week later at age 25.

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The PARC grant program requires review and approval by the Massachusetts Historical Commission. Enclosed are a completed Project Notification Form and a USGS quadrangle map of the area. The City will then forward copies of the comment letter(s) to any appropriate funding agency.

Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions please contact Arn Franzen, Senior Project Manager, at afranzen@somervillema.gov, or Rebecca McKevitz, Planner, at rmckevitz@somervillema.gov, at our Office of Public Space and Urban Forestry.

Sincerely,

George Proakis
Executive Director
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CC: Melissa Cryan, Sarah White



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APPENDIX A

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
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PROJECT NOTIFICATION FORM

Project Name: Henry Hansen Park
Location / Address: 487 Medford Street, at the corner of Partridge Avenue and Medford Street
City / Town: Somerville
Project Proponent
Name: City of Somerville, Office of Strategic Planning & Community Development
Address: City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue
City/Town/Zip/Telephone: Somerville, MA 02143 617-625-6600 ext. 2500

Agency license or funding for the project (list all licenses, permits, approvals, grants or other entitlements being sought from state and federal agencies).

Agency Name

Type of License or funding (specify)

Mass. Executive Office of Energy and
Environmental Affairs

Parkland Acquisitions & Renovations
for Communities (PARC) Grant FY20

Project Description (narrative):

The park itself only dates to 2004, however, it needs renovation as many of the original "temporary" features have been vandalized or have fallen into disrepair. With the upcoming renovation, the new design will feature new green and sustainable elements in an open plaza design that will creatively honor the role of all veterans in the City and which will continue to recognize Henry "Hank" O. Hansen in particular.

Does the project include demolition? If so, specify nature of demolition and describe the building(s) which are proposed for demolition.

N/a - no building demolition.

Does the project include rehabilitation of any existing buildings? If so, specify nature of rehabilitation and describe the building(s) which are proposed for rehabilitation.

N/a - no rehabilitation of existing buildings.

Does the project include new construction? If so, describe (attach plans and elevations if necessary).

Yes, the renovation will include new permeable surfaces, drainage improvements, and lighting and a new historically themed plaza space

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APPENDIX A (continued)

To the best of your knowledge, are any historic or archaeological properties known to exist within the project's area of potential impact? If so, specify.

No - n/a

What is the total acreage of the project area?

Woodland _____	acres	Productive Resources:	
Wetland _____	acres	Agriculture _____	acres
Floodplain _____	acres	Forestry _____	acres
Open space ^{0.06} _____	acres	Mining/Extraction _____	acres
Developed _____	acres	Total Project Acreage ^{0.25} _____	acres

What is the acreage of the proposed new construction? 0.06 acres

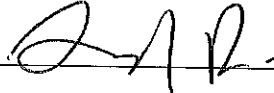
What is the present land use of the project area?

The project area is currently passive open space.

Please attach a copy of the section of the USGS quadrangle map which clearly marks the project location.

Attached.

This Project Notification Form has been submitted to the MHC in compliance with 950 CMR 71.00.

Signature of Person submitting this form:  Date: 6/28/2022

Name: George Proskia, Executive Director, Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development / Arn Franzen -Project Manager

Address: City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue

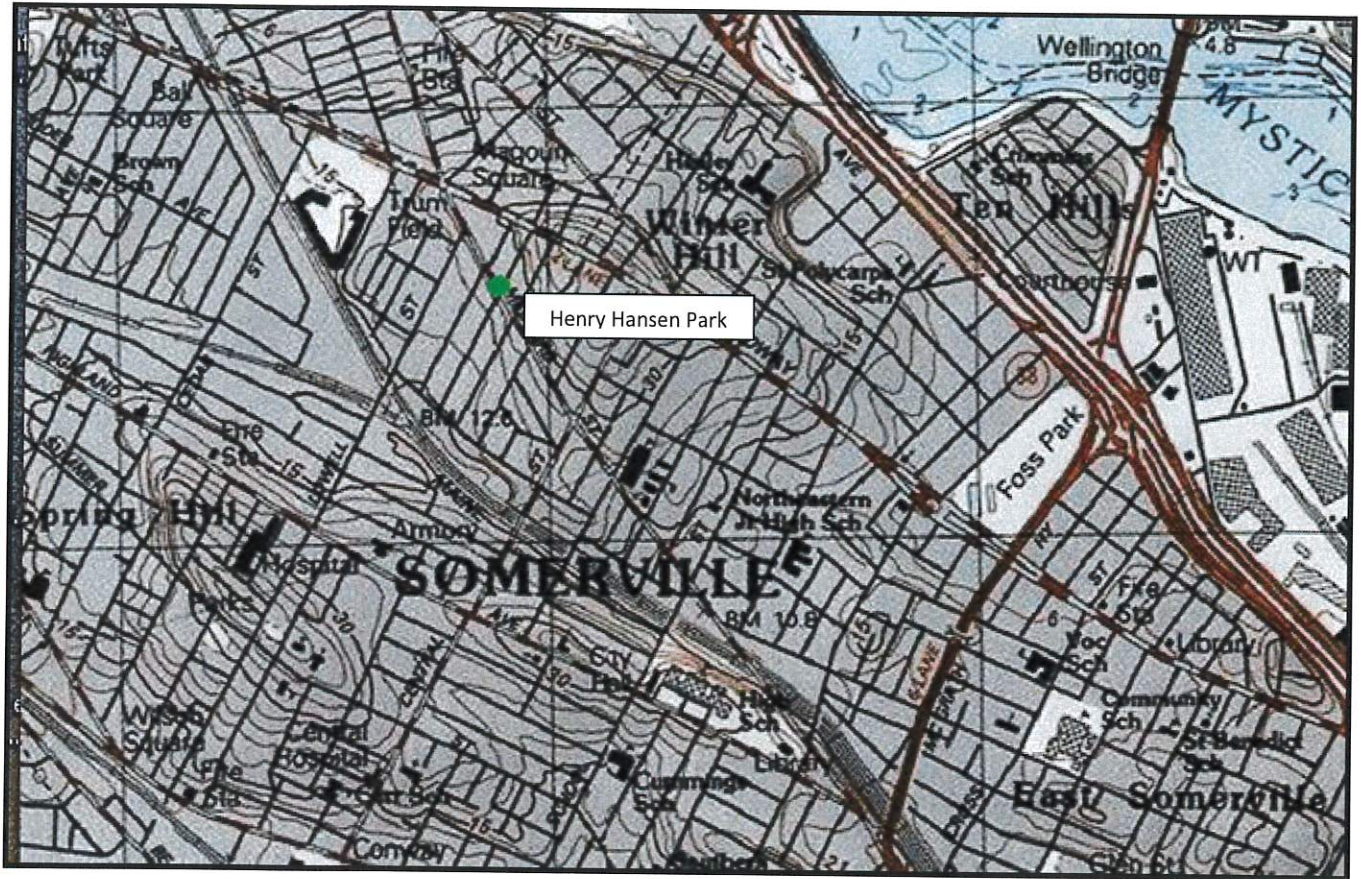
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REGULATORY AUTHORITY

950 CMR 71.00: M.G.L. c. 9, §§ 26-27C as amended by St. 1988, c. 254.

Henry Hansen Park – Somerville, MA - USGS Map



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