CLIPPERSHIP CONNECTOR
SHARED USE PATH PROJECT

Public Presentation #3

October 5, 2020 – 6:30pm to 8:00pm

Please note that this meeting will be recorded; the recording will be a public record.
DCR Mission Statement

To protect, promote and enhance our common wealth of natural, cultural and recreational resources for the well-being of all
Purpose of Tonight’s Meeting

- Review trail proposal
- Discuss trail end at east side (from yacht club to Mystic Riverbend Park)
DCR Project Partners

[Logos of DCR, MyRWA, Lawrence & Lillian Solomon Foundation, Medford Bicycle Advisory Commission, and WalkMedford]
Project Consultants

Crosby | Schlessinger | Smallridge LLC

Epsilon Associates Inc.

BSC Group

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MYSTIC RIVER GREENWAY AND REGIONAL CONNECTIONS

MYSTIC GREENWAY VISION
Design Goals & Guiding Principles

• The Connector is part of the ongoing implementation of the Mystic River Reservation Master Plan

• The Connector is designed to be direct and to maximize opportunities for users to view and be close to the River

• The Connector is designed as a community route while implementing the regional network goals

• The Connector is designed to be accessible and inviting to people of all ages and abilities, including students and seniors

• The Connector is designed to address the privacy and security concerns of abutters

• The Connector is designed to improve the habitat and ecology of the riverbank
Meeting Agenda

- West of I-93
  - West connection to Clippership
  - Review 99 & 121 Riverside Ave

- I-93 Underpass
  - Review plan

- East of I-93
  - Review plan from I-93 to yacht club

- Remediation Area
  - Present proposed plan for discussion

- Discussion
99 & 121 Riverside Ave
99 & 121 Riverside Ave Planting

- Woodland Sunflower
- Pennsylvania Sedge
- Ostrich Fern
- Blue Flag Iris
- Foamflower
- New England Aster
- Winterberry
- Inkberry
- Arrowwood
- Little Bluestem
- Coneflower
- Sensitive Fern
I-93 Underpass Lighting
54-76 Ship Ave & Yacht Club

[Map showing the area around 54-76 Ship Ave with labels for PLANTED BUFFER, FENCE, 76 Ship Ave, 54-68 Ship Ave, FOOTBRIDGE, OCR PROPERTY (DARK GREEN), TRAIL ALIGNMENT, RESTORED BANK, and Riverside Yacht Club.]
Path Alignment

76 Ship Ave

MULTI-USE GREENWAY SECTION A
76 SHIP AVENUE BUILDING

- 76 Ship Avenue
- Privacy Planting
- 8.5' Shared use Path
- 4' Post and Rail Fence
- Revised Path Location (shifted 5'6'')
- Previous Path Location
- Restored River Bank

1/8" = 1'-0"
76 Ship Ave
Proposed Planting

Black Gum
Yellow Birch
Serviceberry
Witch-hazel

Mapleleaf Viburnum
Azalea
Spicebush
Winterberry
Inkberry
Black Chokeberry

Creeping Juniper
White Wood Aster
Christmas Fern
Sweetfern
Summersweet
Foamflower
Shared Use Path Section at Ship Ave. Parking Lot
Shared Use Path Section at 62-68 – OLD ALIGNMENT

Shared Use Path Section at 62-68 – NEW ALIGNMENT
PATH SHIFTED 5 FT AND BOARDWALK AT TREE TO MINIMIZE TREE IMPACT)
Shared Use Path Section at 54-60 Southeast Building
54-68 Ship Ave
Proposed Buffer Planting

- Dwarf Winterberry
- Dwarf Mountain Laurel
- Dwarf Inkberry
- Common Sage
54-68 Ship Ave
Proposed Bank Restoration Planting

- Serviceberry
- Witch-hazel
- Arrowwood Viburnum
- Mapleleaf Viburnum
- Little Bluestem
- Sensitive Fern
- Foamflower
- Ostrich Fern
- Baptisia
- Joe-Pye Weed
- New England Aster
- Blue Flag Iris
Yacht Club Path Alignment
Andrews Middle School Path
Alignment – Remediation Update
Option 1

- Remove Invasive Species
- Bituminous Concrete Path
- Meadow Planting
- 3’ Wide Lawn Mowstrip
- Stabilized Stone Path
Andrews Middle School Path Alignment – Remediation Update

Option 2 – Shared-Use Path Only, Eliminate Stabilized Stone

(In Progress)

REMOVE INVASIVE SPECIES
Andrews Middle School Path Alignment – Remediation Update
Option 3 – Lawn Between Path and Residences

REMOVE INVASIVE SPECIES

STABILIZED STONE PATH

LAWN PLANTING

MEADOW PLANTING
Andrews Middle School Path Alignment – Remediation Update
Andrews Middle School Path Alignment – Remediation Update Sections
Andrews Middle School Path Alignment – Remediation Update Sections
Andrews Middle School Path Alignment – Remediation Update Sections (In Progress)
Andrews Middle School Path Alignment – Remediation Update Plan
Andrews Middle School Path Alignment – Remediation Update
Proposed Planting

Scarlet Oak
Serviceberry
Aspen
Eastern Red Cedar
Riverbank Restoration
Planting Locations
Riverbank Restoration Strategy
Restoration Planting

Woodland Sunflower  Pennsylvania Sedge  Ostrich Fern  Blue Flag Iris  Foamflower  New England Aster

Winterberry  Inkberry  Arrowwood  Little Bluestem  Coneflower  Sensitive Fern
Completed Since Last Meeting

- 100% Final Design (except remediation area)
- Medford Conservation Commission approval and Order of Conditions
- Draft Easement Plans

Next Steps

- Fall 2020: Final Design and permitting of remediation area
- Spring 2021: Bid for Construction
- Summer 2021-Spring 2022: Construction

Estimated Construction Cost: $2.7M
Discussion
Additional Information

• After the public meeting, the presentation will be available for viewing at https://www.mass.gov/dcr/past-public-meetings.

• DCR encourages the public to share feedback on the layout of trail connections at the east end of the project during the course of the meeting or after, with a deadline for receipt of comments by DCR of October 19, 2020.

• Comments may be submitted online at www.mass.gov/dcr/public-comment or via email at jennifer.norwood@mass.gov. Please note that the content of comments you submit to DCR, along with your name, town, and zip code, will be posted on DCR's website. Providing additional contact information when commenting, notably email address, is optional, and will only be used for outreach on future updates on the subject project or property.

• If you have agency-related questions or concerns or would like to be added to an email list to receive DCR general or project-specific announcements, please email Mass.Parks@mass.gov or call 617-626-4973.
Project Context