

Department of Conservation and Recreation Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PUBLIC MEETING & DESIGN CHARRETTE

Esplanade Pavilion at the Lee Pool Planning Project

Thursday, April 13, 2017 - 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

State Transportation Building, 2nd Floor, Conference Rooms 1-3 – 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA

RSVP Required (see below)

(Note: Official ID and sign-in required at information booth, 2nd floor at top of escalator)

The Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) has initiated a planning process to develop a design concept for a new riverfront, multi-purpose pavilion in the area of the Lee Pool. Built in 1951, the Lee Pool has been closed since the 1990s, and the property is now used by DCR park operations staff and by DCR partners the Esplanade Association and Hill House. DCR has hired a project team led by Maryann Thompson Architects, who will examine the existing buildings and site, develop conceptual design alternatives, and develop a schematic design. This effort will be informed by a robust public process, involving the community, DCR partners, area stakeholders, and user groups.

At this public meeting, DCR will provide an overview of the planning process and the site and introduce the consultants. Public discussion will focus on issues and opportunities for the site, and, through break-out groups, attendees will provide input on a preliminary building program and concepts for its architectural character. This is the first of three public meetings on the Esplanade Pavilion Planning Project; two additional public meetings will be scheduled as the design concepts are developed. A project summary and the presentation made at the meeting will be viewable after the public meeting at http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/dcr/public-outreach/public-meetings/.

The public is invited to submit comments after the public meeting, with a deadline for receipt by DCR of close-of-business on Friday, April 28, 2017. Comments may be submitted online at http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/dcr/public-outreach/submit-public-comments/ or by writing to the Department of Conservation and Recreation, Office of Public Outreach, 251 Causeway Street, 6th Floor, Boston, MA 02114.

PLEASE NOTE: Due to fire code restrictions, the venue can accommodate 150 attendees; accordingly, if you plan to attend, please RSVP on the form reached on DCR's website at http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/dcr/public-outreach/public-meetings/rsvp-esplanade-pavilion.html

If you have 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@state.ma.us or call 617-626-4973.

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