

Southwest Corridor Park Action Plan Public Meeting #2 2/28/2024

- 18:07:46 From Tracy O'Brien : Love that mission!
- 18:08:12 From Sage Carbone : are comments as well as questions OK for the chat?
- 18:08:33 From *Tracy Hudak, SWCP Team : Comments and questions are both welcome!
- 18:08:40 From Sage Carbone : Reacted to "Comments and questio..." with 👍
- 18:15:25 From *Tracy Hudak, SWCP Team : Here is a link to the project Storymap that contains information about Phase I of the project bit.ly/SWCPActionPlan
- 18:16:58 From Cole R-S to *Dan Cushing, DCR SWCP Team(direct message) : Do people not use the bathroom in the winter?
- 18:17:06 From *Tracy Hudak, SWCP Team : We'll have Q&A on this segment shortly.
- 18:25:50 From Sage Carbone : would love to see the vertical gateways as clear plastic/frosted glass with lights that change colors :)
- 18:26:57 From *Amber Christoffersen, DCR SWCP Team : Interesting idea! We will take questions in about 5 minutes, after a few slides
- 18:27:04 From Patricia Connors : One of your stated priorities is Safety. Some of the Forest Hills traffic signals aren't synchronized correctly endangering cyclists and pedestrians. Would making Forest Hills traffic signals safer for cyclists and pedestrians be under DCR's jurisdiction?
- 18:27:08 From *Tracy Hudak, SWCP Team : Replying to "would love to see th..."

Thanks for that feedback.

- 18:27:50 From Mark Belzowski : Replying to "One of your stated p..."
- Second this
- 18:27:55 From Joshua Larson : Reacted to "One of your stated p..." with ✚
- 18:29:01 From Karl Schmeckpeper : Reacted to "One of your stated..." with ✚
- 18:29:02 From Sam Naylor : Reacted to "One of your stated p..." with ✚
- 18:29:11 From Tracy O'Brien : Replying to "One of your stated p..."

Yes, diverting storm water from the drains to water the parkland itself is an important goal for climate mitigation.

- 18:29:13 From Gerald Autler, DCR SWCP Team : Replying to "One of your stated p..."

We've heard this comment through the process and will look into the jurisdiction of those signals and forward these comments to the relevant people. Thank you!

18:29:41 From Sam Naylor : Less grass/lawn would be great. Way less.

18:30:39 From *Tracy Hudak, SWCP Team : Thanks! All of these comments are being noted.

18:30:43 From Sandy Johnston : We should not be counting trees by the number of trunks (the "number of trees") but rather by the canopy size, both today and in the future

18:30:54 From Alma Balonon-Rosen : As you think about signage, please do not put anything up that would interfere with line of sight for bike riders and pedestrians crossing streets.

18:31:02 From Cole R-S to *Dan Cushing, DCR SWCP Team(direct message) : Please do not make the new benches hostile benches/do not use arm rests to prevent people from lying down and resting.

18:31:09 From Tracy O'Brien : Reacted to "As you think about s..." with 


18:31:09 From Sandy Johnston : Replying to "We should not be cou..."


Also by diversity

18:31:23 From Chris Vaughan : Reacted to "As you think about s..." with 

18:31:38 From Gerald Autler, DCR SWCP Team : Replying to "As you think about s..."

Good point.

18:31:52 From Karl Schmeckpeper : Reacted to "As you think about..." with 

18:32:06 From Mia Jean-Sicard : Reacted to "Less grass/lawn woul..." with 

18:32:12 From Samuel Pease : Replying to "As you think about s..."

Noted, and agreed.

18:32:38 From Gerald Autler, DCR SWCP Team : Replying to "Less grass/lawn woul..."

We agree in general, but have also heard that the unprogrammed lawn areas are very important as neighborhood park space. So we will seek a balance.

18:32:39 From *Dan Cushing, DCR SWCP Team to Cole R-S(direct message) : Replying to "Please do not make t..."

Thanks Cole, I will make sure the project team is aware of this comment. If you could post the questions/comments to 'everyone' it will go to the full team. Thanks!

18:32:52 From *Tracy Hudak, SWCP Team : Save this link for later!


Survey to submit comments by topic:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScRqPQivag1Mj4JtsYtCdolOa3vTvD1t8oOkFoWIK8b43lug/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0>

18:33:02 From Cole R-S to *Dan Cushing, DCR SWCP Team(direct message) : Replying to "Please do not make t..."


Missed that it wasn't sorry

18:33:04 From Elliott Wiener : Why seasonal bathrooms? People use the SWC all year. Couldn't we have year-round bathrooms?


18:33:14 From keihly moore : Reacted to "Why seasonal bathroo..." with 

18:33:15 From Nicholas Reichert : Reacted to "Why seasonal bathroo..." with 

18:33:18 From Sandy Johnston : Reacted to "Why seasonal bathroo..." with 

18:33:20 From Tracy O'Brien : Reacted to "We agree in general,..." with 

18:33:20 From Sarah Freeman : Glad to see street signs & interpretive signage! (Agreed that it shouldn't block sightlines.

18:33:28 From Karl Schmeckpeper : Reacted to "Why seasonal bathr..." with 

18:33:36 From Anna Agan : Reacted to "Why seasonal bathroo..." with 

18:33:40 From *Tracy Hudak, SWCP Team : What are we getting right? Is there anything we're missing?

18:33:59 From Mia Jean-Sicard : Reacted to "Why seasonal bathroo..." with 

18:33:59 From Cole R-S : Please do not make the new benches hostile benches/do not use arm rests to prevent people from lying down.

18:34:06 From Chris Vaughan : Love the recommendation to replace the ribbon bike racks with more modern designs. Will be a big help.

18:34:10 From Mia Jean-Sicard : Reacted to "Please do not make t..." with 

18:34:19 From Sage Carbone : Reacted to "Please do not make t..." with 

18:34:20 From Sam Naylor : Reacted to "Please do not make t..." with 

18:34:20 From Nicholas Reichert : Reacted to "Please do not make t..." with 

18:34:29 From Tracy O'Brien : Reacted to "Love the recommendat..." with 🛖

18:34:32 From Sandy Johnston : Replying to "Why seasonal bathroo..."

Especially at Johnson Park!! There is space for permanent, public bathrooms at Green Street station!
PLEASE consider joining with the T to build that out.

18:34:45 From Cole R-S : Why are bathrooms only seasonal? People also need to use the bathroom in the winter

18:34:46 From Alec (he/him) : Reacted to "Why seasonal bathroo..." with ❤️

18:34:50 From Cole R-S : Reacted to "Why seasonal bathroo..." with 👍

18:34:52 From Alec (he/him) : Removed a ❤️ reaction from "Why seasonal bathroo..."

18:34:53 From Cole R-S : Replying to "Why seasonal bathroo..."

Agreed

18:34:55 From Alec (he/him) : Reacted to "Why seasonal bathroo..." with ❤️

18:34:58 From Alec (he/him) : Reacted to "Why are bathrooms on..." with ❤️

18:34:59 From Mia Jean-Sicard : Reacted to "Why are bathrooms on..." with 👍

18:34:59 From Scott Romney : No need to share the mic if we don't have the ability to unmute

18:35:03 From Melissa Hamel : Reacted to "Why seasonal bathroo..." with 👍

18:35:05 From Joshua Larson : Reacted to "Why seasonal bathroo..." with 🛖

18:35:06 From Alec (he/him) : Reacted to "Please do not make t..." with ❤️

18:35:08 From Rachel Corey : Reacted to "Why seasonal bathroo..." with 👍

18:35:09 From Melita Schmeckpeper (she/they) : Reacted to "Why are bathrooms ..." with ❤️

18:35:16 From Melita Schmeckpeper (she/they) : Reacted to "Please do not make..." with ❤️

18:35:17 From Peter Darling : Reacted to "Why seasonal bathroo..." with 👍

18:35:25 From Melissa Hamel : Reacted to "Especially at Johnso..." with 👍

18:35:26 From Alma Balanon-Rosen : Reacted to "As you think about s..." with 🛖

18:35:28 From Alma Balanon-Rosen : Removed a 🛖 reaction from "As you think about s..."

18:35:29 From Sam Naylor : Reacted to "Why seasonal bathroo..." with 👍

- 18:35:33 From Ajay Sequeira : Reacted to "Why seasonal bathroo..." with ❤️
- 18:35:37 From Alec (he/him) : Reacted to "Less grass/lawn woul..." with ❤️
- 18:35:41 From Nicholas Reichert : Reacted to "Why are bathrooms on..." with 👍
- 18:35:41 From Sam Naylor : Would love to know the design teams thoughts on making the corridor an independent identity (benches / signs) or following BTDA/BPDA standards to fit in with surrounding streets & maintenance regimes.
- 18:35:44 From Alec (he/him) : Reacted to "As you think about s..." with ✚
- 18:35:47 From Rachel Corey : Replying to "Why seasonal bathroo..."

Portland Maine has installed permanent public bathrooms by parks, so that might be an example to look at

- 18:36:05 From Alec (he/him) : Reacted to "We should not be cou..." with ❤️
- 18:36:43 From Katherine O'Shea : Reacted to "Please do not make t..." with ❤️
- 18:37:03 From Alec (he/him) : Replying to "We should not be cou..."

This is so important. All new street trees seem to be 2.5" calipers with minimal space to grow, and this provides such limited benefit (shade/cooling and infiltration/soil stabilization)

- 18:37:14 From Montell Khaldi (He/Him | Bikes Not Bombs) : Reacted to "Why seasonal bathroo..." with 👍
- 18:37:15 From Sandy Johnston : Reacted to "This is so important..." with 👍
- 18:37:23 From Cole R-S : Can raised crossings be made standard on cross streets?
- 18:37:32 From Alma Balonon-Rosen : Replying to "Would love to know t..."

Whoever is making sure the pathways are cleared after snow storms generally do a good job.

- 18:37:33 From Joshua Larson : Reacted to "Can raised crossings..." with ✚
- 18:37:38 From Elliott Wiener : Reacted to Can raised crossings... with "✚"
- 18:37:39 From Sarah Freeman : Replying to "Please do not make t..."

Arm rests can be important for elderly & ADA folks who have trouble standing up from a bench. Maybe they could be at the ends?

- 18:37:40 From Jake Berman, SWCP Team : Replying to "Can raised crossings..."

stay tuned to the next section of the presentation!

- 18:37:44 From Rachel Corey : Reacted to "Please do not make t..." with ❤️
- 18:37:45 From Bethany DeZolt : Hello! Are we going to be discussing dog parks tonight?
- 18:38:06 From Alec (he/him) : Reacted to "Can raised crossings..." with ✚
- 18:38:10 From *Tracy Hudak, SWCP Team : Replying to "Hello! Are we going ..."

Dog parks are coming up later in the presentation.

- 18:38:13 From Nicholas Reichert : Reacted to "Can raised crossings..." with ✚
- 18:38:16 From Cole R-S : Replying to "Please do not make t..."

I like that compromise

- 18:38:20 From Bethany DeZolt : Thank you!
- 18:38:39 From Natan Seidel : Reacted to "Can raised crossings..." with ✚
- 18:38:40 From *Tracy Hudak, SWCP Team : Chat norms and guidelines:
1. Share the microphone.
 2. Accept that we might disagree with one another.
 3. Chat is just as valid as questions asked out loud.
 4. Please keep comments high level -- detailed discussions about specific topics can take place after this meeting.
 5. There are many ways to learn more and give feedback: DCR's comment portal, online survey form, Storymap, and future public meetings and events.

- 18:38:40 From Tracy O'Brien : Reacted to "Arm rests can be imp..." with ✚
- 18:39:21 From Joshua Larson : Reacted to "Please do not make t..." with ✚
- 18:39:38 From Michael Rousseau : More wayfinding signs for the bike/walking paths would be helpful. I understand, why these paths need to criss-cross throughout, but there are some (not many) entry points to the paths where there are no signs and people might not know which path to walk on.
- 18:39:48 From Elliott Wiener : Reacted to Please do not make t... with "✚"
- 18:39:48 From Melita Schmeckpeper (she/they) : Replying to "Why seasonal bathr..."

I agree more public restrooms would be great! It would make the area much more accessible & welcoming

- 18:39:48 From Cole R-S : Reacted to "stay tuned to the ne..." with 👍
- 18:39:50 From Gerald Autler, DCR SWCP Team : Replying to "Would love to know t..."

That is Ben Gedeon and our Operations team. As Amber mentioned at the beginning, they do a great job with relatively few resources. Thanks for the feedback!

- 18:40:01 From Melissa Hamel : Reacted to "Hello! Are we going ..." with 👍
- 18:40:06 From Elliott Wiener : Reacted to Why are bathrooms on... with "✚"
- 18:40:14 From Melissa Hamel : Replying to "Hello! Are we going ..."

Yay! Thank you.

- 18:40:41 From *Tracy Hudak, SWCP Team : Replying to "More wayfinding sign..."

We'll hear more about this in the next segment.

- 18:40:48 From Melissa Hamel : Reacted to "Arm rests can be imp..." with 👍
- 18:40:50 From Mia Jean-Sicard : Reacted to "More wayfinding sign..." with 👍
- 18:40:52 From Montell Khaldi (He/Him | Bikes Not Bombs) : Reacted to "Please do not make t..." with 👍
- 18:41:51 From Melissa Hamel : Agreed. It would be best to swap the bike and sidewalk
- 18:42:17 From David Wean : In terms of gateway signage - it should be prominent and obvious from across the streets (e.g. Back Bay Station, Forest Hills Station) The current gateway at Forest Hills, for example, is elegant (carved in stone) but not easy to see from a distance.
- 18:42:18 From Cole R-S : If you swap bike and sidewalk you need to replace concrete with asphalt, so it isn't a bumpy ride
- 18:42:38 From Samuel Pease : Reacted to "In terms of gateway ..." with 👍
- 18:43:11 From Sage Carbone : maybe signage markers for public bathrooms nearby, if available?
- 18:43:25 From Joshua Larson : Replying to "Agreed. It would be..."

I could see making the bike path be the one closer to the street (there are some places where that's true already), but the sidewalks as they are are just as hostile to cyclists as they are to pedestrians

- 18:43:35 From Marilyn Grant : Reacted to maybe signage marker... with 👍

18:43:35 From Sandy Johnston : Join with the T to put a restroom at Green St Station! That's not a DCR issue, it's a T issue, but now is the time to push for that

18:43:38 From Suzanne Zobel : To encourage safe sharing of preferred pathways using ground signage is much more visible to folks. Cheap solution to put in place while plans are being worked out would be paint as in the roadway Bikepath signage.

18:43:45 From Elliott Wiener : Reacted to Join with the T to p... with "👍"

18:43:49 From Cole R-S : Reacted to "I could see making t..." with 👍

18:43:49 From Rachel Corey : Reacted to "Join with the T to p..." with ❤️

18:43:49 From Sage Carbone : Reacted to "Join with the T to p..." with 👍

18:43:50 From Tracy O'Brien : Reacted to "maybe signage marker..." with 😞

18:44:10 From David Wean : Definitely put Brick and Mortar restrooms in the action plan, even though there is not \$ for it currently.

18:44:15 From Cole R-S : Reacted to "Join with the T to p..." with 👍

18:44:25 From Tracy O'Brien : Reacted to "Definitely put Brick..." with ✚

18:44:26 From Sandy Johnston : Reacted to "Definitely put Brick..." with 🙌

18:44:44 From Elliott Wiener : Reacted to Definitely put Brick... with "✚"

18:44:47 From Sandy Johnston : Replying to "Definitely put Brick..."

Action plans are FOR budget requests!

18:44:49 From Cole R-S : Please add a center line to the bike path to encourage more conscientious path usage by all modes

18:44:55 From Cole R-S : Reacted to "Definitely put Brick..." with 👍

18:44:59 From Sam Naylor : Reacted to "Action plans are FOR..." with 🙌

18:44:59 From Alma Balonon-Rosen : Replying to "Would love to know t..."

@Gerald Autler, DCR SWCP Team Your welcome. Keep up the excellent clearing work.

18:45:01 From Suzanne Zobel : Bike paths are wider so most think there is plenty of room but do not seem to be aware that the bikeways support two-way traffic. (Even bikers)


For all bike paths: Add a double yellow line down center with bicycle icons stenciled on ground and traffic flow arrows at regular intervals to remind users to stay to right and that path is two way "street".

Signage on ground is more visible for all.


Where there is a viable pedestrian path paralleling the bike path (not street sidewalk), add painted signage on ground showing bikes and footprints/strollers/dogs with arrows to direct to correct path.


Make it fun, street murals? Humorous reminders? ("Hang up and enjoy the view")

People need constant reminders to be aware of shared use to keep safe for all.


18:45:20 From Alma Balonon-Rosen : Reacted to "Bike paths are wider..." with 

18:45:23 From Sam Naylor : Reacted to "Definitely put Brick..." with 

18:45:23 From Nicholas Reichert : Reacted to "Bike paths are wider..." with 

18:45:25 From Sam Naylor : Reacted to "Definitely put Brick..." with 

18:45:26 From Sam Naylor : Reacted to "Definitely put Brick..." with 

18:45:32 From t r : Reacted to "Bike paths are wid..." with 

18:45:41 From Chris Vaughan : Reacted to "Bike paths are wider..." with 


18:45:45 From Cole R-S : Replying to "Definitely put Brick..."

Expand the budget to include funding to make permanent bathrooms possible. They exist in other places they are not impossible if you plan for and fund them. It is a question of will not physics.

18:45:47 From Kevin O'Neill : Any considerations for dog parks would be appreciated by many!


18:45:55 From *Tracy Hudak, SWCP Team : If you didn't get to talk, or provide a comment in the chat, here is the link to enter your comments by topic:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScRqPQivaq1Mj4JtsYtCdolOa3vTvD1t8oO-kFoWIK8b43lug/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0>

18:46:03 From Montell Khaldi (He/Him | Bikes Not Bombs) : Reacted to "Definitely put Brick..." with 

18:46:30 From Cole R-S : Replying to "Bike paths are wider..."

Agree that adding a center line would make all users more conscientious

18:46:34 From Cole R-S : Reacted to "Bike paths are wider..." with 

18:46:35 From Gerald Autler, DCR SWCP Team : Replying to "Join with the T to p..."

We are working closely with the T and will mention it to them.

- 18:46:38 From t r : Reacted to "Definitely put Bri..." with 🛑
- 18:46:39 From t r : Removed a 🛑 from "Definitely put Bri..."
- 18:46:58 From Gerald Autler, DCR SWCP Team : Replying to "Please add a center ..."

Yes, we can look into that.

- 18:47:08 From Joshua Larson : Reacted to "Please add a center ..." with 🛑
- 18:47:23 From Tracy O'Brien : Reacted to "Join with the T to p..." with 👍
- 18:47:36 From Melita Schmeckpeper (she/they) : Reacted to "Join with the T to..." with 👍
- 18:47:37 From Mia Jean-Sicard : Reacted to "Please add a center ..." with 👍
- 18:47:38 From Gerald Autler, DCR SWCP Team : Replying to "To encourage safe sh..."

Agreed...check out what we've done on the Esplanade to encourage safe use without creating more sign clutter.

- 18:48:09 From Gabriella Spitzer : Reacted to "We are working close..." with 👍
- 18:48:33 From Elliott Wiener : Reacted to Definitely put Brick... with "👍"
- 18:49:19 From Gabriella Spitzer : Replying to "Join with the T to p..."

There's the "cyber arts gallery" in Green St station which is never open and never used. That space would be perfect for restrooms, and that would be great for all the families using the playground across the street

- 18:49:23 From Joshua Larson : If this is the stretch between Green St and Stony Brook, then I love this treatment!
- 18:49:33 From Alec (he/him) : Reacted to "Please add a center ..." with 🛑
- 18:49:35 From Joshua Larson : ;'
- 18:49:40 From Alec (he/him) : Reacted to "Join with the T to p..." with ❤️
- 18:50:03 From Joshua Larson : Replying to " ;'"

(Sorry - baby got the keyboard)

18:50:11 From David Wean : When the path is shared (i.e. not room for separate paths) go to 16 feet rather than 13.

18:50:13 From Jennifer Leonard : Yes! Love the different surface materials, and path striping and stenciling. We have been hoping for this for a long time.

18:50:14 From Alma Balonon-Rosen : Reacted to "(Sorry - baby got th..." with 😊

18:50:16 From Kevin O'Neill : Anywhere raised crossing could be installed would increase safety all along the path.

18:50:19 From Sage Carbone : Reacted to "(Sorry - baby got th..." with 😊

18:50:19 From *Tracy Hudak, SWCP Team : Reacted to "(Sorry - baby got th..." with 😊

18:50:23 From Karl Schmeckpeper : Reacted to "Definitely put Bri..." with ✚

18:50:25 From Karl Schmeckpeper : Reacted to "Definitely put Bri..." with 🙌

18:50:26 From Karl Schmeckpeper : Reacted to "Definitely put Bri..." with 👍

18:50:27 From *Tracy Hudak, SWCP Team : Reacted to "(Sorry - baby got th..." with 😊

18:50:32 From Nicholas Reichert : Reacted to "Anywhere raised cros..." with 👍

18:50:35 From Cole R-S : Reacted to "Anywhere raised cros..." with 👍

18:50:37 From Melita Schmeckpeper (she/they) : Reacted to "Anywhere raised cr..." with 👍

18:50:42 From Nicholas Reichert : Reacted to "When the path is sha..." with 👍

18:50:47 From Melita Schmeckpeper (she/they) : Removed a 👍 from "Anywhere raised cr..."

18:50:48 From Melita Schmeckpeper (she/they) : Reacted to "Anywhere raised cr..." with 👍

18:50:50 From Karl Schmeckpeper : Reacted to "Anywhere raised cr..." with 👍

18:50:51 From Cole R-S : Replying to "Anywhere raised cros..."

Should be the standard for all cross streets

18:50:53 From Gerald Autler, DCR SWCP Team : Replying to "Anywhere raised cros..."

We're working with the City of Boston and they are open to doing this on many of the cross streets...City controls those streets, not DCR

18:50:54 From Natan Seidel : Reacted to "Anywhere raised cros..." with 👍

18:51:08 From Sam Naylor : Look at the 606 in Chicago for a great running path material detail !

18:51:09 From Alma Balonon-Rosen : At path crossing at New Minton, many cars blast thru without stopping for bikers or pedestrians even when it is obvious they crossing. A raised crossing here would increase safety.

18:51:13 From Cole R-S : Reacted to "We're working with t..." with 👍

18:51:18 From Tracy O'Brien : Widening the paths, distinguishing between the paths with surface materials, and widening toward the tracks to save trees all sound like good choices given the volume of multi-modal use.

18:51:22 From Chris Vaughan : Reacted to "Anywhere raised cros..." with 👍

18:51:24 From Nicholas Reichert : Reacted to "At path crossing at ..." with 👍

18:51:27 From Charlie McCabe : Reacted to "Widening the paths, ..." with 👍

18:51:30 From Alma Balonon-Rosen : Reacted to "Anywhere raised cros..." with 👍

18:51:32 From *Tracy Hudak, SWCP Team : Replying to "Look at the 606 in C..."

a nice project!

18:51:41 From Cole R-S : Reacted to "At path crossing at ..." with 👍

18:51:45 From Nicholas Reichert : Reacted to "We're working with t..." with 👍

18:51:45 From Sabine Voigt : Reacted to "At path crossing at ..." with 👍

18:51:51 From Cole R-S : Reacted to "Widening the paths, ..." with 👍

18:51:58 From Sabine Voigt : Reacted to "Widening the paths, ..." with 👍

18:51:58 From Karl Schmeckpeper : Reacted to "At path crossing a..." with 👍

18:52:05 From Karl Schmeckpeper : Reacted to "Widening the paths..." with 👍

18:52:11 From Kelly : Reacted to "Hello! Are we going ..." with 👍

18:52:19 From Kevin ONeall : Reacted to "Dog parks are comi..." with ❤️

18:52:20 From Kelly : Reacted to "Dog parks are coming..." with ❤️

18:52:23 From Kelly : Reacted to "Yay! Thank you." with 👍

18:52:29 From *Tracy Hudak, SWCP Team : Replying to "At path crossing at ..."

We're working with the City of Boston and they are open to doing this on many of the cross streets...City controls those streets, not DCR. DCR is working to coordinate.

18:52:34 From Kelly : Replying to "Hello! Are we going ..."

Looking forward to it!

18:52:52 From Karl Schmeckpeper : Who at the city should we reach out to make sure they take action on improving the safety of the crossings?

18:52:54 From Kelly : Reacted to "Any considerations f..." with ❤️

18:53:19 From Cole R-S : Reacted to "Who at the city shou..." with 👍

18:53:41 From Nicholas Reichert to *Dan Cushing, DCR SWCP Team(direct message) : I would appreciate coordination with other agencies to adjust signal timings to give more priority to park users. At some of the traffic intersections, the wait for park users to cross is extremely long. (i.e. Tremont St.)

18:53:45 From Nicholas Reichert : Reacted to "Who at the city shou..." with 👍

18:53:55 From Alma Balonon-Rosen : Reacted to "Who at the city shou..." with 👍

18:54:03 From Marilyn Grant : Street crossing at Parker Street by Police Station is particularly challenging for bikers; I drive.

18:54:40 From Cole R-S : Prioritize lights on path for safe biking speed (13-15 mph), have fast light cycles to prioritize pedestrian movements.

18:54:55 From Nicholas Reichert : Reacted to "Prioritize lights on..." with 👍

18:55:08 From Gerald Autler, DCR SWCP Team : Replying to "Street crossing at P..."

Do you mean Prentiss Street? If so, as a regular cyclist, I agree!!

18:55:14 From *Amber Christoffersen, DCR SWCP Team : Karl- we are coordinating with the city on this plan so they are on board with what we suggest. We know that the city will be improving Heath, Cedar, Tremont and Prentiss as part of the Columbus Ave project

18:55:18 From James O'Donnell : How can you widen or separate curb cuts at street crossings?

18:55:22 From Peter Darling : Reacted to "Prioritize lights on..." with 👍

18:55:24 From Joshua Larson : A big issue with the signalized intersections is that the buttons that you press to summon a green light are hard to reach from a bike. I often bike with a big bike trailer, so it's especially tough to maneuver - I either have to get off my bike or bring the trailer somewhere where it then has to go off the curb

18:55:33 From Alma Balonon-Rosen : Replying to "At path crossing at ..."

Great-maybe get the City of Boston to make Columbus Ave btw Mass Ave and Back Bay safer for bikers by filling the potholes in the bike lane.

18:55:34 From Nicholas Reichert : Reacted to "A big issue with the..." with 👍

18:55:49 From Tracy O'Brien : Reacted to "At path crossing at ..." with 👍

18:55:59 From Peter Darling : Replying to "Street crossing at P..."

Prentiss is rough, and so is Ruggles st. Both feel like death traps as a daily cyclist!

18:56:10 From Chris Vaughan : Reacted to "Great-maybe get the ..." with 👍

18:56:26 From Joshua Larson : I've almost gotten killed at all of these!

18:56:26 From Peter Darling : Replying to "Street crossing at P..."

The lights at Ruggles are well timed, but cars don't stop for the lights regularly

18:56:28 From Gerald Autler, DCR SWCP Team : Replying to "At path crossing at ..."

@Alma Balonon-Rosen That's a City issue; however, the new protected lanes on Tremont are great and I now cut over a block from Columbus to use those!

18:56:46 From Peter Darling : Reacted to "Great-maybe get the ..." with 👍

18:57:01 From Natan Seidel : Reacted to "I've almost gotten k..." with 😄

18:57:01 From Melita Schmeckpeper (she/they) : Removed a 👍 from "Anywhere raised cr..."

18:57:02 From Melita Schmeckpeper (she/they) : Reacted to "Anywhere raised cr..." with 👍

18:57:10 From Jun Lee : Are safety bollards are being considered anywhere?

18:57:12 From Montell Khaldi (He/Him | Bikes Not Bombs) : Reacted to "I've almost gotten k..." with 🔥

18:57:15 From Cole R-S : New Minton needs to be prioritized it is especially bad.

18:57:17 From Montell Khaldi (He/Him | Bikes Not Bombs) : Replying to "I've almost gotten k..."

Same.

18:57:29 From *Tracy Hudak, SWCP Team : Thanks, all comments are being recorded and considered.

- 18:57:30 From Tracy O'Brien : Reacted to "New Minton needs to ..." with 🛑
- 18:57:31 From Montell Khaldi (He/Him | Bikes Not Bombs) : Reacted to "New Minton needs to ..." with 🛑
- 18:57:33 From Gerald Autler, DCR SWCP Team : Replying to "Street crossing at P..."

Agreed. As Amber stated, we're coordinating with the City but of course bring your concerns to BTB directly!

- 18:57:48 From Peter Darling : Replying to "New Minton needs to ..."

Add a stop sign for car traffic (and enforcement) would be ideal.

- 18:57:49 From David Wean : Add New Cedar to the raised intersection list, even though there's a signal there - traffic there is much lower than at the other signaled crossings

- 18:57:52 From Joshua Larson : Super excited about the recommendation for dedicated bike+straight-thru traffic versus right turns also allowed. I almost got squished yesterday by a driver who sped through a right turn at Roxbury Crossing

- 18:57:53 From Nicholas Reichert : It seems like much of the experience of using the park is controlled by the City. Can you get a representative from the City of Boston to join the project?

- 18:57:57 From James O'Donnell : Reacted to "I've almost gotten k..." with 😊

- 18:58:10 From Marilyn Grant : Replying to "Street crossing at P..."

Yes, I mean Prentiss...

- 18:58:15 From Cole R-S : Reacted to "It seems like much o..." with 👍
- 18:58:18 From Karl Schmeckpeper : Reacted to "It seems like much..." with 🛑
- 18:58:22 From Karl Schmeckpeper : Reacted to "It seems like much..." with 👍
- 18:58:28 From Michael Rousseau : Reacted to "It seems like much o..." with 👍
- 18:58:30 From Chris Vaughan : Reacted to "Super excited about ..." with 👍
- 18:58:32 From Karl Schmeckpeper : Reacted to "Super excited abou..." with 👍
- 18:58:34 From Alma Balonon-Rosen : Replying to "At path crossing at ..."

Is there a light where you cross over to take a left on Tremont?

18:58:41 From Nicholas Reichert : Can we also add park access on Cumberland St ?

18:58:58 From Elliott Wiener : Reacted to I've almost gotten k... with "✚"

18:59:00 From Ajay Sequeira : Reacted to "It seems like much o..." with 👍

18:59:04 From Elliott Wiener : Reacted to Are safety bollards ... with "✚"

18:59:05 From Tracy O'Brien : Reacted to "Super excited about ..." with ✚

18:59:16 From Elliott Wiener : Reacted to Who at the city shou... with "👍"

18:59:32 From Gerald Autler, DCR SWCP Team : Replying to "At path crossing at ..."

I usually do it right before Mass Ave (when headed inbound). No light there and not ideal. Or you can do it a few blocks after Mass Ave and get to a light on Tremont.

18:59:50 From *Tracy Hudak, SWCP Team : We're recording chat comments, but here's a link to the doc where you can submit comments by topic, if you'd prefer:
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScRqPQivaq1Mj4JtsYtCdoIOa3vTvD1t8oO-kFoWIK8b43lug/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0>

19:00:02 From Sage Carbone : Reacted to "We're recording chat..." with 👍

19:00:09 From Alma Balonon-Rosen : Reacted to "I usually do it righ..." with 👍

19:00:18 From Sage Carbone : Replying to "We're recording chat..."

it comes up as a suspicious link, fyi!

19:00:29 From Alma Balonon-Rosen : Reacted to "It seems like much o..." with 👍

19:00:31 From Gerald Autler, DCR SWCP Team : Replying to "It seems like much o..."

That's a good idea. We can consider inviting the people we've been coordinating with to join a future meeting.

19:00:48 From Mia Jean-Sicard : Reacted to "It seems like much o..." with 👍

19:01:03 From James O'Donnell : Improving the street crossings should be high safety priority, absolutely treacherous.some good ideas here.

19:01:03 From Cole R-S : Replying to "At path crossing at ..."

Path traffic here seems high enough to merit a stop sign for drivers as well.

19:01:15 From Joshua Larson : Ooh - excited about the shared street concept, and I'm wondering about what traffic calming measures you all are thinking about in order to avoid encouraging drivers to go faster (right now there's a bunch of sort of accidental traffic calming because the alley there is filled with potholes 😊)

19:01:19 From Chris Vaughan : Reacted to "At path crossing at ..." with 👍

19:01:23 From Cole R-S : Reacted to "Super excited about ..." with 👍

19:01:29 From Alec (he/him) : Reacted to "Ooh - excited about ..." with 😊

19:01:35 From Alec (he/him) : Reacted to "Ooh - excited about ..." with 🙌

19:01:37 From Alec (he/him) : Removed a 😊 reaction from "Ooh - excited about ..."

19:01:56 From Elliott Wiener : Reacted to Ooh - excited about ... with "👍"

19:02:07 From Sage Carbone : DCR team, you're doing great managing. Thanks for your hard work

19:02:22 From Joshua Larson : Reacted to "DCR team, you're doi..." with ✚

19:02:24 From Tracy O'Brien : Reacted to "DCR team, you're doi..." with ✚

19:02:33 From Sage Carbone : Reacted to "DCR team, you're doi..." with ✚

19:02:35 From Sage Carbone : Removed a ✚ reaction from "DCR team, you're doi..."

19:03:27 From James O'Donnell : Yes very good work, impressive.

19:03:38 From Michael Rousseau : Reacted to "DCR team, you're doi..." with ✚

19:03:48 From Michael Rousseau : Reacted to "DCR team, you're doi..." with 👍

19:04:02 From Melita Schmeckpeper (she/they) : Reacted to "Ooh - excited abou..." with 👍

19:04:11 From Peter Darling : Reacted to "Path traffic here se..." with 👍

19:04:57 From Cole R-S : +1 to everything Ken is saying.

19:05:11 From Karl Schmeckpeper : Reacted to "+1 to everything K..." with ✚

19:05:12 From t r : Reacted to "+1 to everything K..." with ✚

19:05:19 From Tracy O'Brien : Reacted to "+1 to everything Ken..." with ✚

19:06:36 From *Tracy Hudak, SWCP Team : Here is the link to enter your comments by topic:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScRqPQivaq1Mj4JtsYtCdolOa3vTvD1t8oO-kFoWIK8b43lug/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0>

19:06:46 From Jake Berman, SWCP Team : Replying to "Ooh - excited about ..."

yes, we're still in early stages of exploring the shared street concept, and traffic calming measures like surface materials, raised elements, and vertical elements, are all things we will be looking into

19:07:55 From Montell Khaldi (He/Him | Bikes Not Bombs) : Reacted to "DCR team, you're doi..." with 👍

19:08:23 From Jake Berman, SWCP Team : Reacted to "@Alma Balonon-Rosen ..." with 👍

19:10:27 From Alec (he/him) : Reacted to "DCR team, you're doi..." with ✚

19:10:48 From James O'Donnell : How to see recording of this meeting?

19:10:49 From Cole R-S : 16 ft

19:11:03 From Sabine Voigt : Removed a 👍 reaction from "At path crossing at ..."

19:11:40 From Sage Carbone : Replying to "16 ft"

the key to negotiations...aim high, settle for what you were wanted for in the first place. ask for 20

19:11:51 From *Tracy Hudak, SWCP Team : Replying to "How to see recording..."

It will take a few days, but this link will have the recording of the meeting and any additional materials!
<https://www.mass.gov/event/southwest-corridor-park-action-plan-public-meeting-2-2282024-2024-02-28t180000-0500-2024-02-28t193000-0500>

19:12:18 From Suzanne Zobel : Blue bikes E-bikes apparently are set to go up to 18 mph

19:12:30 From *Tracy Hudak, SWCP Team : Visit this link in a few days to see the recording of the meeting and any additional materials! <https://www.mass.gov/event/southwest-corridor-park-action-plan-public-meeting-2-2282024-2024-02-28t180000-0500-2024-02-28t193000-0500>

19:13:00 From Cole R-S : Replying to "16 ft"

That would necessitate taking down too many trees for my liking


19:13:04 From Kaitlin Ingram : I've been passed by folks on e-bikes/scooters going 30 mph+ while I was riding my bike

19:13:21 From Melissa Hamel : Reacted to "I've been passed by ..." with 👍

19:13:25 From Tracy O'Brien : Yes, widening and striping the paths are the minimal viable improvements, and will make a big difference for safety and various types of commuters and recreational path users.


19:13:26 From Alec (he/him) : Like traffic calming with cars, trail calming can be used instead of posting speed limits. Would probably work better and can be targeted at specific locations without giving pretense for more law enforcement interactions

19:13:37 From Joshua Larson : Replying to "I've been passed by ..."

And who never call out "on your left" or whatever 

19:13:48 From Melissa Hamel : Replying to "I've been passed by ..."

So dangerous.

19:13:55 From Melita Schmeckpeper (she/they) : Reacted to "It seems like much..." with 

19:13:59 From Elliott Wiener : Reacted to Like traffic calming... with "

19:14:01 From *Tracy Hudak, SWCP Team : Replying to "Yes, widening and st..."

Thanks, Tracy

19:14:26 From Melita Schmeckpeper (she/they) : Reacted to "Super excited about..." with 

19:14:27 From Alma Balonon-Rosen : Replying to "I've been passed by ..."

agree with posted speed limitations for e-bikes and scooter

19:14:34 From Sage Carbone : Replying to "16 ft"

that's the point, ask for 20 and get 16. ask for 13 and they'll give you 11

19:14:59 From Jennifer Leonard : Thank you David!!! (And -- that summarizes a lot of what we have talked about in SWCP Alliance meetings.)

19:15:11 From Cole R-S : +1 on Cornwall crossing not being aligned and needing to be fixed. There is no crossing to correspond to the cut for the path on at Roys street either

19:15:19 From *Tracy Hudak, SWCP Team : Replying to "Like traffic calming..."

Thanks Alec.

19:15:31 From Natan Seidel : Reacted to "+1 on Cornwall cross..." with 

19:15:36 From Natan Seidel : Removed a  reaction from "+1 on Cornwall cross..."

19:15:37 From *Tracy Hudak, SWCP Team : If you didn't get to talk, or provide a comment in the chat, here is the link to enter your comments by topic:
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScRqPQivaq1Mj4JtsYtCdolOa3vTvD1t8oO-kFoWIK8b43lug/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0>

19:15:49 From Natan Seidel : Reacted to "+1 on Cornwall cross..." with 👍

19:16:00 From Melita Schmeckpeper (she/they) : Reacted to "Who at the city sh..." with 👍

19:16:01 From Gerald Autler, DCR SWCP Team : Replying to "I've been passed by ..."

We are grappling with these issues on all our shared use paths. These are all ideas we can test out.

19:16:36 From Suzanne Zobel : Thank you all for your time and efforts to keep this wonderful park safe and accessible for all users 🙏

19:18:27 From Alec (he/him) : Leading pedestrian/bike intervals at signalized intersections and true path signal priority would be great and can run concurrently with the future transitway on Columbus. This should be aggressive priority that has detection for bikes and at least extends green if not also truncating other phases to give transit and bikes/peds on the SWC green as soon as possible and require less stopping. Lets make truly state-of-the-art recommendations for the next generation!

19:18:42 From Nicholas Reichert : Reacted to "Leading pedestrian/b..." with 👍

19:18:44 From Chris Vaughan : Reacted to "Leading pedestrian/b..." with 👍

19:18:54 From Cole R-S : Reacted to "Leading pedestrian/b..." with 👍

19:19:14 From Gabriella Spitzer : The Johnson park basketball court should have the hoops facing each other

19:19:25 From Cole R-S : Reacted to "The Johnson park bas..." with 👍

19:19:36 From Gabriella Spitzer : Add fitness equipment (pull up bars) at Johnson Park

19:19:41 From Joshua Larson : Is there any thought to encouraging more commercial areas directly on the park? Like restaurants, coffee shops, etc? I can only think of a few places to grab a coffee that are directly (or almost directly) on the park, and that seems like a nice way to give it even more vitality (...and permanent restrooms)

19:19:51 From Anna Agan : Replying to "The Johnson park bas..."

And a fence

19:19:52 From Ajay Sequeira : Reacted to "Leading pedestrian/b..." with 👍

19:20:00 From Alec (he/him) : Love to see community partners integrated in the project team- thanks for your work on this and proactive coordination with other agencies!

- 19:20:06 From Natan Seidel : Reacted to "Is there any thought..." with 👍
- 19:20:07 From Elliott Wiener : Reacted to Is there any thought... with "👍"
- 19:20:10 From Alec (he/him) : Reacted to "Is there any thought..." with 🙄
- 19:20:15 From Nicholas Reichert : Reacted to "Is there any thought..." with 👍
- 19:20:16 From David Wean : Reacted to "Is there any thought..." with 👍
- 19:20:17 From Kelly : Reacted to "Is there any thought..." with 👍
- 19:20:17 From Karl Schmeckpeper : Reacted to "Improving the stre..." with ✚
- 19:20:23 From Melissa Hamel : Reacted to "And a fence" with 👍
- 19:20:31 From Sage Carbone : love the idea of multi-use options for sports courts. evening activation for outdoor social activities would be difficult to manage but a potential opportunity for collaborating with the City of Boston Director of Nightlife Economy
- 19:20:42 From Gabriella Spitzer : Community gardens are often an equity issue--especially when they are locked and inaccessible to anyone who doesn't have a garden lot
- 19:21:07 From Gabriella Spitzer : I'm opposed to more community gardens on the basis that they take public space and make it semi-private
- 19:21:35 From Sage Carbone : Replying to "I'm opposed to more ..."

i've set up 4 plots at Newcastle Saranac for communal use. shared plots are the future :)

- 19:21:39 From Cole R-S : Sometimes there is a big crowd but it would be good to facilitate another DIY skate space. Fancy lad and friends made a great park for people of all abilities
- 19:21:43 From Melissa Hamel : Replying to "I'm opposed to more ..."

Agreed, we need dog parks, not more gardens

- 19:21:47 From *Tracy Hudak, SWCP Team : Replying to "love the idea of mul..."

Another opportunity for collaboration with the city. Thanks!

- 19:21:51 From Montell Khaldi (He/Him | Bikes Not Bombs) : Reacted to "Is there any thought..." with 👍
- 19:21:57 From Gabriella Spitzer : Reacted to "i've set up 4 plots ..." with 👍
- 19:22:02 From Gabriella Spitzer : Reacted to "Agreed, we need dog ..." with 👍

19:22:02 From Joshua Larson : Replying to "Is there any thought..."

Realistically, I think the way to do this is to turn each of the T stops along the SW Corridor into a little market (with outdoor seating in the summer).

19:22:04 From Sage Carbone : Reacted to "Agreed, we need dog ..." with 🤔

19:22:11 From Sage Carbone : Removed a 🤔 reaction from "Agreed, we need dog ..."

19:22:15 From Sage Carbone : Reacted to "Agreed, we need dog ..." with 😞

19:22:19 From Sam Naylor : Reacted to "Is there any thought..." with 👍

19:22:25 From Cole R-S : Replying to "I'm opposed to more ..."

@Melissa Hamel why not both?

19:22:36 From Tracy O'Brien : Reacted to "i've set up 4 plots ..." with 👍

19:23:09 From Sage Carbone : Replying to "I'm opposed to more ..."

@Cole R-S dogs aren't allowed in the community gardens but i love both

19:23:41 From David Black : Fort Hill and Mission Hill desperately need a dog park

19:23:56 From Melissa Hamel : We really need BOTH of these spaces based on how many dogs there are in JP

19:23:57 From Kelly to *Dan Cushing, DCR SWCP Team(direct message) : The more dog parks, the better! There are literally thousands of dogs along this area, and only one single small dog park in the Back Bay end- there's simply nowhere safe and legal for the dogs to go.

19:24:19 From Sam Naylor : Do not count on the city to execute a dog park anytime soon

19:24:32 From Elliott Wiener : Reacted to Add fitness equipmen... with "🏋️"

19:24:32 From Anna Agan : Reacted to "We really need BOTH ..." with 👍

19:24:34 From Melissa Hamel : Flaherty is going to be too small for medium and larger dogs

19:24:39 From Kelly : Reacted to "Flaherty is going to..." with 👍

19:24:44 From Gerald Autler, DCR SWCP Team : Replying to "Is there any thought..."

Agreed, but at the risk of sounding like a stuck record this is a City of Boston issue. The good news is that many areas along the SW Corridor are seeing development with retail space. We are also considering ways of adding seasonal uses, like the beer gardens we have along the Charles River.

19:25:11 From *Dan Cushing, DCR SWCP Team to Kelly(direct message) : Replying to "The more dog parks, ..."

Hi Kelly -- I will make sure this is communicated to the project team, but could you share this to everyone? Just want to make sure everyone on the meeting sees it, thanks!

19:25:12 From Kelly : Replying to "Flaherty is going to..."

And is too small to accommodate many dogs, period! It's better than nothing, but in itself is not a solution for the area dogs.

19:25:29 From Sam Naylor : Please do a beer garden ala night-shift. It would be an amazing summer amenity

19:25:32 From Kelly : Reacted to "Agreed, but at the r..." with ❤️

19:25:41 From Anna Agan : Reacted to "Please do a beer gar..." with 👍

19:25:43 From Chris Vaughan : Reacted to "Please do a beer gar..." with 👍

19:25:43 From Michael Rousseau : Reacted to "Please do a beer gar..." with 👍

19:25:46 From Sam Naylor : Reacted to "Agreed, but at the r..." with ❤️

19:25:47 From Gabriella Spitzer : Reacted to "Is there any thought..." with 👍

19:25:50 From Cole R-S : Replying to "The Johnson park bas..."

Why was the fence removed? It seems to get noticeably less use since it was

19:25:52 From Gabriella Spitzer : Removed a 👍 reaction from "Is there any thought..."

19:25:53 From Gabriella Spitzer : Reacted to "Is there any thought..." with 👍

19:26:02 From Karl Schmeckpeper : Is it possible to increase the amount of deck space or is that infeasible?

19:26:03 From Melissa Hamel : Reacted to "And is too small to ..." with 👍

19:26:07 From Natan Seidel : Reacted to "Is it possible to in..." with 👍

19:26:14 From Natan Seidel : Reacted to "Please do a beer gar..." with 👍

19:26:19 From Kaitlin Ingram : Love the idea of a meadow on the Call St deck!

19:26:32 From Kelly : The more dog parks, the better! There are literally thousands of dogs along this area, and only one single small dog park in the Back Bay end- there's simply nowhere safe and legal for dogs to be.

19:26:37 From Mia Jean-Sicard : Replying to "Love the idea of a m..."

meadow with seating, yes

19:26:42 From Kelly to *Dan Cushing, DCR SWCP Team(direct message) : Reacted to "Hi Kelly -- I will m..." with 👍

19:26:47 From Tracy O'Brien : Reacted to "Love the idea of a m..." with ✚

19:26:48 From Gerald Autler, DCR SWCP Team : Replying to "Is it possible to in..."

We are treating it as infeasible for the purposes of this project do to the expense.

19:26:54 From Sage Carbone : Replying to "Is there any thought..."

a swcp business council is a good idea

19:26:57 From Joshua Larson : Replying to "Is there any thought..."

Haha thanks for the context! I imagine that actually using T Stop space for this would also be an MBTA issue.

19:27:06 From Kelly : Reacted to "Please do a beer gar..." with 👍

19:27:10 From Natan Seidel : Removed a 👍 reaction from "Is there any thought..."

19:27:11 From *Amber Christoffersen, DCR SWCP Team : Replying to "Is it possible to in..."

At this point in time this is not feasible, but we can document the desire/idea.

19:27:11 From Natan Seidel : Reacted to "Is there any thought..." with 👍

19:27:20 From Elliott Wiener : Reacted to Is it possible to in... with " 👍 "

19:27:24 From Cole R-S : Replying to "Is it possible to in..."

It needs to be in long term plans the Section between Mission Hill and Roxbury will always be somewhat disconnected without it.

19:27:36 From Sabine Voigt : The basketball court at Stony Brook is always busy. A second one would be great!

19:27:39 From Melissa Hamel : And thank you, team, for finally thinking about the needs of families with dogs!!

19:27:46 From Anna Agan : Reacted to "And thank you, team,..." with ❤️

19:27:49 From Elliott Wiener : The train park playground could use a fence around it, similar to other playgrounds

19:27:50 From Gabriella Spitzer : Pleased to see the meadow idea--lawns are lousy ecologically

19:27:57 From keihly moore : Reacted to "The basketball court..." with 👍

19:28:04 From C Caliga : Reacted to "Pleased to see the m..." with 👍

19:28:08 From Kaitlin Ingram : Reacted to "Pleased to see the m..." with 👍

19:28:09 From Mia Jean-Sicard : Reacted to "Pleased to see the m..." with 🍌

19:28:12 From Kelly : Reacted to "And thank you, team,..." with ❤️

19:28:13 From Sam Naylor : Reacted to "Pleased to see the m..." with 👍

19:28:26 From Kaitlin Ingram : Reacted to "Is there any thought..." with 👍

19:28:33 From Elliott Wiener : Reacted to Pleased to see the m... with "👍"

19:28:49 From Cole R-S : Lawndale was relatively recently renovated it gets a lot of use with younger kids if it is renovated again maybe it should be a tot lot.

19:28:52 From Jennifer Leonard : I like the idea of shared-use community gardens. As you know the park has a long history of park stewardship gardening as well as individual plots, and should explore more types of gardening too....

19:28:59 From Anna Agan : Reacted to "Is there any thought..." with 👍

19:29:04 From Melissa Hamel : Reacted to "Pleased to see the m..." with 👍

19:29:06 From Cole R-S : Reacted to "Pleased to see the m..." with 👍

19:29:07 From Nicholas Reichert : Reacted to "I like the idea of s..." with 👍

19:29:11 From Ajay Sequeira : Reacted to "Pleased to see the m..." with 👍

19:29:17 From Melita Schmeckpeper (she/they) : Reacted to "It needs to be in ..." with ❤️

19:29:19 From Tracy O'Brien : I like the idea of expanding the Lawndale garden, perhaps with inclusion of some plots that are set aside for communal use.

19:29:20 From Gabriella Spitzer : Replying to "Please do a beer gar..."

I'd love to see something like the Thursdays on the Lawn at Loring Greenough on the SWC

19:29:23 From *Tracy Hudak, SWCP Team : We're recording chat comments, but here's a link to the doc where you can submit comments by topic:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScRqPQivag1Mj4JtsYtCdolOa3vTvD1t8oO-kFoWIK8b43lug/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0>

19:29:26 From Kaitlin Ingram : Replying to "Is there any thought..."

@Sage Carbone you can tap into the existing Main Streets organizations, like JP Centre/South

19:29:28 From Natan Seidel : Lawndale Playground isn't busy because it needs a renovation. Not a lot of fun/unique things, no swings either, no water features. I still understand getting rid of it, but not for community garden space which as someone mentioned has very limited use to the general public.

19:29:37 From Sam Naylor : Please stop the Boston police from parking on the greenway

19:29:44 From Karl Schmeckpeper : Reacted to "It needs to be in ..." with ❤️

19:29:45 From Gabriella Spitzer : Reacted to "Lawndale Playground ..." with 👍

19:29:45 From Susan Foster : Community gardens aRe locked!! How is that a good use of scarce public space ?

19:29:57 From Sam Naylor : Reacted to "Community gardens aR..." with 👍

19:30:00 From Gabriella Spitzer : Reacted to "Community gardens aR..." with 👍

19:30:04 From Sage Carbone : Replying to "Please do a beer gar..."

plenty of dead-end streets too. maybe we petition the city to add food truck parking adjacent to swcp?

19:30:10 From Jennifer Jones : We have a stewarded garden at Stony Brook where you are thinking about a shade structure, if you do it would like granite blocks and garden moved so it is not shaded.

19:30:12 From Melissa Hamel : Reacted to "Community gardens aR..." with 👍

19:30:32 From Natan Seidel : Reacted to "Lawndale Playground ..." with 👍

19:30:33 From Cole R-S : Reacted to "Please stop the Bost..." with 👍

19:30:43 From Montell Khaldi (He/Him | Bikes Not Bombs) : Reacted to "Please do a beer gar..." with 👍

19:31:05 From Cole R-S : Replying to "Please stop the Bost..."

With brights swinging at eye level along the path and idling for hours especially

19:31:10 From Sage Carbone : Replying to "Is there any thought..."

i'll check in with the city of boston to see if they would be open to the idea

19:31:13 From Joshua Larson : As a cyclist who lives at Forest Hills and works close to Boston Common, getting to the SW Corridor going south is kind of a pain. I know this one is a City of Boston issue, but can you lean hard on the city to improve ways for bikes to get to the Back Bay entrance of the SW Corridor?

19:31:15 From Cole R-S : Replying to "Please stop the Bost..."

*shining

19:31:16 From Melissa Hamel : Thank you, Amber and team, for a robust community engagement process. I wish all government projects were as inclusive.

19:31:20 From Sage Carbone : Reacted to "Please stop the Bost..." with 😊

19:31:25 From Nicholas Reichert : Reacted to "Please stop the Bost..." with 👍

19:31:30 From Susan Foster : Reacted to Thank you, Amber and... with "👍"

19:31:36 From Tracy O'Brien : Reacted to "Thank you, Amber and..." with ✚

19:31:42 From Sam Naylor : Replying to "Please stop the Bost..."

They treat it like their overflow lot -- its insulting

19:31:43 From Sage Carbone : Reacted to "Thank you, Amber and..." with 👍

19:31:54 From Kaitlin Ingram : Reacted to "Please do a beer gar..." with 👍

19:32:05 From Melita Schmeckpeper (she/they) : Reacted to "As a cyclist who l..." with ❤️

19:32:08 From Sam Naylor : Reacted to "Thank you, Amber and..." with 👍

19:32:13 From Karl Schmeckpeper : Reacted to "As a cyclist who l..." with ❤️

19:32:18 From Kaitlin Ingram : Replying to "Please do a beer gar..."



19:32:22 From David Wean : Reacted to "Please stop the Bost..." with 👍

19:32:24 From Joshua Larson : Reacted to "Agreed, but at the r..." with ❤️

19:32:30 From Michael Rousseau : Replying to "Please do a beer gar..."

and that flex hardscape spot next to the rink could be beer garden/ food truck

19:32:32 From David Black : Community gardens are not an equitable use of precious public park space. Better to use some of the many city-owned parcels.

19:32:36 From Melissa Hamel : Reacted to "@Cole R-S dogs aren'..." with 👍

19:32:39 From keihly moore : Reacted to "Please do a beer gar..." with 👍

19:32:40 From Gabriella Spitzer : Reacted to "Community gardens ar..." with 🙌

19:32:43 From Rachel Corey : Reacted to "As a cyclist who liv..." with ❤️

19:32:43 From Cole R-S : Reacted to "They treat it like t..." with 👍

19:32:45 From Elliott Wiener : Reacted to As a cyclist who liv... with "❤️"

19:32:49 From Sabine Voigt : What is the timeline for all of this?

19:32:52 From Mia Jean-Sicard : kelly rink for roller skating in the warmer seasons would be delightful

19:32:54 From Chris Vaughan : Reacted to "As a cyclist who liv..." with ❤️

19:32:54 From Elliott Wiener : Reacted to Please stop the Bost... with "👍"

19:32:57 From Gabriella Spitzer : Removed a 🙌 reaction from "Community gardens ar..."

19:32:58 From *Tracy Hudak, SWCP Team : If you didn't get to talk, or provide a comment in the chat, here is the link to enter your comments by topic:

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19:33:03 From Gabriella Spitzer : Reacted to "Community gardens ar..." with 👍

19:33:05 From C Caliga : I had truly hope there are never any commercial food/coffee enterprises in the park. The ensuing litter alone should squash that idea but also this is a place to enjoy green space & designated recreation areas.

19:33:11 From Rachel Corey : Reacted to "Please stop the Bost..." with 👍

19:33:25 From Susan Foster : Reacted to Community gardens ar... with "👍"

19:33:26 From Rachel Corey : Reacted to "kelly rink for rolle..." with ❤️

19:33:29 From James O'Donnell : Many good ideas, now what happens next?

19:33:43 From Natan Seidel : Reacted to "I had truly hope the..." with 🙄

19:33:44 From Joshua Larson : Just want to say a major thank you for this meeting and the work you're doing! I came to one of these a few months ago, and presented a few comments, and literally every single one has been addressed with suggestions today. You all are doing such a great job of hearing feedback and coming up with great ideas.

Thank you soooo much, and I can't wait to see the park evolve!

19:33:54 From David Black : Will the presentation be available on-line?

19:33:55 From Kelly : Reacted to "I had truly hope the..." with 🙄

19:33:58 From *Tracy Hudak, SWCP Team : Visit this link in a few days to see the recording of the meeting and any additional materials! <https://www.mass.gov/event/southwest-corridor-park-action-plan-public-meeting-2-2282024-2024-02-28t180000-0500-2024-02-28t193000-0500>

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19:34:02 From Karl Schmeckpeper : Replying to "As a cyclist who l..."

Also, the bike lanes outside of the Mass ave section of the Corridor are scary. We need protected bike lanes to get to the Corridor.

19:34:09 From Kaitlin Ingram : Thank you all!

19:34:09 From Cole R-S : Reacted to "Also, the bike lanes..." with 👍

19:34:17 From Gabriella Spitzer : Please improve the amphitheater at Stonybrook so it can actually be used!

19:34:23 From Natan Seidel : Reacted to "Please improve the a..." with 👍

19:34:24 From Ajay Sequeira : Reacted to "kelly rink for rolle..." with ❤️

19:34:31 From Mia Jean-Sicard : Reacted to "Please improve the a..." with 👍

19:34:32 From Susan Foster : Removed a 👍 reaction from "Community gardens ar..."

19:34:45 From Alma Balonon-Rosen : Thank you to Amber and team. This was my first meeting on the Corridor and got a lot out of the presentations and the way the topics for discussion were sequenced.

19:34:50 From Abby Jamiel : Reacted to "Just want to say a m..." with ❤️

19:34:58 From Karl Schmeckpeper : Replying to "Is it possible to ..."

If this is supposed to be a 20 year plan, expanding the decks should definitely be considered.

19:35:00 From *Tracy Hudak, SWCP Team : Visit this link in a few days to see the recording of the meeting and any additional materials! <https://www.mass.gov/event/southwest-corridor-park-action-plan-public-meeting-2-2282024-2024-02-28t180000-0500-2024-02-28t193000-0500>

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19:35:00 From Melissa Hamel : Reacted to "Thank you to Amber a..." with 👍

19:35:05 From *Amber Christoffersen, DCR SWCP Team : Replying to "Please improve the a..."

Let us know what issues you see with this space!

19:35:12 From Melita Schmeckpeper (she/they) : Reacted to "Also, the bike lan..." with 👍

19:35:16 From Sage Carbone : Replying to "Community gardens ar..."

i disagree wholeheartedly. it's the cheapest 20x20' land you can have per year, builds community stakeholders, promotes healthy eating + outdoor activities, and a freshly grown vine tomato from your own hands is an otherworldly experience.

19:35:20 From Joshua Larson : Reacted to "Also, the bike lanes..." with 👍

19:35:22 From Jake Berman, SWCP Team : Replying to "As a cyclist who liv..."

I've been enjoying taking the City's new separated bike lanes on Tremont St to connect from the Common area towards the Southwest Corridor around Mass Ave/Ruggles

19:35:24 From Cole R-S : If this is a 20 year plan decking needs to not be seen as "impossible" decking is the only way to resolve the lack of real park space in the Roxbury/Mission Hill section

19:35:24 From Michael Rousseau : Reacted to "Please improve the a..." with 👍

19:35:29 From Susan Foster : Would love to see more benches , not in playgrounds

19:35:34 From Alma Balonon-Rosen : Reacted to "i disagree wholehear..." with 👍

19:35:38 From Natan Seidel : Reacted to "If this is a 20 year..." with 👍

19:35:38 From Mia Jean-Sicard : Reacted to "Would love to see mo..." with 👍

19:35:40 From Karl Schmeckpeper : Reacted to "If this is a 20 ye..." with 👍

19:35:41 From Melita Schmeckpeper (she/they) : Reacted to "If this is a 20 ye..." with 👍

19:36:18 From Cole R-S : Reacted to "i disagree wholehear..." with 👍

19:36:31 From Cole R-S : Replying to "Community gardens ar..."

We need more of them so more people can access them. Not less.

19:36:40 From Sage Carbone : Reacted to "We need more of them..." with ❤️

19:36:46 From Melita Schmeckpeper (she/they) : Reacted to "We need more of th..." with ❤️

19:36:46 From Michael Rousseau : Reacted to "If this is a 20 year..." with 👍

19:36:49 From Joshua Larson : Replying to "As a cyclist who liv..."

I'll give that a try - I didn't realize Tremont got shiny new bike lanes!

19:36:53 From Michael Rousseau : thanks team!

19:36:57 From Tracy O'Brien : Reacted to "i disagree wholehear..." with 👍

19:37:05 From Jennifer Leonard : Replying to "Community gardens ar..."

Community gardening, done well, creates a healthy park.... with spillover benefits. And a big part of the park's legacy

19:37:13 From Montell Khaldi (He/Him | Bikes Not Bombs) : Reacted to "Also, the bike lanes..." with 👍

- 19:37:15 From Sage Carbone : Reacted to "Community gardening,..." with ❤️
- 19:37:15 From David Wean : THANK YOU to the entire team - this was worthwhile!
- 19:37:21 From Sabine Voigt : Reacted to "Community gardening,..." with 👍
- 19:37:29 From Patricia Connors : Reacted to "THANK YOU to the ent..." with 👍
- 19:37:32 From Joshua Larson : Replying to "As a cyclist who liv..."

The Columbus ones are scary up there, and drivers are ALWAYS parked in them (there's a restaurant there that uses the bike lane as its valet area)

- 19:37:39 From Montell Khaldi (He/Him | Bikes Not Bombs) : Reacted to "THANK YOU to the ent..." with 👍
- 19:37:46 From Jennifer Leonard : Reacted to "i disagree wholehear..." with 👍
- 19:37:48 From Tracy O'Brien : Replying to "Community gardens ar..."

Also, the gardens provide visual beauty for park users, as well as support pollinators and climate change mitigation.

- 19:37:53 From Jennifer Leonard : Reacted to "We need more of them..." with 👍
- 19:37:54 From Gerald Autler, DCR SWCP Team : Replying to "If this is a 20 year..."

We can certainly offer it as a recommendation but we intentionally called this an "action" plan so that it could yield actionable items that we know we can implement in the short and medium terms...and recommend to others (City of Boston, MBTA) to do their part, e.g. on street crossings.

- 19:38:09 From J Dubis : Reacted to "THANK YOU to the ent..." with 👍
- 19:38:26 From Elliott Wiener : Reacted to It needs to be in lo... with "❤️"
- 19:38:53 From Gerald Autler, DCR SWCP Team : Replying to "Community gardens ar..."

Interesting to hear this discussion. We can certainly explore alternative models of gardening in public spaces.

- 19:39:08 From *Tracy Hudak, SWCP Team : Another reminder: Visit this link in a few days to see the recording of the meeting and any additional materials! <https://www.mass.gov/event/southwest-corridor-park-action-plan-public-meeting-2-2282024-2024-02-28t180000-0500-2024-02-28t193000-0500>

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19:39:32 From Gabriella Spitzer : Replying to "Community gardens ar..."

There will never be enough community park spots relative to the population, and it will always favor people with more privilege and time. It's not an equitable use of space, and it's not beautiful if it's behind a locked fence

19:39:42 From Jennifer Leonard : To get involved with the park volunteer network: <https://southwestcorridorpark.org> and my email address is jleonard@skillslibrary.com That website also provides links to the Conservancy in the South End and the Friends of Kelly Rink -- look at the "Contact" and "Get Involved" pages...

19:39:43 From Runke Luo : Reacted to "Just want to say a m..." with ❤️

19:39:48 From Jennifer Leonard : Glad you asked about this!!

19:39:51 From Kimberly Rand : Hello from the Friends of the Kelly Rink! <https://friendsofthekellyrink.org/> If you ❤️ ice skating, we love you! (AND we are looking for new board members)

19:39:53 From Melissa Hamel : If you'd like to advocate for dog parks, please join the Friends of JP Dog Parks <https://www.facebook.com/jpdogparks/>

19:39:57 From Kaitlin Ingram : Reacted to "If you'd like to adv..." with 👍

19:40:01 From Kaitlin Ingram : Reacted to "To get involved with..." with 👍

19:40:06 From Karl Schmeckpeper : What is the name of the city's Columbus Ave project? Where can we find additional information about it?

19:40:16 From Jennifer Leonard : Melissa thank you!! (And we link to your FB page on the website alos.)

19:40:27 From Jennifer Leonard : Reacted to "Hello from the Frien..." with ❤️

19:40:30 From Joshua Larson : Oooh here's a kind of ambitious question. Is there any thought or idea or hope of extending the SWC Park further south? Roslindale is a beautiful neighborhood, but biking between Roslindale and anywhere else is scary - it's especially jarring because there's this beautiful bike

path that goes down to Forest Hills and then it abruptly ends and is replaced with a painted bike gutter on a busy street

19:40:31 From Jennifer Leonard : Reacted to "If you'd like to adv..." with ❤️

19:40:41 From Meghan Volcy to *Dan Cushing, DCR SWCP Team(direct message) : Hi Dan, I'm Meghan from StreetsblogMass writing an article about this meeting and these exciting project updates! I wanted to ask that in addition to the slides and recording, would you or someone from your team be able to send me a copy of the chat so that I can make sure that all comments in the chat as well as those spoken aloud are all represented in the story?

19:40:55 From Kaitlin Ingram : Replying to "If you'd like to adv..."

Good to know there's a park specific one, not just the main JP Dogs page! I'm a dog owner...will join

19:40:56 From Tracy O'Brien : Replying to "Community gardens ar..."

We also already have food and flower gardens that are tended collectively by volunteer park stewards, and are open to all.

19:41:05 From Jake Berman, SWCP Team : Replying to "What is the name of ..."

you can find more info under the Phase 2 section here: <https://www.mbta.com/projects/columbus-avenue-bus-lanes>

19:41:10 From Cole R-S : Replying to "If this is a 20 year..."

Carrying that out as a long term action will require short and medium term planning for it right?

19:41:16 From Jennifer Leonard : To the Action Planning team -- we hope that park signage helps people learn about volunteer connections.

19:41:23 From Gabriella Spitzer : Replying to "Community gardens ar..."

Consider creating more meadows with native plants and/or a fruit tree orchard instead

19:41:38 From Karl Schmeckpeper : Reacted to "you can find more ..." with 👍

19:41:45 From Mia Jean-Sicard : Reacted to "Consider creating mo..." with 👍

19:41:48 From Tracy O'Brien : Replying to "Community gardens ar..."

It would make sense to expand the number of those spaces, and increase volunteer steward engagement in all sections of the park.

- 19:42:11 From Melita Schmeckpeper (she/they) : Reacted to "Consider creating ..." with 👍
- 19:42:28 From Jennifer Leonard : Reacted to "It would make sense ..." with ❤️
- 19:42:45 From Melita Schmeckpeper (she/they) : Replying to "Community gardens ..."

I agree a fruit tree orchard / food forest would be great!

- 19:43:12 From Runke Luo : Reacted to "i disagree wholehear..." with 👍
- 19:43:20 From Runke Luo : Reacted to "We need more of them..." with ❤️
- 19:43:42 From Gabriella Spitzer : Reacted to "I agree a fruit tree..." with 👍
- 19:44:09 From David Wean : Agree with Ralph - in shared sections, there should be indication that people should be slower and more considerate.
- 19:44:27 From Melita Schmeckpeper (she/they) : Reacted to "kelly rink for rol..." with ❤️
- 19:44:45 From Gerald Autler, DCR SWCP Team : Replying to "If this is a 20 year..."

Yes but it's important to understand that all the property is owned by the MBTA and DCR maintains the parkland that was created as part of the original project. So our ability to plan decking is limited. But we can certainly incorporate the idea into the recommendations

- 19:44:46 From Jennifer Leonard : Replying to "Community gardens ar..."

Some of our gardens have offered berries, herbs, and other shareable plantings!! There are all kinds of models of stewardship and community gardens. BTW the children's gardening initiatives are built into our community gardens and stewardship gardenin

- 19:45:29 From Tracy O'Brien : Reacted to "Some of our gardens ..." with ✚
- 19:47:48 From Jake Berman, SWCP Team : <https://www.mbta.com/projects/columbus-avenue-bus-lanes>
- 19:47:52 From Karl Schmeckpeper : <https://www.mbta.com/projects/columbus-avenue-bus-lanes>
- 19:48:19 From Jake Berman, SWCP Team : they are currently on Phase 2 of the Columbus Ave project
- 19:48:52 From *Tracy Hudak, SWCP Team : Visit this link in a few days to see the recording of the meeting and any additional materials! <https://www.mass.gov/event/southwest-corridor-park-action-plan-public-meeting-2-2282024-2024-02-28t180000-0500-2024-02-28t193000-0500>

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19:49:11 From Tracy O'Brien : Yes, Cole, I agree! So important.