

Community Services, Facilities & Circulation
Master Plan Subcommittee Minutes
August 14th, 2023
Meeting held at the Municipal Building
Room 205, 2nd Floor
355 East Central Street 6:00 PM

At NOTE to Residents: All citizens are welcome to attend public board and committee meetings in person. Additionally, citizens will be able to continue to participate via phone or ZOOM.

Committee Members in Attendance: Chair Cobi Frongillo, Kenneth Elmore, Erin Gallagher and Ginelle Lang

Via Zoom: Glenn Jones

The meeting was called to order at 6:09 by Chair Frongillo

Introduction and Chair Frongillo explained this will be a high-level meeting and skipping Goals. For next meeting will review: 1. Topics Missing 2. Data Points 3. Places to visit.

First discussion Community Services and Facilities. Asked if anyone saw any area's missing.

Member Elmore asked How locked in from last report.

Chair Frongillo said we are not locked in. Just a launch point. He also said No Mention of Veterans Service. And we just hired a new Facilities Manager. He further said Activities not included in there were Forecasting Forecast and Capital Needs. Are we able to meet them?

Member Elmore said there needs to be talk of Civic Groups, and Food Pantry is of them. Also, Open Space need for Place Making; moving around town relevant to circulation.

Member Lang asked cost of Open Space and will that group take on it?

Timestamp 17:49 and 19:59 woman asked about School Committee Master Plan for Long Term Plan; that back in 2009 spoke of Summary changes, but not addressed as goals.

Chair Frongillo said Reuse for other Facilities of Police Station and Davis Thayer School is being discussed. Audio lost. When audio returned, Chair said he had discussed Circulation/Alignment areas: Biking, Parking, EV Charging, GATRA no longer public transportation. Member Elmore said more discussion needed for busing, especially designated bus stops.

Member Lang talked about OSRP meeting topics of walking between neighborhood and improving for all abilities. Also, MBTA future- double rail or faster Electrical.

Chair Frongillo ended with also looking at effects of Google Maps in taking large trucks through small neighborhoods.

Meeting concluded at 6:50, it was seconded by the group. He will contact subcommittee members with Fall dates.