

FRANKLIN TOWN COUNCIL

Agenda & Meeting Packet

September 20, 2023

Meeting will be held at the **Municipal Building**

2nd floor, Council Chambers

355 East Central Street

7:00 PM

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1. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIR

- This meeting is being recorded by Franklin TV and shown on Comcast channel 11 and Verizon Channel 29. This meeting may be recorded by others.*
- Chair to identify members participating remotely.*

2. CITIZEN COMMENTS

- Citizens are welcome to express their views for up to three minutes on a matter that is not on the agenda. The Council will not engage in a dialogue or comment on a matter raised during Citizen Comments. The Town Council will give remarks appropriate consideration and may ask the Town Administrator to review the matter.*

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- [August 16, 2023](#)

4. PROCLAMATIONS / RECOGNITIONS - None Scheduled.

5. APPOINTMENTS

- Council on Aging
 - [Collette Ferguson](#)
- Finance Committee
 - [Heather Sanscoucy](#)
- Municipal Affordable Housing Trust
 - [Kimberly Mu-Chow](#)

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS - 7:00 PM - None Scheduled.

7. LICENSE TRANSACTIONS - None Scheduled.

8. PRESENTATIONS / DISCUSSION

- a. [Presentation: Franklin Elks Riders Donation to Veterans' Services Department](#)
 - i. Legislation for Action #9a
- b. [Presentation: Franklin Elks Bingo Donation to Veterans' Services Department](#)
 - i. Legislation for Action #9a
- c. [Discussion: Town Council Goals Update](#)

9. LEGISLATION FOR ACTION

- a. [Resolution 23-53: Gift Acceptance - Veterans' Services Department](#)
(Motion to Approve Resolution 23-53 - Majority Vote)
- b. [Resolution 23-54: Ambulance Transfer & Appropriation](#)
(Motion to Approve Resolution 23-54 - Majority Vote)
- c. [Resolution 23-55: Authorizing the Placement of a Debt Exclusion Ballot Question Relating to the Town's Allocable Share of Debt Service on Debt of the Tri-County Regional Vocational Technical School District on the Ballot for the Town Election to be Held on November 7, 2023](#)
(Motion to Approve Resolution 23-55 - Majority Vote)
- d. [Resolution 23-56: A Resolution Adopting the Town of Franklin 2023 Open Space and Recreation Plan](#) **(Motion to Approve Resolution 23-56 - Majority Vote)**

10. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- a. Migrant Housing update
- b. [Demolition Delay Bylaw report](#)
- c. [Decommission Spring Street report](#)

11. SUBCOMMITTEE & AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Capital Budget Subcommittee
- b. Economic Development Subcommittee
- c. Budget Subcommittee
- d. Master Plan Committee
- e. Davis-Thayer Reuse Advisory Committee
- f. Police Station Building Committee
- g. GATRA Advisory Board

12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

13. COUNCIL COMMENTS

14. EXECUTIVE SESSION - None Scheduled.

15. ADJOURN

Note: Two-Thirds Vote: requires 6 votes

Majority Vote: requires majority of members present and voting

**FRANKLIN TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING
August 16, 2023**

A meeting of the Town Council was held on Wednesday, August 16, 2023, at the Municipal Building, 2nd Floor, Council Chambers, 355 East Central Street, Franklin, MA. Councilors present: Brian Chandler, Theodore Cormier-Leger, Robert Dellorco, Cobi Frongillo, Melanie Hamblen, Thomas Mercer, Deborah Pellegrini, Patrick Sheridan. Councilors absent: Glenn Jones. Administrative personnel in attendance: Jamie Hellen, Town Administrator; Mark Cerel, Town Attorney.

CALL TO ORDER: ► Chair Mercer called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Chair Mercer called for a moment of silence. All recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: ► Chair Mercer reviewed the following as posted on the agenda. A Note to Residents: All citizens are welcome to attend public board and committee meetings in person. Meetings are live-streamed by Franklin TV and shown on Comcast Channel 11 and Verizon Channel 29. In an effort to maximize citizen engagement opportunities, citizens will be able to continue to participate remotely via phone or Zoom. He announced that this meeting is being recorded by Franklin TV; this meeting may be recorded by others. He announced that Councilor Jones will not be attending this meeting; Councilor Hamblen will act as clerk for this meeting.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: ► Ms. Jane Callaway-Tripp, 607 Maple Street, stated that she came before the Town Council in 2018 and complained about the street drains and the culvert on Maple Street that had not been maintained for close to 10 years on the culvert and seven years on the drain; it was then taken care of and was cleared. She stated that she had no flooding issues until recently. She stated that her entire basement was flooded as the drains could not take the water and the culvert is overgrown. She stated that her floors have to be replaced, furniture, clothes, shoes, electrical equipment, etc. is lost. She stated that she is angry because she was told in 2018 that there is a maintenance program for the culverts and the drains, and five years later they have not been done. She said that either she was lied to or it was not important enough to take care of. She said neighbors down the street from her got two feet of water in their basements. This is not okay. She lost a van and another car was damaged by trees that were not maintained properly. She said that whatever her insurance does not cover, she has to pay. She is done paying out of pocket to fix, repair, and replace things that should not be getting damaged if things in the town are maintained. She said she does not care if there are flowers downtown, if there are bike paths, or if the zoning laws are changed. She said what matters are the things in place to make sure the people who pay taxes in this town can live comfortably, and these things are being neglected. She stated that what her insurance does not cover, she expects to be reimbursed by the Town because had they done the drains and the culvert, and she has pictures, she would not have flooded. She flooded because the water was flooding in at such a fast rate, even her sump pump could not handle it. She said if the culvert and drains are cleared, she would not flood from the street. She is back here now for the same reason she was here before; she wants the drains and culvert cleaned, and she is not the only person on Maple Street. She said that her specific reason for flooding is the Town's drain and culvert not being cleaned. She should not have to redo her bottom level; it is a mess, and all of it has to go because it is damaged and filled with bacteria. ► Town Clerk Nancy Danello discussed the November 7, 2023, election. She stated that nomination papers are now available. She stated that she would review the boards and committees that they do not have a full slate for. She stated that information is available on her website which is updated regularly; see her if there are any questions. She stated that she has no information on the Tri-County election yet; she will update when she gets information. ► Mr. Ken Elmore, 29 School Street, stated that he has had the pleasure of serving as president of Dean College over the last year. He stated that he hopes he can come back to the Town Council to give an update of the past year including how they have been stewards of the town and have worked with community organizations and agencies.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: None.

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS: None.

APPOINTMENTS: ► *Agricultural Commission: Daniel Morse.* ► Councilor Hamblen read the appointment. ► **MOTION to Ratify** the appointment by the Town Administrator of Daniel Morse to serve as a member of the Agricultural Commission with term expiration June 30, 2026 by **Hamblen. SECOND** by **Dellorco. Discussion:** ► Mr. Hellen stated that Mr. Morse has been doing a great job; he has been an associate for two years. ► **VOTE: Yes-8, No-0, Absent-1.**

HEARINGS: 7:00 PM. ► *Zoning Bylaw Amendment 23-898: A Zoning Bylaw to Amend the Franklin Town Code at Chapter 185, Attachment 9, Schedule of Lot, Area, Frontage, Yard and Height Requirements (Legislation for Action Item #9a).* ► *Chair Mercer declared the public hearing open.* ► Mr. Hellen stated that this is a bylaw amendment exclusive to General Residential V zoning district which are the areas around the downtown commercial area. He stated that this does not propose to change any zoning lines. He mentioned that this went before the EDC, and this is the proposal unanimously endorsed by the EDC. The Planning Board returned the recommendation to the Town Council with a small reduction in the percentages of impervious surface. So, the decision before the Town Council tonight is to go back to the Planning Board recommendation or stand with the EDC subcommittee recommendation. He stated there is a chart provided in the meeting packet which clearly explains the percentages and where they are going. It mainly has to do with coverage of impervious surface on a lot; it deals with ratios of how much can be covered on a lot. He said it is very small changes to the percentages. ► Director of Planning and Community Development Bryan Taberner stated that what is being proposed is two very small changes to the regulations. He discussed that they are proposing to increase the amount of impervious area allowed on a lot. He stated that right now they can cover 30 percent of the lot with structure and additional 5 percent with paving, etc., for a total of 35 percent. He stated that they are right now at 45 percent which is an additional 5 percent on structures and additional 10 percent on paving which is up to 45 percent. He stated that is almost half the lot can be impervious. He stated that the other change taking place is that they are proposing a change to note #7 which he read aloud and discussed. He said they are proposing a three-family to be exempt from this. He stated that if anything, this will increase three-unit housing in the General Residential V area. He stated that this was before the Planning Board. ► Councilor Hamblen stated that she thanked Mr. Taberner and the staff for their work on this. She stated that the wording in note #7 and the attachment #9 is perfect and the Planning Board and we all agreed on it. She reminded people that they are doing all these zoning changes to allow changes to density to increase housing stock, fit for what people want to see, create a vibrant downtown, to meet and exceed MBTA requirements, and that downtown holds the greatest potential for growth and boost local receipts. She stated that there was a disagreement about the impervious coverage. She explained why they picked 55 percent impervious coverage. She stated that she has not heard a good argument why they should not go with at least 50 percent and follow what the MAPC has said to them. ► Mr. Taberner discussed going 45 percent, 50 percent, or 55 percent is not a big deal. He stated that we need to increase the percent without a doubt. He discussed parking spaces needed for each apartment or housing unit. He said that if you do not increase from the existing 35 percent, you are not going to get enough parking spaces to cover the housing units. He stated that he does not have a problem changing to 50 percent or whatever the Town Council comes up with. ► Councilor Chandler stated that it looks like the Town Council subcommittee voted unanimously for the 45 percent, and the Planning Board voted unanimously to put it to 35 percent. He stated that it seems like whatever they send to the Planning Board, the Planning Board comes back with their own idea, and he sees how hard the Town Council subcommittee works on this, so he is inclined to agree with their subcommittee, and he sees nothing wrong with the 45/55. He stated that he heard that the higher number could help with the housing stock. He asked how many floors a building can be. ► Mr. Taberner stated that in most districts without a special permit there are three floors by right. ► Mr. Maxwell Morrongiello, 127 Central Park Terrace, stated that he is in support of multi-family housing. He asked about the environmental impacts of more impervious surface and the impact of run off and flooding. ► Mr. Hellen stated that areas that people are having flooding with in Town were built before the Stormwater Bylaw; any development going forward now would be susceptible to utility costs which are reinvested into infrastructure. He

discussed the percentage flexibility to customize the lot. He stated that at some point it just becomes flipping a coin and semantics. He said he thinks what they heard from people who want to develop property and get that additional unit, you need that flexibility of that additional space to meet all the other setback requirements. ► Ms. Jane Callaway-Tripp, 607 Maple Street, asked if this regards apartment buildings. ► Mr. Hellen replied that this is for GRV and reviewed the actual location and discussed the parcels in this zoning district. He confirmed this is like a multi-family where someone could rent out a floor as a legal unit. ► **Chair Mercer declared the public hearing closed.**

LEGISLATION FOR ACTION:

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- a. Zoning Bylaw Amendment 23-898: A Zoning Bylaw to Amend the Franklin Town Code at Chapter 185, Attachment 9, Schedule of Lot, Area, Frontage, Yard and Height Requirements - First Reading (Motion to Move Bylaw Amendment 23-898 to a Second Reading - Majority Vote).** ► Councilor Hamblen read the zoning bylaw amendment. ► **MOTION to Move Zoning Bylaw Amendment 23-898: A Zoning Bylaw to Amend the Franklin Town Code at Chapter 185, Attachment 9, Schedule of Lot, Area, Frontage, Yard and Height Requirements to a Second Reading by Dellorco.** Motion was **SECONDED.** (Speaker inaudible on recording. It was not clear which Councilor seconded the motion). **Discussion:** ► Councilor Pellegrini confirmed the percentages being voted on. ► **VOTE: Yes-8, No-0, Absent-1.**

HEARINGS: 7:00 PM (continued). ► **Zoning Bylaw Amendment 23-899: Marijuana Use Overlay District, A Zoning Bylaw Amendment to the Code of the Town of Franklin at Chapter 185, Section 5, Zoning Map (Legislation for Action #9b).** ► **Chair Mercer declared the public hearing open.** ► Mr. Hellen showed and discussed the marijuana overlay district map. He stated that the overlay is in the industrial park. He stated that this is a housecleaning item of the marijuana overlay district which he explained as noted in his letter to the Town Council dated August 4, 2023, which indicated for detailed information regarding Zoning Bylaw Amendment 23-898, please see the June 14, 2023, memo from Bryan Taberner in the meeting packet. ► Mr. Taberner discussed the requirements of the marijuana overlay district. He discussed the provided map and how it was updated. ► Councilor Cormier-Leger asked why some areas were added, if it is required to have a certain percentage, and if there is a restriction on the number of marijuana facilities that can be in town. ► Mr. Taberner stated that there are no requirements on size, and there are no restrictions on how many. He stated that it is a zoning issue and a special permit can be applied for. ► Mr. Hellen stated that there is no quota in Franklin for the number of licenses. He stated that licenses are done through the state; the Town does the permitting. He said the Town could put in a quota, but we have never seen the need because we have never seen more than three proposed locations; two of those have been successful businesses. He discussed NETA and Botera are good businesses in the Town and great community partners. He stated that there was a third permitted on Grove Street, but it has not come to fruition. ► Councilor Sheridan asked if a church goes in next to a marijuana establishment, does the marijuana establishment have to move. ► Mr. Hellen stated no. ► **Chair Mercer declared the public hearing closed.**

LEGISLATION FOR ACTION (continued):

- b. Zoning Bylaw Amendment 23-899: Marijuana Use Overlay District, A Zoning Bylaw Amendment to the Code of the Town of Franklin at Chapter 185, Section 5, Zoning Map - First Reading (Motion to Move Bylaw Amendment 23-899 to a Second Reading - Majority Vote).** ► **MOTION to Waive the reading by Frongillo.** **SECOND by Cormier-Leger.** **No discussion.** ► **VOTE: Yes-8, No-0, Absent-1.** ► **MOTION to Move Zoning Bylaw Amendment 23-899: Marijuana Use Overlay District, A Zoning Bylaw Amendment to the Code of the Town of Franklin at Chapter 185, Section 5, Zoning Map to a Second Reading by Dellorco.** **SECOND by Hamblen.** **No discussion.** ► **VOTE: Yes-8, No-0, Absent-1.**

LICENSE TRANSACTIONS: None.

PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSIONS: ► **Presentation: DPW Project Updates - Brutus Cantoreggi, DPW Director.** ► DPW Director Brutus Cantoreggi, Town Engineer Michael Maglio, Water and Sewer Superintendent Doug Martin, Highway and Grounds Superintendent Carlos Rebelo, Assistant Highway and Grounds Superintendent Tony Brunetta, Stormwater and Environmental Affairs Superintendent Derek Adams, and Director of GIS Kate Sjoberg addressed the Town Council. ► Mr. Cantoreggi narrated a slideshow presentation and reviewed current project updates including Janie Avenue neighborhood off Pond Street water main replacement, Grove Street Phase I traffic signal, Arlington Road neighborhood roadway reconstruction project, Grove Street Phase 2 multi-use path to SNETT and drainage and road paving, Chilson Park new fields/playground, Nason Street new playground, Complete Streets grant for two flashing pedestrian beacons and bike racks at four locations, and rededication to the Sculpture Park. He discussed the Beaver Street Interceptor project and said they were issued their notice to proceed on August 9, 2023. He said this is a really big infrastructure project, and it will affect everyone in Franklin. There will be traffic and businesses impacted. He discussed the Keep Franklin Flowing marketing and said information will be available on the website. He discussed the Stormwater MS4 and the phosphorus control plan. He stated that the EPA is requiring them to do this over the next five years, and the estimated cost is \$30 million. He discussed that he does not know how this will be funded. He discussed that the stormwater utility just went into effect at \$56.00 which is a little low, but if we have to do this over the next five years, the average would go to \$350.00. He discussed the Pavement Management Program & Sidewalk Plan. He stated this plan is done about every five years. He discussed that the roads have gotten worse. He discussed improvement money and the funds used for roadway improvement since 2018 including Chapter 90, water funding, Town capital appropriations, water capital appropriations, grants and the operating fund which is approximately \$19 million. He stated that is a pretty good investment in roads. He discussed the new roads forecast going forward. ► Mr. Adams reviewed water storage tanks including that there are six tanks for 12 million gallons for fire protection, pressure, and equalization. He reviewed projects at \$13.5 million including Hillside tank replacement, Pleasant Street tank service area for energy efficiency, and Bald Hill and Forge Park tank improvements. He noted, as shown on the slides, water capital projects including Well 7/7A PFAS, Fisher Street WTP, Water Main replacement/Road Improvement Program, additional PFAS treatment. ► Mr. Cantoreggi discussed potential infrastructure costs for the next five years including for highway at \$30-\$35 million, stormwater at \$15-\$30 million, water at \$42-\$92 million, and sewer at \$33-\$38 million, for a total of \$120-\$195 million. ► Chair Mercer stated that it was good for the Town Council and the community to be aware of the numbers. ► Councilor Chandler gave a shout out to Mr. Maglio regarding the Union Street project. He discussed the experience of the businesses during the Beaver Street interceptor project. ► Mr. Cantoreggi stated they will have meetings and do marketing so everyone knows about the project. He discussed that it is difficult when they have to do detours; they are going to try to stay on top of it. ► Councilor Frongillo stated that this is what he has been waiting to see. He stated he wants to talk about how this connects to other pieces. He stated that one of the reasons why these numbers are so out of hand is because for a very long time we built out in a way that ignored the long-term maintenance costs. He stated that increased revenue we were getting did not pay for this is one reason we are struggling every year to keep up with the budget. He stated that to add revenue we have two options which are to increase taxes through an override and the other is to allow for new growth. He stated that he will be pouring through the pavement plan. ► Councilor Dellorco thanked the presenters and said they do a really good job. He asked for the price of the interceptor. He stated that when the interceptor project happens, please be patient. ► Mr. Adams stated that the bid by the contractor is \$26.7 million and the total loan amount is \$33 million which includes contingencies. ► Councilor Cormier-Leger thanked the presenters and asked about the sidewalk plan. He stated he would like a sidewalk plan to show folks a little bit of progress. ► Mr. Cantoreggi stated that the sidewalks will be evaluated, but it has not been completed yet. He stated that it will be millions to update the sidewalks. He discussed where most sidewalks are used in town which is where they will look to do improvements. He stated that he is fixing a lot of handicapped access and trip hazards regarding sidewalks. ► Councilor Pellegrini thanked all for attending tonight and for bringing this to the Town Council's attention. ► Councilor Sheridan asked that if a street is going to be fixed, is the sidewalk also fixed. ► Mr. Cantoreggi

explained that if they are going to get a new waterline, they fix the area curb to curb. ► Councilor Hamblen stated that these numbers are huge, but it is important for people to understand what is needed to pay for these things. She stated that Union Street is awesome. She asked about the Fisher Street water treatment and noted it was hit by lighting and there was a fire. ► Mr. Adams stated the filters were replaced, but they are coming up to their five-year replacement. ► Councilor Frongillo asked about allocation of some money to extend the sidewalk on Washington Street. ► Mr. Cantoreggi stated that the Town Council authorized them to borrow for this. ► Mr. Hellen explained that \$2 million was authorized to borrow for that stretch; he built into the FY26 budget for \$3 million. He stated that they are anticipating a re-authorization for a higher number; they are trying to piecemeal this together for borrowing for a few items. He requested a list of improvements made to sidewalks already. ► Mr. Maxwell Morrongiello, 127 Central Park Terrace, stated that he had three questions: how much can be financed through the water/sewer bill, whether there can be a fee or surcharge specifically when there is a drought to ration water so people will use less during times of drought, and when the analysis for the roads and sidewalks is done, do you take into account the equity of the neighborhoods. ► Mr. Hellen reviewed the slide titled Potential Infrastructure Costs Next Five Years and stated that stormwater, water, and sewer do not come out of the General Fund; those are utility enterprise accounts that are borne by the rate payers. He stated that there are different pots to finance this to pay for the actual project. He stated that in terms of the equity issue, it is not a part of the scoring analysis, that is simply road conditions, but in terms of where we do the work, if you look at a bigger map, we try to hit all areas of town. He stated that they really balance it out well year to year. He stated that everywhere they are getting some sort of investment. ► Mr. Cantoreggi stated that stormwater is mandated; the federal government is making us spend the money. ► Ms. Kathleen Pennell, 118 Forest Street, stated that sidewalks are huge with her right now. She stated that Forest Street is a treacherous street. She stated that she lives in the middle of two horrible curves. She stated that she takes her life in her hands every time she tries to run to her mailbox. She stated that they speed on that road. She stated that she has two young neighbors on either side of her with young children. She stated that she literally said to them go through her backyard, but she does not want those kids going across in the front of her house. She stated that she has no privacy left now. She stated that they really need a sidewalk at least on that side because of the Jefferson School. She said that these parents do not want to bus or drive their kids. She discussed that it is dangerous. She stated that you cannot walk down the street to the park. She stated that she feels it is a necessity. ► Chair Mercer stated that they are talking dollars and cents; this is part of what we are looking at now. ► Ms. Jane Callaway-Tripp, 607 Maple Street, asked about stormwater. She stated that in the presentation the fee could go from \$56 to \$350 per resident. She stated that the idea with the fee was all the businesses that were exempt from taxes like Dean College and others, would also be paying into the stormwater, so what would their average costs be. She asked about water pressure; she stated that she had to put a regulator at her house because the water pressure is extremely high that goes into homes in Franklin. ► Mr. Hellen stated that Dean College and religious institutions get charged the stormwater fee. He discussed that the Town also pays for the Town and the schools impervious coverage. He stated that everyone pays the same rate of \$18.66 per 1,000 sq. ft. of impervious coverage. He stated that the \$350 is if we want to meet the federal obligation; but we do not have to at this time. He stated that in the future, the Town Council will probably have to raise the rate, but not from \$56 to \$350; it will be over decades. ► Mr. Adams stated that the tanks set the water pressure for the highest elevations in town. He said that with that said, there are low-lying areas that when houses were built, they had to put in a pressure-reducing valve; that is an item that fails over time. ► Ms. Jane Callaway-Tripp stated that is something that residents of older houses should be notified of. ► Mr. Steve Sherlock, 10 Lawrence Drive and Franklin Matters, thanked the presenters for their information. He stated that if citizens want to know more, there is additional information on the website from past meetings. ► Councilor Hamblen asked about the Pleasant Street/Chestnut Street redesign of the intersection. ► Mr. Hellen stated that it is not the worst intersection in town, but it is doable. He stated that Representative Roy got a \$10 million earmark and a bond authorization, and we are going to start laying the groundwork with the Commonwealth to see if we can get the money. ► Chair Mercer thanked the presenters for the information.

► **Discussion: Proposition 2 ½ Operating Override.** ► Mr. Hellen narrated a slideshow presentation. He reviewed his slide title Override 101 and explained the four steps to an override. He stated that the School

Committee begins the process of an override unless Schools are not asking for any additional levy capacity as was in 2014. He explained that the Town Council coordinates with the Town Clerk on an election schedule. He explained that the Town Administrator, Superintendent of Schools, and paid staff cannot advocate for or against an override with Town resources; we are significantly limited in our ability to assist. He discussed the Franklin Override History Summary slide. He noted that since 1990, Franklin has attempted 11 operational Proposition 2 ½ overrides, and all but one in 2008 have failed. He noted future debt exclusions include Tri-County School, Franklin Police Station, Davis-Thayer renovation, and a new school. He noted that there is additional information provided in the meeting packet. ► Town Attorney Mark Cerel reviewed his letter to the Town Council dated August 4, 2023, regarding Public Expenditures and Public Officials'/Employees' Activities to Influence a Ballot Question that is provided in the meeting packet. He reviewed that Proposition 2 ½ requires that a question be placed on the ballot for determination by voters. State law governs public expenditures and public officials'/employees' activities intended to influence a local ballot question; this includes a Proposition 2 ½ override. The state law is contained in two separate statutory schemes: 1. G.L. Chapter 55 (Political) Expenditures and Contributions, as interpreted by the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court in the 1978 case of *Anderson v. City of Boston*, administered and enforced by the Office of Campaign and Political Finance (OCPF), and 2. G. L. Chapter 268A, the State Ethics Law, administered and enforced by the State Ethics Commission. He discussed punishment for violating these regulations. He discussed that if municipal resources are improbably utilized, the funds must be paid back. He further explained court cases, regulations, and penalties. He suggested reading the documents provided in the meeting packet titled *Interpretative Bulletin dated October 31, 1991, The Use of Governmental Resources for Political Purposes*, and *State Ethics Commission Advisory 11-1: Public Employees Political Activity*. ► Chair Mercer stated that as elected officials, if they were asked to go to, for instance to the Rotary Club, and speak about a ballot question, they could do it. He asked could the Town Administrator and/or Superintendent of Schools go to for instance the Rotary Club to provide additional information. ► Mr. Cerel stated yes; however, he provided a detailed example of what can and cannot be done. He noted that the Town Council can take a vote to support the ballot question as elected officials. ► Town Council members asked questions. ► In response to questions, Mr. Cerel noted nuances in the public memos, and said they may appear to have some inconsistencies, so it is best to act conservatively. He stated that you can make contact with the state government to ask questions. ► Chair Mercer explained that they have some latitude to provide information to the public. ► In response to questions, Mr. Cerel stated that if you are going to use public facilities, people with opposing views have the right to be there. He stated that the Town Council members could not use their Town emails to initiate something, but they can respond to it if the inquiry is made to them. ► Mr. Hellen responded to a question about the timeline if something were to be on the ballot and approved, when would the tax actually be raised. He stated that the Town Council will review the timeline and be forthright with folks about when the tax would hit. He responded to a question from Councilor Cormier-Leger about a tier program regarding taxes. He stated that he thinks there is an appetite to analyze that; however, he does not believe you can do that. He gave an example of raising the tax rate. He stated that he does not think for instance you can say seniors are exempt or income eligibility requirements. He stated that there is an interest in looking at this. ► Mr. Cerel stated that as a general proposition, municipalities have no authority or little authority to vary the tax law as the legislators establish it. That being said, he is aware of some municipalities enacting special legislation that allows them to do more creative things than the tax law allows. ► Mr. Hellen stated that he does not think it is possible. He stated that he wants to be clear that to go down that path is a lot of time and work to go down a rabbit hole to find out it cannot be done. He stated that if it could be possible, we would see it all the time and have some information on how to do it. He stated that we would all know that is how to do it. He said he would encourage everyone to not think this is possible. ► Councilor Dellorco stated that he is concerned for the seniors with all the fees they have been hit with so far. ► Mr. Maxwell Morrongiello, 127 Central Park Terrace, stated that he is confused because every December there has been a property tax exemption that the Town Council could have voted on to give everyone a blanket exemption and make property taxes more progressive and help people who are poor. He stated that he does not understand why that cannot be coupled with an override. He said that you can vote for that in December to give poor people a tax break or even put it on the ballot with an override. He stated that he does see why that cannot be done and hopes it can be reconsidered this December and help people who

need relief. He stated that if you help people with low income, you have less crime. ► Mr. Hellen stated that he thinks Mr. Morrongiello's values are shared by a lot of people including himself. He stated that is a Board of Assessor's project, and he can assure that there will be some people who will not like the answer, but a project of shifting tax burden is just as difficult as an override. He discussed that there would be implications on such a shift. ► A resident who did not identify herself stated that she thinks it is Cambridge that just passed the progressive tax. She stated that she wanted to mention that she just pulled papers to run for School Committee. She stated that she called the Office of Campaign Finance and verified that there is no conflict. ► Mr. Cerel stated that she needed to check with the Ethics Commission as well. ► The resident continued that her feedback was that if you were running a PAC, no, if you were running a ballot question committee, yes. She stated that she wanted to be clear that they talked a lot about what people cannot do. She said there are people who are gun-shy. She stated that she calls the OCPF every day and is on a first name basis with people over there. She stated that teachers especially are gun-shy about this. She stated that the teacher could put a sticker on her private vehicle. She stated some of the things that you can do, especially the teachers. She stated that fundraising is a big no-no. ► Mr. Hellen stated that resident Ruth Anne brings up a good point. He stated that employees on their own personal time on the weekends can hold signs, handout stickers, go to meetings, advocate, etc. ► Ms. Jane Callaway-Tripp stated that for a lot of people who do not know, she wanted to know that if we had an override for schools for instance, and it passed, the increase in tax money only goes to the school for that fiscal year that it is allocated for, and after that fiscal year they are not guaranteed to get that money every year going forward. ► Chair Mercer stated that it depends on how it is written. ► Mr. Cerel explained the way it would be written. ► Mr. Hellen stated that in the past it has been written very specifically. ► Ms. Jane Callaway-Tripp stated that you should be scared if you are about to retire or in retirement as there are so many fees and things that keep going up; the schools may need the money, but people cannot afford it. She stated that people on a fixed income, their income does not increase. ► Resident who did not identify herself stated that she wanted to reiterate that One Franklin is trying to put this together for the whole town, she wants to make sure this is not just for schools. She said to see the other departments sacrificing for the schools is not what we are hoping for either. She stated that she does not want to leave with the feeling of be scared. She gave a possible number for the override of \$5 million and stated the average household impact of roughly \$300 per year on taxes. ► Mr. Hellen stated that he would be very cautious about throwing numbers around. He stated that he will say that for a \$5 million override, the number the resident provided is way off as it is definitely too low. He noted that the Tri-County vote is different. ► Chair Mercer stated that we may be getting a little ahead of where we need to be. He stated that tonight was supposed to be about the dos and don'ts as elected officials and employees; if and when we get to that point, there will be many more meetings. He stated that it is very important to know that we can go out there and provide information to people and groups about what our needs are. He stated that this is the beginning stages. He stated that they will continue to move forward and forge ahead. ► Mr. Robert Vacca, 17 Russell Street, stated that he was a proud educator in Franklin. He stated that he wanted to reiterate that as an educator in Franklin, he does not want, nor does he expect, other departments to sacrifice for him; he stated that we are all in this together and we need to go forward together. He stated let's not be scared, let's be bold and creative. ► Chair Mercer stated that we are one Franklin and we need to look at this together as one community. He thanked everyone for coming out and sitting through a lengthy meeting.

LEGISLATION FOR ACTION (continued):

- c. **Resolution 23-48: Appropriation of \$35,000 from Statewide Opioid Settlement Fund (Motion to approve Resolution 23-48 - $\frac{2}{3}$ Majority Vote).** ► Councilor Hamblen read the resolution. ► **MOTION to Approve Resolution 23-48: Appropriation of \$35,000 from Statewide Opioid Settlement Fund by Dellorco. SECOND by Sheridan. Discussion:** ► Mr. Hellen said this is a required two-thirds vote as it is a stabilization fund transfer. He stated that they continue to work through the year to find creative outside-the-box ways to increase the schools' bottom line. This is an eligible expense and it is for one year. He stated the William James Institute has been embedded in the School Department for a long time. He stated that it has no tax impact as it is opioid settlement money. He stated that at some time in the fall, they will get together regarding human services in the town and try to do a better job for the community's

response to human services related issues. ► Mr. Maxwell Morrongiello, 127 Central Park Terrace, stated that he has used Interface and they are a very good service and more people should use them if they are looking for someone in the mental health field. ► **VOTE: Yes-8, No-0, Absent-1.**

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: None.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a. **Capital Budget Subcommittee. None.**
- b. **Economic Development Subcommittee.** ► Councilor Hamblen stated the EDC met tonight and Mr. Cantoreggi came in and he had worked up a sidewalk map to talk about regarding if we should enforce a sidewalk cleaning with a snow cleaning bylaw. She stated that they will talk about it again, and the Town Administrator is going to add a few more streets to it where a lot of people walk.
- c. **Budget Subcommittee.** ► Chair Mercer stated there was a joint Budget Subcommittee meeting and it was very well attended. He stated that we talked about many different things, mostly getting the first conversations about the process for an override and what the next three to five years outlook might be. He stated that the hope is to bring the group back together again and talk more about the process. They will meet again late September/early October. He applauded everyone who came to the meeting and said it was a great informational meeting; he hopes this will help spread the word to the community about the needs for the next three to five years.
- d. **Master Plan Update Committee.** ► Councilor Frongillo stated the committee has been meeting. He stated that each subcommittee is really doing deep dives into a whole bunch of different areas. He stated there are going to be a whole bunch of meetings for the next year and a half so keep up to date with what you are interested in. He stated the next full Master Plan meeting is August 23, 2023, at 6:30 PM.
- e. **Davis-Thayer Building Reuse Advisory Committee.** ► Councilor Pellegrini stated they met this week and they had some very good ideas from people on the committee as to the uses for the school; nothing was decided. She said they are going to have another meeting and invite some of the people from some of the committees that were mentioned to do something with the school. She stated that Mr. Hellen is going to get in touch with those people. She stated that for a second meeting they are moving right along.
- f. **Police Station Building Committee.** ► Chair Mercer said the first meeting is next week.
- g. **GATRA Advisory Board.** ► Councilor Frongillo stated they did not meet, but they did another report. He stated that the stated budget increased Regional Transit Authority funding a good amount, and we do not know how much GATRA will get. He stated that one of his requests is happening and is doing calculations of how much it costs per mile to run the different services.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: ► Councilor Cormier-Leger asked for a Dean update. ► Chair Mercer stated that it will be on the September 6 agenda.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: ► Councilor Sheridan said his neighbors said they were very happy with the playground. He noted a fundraiser on the Town Common from 11 AM to 1 PM on Sunday. ► Councilor Frongillo stated there are office hours at the Senior Center tomorrow at 8:30 AM. He noted the Farmers Market is a blast; it gets better every time. He stated that this is his third year to put up a story walk in the downtown businesses' windows regarding helping the planet; it starts at FSPA. ► Councilor Cormier-Leger asked Mr. Hellen to look into Ms. Callaway Tripp's concerns about Maple Street. He stated that they do final water reading and inspections of homes of a certain age, and he asked if the DPW could check water pressure before the home changes hands. He thanked Ms. Jen Levine from the SAFE Coalition and said they got \$40,000 to help LGBTQ youth in particular in town that are struggling with depression that could lead to substance abuse and other challenges. He commended Ms. Levine and her team for the great work they are doing. ► Councilor Chandler thanked One Franklin for showing up and bringing people and it was good to hear the other side too. He stated he got an email and asked if we paid for the six new vehicle chargers at the high school. ► Mr. Hellen stated no. He stated that he had to check if it was grant money through DOER or another source. He stated that we cannot charge for them; it did not come out of the school budget. ► Councilor Hamblen stated that at the Farmers Market they will have their annual zucchini races. She stated

it is a blast and thanked the Agricultural Commission for putting it on. She said what the SAFE Coalition does is amazing. ► Councilor Dellorco stated that there is a SAFE event on August 31. He asked if Mr. Hellen would check on 48 King Street and 50 King Street regarding a manhole in front of those locations; he said the tractor trailers hit it and it bangs and wakes them up at night. He discussed what they do in the SAFE Coalition. He stated they are doing a great job. He stated that he did a tour and walked around Mass and Cass and saw people with needles in their arms. He stated that they are doing everything they can, but it is bad and it is not going away. He noted a lot of this has to do with mental illness. He stated they need to do something different. He encouraged reaching out to the SAFE Coalition for anyone struggling with addiction. ► Chair Mercer thanked everyone for coming out this evening and for taking part in the information that we need to get out to the community. He stated that he encourages everyone to get involved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

ADJOURN: ► MOTION to Adjourn by Dellorco. SECOND by Hamblen. No discussion. ► VOTE: Yes-8, No-0, Absent-1.

Meeting adjourned at 10:08 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith Lizardi
Recording Secretary

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OFFICE OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Memorandum

September 15, 2023

To: Town Council
From: Jamie Hellen, Town Administrator
Amy Frigulietti, Deputy Town Administrator

Re: Appointment - Colette Ferguson, Council on Aging

We are recommending the appointment of Colette Ferguson as a Member of the Council on Aging with a term to expire on June 30, 2026.

Colette's volunteer form is included in the 9/20/23 Town Council agenda packet.

Please let us know if you have any questions.



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Volunteer Form

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Date Submitted: August 29, 2023

Name: Colette M Ferguson

Home Address: 41 Prospect St
Franklin, MA 02038

Mailing Address: 41 Prospect St
Franklin, MA 02038

Phone Number(s): [REDACTED]

Email Address: [REDACTED]

Current Occupation/Employer: Retired

Narrative: My time is pretty flexible. I have good organisational skills and enjoy planning for new and interesting events that could be of interest to seniors.

Board(s) / Committee(s): ___ Council on Aging

APPOINTMENTS



Council on Aging

Colette Ferguson

41 Prospect St.

Franklin, MA 02038

The Town Administrator has appointed, subject to Town Council ratification, Colette Ferguson to serve as a Member of the Council on Aging with a term to expire on June 30, 2026.

MOTION to ratify the appointment by the Town Administrator of Colette Ferguson to serve as a Member of the Council on Aging.

DATED: _____, 2023

VOTED: _____

UNANIMOUS: _____

A TRUE RECORD ATTEST:

YES: _____ **NO:** _____

ABSTAIN: _____ **ABSENT:** _____

RECUSED: _____

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To: Town Council
From: Jamie Hellen, Town Administrator
Amy Frigulietti, Deputy Town Administrator

Re: Appointment - Heather Sansoucy, Finance Committee

We are recommending the appointment of Heather Sansoucy as a Member of the Finance Committee to complete the term of a recently vacated seat to expire on June 30, 2025.

Heather's volunteer form is included in the 9/20/23 Town Council agenda packet.

Please let us know if you have any questions.



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Volunteer Form

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Date Submitted: June 2, 2023

Name: Heather Sansoucy

Home Address: 1 Dartmouth Rd
Franklin

Mailing Address: 1 Dartmouth Rd
Franklin

Phone Number(s): [REDACTED]

Email Address: [REDACTED]

Current Occupation/Employer: Vialto Inc

Narrative: I've been a resident/homeowner in Franklin for 10 years. I grew up in neighboring Bellingham. I enjoy research and data analysis as evidenced by my professional experience of 10 years in banking and 15 years with Compensation and Tax. I currently work remote from home with flexibility to attend meetings.

Board(s) / Committee(s): ___Finance Committee

APPOINTMENTS



Finance Committee

Heather Sansoucy

1 Dartmouth Rd.

Franklin, MA 02038

The Town Administrator has appointed, subject to Town Council ratification, Heather Sansoucy to serve as a Member of the Finance Committee with a term to expire on June 30, 2025.

MOTION to ratify the appointment by the Town Administrator of Heather Sansoucy to serve as a Member of the Finance Committee.

DATED: _____, 2023

VOTED: _____

UNANIMOUS: _____

A TRUE RECORD ATTEST:

YES: _____ **NO:** _____

ABSTAIN: _____ **ABSENT:** _____

RECUSED: _____

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Memorandum

September 15, 2023

To: Town Council
From: Jamie Hellen, Town Administrator
Amy Frigulietti, Deputy Town Administrator

Re: Appointment - Kimberly Mu-Chow, Municipal Affordable Housing Trust

We are recommending the appointment of Kimberly Mu-Chow as a Member of the Municipal Affordable Housing Trust with a term to expire on June 30, 2024.

Kim's volunteer form is included in the 9/20/23 Town Council agenda packet.

Please let us know if you have any questions.



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Volunteer Form

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Date Submitted: August 30, 2023

Name: Kimberly Mu-Chow

Home Address: 4 Briarwood Rd
Franklin

Mailing Address: 4 Briarwood Rd
Franklin

Phone Number(s): [REDACTED]

Email Address: [REDACTED]

Current Occupation/Employer: Retired Pharmacist/Professional Volunteer

Narrative: I am retired from my professional career of a pharmacist and devote my time to volunteering in areas of need. I have been active in supporting food security and homelessness for several years as evidenced by my active involvement with Milford Regional Medical Center's Community Benefit Leadership and Advisory Group, Greater Community Health Network: CHNA 6, founding member of Pathway to a Better Life in Milford, and a member of the Franklin Community Intervention Team.

Board(s) / Committee(s): ___Municipal Affordable Housing Trust Fund Committee

APPOINTMENTS



Municipal Affordable Housing Trust

Kimberly Mu-Chow

4 Briarwood Rd.

Franklin, MA 02038

The Town Administrator has appointed, subject to Town Council ratification, Kimberly Mu-Chow to serve as a Member of the Municipal Affordable Housing Trust with a term to expire on June 30, 2024.

MOTION to ratify the appointment by the Town Administrator of Kimberly Mu-Chow to serve as a Member of the Municipal Affordable Housing Trust.

DATED: _____, 2023

VOTED: _____

UNANIMOUS: _____

A TRUE RECORD ATTEST:

YES: _____ **NO:** _____

ABSTAIN: _____ **ABSENT:** _____

RECUSED: _____

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Memorandum

September 15, 2023

To: Town Council
From: Jamie Hellen, Town Administrator
Amy Frigulietti, Deputy Town Administrator

Re: Resolution 23-53: Gift Acceptance - Veterans' Services Department

The Veterans' Services Department has received two extremely generous donations from the Franklin Elks Riders and Franklin Elks Bingo. Both donations will be applied towards the Veterans' Gift Fund, to be used at the Department's discretion in support of local Veterans and their families.

The Elks Riders are great supporters of the Veterans' Services Department who donate regularly. We extend our sincere appreciation for their ongoing generosity.

Franklin Elks Bingo has requested to keep the amount of their donation a surprise to be revealed at the September 20th Town Council meeting. We thank them for their generosity!

Donation Summary:

1. VETERANS' SERVICES DEPARTMENT - GIFT FUND

- Franklin Elks Riders - \$1,000
- Franklin Elks Bingo - Amount to be disclosed on 9/20/2023

Thank you to all who support our local Veterans!

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OFFICE OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Memorandum

September 15, 2023

To: Town Council
From: Jamie Hellen, Town Administrator
Amy Frigulietti, Deputy Town Administrator

Re: Town Council Goals Update

Please see the attached update on the 2022-2023 Goals for the Town Council and Town Administrator/staff.

Given the circumstances, I cannot believe that all of this progress was made in the last year. This session began in the wake of the COVID-19 State of Emergency and has enriched the quality of life in this community by an enormous amount in the past two years.

I hope everyone feels an immense amount of success.

2022-2023 Town Council and Town Administration Goals

Last updated: September 13, 2023

The following are a list of goals approved by the Town Council for the 2022-2023 session.

Fiscal

- Approve annual operating budget for FY23 and FY24.
 - Status: Complete.
- Approve annual capital budget for FY22 and FY23.
 - Status: Complete.
- Review annual financial audit and OPEB actuarial.
 - Status: Complete.
- Manage federal stimulus revenues and expenditures through December 31, 2024.
 - Status: Executing the strategic plan. Awarded more than \$6.5 million toward roads, water main and stormwater infrastructure improvements, employee compensation, and hired a second mental health clinician for the Police Department.
 - Federal government extended usage of funds to December 31, 2026.
- Review & approve biennial Town Finance Policies.
 - Status: Complete.
- EPA Stormwater program implementation.
 - Status: Complete.
- Support the Community Preservation Master Plan development.
 - Status: Complete. 200 acres of open space, Red Brick Schoolhouse exterior renovation, preservation of Town Clerk records, supplemental funding for Franklin Ridge housing investments and much more.
- Support collective bargaining 2022-2025.
 - Status: Complete.
- Implement recommendations in the Compensation and Classification study of nonunion employees.
 - Status: Complete. Finance Committee “Deep Dive” on January 11, 2023 and have implemented the plan.
- Discuss the role and committee charge of the Joint Budget Subcommittee with the Finance Committee and School Committee.
 - Status: Complete.

Economic & Community Development (To the EDC)

- Facilitate the “Franklin For All” Downtown Franklin and Franklin Crossing zoning diagnostics study and implement the studies’ recommendations.
 - The EDC will serve as members of the The “EDC+ Steering Committee” with two members of the Planning Board and one member of the ZBA.
 - Status: Completed study and process August 2022. Enacted a handful of recommendations from the plan, including inclusionary zoning, ADU’s, GRV reform and more.
- Revise the public downtown parking lots bylaw.

- Status: Complete.
- Review sidewalk snow removal bylaw.
 - Status: Bylaw and Map approved at the September 6, 2023 EDC meeting. Town Council discussion at the October 11th meeting.
- Implement housing production plan recommendations.
 - Status: Several zoning accomplishments have been completed this session, including inclusionary zoning, accessory dwelling units, enhancements to GRV and have researched and are preparing additional zoning changes.
- Consider policy development on the redevelopment of North Grove Economic Development Area (aka Nu style).
 - Status: Complete. Urban Land Institute conducted a complete study of the potential of the parcels and presented them to EDC. \$100,000 in Town ARPA funds have been dedicated to this project. Mr. Taberner also was awarded a \$500,000 grant from the EPA. \$600,000 has been awarded to the remediation of the site which will take several years.
- Facilitate a branding & marketing analysis.
 - Status: Complete. A four year process has been outlined and \$100,000 in state and local funds have been awarded to help complete Phase 1 of the process.
- Support the process toward a new town Master Plan beginning in 2023.
 - Status: Complete.
- Research changes to the home occupation business bylaw.
 - Status: Staff have contracted with a consultant to draft a model home occupation bylaw.
- Review the marijuana overlay district.
 - Status: Complete.
- Support a process to update the Open Space Plan, which expires in 2023.
 - Status: Town Council vote on September 20, 2023.
- Review the cell phone tower overlay district and consider a 5G local permitting bylaw.
 - Status: Town Attorney has provided guidance that will be discussed at an October EDC meeting.
- Further “lot line cleanups” project.
 - Status: All multi-parcel lot line cleanups are complete.

DPW

- Design beaver street interceptor & file SRF application for the project.
 - Status: Complete.
- Manage federal ARPA funds.
 - Status: See Finance Goals above.
- Support the Grove Street construction and MassWorks grant implementation.
 - Status: Complete.
- Implement MS4 permit stormwater program implementation.
 - Status: Complete.
- Continue Implementing the 5-year Water Main plan.
 - Status: Complete.
- Complete Streets grant implementation and otherwise expand walking and biking trails.
 - Status: Franklin received its first grant of \$89,700 this past summer. Project is being completed Fall 2023-Spring 2024 with the Grove Street project.

- Develop a maintenance plan for town trails.
 - Status: Complete. Establishing a plan for civic involvement through the Open Space and Recreation Plan. The OSRP will also look at the development of “Friends” grassroots groups in neighborhoods as stewards of the many town open spaces. The DPW cannot do it all without additional staff. “Friends” groups are a model used by the State Park system.
- Complete trail work on the SNETT relative to the finalizing the land swap with the state DCR.
 - Status: Complete.
- Begin the process to develop a solid waste master plan in 2023.
 - Status: In progress. Awaiting land transfer to begin the solid waste master plan.
- Develop Water Tank Analysis Master Plan.
 - Status: Complete.
- Discuss a Sidewalk Master Plan.
 - Consider exercising borrowing authority to construct sidewalks on Washington Street and Beaver Street.
 - Status: The 5-year Pavement Management Plan is complete. The Sidewalk plan has been included in the assessment and will be available Fall/Winter 2023.
- Discuss finance for current infrastructure assets: roads, parking lots, sidewalks maintenance.
 - Status: Complete.
- Study the potential for a Quiet Zone on the Franklin commuter rail line.
 - Status: In progress. Through a grant from Representative Roy, the Town has finally found a consultant available to do the Quiet Zone study. We expect completion by the end of 2023.

Facilities

- Restore the cupola in the Franklin Historic Museum.
 - Status: CPA funds awarded for \$75,000 to restore. Project in 2024.
- Rehabilitate the Red Brick Schoolhouse.
 - Status: Complete.
- Establish a working group committee for a new Police Station.
 - Status: Complete.
- Consider a committee for the reuse of the Davis-Thayer School.
 - Status: Complete.

General Government

- Continue to manage the COVID-19 pandemic.
 - Status: Complete.
- Continue to accept public ways.
 - Status: In progress. Accepted Joseph Circle, Susan’s Way & Lawrence Drive. Farrington Street and Red Gate Lane will be next Fall/Winter 2023.
- Continue to implement “Green Community” goals through the state approved Energy Reduction Plan. As part of the Green Community goals in 2022-2023, the Town will work with the state to investigate how a Net Zero emissions plan could be incorporated.
 - Status: In progress. Green Communities presentation given August 2022. Green Communities grants totaling \$180,902.

- Begin Decommission process on Spring Street as part of Franklin State Forest and SNETT improvements 2023.
 - Status: Research report completed by Julie Jacobson. Town Administration to work with the state DCR on concepts and viability. September 20th Town Council update.
- Review a revision to the demolition delay bylaw.
 - Status: Research report completed by Julie Jacobson. The Historical Commission has discussed this at their meetings and are expected to issue a recommendation back to the Town Administration at their convenience.
- ICMA citizen satisfaction survey (pending Town Administrator membership to ICMA). 2023-2024.
 - Status: The Town Administrator *finally* became an ICMA member after four years of the pandemic! The TA will research costs to conduct a scientific citizens satisfaction survey generated by the National Research Council (NRC) through the ICMA that would help chart town policy and investments for the future.

Presentations/Discussions

- Human Resources department and town benefits presentation.
 - Status: Complete.
- Department of Public Works budget presentation.
 - Status: Complete.
- Town Charter review presentation by Town Administrator and Town Attorney.
 - Status: Tentatively scheduled for October 18th Town Council meeting.
- Franklin Historic District presentation.
 - Status: Complete.
- Charles River Pollution Control District presentation.
 - Status: Complete.
- Metacomet Public Health Alliance presentation.
 - Status: Complete.
- Discussion on the future of the Old South Church on Washington Street.
 - Status: Complete. Habitat for Humanity will purchase the building to rehabilitate into a single family home for a family of four. They have five years to complete the project.
- Discussion on uses at the Maple Hill property.
 - Status: Complete.
- Recreation Department presentation.
 - Status: Complete.

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Memorandum

September 15, 2023

To: Town Council
From: Jamie Hellen, Town Administrator
Amy Frigulietti, Deputy Town Administrator

Re: Resolution 23-54: FY24 Ambulance Transfer & Appropriation

We are asking the Town Council to approve Resolution 23-54, which will appropriate \$406,223 from the Receipts Reserved for Appropriation Ambulance Fund to pay for the replacement ambulance. The order has been placed for months, but with rising costs, we need to assure the company the funds are there to not result in inflationary costs to the vehicle. If an order was placed today, an ambulance would be 34 months before delivery. It's critical to get this done to save funds from going up and showing the company we are still in line.

Please let us know if you have any questions.



Sponsor: Administration

TOWN OF FRANKLIN

RESOLUTION 23-54

FY24 AMBULANCE TRANSFER & APPROPRIATION

APPROPRIATION: FY24 AMBULANCE TRANSFER & APPROPRIATION

TOTAL REQUEST: \$406,223

PURPOSE:

To transfer and appropriate funds from the Ambulance Receipts Reserved for Appropriation Fund in order to purchase an ambulance for the Fire Department.

DESCRIPTION:	DEPT	SOURCE	AMOUNT
Ambulance	Fire	Receipts Reserved for Appr. Ambulance Fund	\$406,223

MOTION:

Be It Moved and Voted by the Town Council that the sum of Four Hundred Six Thousand Two Hundred Twenty-Three Dollars (\$406,223) be transferred from the Receipts Reserved for Appropriation - Ambulance Fund and be appropriated to fund the purchase of an ambulance in accordance with MGL Ch 40 Section 5F.

This Resolution shall become effective according to provisions of the Town of Franklin Home Rule Charter.

DATED: _____, 2023

VOTED: _____

UNANIMOUS: _____

A TRUE RECORD ATTEST:

YES: _____ **NO:** _____

ABSTAIN: _____ **ABSENT:** _____

RECUSED: _____

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Memorandum

September 15, 2023

To: Town Council
From: Jamie Hellen, Town Administrator
Amy Frigulietti, Deputy Town Administrator

Re: Resolution 23-55: Authorizing the Placement of a Debt Exclusion Ballot Question Relating to the Town's Allocable Share of Debt Service on Debt of the Tri-County Regional Vocational Technical School District on the Ballot for the Town Election to be Held on November 7, 2023

We are asking the Town Council to approve Resolution 23-55, which will formally put the funding mechanism for the Tri-County School on the ballot on the November 7th local election.

The district wide authorization vote will be October 24th.

Town Clerk Nancy Danello will also be present to answer any election questions.

Please let us know if you have any questions.



TOWN OF FRANKLIN

RESOLUTION 23-55

**Authorizing the Placement of a Debt Exclusion
Ballot Question Relating to the Town's
Allocable Share of Debt Service on Debt of the
Tri-County Regional Vocational Technical School
District on the Ballot for the Town Election to be Held
on November 7, 2023**

Whereas, The Tri-County Regional Vocational Technical School District (the "District") has called a District-wide election to be held on October 24, 2023 to consider the approval of debt of the District in the principal amount of \$285,992,692 to pay costs of designing, constructing and equipping a new District high school (the "Project"), in accordance with an agreement among the District's member cities and towns establishing the District (the "District Agreement") and G.L. c. 71, §16(n), and

Whereas: By vote of the Massachusetts School Building Authority ("MSBA") on August 30, 2023, the District was awarded a school construction grant to pay eligible costs of the Project in a maximum amount of \$82,730,777, which grant will reduce the total amount of debt to be issued by the District to pay costs of the Project by such amount, and

Whereas: In the event that the proposed debt of the District is approved, the Town's allocable share of debt service in each year to pay costs of the Project will likely have a significant impact on the Town's annual operating budget,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED by the Town Council of the Town of Franklin that:

That the Town, pursuant to G.L. c. 59, § 21C(k), shall seek voter approval at the election on November 7, 2023 to assess taxes in excess of the amount allowed pursuant to M.G.L. 59 § 21C for the payment of the Town's allocable share of the principal and interest on bonds or notes, issued by the Tri-County Regional Vocational Technical School District to pay costs of designing, constructing and equipping a new high school to be located at 147 Pond Street, in Franklin,

including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto, and to that end the Town Clerk is hereby directed to place the following question on the ballot:

Shall the Town of Franklin be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay the Town's allocable share of the bonds issued by the Tri-County Regional Vocational Technical School District to pay costs of designing, constructing and equipping a new high school to be located at 147 Pond Street, in Franklin, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto?

This Resolution shall become effective according to the provisions of the Town of Franklin Home Rule Charter.

DATE: _____, 2023

VOTED:

A True Record Attest:

UNANIMOUS: _____

YES: _____ NO: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

ABSENT: _____

Nancy Danello, CMC
Town Clerk

Glenn Jones, Clerk
Franklin Town Council

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OFFICE OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Memorandum

September 15, 2023

To: Town Council
From: Jamie Hellen, Town Administrator
Amy Frigulietti, Deputy Town Administrator

Re: Resolution 23-56: A Resolution Adopting the Town of Franklin 2023 Open Space and Recreation Plan

We are asking the Town Council to approve Resolution 23-56, which will allow the staff to forward the Open Space and Recreation Plan to the Commonwealth for their review. Similar to the Housing Production Plan, the state must approve the plan. Breek Li Goodlander will give a brief presentation overview.

Please let us know if you have any questions.



**TOWN OF FRANKLIN
RESOLUTION 23-56**

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE TOWN OF FRANKLIN 2023 OPEN
SPACE AND RECREATION PLAN**

- WHEREAS, During 2023 the Town of Franklin began the process of updating the 2016 Open Space and Recreation Plan (OSRP), in a proactive approach to maintain and enhance all of the benefits of open space that make up much of the character of the community and protect our green infrastructure, such as our water supply, land, working farms and forests, wildlife habitats, parks, recreation, trails, and greenways; and
- WHEREAS, the Town of Franklin's Conservation Commission with support from the Conservation Agent, Department of Planning and Community Development, and the Department of Recreation has prepared the Town of Franklin 2023 Open Space and Recreation Plan; and
- WHEREAS, the Town of Franklin 2023 Open Space and Recreation Plan was developed using a substantial public process over the course of ten months through monthly focus groups, three public hearings as well as a community visioning survey, allowing input from Town of Franklin departments and officials, public agencies, and Town residents, and
- WHEREAS, the Town of Franklin 2023 Open Space and Recreation Plan contains open space and recreation goals and implementation strategies developed within the public process, and
- WHEREAS, duly noticed Public Hearings were held by the Town of Franklin Conservation Commission on February 21, 2023, April 25, 2023, and June 20, 2023 to present the document's findings, goals and strategies and obtain public input, and
- WHEREAS, having an authorized and current OSRP is required to apply and receive state funding programs related to open space and recreation, and
- WHEREAS, the Town of Franklin authorizes responsible departments and/or agencies to execute their responsibilities demonstrated in the plan,
- WHEREAS, the Town of Franklin operates as a city form of government, as provided in its Home Rule Charter, and the Town Council has the authority of a city council, as specified therein.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Town Council of the Town of Franklin adopts the Town of Franklin 2023 Open Space and Recreation Plan, and authorizes the Town of Franklin's Town Administrator to submit the document to the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (EOEEA) Division of Conservation Services (DCS) for its approval, and to take any and all other necessary action.

This Resolution shall become effective according to provisions of the Town of Franklin Home Rule Charter.

DATED: _____, 2023

A TRUE RECORD ATTEST:

VOTED: _____

UNANIMOUS: _____

YES: _____ **NO:** _____

ABSTAIN: _____ **ABSENT:** _____

RECUSED: _____

**Nancy Danello, CMC
Temporary Town Clerk**

**Glenn Jones, Clerk
Franklin Town Council**

TOWN OF FRANKLIN 2023 OPEN SPACE & RECREATION PLAN



PRELIMINARY FINAL – SEPTEMBER 13, 2023

Prepared by:
Franklin Conservation Commission with the assistance of the
Franklin Department of Planning & Community Development

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The Town of Franklin Conservation Commission would like to acknowledge the efforts and interest expressed by the residents of Franklin during the preparation of this 2023 Open Space and Recreation Plan (OSRP). The input provided through responses to the Citizen Participation Questionnaire, attendance at public meetings, and conversations with the Conservation Agent provided valuable information to the Conservation Commission which was used as the basis for completion of this document.

In addition, the Commission would like to thank other Town Departments including, the Department of Planning and Community Development, Franklin School Department, Department of Public Works, Building Department and the Recreation Department as well as the various state and non-profit organizations that supplied data for the preparation of this Plan.

This Plan would not have been possible if it were not for the citizens of Franklin. The Commission thanks its community for their advocacy and support in developing an Open Space and Recreation Plan that is as comprehensive as it is inclusionary.

Cover photo acknowledgements: Linda Batchelder (Schmidt), Breeka Lí Goodlander

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SECTION 1: PLAN SUMMARY

“We need the tonic of wildness...At the same time that we are earnest to explore and learn all things, we require that all things be mysterious and unexplorable, that land and sea be indefinitely wild, unsurveyed and unfathomed by us because unfathomable. We can never have enough of nature.”

— Henry David Thoreau, *Walden*

Every five to seven years, the Town of Franklin reexamines and updates its Open Space and Recreation Plan (OSRP). Required by Massachusetts, the OSRP is a comprehensive plan for the many Conservation, recreation, and other public areas throughout Town. The OSRP serves as a framework to guide policy decisions around the management, maintenance and enhancement of these areas as well as potential investments in and development of new areas. Each update of the OSRP is intended to memorialize past achievements, highlight ongoing efforts, and provide a roadmap for the implementation of open space and recreation goals and priorities over the succeeding seven-year period – in other words, the OSRP asks “where are we, where would we like to go, and how might we get there.”¹

While the first OSRP to mention Franklin was originally completed in 1985, the first OSRP where Franklin was prominent was completed in 2001. This 2001 OSRP encompassed Franklin and two other communities, Bellingham and Blackstone. This 2001 Plan was subsequently updated in 2008 and most recently in 2016 with Franklin being the sole community reflected. The most recent 2016 OSRP update laid the groundwork for the adoption of the Community Preservation Act (CPA) in November of 2020, and the subsequent acquisitions by the Town of the Maple Hill Conservation Area and Schmidt’s Farm. The 2016 OSRP had the foresight to prioritize the health of Town surface and groundwater resource areas, while protecting priority habitats and enhancing biodiversity amidst the rapidly accelerating effects of climate change. It called for investing in updates to playgrounds, fields, and athletics facilities with a particular focus on promoting greater accessibility.

However, for all of its virtue and vision, the 2016 OSRP could not have predicted the onset of a global pandemic. In the dark days of the coronavirus pandemic, the open space resources around Town were a vital tonic and lifeline for those looking to escape the isolation of their homes. It is fitting, then, that as the federal state of emergency was lifted in May of 2023, and amidst a renewed appreciation for the outdoors, the Town was well into the process of reviewing and updating its 2023 OSRP – reassessing where we are since the 2016 update, where we would like to steer open space and recreation priorities over the next seven years, and how to accomplish our endeavors.

The Department of Planning and Community Development (DPCD) and Franklin Conservation Commission (Commission) set out to address these questions over the course of two dozen public hearings and information sessions held from January through

¹ Massachusetts Open Space and Recreation Planner’s Workbook, last revised March 2008 (<https://www.mass.gov/doc/open-space-and-Recreation-plan-workbook/download>).

June of 2023, including bi-weekly stakeholder meetings, bi-weekly office hours, and three public hearings. More than 100 stakeholder groups were invited to participate in the 2023 OSRP update, and many were active participants throughout. The Franklin Recreation Department was integral in the preparation of this update, not excluding all other Town Departments who played a vital role in facilitating the information prepared in this document. Representatives of the Agricultural Commission, Commission on Persons with Disabilities, and Town Council were also actively engaged throughout the public process and have helped shape the 2023 OSRP update to what it is today. Lastly, state and nonprofit organizations, including representatives from the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) and the Metacomet Land Trust (MLT) graciously volunteered their expertise and input. Even more incredible, over 700 residents provided detailed feedback via the Citizen Participation Questionnaire that was initially distributed in February of 2023. The 2023 OSRP update is truly the product of community-wide input and vision for the future of the open and recreation spaces of Franklin.

Based on that collective feedback, DPCD and the Commission have developed the 2023 OSRP, including updated goals, objectives, and an action plan for the succeeding seven-year period. In addition, a re-evaluation of the accessibility of the open space and recreation facilities was conducted (see Appendix D), an inventory of all open space, Recreation, and Conservation areas was updated (see Appendix C), and descriptions of the substantial resources throughout Town were compiled, updated and included in the 2023 OSRP update.

Since the 2016 OSRP update was approved, substantial progress has been made on the goals and objectives that were highlighted in that plan. Among them are:

- a. Acquired the Riverbend Open Space Area, and converted other Town-owned parcels to the Commission for designation as Conservation lands.
- b. Adopted the CPA in 2020, and utilized CPA funding to (1) acquire and preserve the Maple Hill Conservation Area as forest area and public open space; and (2) acquire and enable the continued agricultural use of Schmidt's Farm, one of Franklin's legacy farms, in addition to potential future community uses.
- c. Partnered with DCR to improve and extend the Southern New England Trunkline Trail (SNETT) to Grove Street in Franklin, and separately constructed a shared use path along portions of Grove Street, with an additional phase of the Grove Street shared use path currently underway.
- d. Revitalized the DelCarte Conservation Area through the successful treatment of invasive species within DelCarte's north and south ponds, the implementation of the Biodiversity and Buffer Zone Restoration Project in 2022-23, and through increased community engagement and improved signage throughout DelCarte.
- e. Installed and updated signage and recycling receptacles at all public fields and open space areas.
- f. Performed a parking analysis of open space areas.
- g. Added sidewalks along portions of Chestnut Street, Pleasant Street, Beaver Street and Lincoln Street.

Additionally, the following projects and improvements to recreational facilities have been completed since the 2016 OSRP update:

- a. Installation of new playground at DelCorte Conservation Area (2017).
- b. Improvements made to King Street Memorial Playground (2019), with master plan for King Street Memorial Park currently underway.
- c. Installation of new playground equipment (Vendetti Playground, 2021) and fitness course (2023) at Beaver Pond, along with resurfacing of Beaver Pond athletic fields.
- d. Installation of new playground at Henry “Ski” Faenza Memorial Playground (formerly Nason Street Tot Lot)
- e. Improvements to Fletcher Field Playground (anticipated in 2023).

The 2023 OSRP includes numerous goals, objectives and proposed actions that are the result of feedback and input received over the course of the above-referenced public stakeholder sessions, informal office hours, public hearings and other meetings with Town personnel; through letters, emails, and other outreach from residents and stakeholder groups; and through the responses to the Citizen Participation Questionnaire.

The goals, objectives and proposed actions resulting from the OSRP planning process are oriented around three principal themes: inclusivity and connectivity, growth, and sustainability. The Conservation Department and Commission believe these themes reflect the priorities of the Franklin residents and are used to set the Goals in Section 8:

(1) Inclusivity & Connectivity: As the Town looks to enhance its existing open and recreational spaces and plan for future improvements to those spaces, the Town should do so with a particular emphasis on expanding access to and awareness of those spaces, especially for the elderly, persons with disabilities and families with young children. Along those same lines, the Town should develop strategies to promote pedestrian and bicycle connectivity between existing open and recreational spaces, particularly with respect to spaces where there is little available parking, so as to facilitate the use of those spaces by individuals who don’t live in the immediate neighborhood.

(2) Growth: emphasis on identifying individuals, organizations and activities that are currently underserved by existing open space and recreation areas. This goal includes creating strategies to enable new activities at the Town’s existing facilities, and to adapt and/or create new facilities where the existing facilities cannot accommodate activities that are growing in popularity and in which Franklin has an opportunity to become a regional leader.

(3) Sustainability: emphasis on balancing the utilization of existing open space and recreational areas, and on new development in Town, with the need to preserve and strengthen the Town’s natural resources, particularly existing conservation areas, wetland resource areas and forests. These resources play a critical role in insulating and mitigating the effects of climate change and global warming, and absent proactive sustainability measures, these areas will progressively become less effective and more prone to natural disasters such as drought, disease, and invasive species.

The implementation and achievement of the above themes will require the commitment of a broad variety of organizations and individuals, including non-profit organizations, state agencies, resident volunteers, and Town Departments, Boards, Commissions, and Committees. Through the combined efforts of all parties mentioned above the Town feels confident that the OSRP can be implemented to meet the prescribed goals over the seven-year planning period. Community builds unity.

SECTION 2: INTRODUCTION

2.A. Statement of Purpose

The purpose of this 2023 OSRP is to ensure that the open space and recreational resources of Franklin are protected and enhanced as the Town continues to face rapid development pressures and the impacts of urban sprawl. This community planning document is an update to the 2016 OSRP and has been developed through a substantial public participation process that reflects the needs of its community members. This document outlines the strategies that will protect our natural green infrastructure, preserve important environmental and ecological functions, improve our recreational resources, provide additional places for recreation, and enhance the quality of life and equity for the residents of Franklin.

Significant efforts to manage, acquire, preserve and plan for open space preservation in Franklin began in the mid-1980s. These efforts included the preparation of six OSRPs, the first being completed in 1985. In October 1986, representatives from Bellingham, Blackstone, and Franklin organized the Tri-Town Open Space Committee. This group worked on several important open space protection planning projects for the three communities. These efforts eventually led to the establishment of MLT. Throughout the 1980s and 1990s, concerned with the substantial rates of development, the Town conducted various studies and a buildout analysis to implement growth management strategies. These strategies included the rezoning of a substantial number of undeveloped residential parcels as “Industrial”; and adding an Open Space Development Zoning Bylaw (Section 185-43) and a Growth Management Bylaw (Section 185-46) to Town Code which eventually lead to eighteen open space subdivisions and the preservation of over 235 acres of open space.

Residents of Franklin are fortunate that the Town has made substantial investments in open space and recreation in recent decades and will continue with CPA funding well into the future, but additional funding options are always needed. This is where the 2023 OSRP proves beneficial. Cities and Towns in Massachusetts are required to prepare an Open Space and Recreation Plan once every five to seven years to maintain eligibility for state grant programs.

Open space protection planning efforts in Franklin are ongoing based on data collected and refined from the 2016 OSRP. The Department of Planning and Community Development with the assistance of other Town staff undertook assessments of open Space parcels that were either protected Conservation properties or privately owned parcels that could be developed. Three separate projects, the *Chapter 61 Parcel Evaluation* and the *Commission Managed Properties Study* in 2018, and the *Privately Owned Five+ Acre Parcel Evaluation* in 2019, identified properties that should be prioritized for either protection or Recreation use. The planning efforts have helped the Administration gain a greater understanding of which parcels the Town should invest its limited resources.

Franklin is currently in the process of updating its 2013 Master Plan. The newly formed Master Plan Committee will work with Town staff and consultants over the next 18 months to conduct a substantial public input process and create a plan update. A substantial portion of this Open Space and Recreation Plan will be used by the Town’s Master Plan

Committee as it works to update the Town's 2013 Master Plan, including the Open Space and Recreation Element.

2.B. Planning Process and Public Participation

In 2023, the Franklin Commission assumed the task of overseeing and preparing the update of the Open Space and Recreation Plan. Input was solicited from a large number of Franklin residents via twenty focus group meetings, three public hearings, a Citizen Participation Questionnaire, Google Form, in addition to Town personnel and non-profit organizations.

Over one hundred focus groups were identified in the 2023 OSRP planning process including, but not limited to, all Town supported commissions and boards; scout groups; parent communication councils; Recreational sport teams; school sport teams; land trusts; and tribes. The representative of each focus group received an email every other week highlighting current OSRP events and communicating opportunities to get involved, such as the bimonthly focus group meetings. Each focus group meeting was posted on the Town webpage, and fliers were distributed, as necessary. Focus group meetings occurred one hour prior to the regularly scheduled Commission meetings and Friday mornings. Each meeting was themed and utilized an engaging storyboard map to help orient residents to specific open space and recreation spaces across Town. Themes included, but were not limited to, "Sports and Recreation Programs", "Schmidt's Farm", "Maple Hill", "Habitat Protection, Ecosystem Restoration, Other Conservation Lands", "Open Space Accessibility, Trails, Bike Paths, Town Connectivity", and others. Each focus group meeting was available via Zoom, televised and recorded via FranklinTV All-Access channel (Channel 8 Comcast/Channel 26 Verizon), and YouTube Live. Each recording of the focus group meetings was then linked on the Town of Franklin OSRP Webpage. In the event focus groups were unable to make the evening, an additional Friday morning meeting was held. Examples of the civic engagement materials, including the stakeholder list, can be found in Appendix F.

In addition to the focus group meetings, the Commission hosted three public hearings for all residents and stakeholders to provide feedback. The first public hearing, held on February 21, 2023 at the Municipal Building, was a review of the 2016 OSRP and current priorities; the second hearing, held on April 25, 2023 at the Senior Center, was to discuss the goals and objectives for the 2023 OSRP; and the third public hearing, held on June 20, 2023 at Municipal Building, was a review of the draft 2023 OSRP. Each public hearing was available via Zoom, televised and recorded via FranklinTV All-Access channel (Channel 8 Comcast/Channel 26 Verizon), and YouTube Live. Each recording of the public hearings was then linked on the Town of Franklin OSRP Webpage.

Supplemental OSRP participation opportunities include a Senior Center presentation on April 5, 2023, Town Council presentation on April 26, 2023, one interview with a citizen reporter from FranklinMatters radio; publication in the Town newsletter; and an article in the Local Town Pages.

Ancillary staff involvement included six working group meetings to discuss Town priorities and departmental objectives as they relate to open space and recreation. Members included the Town Administrator, DPCD Director, Town Planner, Conservation Agent, Assistant Town Engineer, Highway and Grounds Superintendent, Assistant Highway and

Grounds Superintendent, GIS Director, GIS Specialist, Stormwater and Environmental Affairs Superintendent, Superintendent of Schools, Director of Curriculum, Recreation Director, and the Senior Center Director.

Feedback from the general public and Town officials was a critical component of this Open Space and Recreation Plan. Residents and staff have first-hand knowledge of the needs of the Town, and where opportunities for improvement lies. Knowledge of resident desires is also necessary to establish goals and objectives, and to ensure that any recommendations are feasible and will draw sufficient support to warrant a reasonable chance for implementation.

As part of the 2023 Open Space and Recreation Plan, the Commission and Department of Planning and Community Development (DPCD) developed one seven section Citizen Participation Questionnaire and a general Feedback Form. The Questionnaire was conducted in order to understand the desires, needs and concerns of the residents of Franklin as they relate to open space preservation and recreational opportunities. The Questionnaire was distributed and available from February 13, 2023 through April 30, 2023. The Questionnaire was advertised via a postcard and QR code posted in public places such as the Library, Municipal Building, School Department, Senior Center, Police Department, Department of Public Works, various park kiosks, and online. The questionnaire generated 714 responses. It should be noted that the 2016 and 2023 questionnaires contained the same questions so as to allow comparisons in the responses to those same issues over a seven year time span.

The Questionnaire, included in Appendix A, was comprised of general demographic questions and open space and recreation themed inquiries. Subsequent questions solicited thoughts on residential growth policy and support for Town acquisition of open space, improvement of Conservation Land, and Recreational Facilities. The current use of existing Recreational activities was queried followed by types of facilities needed in Franklin, with room allowed for comments. Residents were asked to denote satisfaction of types of Recreational facilities, and opinions solicited for various open space preservation options and how they should be prioritized by the Town. Results of the questionnaires are summarized in Section 7 of this Plan.

The input from the above sources was then used to produce a "public draft" Open Space and Recreation Plan that was distributed to the Planning Board, Commission, Recreation Commission, Board of Health, Town Council, Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC) and DCR. In addition, the draft document was made available for review on the Town website and at the Department of Planning and Community Development, the Public Library and the Recreation Department. A list of comments received is included in Appendix B. In addition to distribution of the public draft, an advertised and posted public hearing was held on June 20, 2023 where the Commission accepted public comment pertaining to the Draft OSRP. Minutes of this meeting are found in Appendix B. Accommodations were made at the public hearing to assist persons with disabilities and those in need of an interpreter to ensure all residents were given ample opportunity to provide comments.

SECTION 3: COMMUNITY SETTING

3.A. Regional Context

The Town of Franklin is a suburban industrial community located 35 miles southwest of Boston and 20 miles north of Providence, Rhode Island in southeastern Massachusetts. The Town is within the Charles River and Blackstone River Watersheds and an eager participant in both Watershed Associations. Franklin borders Norfolk to the east, Medway to the north, Wrentham to the south-southeast, and Bellingham to the west (see Map 1, Regional Context in Appendix E).

In an effort to continue to facilitate regional planning and stay current, Franklin is a member of the Southwest Advisory Planning Committee (SWAP), MAPC, and Massachusetts Municipal Association (MMA). These organizations generally meet monthly to discuss a wide variety of topics, including regional Open Space topics. The Town of Franklin remains active in keeping up-to-date on other Open Space and Recreation planning initiatives of surrounding communities. Through these regional and local communications, the Town is able to find ways through which the Town can partner with other communities to provide even greater opportunities to its residents.

The Town of Franklin is easily accessible via Route 140, including two exits off Interstate-495, and convenient access to other major routes such as the Massachusetts Turnpike (I-90), Route 126, Route 1 and I-95. In addition to serving as a commercial corridor, these roadways serve as links to Milford and Bellingham in the north and Wrentham; and Foxboro and Mansfield to the southeast.

In addition to this well integrated roadway system, Franklin is host to two MBTA commuter rail stations. This accessibility has attracted increasing levels of residential, commercial, and industrial development. The Town's industrial parks house a variety of businesses from research and development to manufacturing and distribution companies. This growth results in a decrease in open space, changes in the character of the area, and strains on the capacities of Recreational (and other) facilities. Despite this growth and changes in the community, Franklin is still the home to many regional resources and is able to offer many recreational opportunities to its residents. Franklin has managed to maintain the quintessential New England small-town feel with its old fashioned downtown of locally owned small businesses. Franklin is a large family-oriented community currently with approximately 33,261 residents in 2020.⁵

One regional resource located within Franklin is the SNETT, a 22-mile trail that originates in Franklin near the Franklin State Forest and passes through Bellingham, Millville, Uxbridge, and Blackstone, terminating at the Douglas State Forest. The Franklin Commission recently permitted accessibility improvements to the section of the trail from the Bellingham/Franklin line to Prospect Street in Franklin. Locals can also enjoy the Franklin State Forest, Franklin Town Forest, DelCarte Conservation Area, Sculpture Park, Indian Rock, Maple Hill, and Schmidt's Farm, among other destinations.

The Charles River is another resource of regional importance and it should be noted that a significant portion of the Charles is protected as open space within Franklin. The Riverbend Conservation Area, totaling approximately 40 acres, lends opportunities for residents to kayak, canoe, hike, and enjoy other passive Recreational endeavors.

The above discussion is certainly not a complete picture of all the regional opportunities or issues the Town maintains; rather, it provides some examples to illustrate the point that many issues, particularly environmental ones, have impacts beyond municipal borders and must therefore be addressed in a regional context.

3.B. History of the Community

The Town of Franklin was first settled in the early 1600's, as part of the Puritan Town of Dedham. Like most early Massachusetts towns, religion played a significant part in the Town's formation. Changes in religious beliefs and the establishment of the Congregational Church soon prompted the separation of Franklin and Wrentham from Dedham in the late 1600's. As political beliefs were formed and new religious ideologies were followed, Franklin outgrew its connection to Wrentham and seceded, incorporating as an independent town in March of 1778.²

Franklin was originally designated as the Town of Exeter until the Town's founding fathers decided they would ask Benjamin Franklin to donate a bell to the Town and in turn, honor Mr. Franklin by naming the Town after him. When asked to donate a bell, Franklin responded with an offer of books for the town's residents, acknowledging that "sense" was preferable to "sound".³ In 1786 Ambassador Franklin sent the town 116 books that were overseen by the Congregational Church minister. These volumes are currently housed in the Town's Public Library for all to view, as the Town's first selectmen wished, thus forming the nucleus of "America's First Public Library", known today as the Ray Memorial Library.

Franklin's past is full of events that span many eras and form the rich history of not only the Town but also of the Region. One major event was the Battle of Indian Rock that occurred during Metacom's Rebellion. During this war, Franklin was abandoned until Metacom and his followers were defeated. In 1823, Franklin held its 4th of July celebration at the site of the battle at Indian Rock, located on Jordan Road.⁴

While there have been several important figures born in Franklin, the most notable person in American history to be born in Franklin was Horace Mann, the father of American public education. Today the middle school honors Mr. Mann with his name.

The Franklin Historical Museum, under direction of the Franklin Historical Commission, houses artifacts of town history, including the Brick School scrapbooks, which was built in 1833. The school was once recognized as the oldest one-room schoolhouse in continuous operation in the United States. In August of 2008, the Red Brick Schoolhouse, which was operating as a kindergarten, was closed and declared surplus as a result of School Department budget cuts and turned over to the Town. The schoolhouse is now leased by the Metrowest Robotics Club.

The Town's earliest settlers were involved in small scale farming and grazing. Early on Franklin's industrial development was limited to a forge, four saw mills, and two grist mills at the time of its separation from neighboring Wrentham in 1778, but the town's abundant waterpower and eventual railroad access ensured substantial industrial development.

² James C. Johnston, Jr., Images of America, Franklin (Dover, Arcadia Publishing, 1996), p. 7.

³ Ibid.

⁴ James C. Johnston, Jr., Images of America, Franklin (Dover, Arcadia Publishing, 1996), p. 10-11.

With the exception of one grist mill located on Mill Brook, all eighteenth-century industrial enterprises were concentrated along Mine Brook in order to take advantage of the stream's descent north towards the Charles River.

Hat making, specifically the manufacture of straw bonnets, was very important to the Town's industrial history. This industry was prominent from the late 1700's and Franklin remained a dominant presence in straw hat manufacturing through the 1960's. The first major factory to be built in Franklin was erected in 1812 to manufacture straw braid and bonnets. This was quickly followed by another straw manufacturer. During 1837 there were 93,173 straw bonnets manufactured in Franklin, the value of which was \$160,186. In comparison, during the same year there were five small cotton mills that manufactured 323,000 yards of cotton goods, valued at \$31,140. Another important industry in Franklin during the 18th and 19th centuries was boot and shoe manufacturing. Straw bonnets remained a staple of Franklin's manufacturing economy throughout the nineteenth century, but it was textile production that spurred local industrial growth from mid-19th century through World War I and beyond. The Mine Brook Falls area on the southern edge of Unionville saw continuous change over the second half of the 19th century. At the time of the 1875 State Census "there were 21 manufacturing establishments in Franklin where goods were made, many of which were along Mine Brook

Many Franklin residents established textile related businesses in Franklin in the mid nineteenth century, including Joseph W. Clark, who established a factory in 1841 for the manufacture of carding and shredding machines used in the textile industry throughout the country. But the Ray family was by far the most dominant textile manufacturer in the region. Colonel Joseph Ray moved his family to the Unionville section of Town in the 1830s. Colonel Ray was a partner of Paine and Ray, builders of textile mills in Woonsocket and throughout the Blackstone River Valley, and by some accounts the first to produce cloth in Franklin. Over the next several decades the Rays built numerous mills along Mine Brook and in neighboring communities, establishing a virtual monopoly on textile production in the region of Blackstone, Unionville, and Franklin. The Rays continued to expand the family's holdings in textile production, operating some fourteen mills in Franklin by the late 1880s.

Franklin's population increased substantially with the steady increases in the number of manufacturing businesses. In 1837 the Town had a population of 1,696 residents. The Town's population increased to 1,810 by 1850, and 4,051 by 1880. A substantial number of new Franklin residents were Irish, Italian and Russian immigrants coming to the United States for work in the mills. By 1900 the Town's population was at 5,017.

The Ray family's impact on local history and development was not limited to its mill buildings; the Rays constructed one of the first business blocks in Franklin at the corner of Main and Depot Streets. In 1885 James and Joseph Ray constructed imposing identical Empire mansions on Dean Avenue. Joseph Gordon Ray's daughters (Mrs. Arthur Peirce and Mrs. Adelbert Thayer) donated both the Ray Memorial School and the Ray Memorial Library in memory of their father. The Ray family also donated the Joseph Gordon Ray Fire Station in Franklin in recognition of the Ray Brothers' long-standing commitment to fire safety and of Joseph's particular passion for equipping the town with the most up-to-date firefighting technology. Joseph Ray founded a model farm and dairy business in Franklin, importing one of the first herds of Holstein cattle in the state. The

Ray family business held an important role in New England Commerce well into the late twentieth century.

Few examples of Franklin's extensive mill history remain, but one good example is the so-called "Brookdale Mill", which was erected in 1883 and originally home of the former Franklin Cotton Manufacturing Company. Although it changed ownership several times during its history, the building continued to be used for textile production for 120 years. During its first 35 years the mill produced fancy cotton goods, cotton twine, bags, and wipers, plain and fancy toweling, and wool blankets and other war material during World War I. After the war the major product line was bedspreads made of a mixture of silk, rayon, and cotton, which were woven, cut, and finished on site. The mill employed up to 150 hands on a twenty-four-hour schedule. By 1944 new owners were producing braided and hooked rugs; the braiding business continued until 2004, at which time it was renovated for use as a restaurant.

Dr. Oliver Dean, a native of Franklin, established Dean Academy in 1865 as a residential school now educating men and women from New England and beyond. During World War II, Dean transformed significantly by adding a Junior College, which ran alongside the Academy until 1957 when the Academy was phased out and the last class of Dean Academy, all boys, graduated. During the 1950s and 1960s the college expanded substantially with four new dormitories, gymnasium, library, science center, and campus center. In the 1990s, the institution evolved again becoming Dean College, and soon began offering bachelors as well as associate degrees. Recent expansion included a new dormitory on West Central Street, new campus center including dining and performance facilities, and purchase of a mixed use building on East Central Street where students are housed in the upper floors. The College's 150+ years in Franklin has heavily influenced the development and character of Franklin center.

Between 1900 and 1950, Town growth was relatively slow but steady, with no ten-year period having a population increase of 1,000 residents. During this period manufacturing continued and began to diversify. After World War II the development patterns began to change; a greater percent of residents owned cars, and single family homes were being constructed farther from the Downtown core. Between 1950 and 1960 the Town's population increased by 31 percent to 10,530. With construction of Interstate 495 and its two Franklin exits development patterns continued to change. Substantial areas of undeveloped land were turned into residential subdivisions; between 1960 and 1970 the Town's population increased by 69.3 percent to 17,830.

Interstate 495 positioned Franklin as a major regional distribution center for goods and as a regional employment center. In the 1980's, the Town rezoned former farmlands lying immediately outside Interstate 495 for industrial uses. Since that time the Town has rezoned additional residential property to industrial several times. In the late 1980's, the Town established itself as a regional transportation hub by lobbying successfully for an extension of commuter rail to an Interstate 495 terminus in Franklin and for major improvements to State Route 140 connecting the Town's extensive commercial areas.

Franklin has had a steady increase in commercial and industrial development since 1980. Approximately three million square feet of commercial and industrial space was constructed between 1982 and 1992. By 2001 there was approximately 7,200,000 square

feet of commercial and industrial space, and currently there is over 10,400,000 square feet of commercial and industrial space in use or available and more under construction.

The Town's industrial parks house a substantial number and variety of businesses, including research and development and manufacturing companies. The Town's current manufacturing sector includes food processing, measurement devices, fiber optics, nanotechnology, data storage equipment, electronic equipment, metal fabricators, specialty materials and life sciences. In recent years Franklin has been attracting companies within the medical device and biotechnology industries, as well as medical and marijuana.

By the 1980s Downtown Franklin was no longer the focus of the community's economic activity and had become run down and undesirable to the business community. Starting around 2001 the Town of Franklin made revitalization of Downtown a major priority. The *Franklin Center Plan* was developed in 2002 and 2003 to provide Town officials with a vision and basic strategy for revitalization of Downtown Franklin.

An additional residential building boom occurred in the 1990s; between 1990 and 2000, Franklin's total population increased by 33.8%. The Town currently has over 200 residential subdivisions. Commuting into Boston and other employment centers became more and more common. Additional details of the Town's growth and history is included in Section 3.D. Growth and Development Patterns.

Today many of the buildings and areas that are significant sites in Franklin's historic background remain intact. Several areas of historic significance have been placed on the Massachusetts Register of Historic Places, including two historic districts on the National Register. These places include, but are not limited to, the Dean College Historic District (10 properties), the Franklin Common Historic District (95 properties), the Red Brick Schoolhouse, Ray Memorial Library, and Aldis Homestead. A complete list of all 416 historic places located within the municipal boundaries of Franklin can be found on the State Register of Historic Places.

The accumulation of all of the aforementioned events and places paint a picture of a historic Franklin. Today, Franklin is home to over 33,000 residents who enjoy and treasure the vibrant history of the Town (see Map 2A and 2B in Appendix E).

3.C. Population Characteristics

The Town of Franklin is 26.64 square miles and has a population density of 1,248.6 persons per square mile.⁵ During the 1980s and 1990s, Franklin had continual growth with a population of 22,095. Since then, the population has grown steadily, increasing from 29,560 in 2000, 30,778 persons in 2005, 31,381 in 2007, finally to 33,656 in 2020.⁵ In total, this amounts to an approximate 66% increase in population between the years of 1980 to 2020.

According to MAPC (2014), “slow growth is in store if the region keeps losing population to other states. [If nothing changes, the metro Boston] region will grow an average of 2.1% in each of the next three decades, one third more slowly than population growth [between 2000 and 2010]. Loss of population to other states is a major contributor to slow growth. Historically, more people move out of the region to other states or other parts of Massachusetts than the reverse...”

Population Under 18

In 2022, the percentage of the population under 18 was 7,371 persons, or approximately 21.9%.⁵ Given this, it is important for the Town to provide and maintain areas where children can exercise or participate in an organized sporting team such as youth soccer or baseball, or simply play on a playground. The considerable number of young children in Franklin is a clear indication that the Town should continue to maintain and provide open space and recreation areas and opportunities for the children and young adult populations.

According to the Massachusetts Department of Education, total enrollment for Franklin Public Schools between 2022 and 2023 was 4,711 students and the total Tri-County Regional Vocational High School enrollment from 2022 to 2023 was 957. These figures represent a decrease of 53 students and an increase of 18 students respectively from the previous enrollment year.⁶ From 2022 to 2023, 927 students enrolled in the Franklin Public Schools were enrolled in Special Education and had a disability whereas 305 students enrolled in the Tri-County Regional Vocational High School were enrolled in Special Education and had a disability. Franklin recognizes the need to provide accessible areas to individuals of all ability levels, and over the past several years has been successful in upgrading all the Public School playgrounds to meet ADA compliancy requirements. In addition, over the past seven years, the Town has renovated its park and recreation areas making them fully ADA compliant.

Population Over 65

In 2022, the percentage of the population over 65 was 4,375 persons, or approximately 13.0%. According to MAPC, Franklin is projected to increase in the number of residents 65+ years of age by approximately 7,714 persons by 2030⁷. As the population ages, it is important for the Town to ensure the needs of priority populations are met. Please see

⁵ Bureau of the Census, State and County Quick Facts, Franklin City, Norfolk County, Massachusetts.2023 <http://www.census.gov/>

⁶ Massachusetts Department of Education, . 2023 <<http://www.doe.mass.edu/>>

⁷ Population and Housing Demand Projections for Metro Boston, MAPC, January 2014, Appendix A, p. 8.

Maps 2A and 2B in Appendix E which highlight the distribution of the current 65 plus population and the projections to 2027.

To enhance the independence and quality of life for Franklin's aging population, the Franklin Senior Center, available to Franklin and neighboring residents ages 55 and over, offers a variety of programming and services including exercise classes, educational lectures, social events, day programs, health and wellness opportunities, social services, veteran service, a Café, and more.

Population with Disability Under 65

As of 2021, the percentage of the population with disabilities under 65 was 2,322 persons, or approximately 6.9%.

Labor and Workforce

In 2021, the total percent of the civilian labor force (16 years and older) was 24,064 persons, or approximately 71.5% of the total population. As of April 2023, the unemployment rate for the Town (2.3%) is lower than the State (2.6%)⁸ and National (3.4%)⁹ averages. As of 2022, the total percent of persons in poverty was 1,846 persons, or approximately 5.5%.

According to MAPC, "attracting more young people to the workforce is critical to a growing economy. Over the coming decades, those born between 1945 and 1970 will be reaching retirement age, depleting the supply of our region's most critical asset: a skilled, well-educated workforce. By 2030, nearly one million workers now over the age of 40 – 39% of all workers in the region – will have left the labor force. The current population of young adults is barely sufficient to fill the positions vacated by retiring [individuals], much less provide the labor force needed for robust economic growth. If the region stems the loss of population to other states and achieves a small net inflow, the labor force could grow by 175,000 over the next 30 years, an increase of almost 7%."⁷

Annual Income

Franklin median household income as of 2021 (in 2021 dollars), was \$127,608, which was significantly higher than the statewide median household income of \$89,026.

Housing

As of 2021, there were approximately 12,118 households, with approximately 2.63 person per household. According to MAPC, a "new housing demand will outpace population growth due to a declining household size. Despite relatively slow population growth under the [current trends], the region will see substantial demand for new units. With more single-person households (especially seniors), more divorced households, and fewer children per family, average household size is likely to decline 10% by 2040... In other

⁸ Massachusetts Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development, April 2023 Labor Force and Unemployment Data. <<http://lmi2.detma.org/Lmi/LMIDataProg.asp>>

⁹ U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistic, Unemployment Rate as of April 2023 <<http://www.bls.gov/>>

words, an average group of people will form 10% more households and require 10% more housing units... and declining household size alone will result in approximately 86,000 additional households... this new phenomenon will cause a number of suburban communities to experience population declines even as new housing units are constructed.⁷

A “senior sell-off” may provide most of the single family homes needed by younger families. While the aging of [the previous] generation will cause the number of seniors in the region to swell considerably, over time the same generation will need fewer homes – especially single family homes – than it does today as its members downsize, move elsewhere, or pass away...As a result, nearly two-thirds of [housing] demand would be for multifamily housing.”

While the Town of Franklin does not have any designated Environmental Justice populations or neighborhoods, it does take pride in the fact that it offers a significant amount of open space and recreation areas evenly throughout the Town to all of its residents. A review of Maps 11 and 12 indicate that the existing open space and recreation areas are not concentrated in any one area of the community, but are otherwise spread out throughout the community promoting equity among all residents. Over the course of many years, Franklin has been proactive in providing open space and recreation opportunities to residents. The Town will continue to work to maintain and establish new open space and recreation opportunities to its residents to ensure a better quality of life for those of all levels of ability and economic attainment.

3.D. Growth and Development Patterns

Patterns and Trends

As discussed in the History section above, Franklin began as an agrarian community. The access to waterpower initially, and to railroads later, led to the development of mills and other industry in town. In recent years, the location of industrial and commercial development has been influenced primarily by highways, particularly by I-495, but also by Route 140. Residential growth initially occurred adjacent to the industrial and commercial growth, but now occurs in all parts of Town (see Map 5 in Appendix E).

The center of Franklin developed at the intersections of Route 140 and Union Street with the railroad tracks in proximity to mills located on Mine Brook. Today, Downtown Franklin is home to many small businesses and restaurants. Ongoing development plans include the reconstruction of roadways to improve circulation and pedestrian ways through the Downtown, in the hopes that redevelopment will help to revitalize the Downtown and turn the area into a vibrant commercial district.

In addition to the Downtown commercial area, the entirety of the Route 140 corridor serves as a commercial center; and there are major industrial parks at each of the two interchanges with Interstate-495. Grove Street, which parallels I-495, is the other major center of industrial growth within the Town.

Residential development began to boom in the 1960s and continued through the 1990s resulting in the development of over 200 subdivisions. The construction of the subdivisions encroached on many of the scenic areas of Franklin, leaving residents to be fearful of over development. In response to this growing concern, the Town enacted an

Open Space Development Zoning Bylaw to promote preservation of open space within developed subdivisions. Additionally in 1997, the Franklin Town Council voted to implement a Growth Management Bylaw. This Growth Management Bylaw was implemented to ensure that Town infrastructure and services (i.e., police, fire and schools) could keep pace with the rapid growth of the Town.¹⁰ During the past few decades, Franklin has seen a substantial reduction in the number of large subdivisions being constructed due in part to a poor economic climate and fewer large parcels of residentially zoned undeveloped land. While this amendment encourages development of single-family residential housing patterns, it is ultimately designed to accommodate the physical characteristics of a site and provide open space for active and/or passive recreation for all.¹¹ Since the enactment, there have been 18 open space subdivisions constructed and preserving hundreds of acres of significant wetlands, wooded areas and green areas in Town.

Infrastructure elements are described in depth below.

Transportation

Franklin has become a major center for commercial and industrial growth. With the two I-495 interchanges in Franklin, the Town provides many opportunities for jobs, goods and services, and recreational opportunities for residents of the Town. Growth has continued with Franklin's easy access to Boston, Providence, Worcester and Cape Cod. There are also two commuter rail stops in Franklin that go between Franklin and South Station in Boston.

The Town has been working with a private consultant since 2012 on the development and maintenance of a Pavement Management Program (PMP). Street inspection data is updated every several years and new data is currently being collected. This information helps the Town keep the roadway system in the best possible condition with the most efficient use of available funds. The PMP is currently being updated, and will also include an assessment of sidewalks and curb ramps throughout Town that will be used in completing an ADA Self Evaluation and Transition Plan. This Plan will help identify ways to maximize connectivity and accessibility in Town.

Since the completion of the last OSRP, numerous roadway reconstruction projects have been achieved, including upgrading sidewalk and pedestrian curb ramps to current accessibility standards. The Town has completed additional pedestrian improvement projects including new sidewalks for three miles along Pleasant and Chestnut Street, a new sidewalk on Beaver Street connecting West Central Street to Chilson Park on Beaver Street, and a new sidewalk on Panther Way connecting West Central Street to the Franklin High School. The Town has also installed pedestrian safety measures such as Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFB's) at crosswalks in higher speed, highly trafficked areas. Other planned projects include a multi-use path along Grove Street connecting to the trailhead of the SNETT.

In 2022, Franklin was awarded funding through the Complete Streets Program for the first time. The project is to include two Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFB) and five

¹⁰ Chapter 185-46. Growth Management from the Zoning Bylaw, Town of Franklin.

¹¹ Chapter 185-43. Open Space Development from the Zoning Bylaw of the Town of Franklin.

bike racks throughout the Town to enhance pedestrian safety and encourage biking. Projects for the Complete Streets Plan aim to improve pedestrian and cycling opportunities in the Town. As mentioned in the 2016 Master Plan, has since developed and passed a Complete Streets Policy and Prioritization Plan, and will continue to apply for grants through the Complete Streets Program.

As the Town has grown, the need for maintaining the infrastructure of roads, facilities, and utilities has increased. In an effort to protect the investment in the infrastructure, the Town has enacted a ban on road cuts in newly reconstructed roadways for a period of 5-years unless a special waiver is granted by the Franklin Department of Public Works. This process has been implemented to ensure residents have the best infrastructure available to them for a longer period of time.

Railroads also are an important transportation mode in the area. There are two commuter rail stations in Franklin which serve commuters from adjoining towns in travel to Boston. Those riding the train from Franklin can utilize one of the MBTA commuter parking lots for the day for a fee of \$6.00 Monday through Friday, and \$2.00 Saturday and Sunday. A monthly pass is available for purchase for \$105.00. To assist with community connectivity, the Depot Street Town lot is \$3 a day and free on weekends.

The community can also choose to use Franklin's GATRA bus service for a fee of \$2.00, with reduced rates for children and Wheaton College community members. The GATRA route runs from the Franklin Municipal Building to various points throughout Franklin, such as the library, Franklin Senior Center, and the downtown. Weekday service begins around 6:00AM and ends as late as 7:30PM. Service schedules are dependent on specific routes.

Franklin does not have a municipal airport, but there are two regional airports close by in Hopedale and Mansfield. Franklin is fortunate to be within a reasonable distance to several major airports, including, TF Green International Airport in Warwick, Rhode Island; Logan International Airport in Boston, Massachusetts; and the Worcester Regional Airport in Worcester, Massachusetts.

2013 Master Plan

The 2013 Franklin Master Plan, in the section on Economic Development, outlines in great detail the industrial base of the community. It states:

In the 1980's, the Town rezoned former farmlands lying adjacent to I-495 for industrial uses. Since that time, the Town has rezoned additional residential property to industrial several times, including approximately 110 acres in 2007.

Currently, approximately 2,334± acres of land in Franklin are industrially zoned. In addition, the Town contains over 630-acres of commercially zoned land (Commercial I, Commercial II, Business, and Office). 660± acres of the Town's industrially zoned land are located within the Town's two largest industrial parks; Franklin Industrial Park and Forge Park. Other areas in Franklin that contain large amounts of industrially zoned land are along the Grove Street Business Corridor, which includes numerous established manufacturing industries, warehouse, and distribution facilities, including the Town owned Nu-Style property which is a Brownfield site.

Most of Franklin's commercial and industrial stock is post-1980 construction. Approximately three million square feet of commercial and industrial space was added between 1982 and 1992. Franklin has had a steady increase in commercial and industrial development. As of 2001 there was approximately 7,200,000 square feet of industrial and commercial space in use or available. Between 2002 and 2005 another 2,700,000 square feet of industrial and commercial space was added, including seven buildings in Franklin Industrial Park during 2004. The continued annual increase in commercial and industrial construction has assured that Franklin's tax rate stays at a reasonable level, and that the Town will continue to be attractive to developers. During the last five years, commercial and industrial development has slowed, but even with the downturn in the economy and lessening in available industrially-zoned property, Franklin's commercial and industrial stock increases each year. By 2013, Franklin had approximately 2,575,900 square feet of Commercial space and 7,870,500 square feet of Industrial.

The industrial and office parks in Town house a substantial number and variety of businesses representing many industry sectors, including metal fabrication, food processing, data storage equipment, software development, fiber optics, electronic equipment, measurement devices, bio-storage, metalized paper, and distribution. In recent years Franklin has attracted new innovative technology companies performing research and development and manufacturing in a variety of areas, including nanotechnology, robotics, specialty materials, life science, medical devices, biotechnology, and pharmaceuticals. Many of these industries are located in one of the areas which are detailed below:

Franklin Industrial Park

The Franklin Industrial Park Priority Development Site consists of 20 privately owned parcels totaling 252.3 +/- acres on four roadways: Constitution Boulevard, Discovery Way, Freedom Way, and Liberty Way. The Industrial Park is located approximately 0.2 miles from I-495 Exit 16, is within an Industrial Zoning District, and can quickly accommodate substantial expansion and development. In addition, 11 of the 20 parcels are located within the Biotechnology Use Zoning District overlay. The Town of Franklin is working to attract renewable energy, biotechnology, medical instrumentation, and other innovative technology companies in this area.

Forge Park

The Forge Park Priority Development Site consists of 30 privately owned parcels totaling 259.8 +/- acres on three roadways: Forge Parkway, National Drive, and West Central Street (Route 140). The Park is located approximately 0.2 miles from I-495 Exit 16, is within an Industrial Zoning District, and can quickly accommodate substantial expansion and development. The Town of Franklin is working to attract renewable energy, biotechnology, medical instrumentation, and other innovative technology companies in this area.

Water Supply Systems

The Town of Franklin is serviced by a municipal water supply that provides 95 percent of the residents with water that adheres to all State and Federal regulations, and maintains adequate water supply and pressures for fire protection. The Franklin water system includes thirteen wells; six water storage tanks located at Bald Hill (Tia Place), Franklin Industrial Park, Old Forge Hill Road, Hillside Road (two), and Pleasant Street; and eight booster stations located at Berkshire Drive, Franklin Industrial Park, Iroquois Road, Jefferson Road, Lyons Street, Pleasant Street, Washington Street and Susan's Way, and two Water Treatment Plants (WTP). The Town also operates an Ultra Filtration treatment plant at Public Works Way and a new Greensand Plus water treatment facility on Grove Street to treat the water of Wells 6, 3, and 3A. No surface water is used to service the Town.

In the areas outside of municipal services, individual private wells are used to supply homes and other uses. The water system will be discussed further in Section 4: Environmental Analysis and Inventory.

In 2020, the Grove Street Water Treatment Plant was brought online for iron and manganese removal at Wells No. 3, 3A, & 6. The water treatment construction started in the fall of 2019 and the Town secured State Revolving Fund (SRF) funding to finance the project with a low interest loan. Having the Grove Street WTP online has been pivotal in the Town's ability to maintain supply and water quality.

The Town continues planning and implementation of the Water Capital Improvement Plan, specifically water main reconstruction. With the help of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding the Town was able to construct year 3 and 4 in 2022. Year 5 is being constructed in spring/summer 2023.

In 2020 Well 7/7A had detections of four of six regulated Per- and Polyfluorinated Substances (PFAS). From December 2020 to January 2022 sampling results showed an overall increase in PFAS with an exceedance of the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) occurring in December 2021. Through Capital Budget money, the Town has allocated for the Piloting & Design of a new PFAS treatment facility adjacent to the current building at the Well No. 7/7A site. Use of a Granulated Activated Carbon (GAC) treatment system, a well-proven technology, is anticipated and will be tested/confirmed through the performance of a PFAS bench scale pre-design evaluation. The Town is also on the Draft Drinking Water SRF to obtain low interest loans and principal forgiveness on the estimated \$6.5 million project.

The Fisher Street WTP is going to require a replacement of the obsolete Koch membrane equipment in use at the plant, replacement of the overall membrane system is expected to represent appreciable cost in 2024-2025. The Town reviewed its future options, namely a replacement zone/membrane-based system versus installation of a non-membrane treatment system featuring a pressurized media filtration system such as greensand filtration, similar to the Grove Street WTP. To improve the system reliability, WTP safety of operations, reduce energy usage and provide operational consistency, the Town chose to proceed with the pressurized media filtration system option. Capital Budget money has been allocated for Phase 1 of the Piloting & Design for the upgrade. Additional capital budget funds will be needed in FY24 to finish the design under Phase 2 and then ultimately funds will need to be appropriated for the estimated \$14.0 million needed for construction.

The Town currently utilizes two existing, riveted steel tanks as the Hillside distribution storage facility, Hillside Tank No. 1 was originally constructed in 1888 and Hillside Tank No. 2 in 1928. The Town elected to pursue replacement of the two existing riveted steel tanks with one new welded steel tank with combined capacity of 1.7 million gallons. The new tank will be equipped with a mixing system. The design of the project will be finalized in 2023, with the construction depending on availability of funding (estimated at \$7.8 million).

Sewer Service

The Town of Franklin owns and operates its own sewer system collection system consisting of 23 sewer lift stations, and approximately 122 miles of sewer main, 3,308 manholes, and 7,790 service connections. All sewage is conveyed to the Charles River Pollution Control District (CRPCD) for treatment. The system also includes over 18 miles of private sewer lines and more than 565 private manholes.

Most of the area in town northeast of Interstate-495 is served by municipal sewer. Notable exceptions include portions of Lincoln and Daniels Streets, most of Maple, Elm, Summer, Pleasant, and Chestnut Streets, and the far eastern edge of town. Additionally, southeast of I-495 is mostly not served by town sewer. However, the two major industrial parks, most of Grove Street, and a portion of Washington Street up to (and including) Dianna Estates are served.

The biggest investment for the sewer system over the next 3 to 5 years will be the construction of the Beaver Street Interceptor Repair and Replacement project. The 110-year old Beaver Street Interceptor, conveys over 70% of the Town's raw sewage to the Charles River Pollution Control District. The location of the pipe is a major challenge to the construction as it goes through wetlands, the MBTA tracks, Franklin Village Mall and Route 140. The Town Council authorized \$33 million borrowing for the project and the construction of the project is approved for Clean Water SRF low interest loans and principal forgiveness due to the Federal Infrastructure Bill. Construction will start in the summer of 2023 with the hope of as little disruption to the Town as possible. This will be one of the Town's largest construction projects ever outside of a new school, but is critical to the health, safety, and prosperity of the community.

Long-Term Development Patterns

The primary land use control for the Town of Franklin is its Zoning Bylaw. The Zoning Bylaw is supplemented by the enforcement of the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act and the Local Wetlands Protection Bylaw and corresponding Regulations by the Commission; Franklin has also implemented a Water Resource District Bylaw¹². These Districts are overlay districts that help protect the water supply through measures such as limiting the percentage of the lot that can be rendered impervious, prohibiting the underground storage of hazardous materials, strictly regulating above ground storage, limiting the use of septic tanks, and more.

¹² Zoning Chapter 185-40. Water Resource District From the Code of the Town of Franklin (Added 5-12-1986 and amended 3-3-1994)

Franklin also has "Cluster" or "Open Space" Development Bylaws.¹³ These Bylaws retain the same density as existing zoning would permit, but allow the lots to be reduced in size and located on only a portion of a developable parcel in order that the remainder of the parcel can be dedicated as conservation land. This policy has resulted in the preservation of hundreds of acres of Conservation lands in Franklin.

According to data from the US Census Bureau, Franklin's population continues to increase at a steady rate; and in order to accommodate continued growth, the town will need to continue to utilize the above-mentioned growth management Bylaws and implement new growth management techniques that are broad enough to maintain the Town's development initiatives and New England landscape.

3.E. Environmental Justice

Franklin currently does not have any Environmental Justice areas.

¹³ Zoning Chapter 185-43. Open Space Development From the Code of the Town of Franklin (Added 11-4-1987 and amended 7-5-1995)

SECTION 4: ENVIRONMENTAL INVENTORY AND ANALYSIS

4.A. Geology, Soils and Topography

The Town of Franklin is comprised of over 50 different soil types with a myriad of hydric components. Situated on bedrock, underlain principally by Dedham and Quincy granite, Franklin has a small band of diorite (dark, granite-textured rock) and diabase (dark, fine igneous rock) dikes and sills at its eastern point and a strip of Wamsutta Formation (rhyolite and mafic volcanic rocks) along its southern border adjacent Wrentham. The Bellingham-Franklin line is straddled with a strip of the Blackstone Group (quartzite, schist, phyllite, marble and metavolcanic rocks) on its northern half and of Mattapan Volcanic Complex to the south of the Blackstone Group (see Map 6 in Appendix E). The southwest and northwest portions of Town consist of the Woodbridge-Paxton-Montauk soil, which is classified as prime and important farmland soil.

Repeated advances of glacial ice are primarily responsible for the current topography of the area, which is characterized by low, rounded hills and open valleys. The bedrock throughout the area is generally covered by stratified glacial deposits of sand and gravel at lower elevations comprised of Hinckley, Merrimac and Windsor soils, while the hills have a veneer of glacial till comprised of mostly Charlton, Paxton and Montauk soils. As the glacier retreated to the north, glacial lakes drained and subsequent river systems developed on the new land surface. Alluvium, consisting mostly of organic matter, fine sand and silt, but including fine gravel in some areas, was deposited along these rivers and streams.¹⁴

The topography of Franklin varies widely, ranging from 150 feet to 470 feet above mean sea level (AMSL). Franklin generally slopes from the south to the north, toward the Charles River, with the highest elevation occurring at its southern reaches, and the lowest elevation occurring along Mine Brook as it flows to the Charles River.

Remaining undeveloped lands are being developed, but with greater costs and constraints due to environmental factors, such as wetland resource areas. Other constraints to development are the availability for public sewer and water connections. However, there have been almost no instances in the last seven years where soil conditions have prevented the alternative use of on-site septic systems.

Since the last iteration of the OSRP, development of Recreation Areas, such as the Beaver Pond Expansion Project, has been positively influenced by native soils. The soils proved to be advantageous given their sandy nature and ability to drain well.

4.B. Landscape Characteristics

Franklin offers a rich diversity of landscape character including urban, suburban, small town and rural/agricultural areas. The Town has hills, farm lands, pastures, scenic roadways lined with large trees and stone walls, lakes, rivers, streams, marshes and swamps - all of the unique features for a picturesque landscape that serves a variety of lifestyles and creates a pleasant environment for residents to live and work. The

¹⁴ United States Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Services, Web Soil Survey <<http://websoilsurvey.nrcs.usda.gov/app/>>

downtown commercial district and outlying business and industrial districts create pocket urban areas that connect to rural feeling residential neighborhoods and agricultural lands and forests. The mixed use commercial area and business districts include retail, single and multi-family residential mixes, schools, parks and Recreation Areas, a college campus and two train stations. The industrial areas in Franklin include industrial, manufacturing, warehousing and distribution, research and development facilities and office space. Many of Franklin's new houses are located within large subdivisions but there are still many older homes located on rural scenic roadways that have views of pastures and agricultural lands still in production.

Since World War II (~1945), the majority of development in Franklin has been suburban in character. Most residential development has been in subdivisions located off major streets containing lots of 20,000 to 80,000 square feet total. Commercial development is in the form of strip malls and shopping complexes while industrial areas contain large manufacturing and industrial buildings. This type of development has infringed upon much of the rural landscape and character; however, there are still areas of undeveloped farmlands and forests throughout the Town. Residential subdivisions prove to be the greatest agent of change to the character of the landscape of Franklin.

During the past three decades, significant roadway improvements have occurred. All of these improvements have fostered substantial commercial and business expansion and development in the area, further changing the landscape character into that of a sprawling suburb. Despite these increases in residential areas the Town has been able to maintain many of its rural scenic roads. Narrow, winding, large tree and stonewall-lined streets pass by farms and woodlands providing access to newly developed residential subdivisions. Supported by the Scenic Road Bylaw (Town Code 170-50-56), roads must remain scenic despite development. Developers are required to maintain the character of the roads by replacing any disturbed stone walls and planting new street trees to replace any that were removed during construction and development.

Over the years, increased development has impacted the characteristics of what was once rural farming community. While many of the picturesque farmlands have been developed into sprawling residential subdivisions, the Town has been able to maintain its traditional New England character while growing as a prominent business, commercial and industrial area along the I-495 corridor.

4.C. Water Resources

Franklin is located within two watersheds, the Charles River and Blackstone, respectfully (see Map 7 in Appendix E). It should be noted, however, that only a small portion of southern Franklin is located within the Blackstone Watershed Area. Additionally, Franklin has both Zone I and II Wellhead Protection Areas, including Interim Wellhead Protection Areas, within its municipal boundaries. Most of the aquifers are associated with and are in close proximity to surface water bodies (see Map 7 in Appendix E). There are several surface water resources located within Franklin, none of which serve as a source for drinking water. Franklin sources its public water supply from wells that tap aquifers associated with these water bodies, therefore it is critical that these watershed and wellhead areas are protected. Significant surface water bodies located in Franklin include

Beaver Pond (great pond), Uncas Pond (great pond), Populatic Pond (Great Pond), Spruce Pond, Ray's Pond, Joachim Pond, Green Pond, DelCarte Reservoirs, Uncas Brook, Shephard's Brook, Mine Brook, Dix Brook, Miscoe Brook, Miller Brook, and the Charles River.

There are two major types of aquifers in the area, a sand and gravel mix and a bedrock formation aquifer. The most crucial type for public water supply is the sand and gravel mix aquifer, which was formed by melting glaciers at the end of the last ice age. It is only the sand and gravel aquifers that are capable of producing the hundreds of gallons of water per minute that are expected from municipal wells. Such wells range in diameter from 10 to 24 inches and in depth from 20 to 80 feet with an average depth of about 50 feet. The wells capacity averages approximately 500 gallons per minute. Sand and gravel wells are not very deep and are located near surface water bodies which furthers the need to protect watershed and wellhead areas. Aquifers are afforded protection by the Water Resource District Bylaw enacted in Franklin and wellheads are provided with at least a 400-foot radius Wellhead Protection Zone.

Additional resources within the Town of Franklin include FEMA approved flood hazard zones, such as the Charles River Natural Valley Storage Area, and wetland resource areas. Both areas, including their respective buffer zones, are jurisdictional under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (310 CMR 10.00) and the local Wetlands Protection Bylaw (Chapter 181) and associated Regulations. The Town maintains a 25-foot "No Touch" Zone from every wetland resource area, of which Applicants must seek a variance to disturb or alter the landscape 25 feet from a wetland resource boundary.

Whenever a development is proposed within the Town, these resources are consulted and if indicated, a wetland delineation is required to accurately ascertain if permitting under the Wetlands Protection Act or local Bylaw is required. It should be noted that many of the flood hazard zones are located with land owned by the United States Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) or is adjacent to Mine Brook, Shepard's Brook and Uncas Brook.

4.D. Vegetation

The Town of Franklin consists of a variety of soil types and hydrologic conditions which support a wide variety of vegetation. Native forests of the area are dominated by a coniferous and hardwood tree mixture. Canton and Charlton soils and Woodbridge and Walpole soils, which are common in Franklin, are well suited for oak and pine growth thus making the forests in Franklin abundant with oaks (*Quercus spp.*), eastern white pines (*Pinus strobus*), and red maples (*Acer rubrum*).

Choke cherry (*Prunus virginiana*), American witch-hazel (*Hamamelis virginiana*), swamp azalea (*Rhododendron viscosum*), highbush blueberry (*Vaccinium corymbosum*), swamp dewberry (*Rubus hispidus*), cinnamon fern (*Osmundastrum cinnamomeum*), lady fern (*Athyrium angustum*), sensitive fern (*Onoclea sensibilis*), sphagnum moss (*Sphagnum spp.*), and skunk cabbage (*Symplocarpus foetidus*) are some common examples of the vegetation found in the upland and wetland areas of Franklin. Other wild herbaceous plants and fruit-producing shrubs include, but are not limited to, big bluestem (*Andropogon gerardii*), little bluestem (*Schizachyrium scoparium*), common evening-primrose (*Oenothera biennis*), flowering raspberry (*Rubus odoratus*), goldenrod (*Solidago spp.*), beggartick (*Bidens spp.*), common clubmoss (*Lycopodium clavatum*),

white meadowsweet (*Spiraea alba*), wild geranium (*Geranium maculatum*), quackgrass (*Thinopyrum spp.*), milkweed (*Asclepias incarnata*), ragweed (*Ambrosia spp.*), dogwood (*Swida spp.*), green arrow-arum (*Peltandra virginica*), white water-lily (*Nymphaea odorata*), pickerelweed (*Pontederia cordata*), cordgrass (*Spartina spp.*), coastal sweet-pepperbush (*Clethra alnifolia*), bulrush (*Scirpus spp.*), lance-leaved violet (*Viola lanceolata*), tussock sedge (*Carex stricta*), and cattail (*Typha spp.*). This is by no means an exhaustive list of all plant and fungi species within Franklin.

To further protect its botanic community, pursuant to Chapter 300.13.E.(2), Plantings of the Subdivision Regulations, Chapter 185-30, and Tree Plantings of the Zoning Bylaw, the Town requires shade trees, as detailed in the Town's Best Development Practices Guidebook, be planted to provide coverage and beautify the area. Trees recommended in the Best Development Practices Guidebook are native, drought resistant species that will provide shade for all residents. Both the Zoning Bylaw and the Subdivision Regulations and the Tree Plantings of the Zoning Bylaw indicate that trees must be replanted by the owner if they do not survive the first year of seasons. See Map 9 in Appendix E to see where there are shade trees existing within the public right-of-way.

DPCD, in collaboration with the Commission and Department of Public Works, is very active in maintaining the various forested and Conservation Areas throughout Town. Franklin has several Forest Stewardship Plans in place that recommend various activities including, but not limited to, trail maintenance, stand thinning, and restoration to improve habitat, biodiversity, climate resiliency, and the human experience within these areas. In addition to maintaining these areas, DPCD and Commission are also working on beaver related projects (i.e., flow devices), designing biodiversity areas, and designating turtle nesting habitats throughout Town.

4.E. Fisheries and Wildlife

Due to the large variety of habitats situated within the municipal boundaries of Franklin, many wildlife species call Franklin home. Habitats ranging from open fields to water resource areas to densely wooded areas make Franklin attractive to a wide variety of wildlife. The kind and abundance of wildlife depends to a large extent on the amount and distribution of food, cover and water. This is by no means an exhaustive list of all animal species within Franklin. There are many other mammals, amphibians, invertebrates, reptiles, arthropods, and insects that call this Town home.

The Charles River, plus the numerous other streams, lakes and ponds in Franklin provide habitat for a plethora of fish species. Among the species found in the area are fairy shrimp (*Anostraca*), brown, brook trout (*Salvelinus fontinalis*) and rainbow trout (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*), chain pickerel (*Esox niger*), perch (*Perca spp.*), pumpkinseed (also known as sunfish, kibble and sun bass) (*Lepomis gibbosus*), redbreast sunfish (*Lepomis auritus*), smallmouth bass (*Micropterus dolomieu*), white sucker (*Catostomus commersonii*), golden shiner (*Notemigonus crysoleucas*), fallfish (*Semotilus corporalis*), creek chub (*Semotilus atromaculatus*), yellow bullhead (*Ameiurus natalis*), and brown bullhead (*Ameiurus nebulosus*).¹⁵

¹⁵ Hartel, K.E., D.B. Halliwell, and A.E. Launer, An Annotated Working List of the Inland Fishes of Massachusetts. Harvard Museum of Contemporary Zoology, 1996.

Open areas such as croplands, pastures, meadows and areas of grasses, herbs, shrubs and vines tend to attract kestrel (*Falco spp.*), screech owl (*Megascops asio*), great horned owl (*Bubo virginianus*), meadowlark (*Sturnella magna*), American goldfinch (*Spinus tristis*), field sparrow (*Spizella pusilla*), wren (*Troglodytidae spp.*), warblers (*Parulidae spp.*), eastern meadow vole (*Microtus pennsylvanicus*), mice (*Mus spp.*), bats (*Pteropodidae spp.*), eastern cottontail (*Sylvilagus floridanus*), red fox (*Vulpes vulpes*), and woodchucks (*Marmota monax*). Woodland areas provide habitat for nuthatches (*Sitta spp.*), ruffed grouse (pheasant) (*Bonasa umbellus*), woodcock (*Scolopax minor*), thrush (*Turdidae spp.*), woodpeckers (*Picidae spp.*), gray squirrel (*Sciurus carolinensis*), red squirrel (*Sciurus vulgaris*), chipmunk (*Tamias spp.*), wild turkey (*Meleagris gallopavo*), raccoon (*Procyon lotor*), and white-tailed deer (*Odocoileus virginianus*). Wetlands attract many varieties of water fowl including duck (*Anseriformes spp.*), Canadian goose (*Branta canadensis*), mute swan (*Cygnus olor*), and heron (*Ardea spp.*); and also provide a home to beaver (*Castor canadensis*) and muskrat (*Ondatra zibethicus*). Like forested and open areas, even urbanized areas of Franklin can support opossum (*Didelphis virginiana*), striped skunk (*Mephitis mephitis*), common nighthawk (*Chordeiles minor*), and bat (*Pteropodidae spp.*).

Common reptiles and amphibians found in Franklin include, but are not limited to, garter snake (*Thamnophis spp.*), milk snake (*Lampropeltis triangulum*), red-back salamander (*Plethodon cinereus*), common snapping turtle (*Chelydra serpentina*), painted turtle (*Chrysemys picta*), American toad (*Anaxyrus americanus*), green frog (*Rana clamitans*), wood frog (*Lithobates sylvaticus*), and gray treefrog (*Dryophytes versicolor*). Unfortunately, the number of spotted salamanders found in Franklin are declining due to the impact of acid precipitation, development, and climate change.

The Town of Franklin has four National Heritage & Endangered Species Program (NHESP) delineated priority habitats of rare species and also estimated habitats of rare wildlife. The locations are described as follows:

1. The area around Beaver Pond and Mine Brook from the railroad tracks just south of Route 140 across Interstate 495 to and including Spring Pond on Washington Street.
2. The area located primarily within the ACOE Charles River Natural Valley Storage area.
3. The area encompassing Wampanoag Drive up to Concetta Way located on the border of Norfolk and Wrentham.
4. The area surrounding Miscoe Brook on the southwestern portion of Town within proximity of Washington and South Street.

According to National Heritage and Endangered Species (NHES), Franklin provides habitat for several endangered, threatened and species of special concern. Table 4-1 details the one bird, two reptiles and two plants that are on the NHES list.

Table 4-1: Endangered, Threatened or Species of Special Concern in Franklin

Taxonomic Group	Scientific Name	Common Name	State Listed Status	Most Recent Observation
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Bird	<i>Ixobrychus exilis</i>	Least Bittern	Endangered	1992
Reptile	<i>Glyptemys insculpta</i>	Wood Turtle	Special Concern	1982
Reptile	<i>Terrapene carolina</i>	Eastern Box Turtle	Special Concern	1997 recorded/2023 observed
Vascular Plant	<i>Linum medium</i> var. <i>texanum</i>	Rigid Flax	Threatened	1886
Vascular Plant	<i>Ranunculus micranthus</i>	Tiny-flowered Buttercup	Endangered	1910

The NHES also identified 110 Potential and 7 Certified Vernal Pools within the boundaries of Franklin.

4.F. Wildlife Corridors:

There are two potential terrestrial wildlife corridors in Franklin and both are located within the right-of-way for National Grid transmission lines. One of the right-of-ways spans primarily from Medway to Norfolk along the northern Town boundary close to the Charles River and the other spans from Bellingham to Wrentham in the central to southwest portion of Town. The implementation of the Franklin Greenway has the potential to dual as a terrestrial wildlife corridor.

Aquatic wildlife corridors include Dix Brook, Mine Brook, Shephards Brook, and the Charles River. These corridors are impeded by low quality culvert designs and stream crossing, and are in need of upgrades to function fully as wildlife corridors.

4.G. Scenic Resources and Unique Features

Franklin has countless scenic and unique features to offer its residents and visitor (see Map 10 in Appendix E). Scenic vistas found throughout Town include the renowned Charles River to quaint, winding, stonewall lined scenic roads, to active farmlands, including farms on Daniels Street, Lincoln Street and Koshivas Drive. Residents, as well as those from around the region, are able to enjoy many of the unique features Franklin has to offer.

Whether visiting or presiding in Franklin, individuals have the opportunity to access over 1,075 acres of open space and recreational areas. Through interagency collaboration, this acreage is an accumulation of DCR, MLT, ACOE, and Town owned land. Accessible properties include, but are not limited to, the Franklin State Forest; Franklin Town Forest; conservation land owned by the Metacomet Land Trust; the SNETT, Beaver Pond/Chilson Beach, Fletcher Field, King Street Memorial Park, DelCarte Conservation Area, Riverbend Conservation Area; and Dacey Field. Historic areas such as the Franklin Town Common, Dean College Campus, and Indian Rock. Another area of interest includes the Union Street cemetery where many old graves dating back to the 1700's remain intact.

All these scenic resources and unique features combine to provide the community with the quintessential New England landscape, that so many of Franklin's residents enjoy.

4.H. Environmental Challenges

A major environmental concern in Franklin is both the quality and quantity of its water supply. Stormwater management is a critical component to conserving, protecting, and preserving the quality and quantity of its potable water supplies. The Department of Public Works actively maintains the current system, makes necessary upgrades, and constructs new infrastructure to accomplish the goals set for by the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) General Permit. As Franklin draws all of its drinking water from groundwater wells - a major focus of stormwater program is the capture and temporary storage of stormwater in rain gardens and detention basins. By doing so, stormwater that is collected by these structures is treated before it replenishes the aquifer. These structures are also a crucial component regarding Franklin's compliance with the MS4 permit. Detention basins benefit the ecosystem of the Charles River Watershed by capturing phosphorus; a naturally-occurring byproduct whose quantities must be significantly reduced from Franklin's stormwater discharge, as designated by the Environmental Protection Agency.

Franklin has also implemented a Water Resource District to protect, preserve and maintain the existing and potential ground and surface water resources that provide water supply to Franklin. The State's efforts to encourage keeping wastewater local and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Stormwater Phase II Rule also ensures that more water is returned to the ground to recharge aquifers in a way that maintains quality. Preservation of open space and education efforts regarding the use of fertilizers and pesticides are a key component in addressing water quality in Franklin. Utilizing funds from a 2014 Sustainable Water Management grant from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, in 2015, the Town modified three existing detention basins to allow for greater ground water recharge. These redesigned basins have been shown to be working as intended.

Another issue of concern is the challenges presented at the DelCorte Conservation Area (459 Pleasant Street). There are six dams constructed in the 1940s located at this property that pose an environmental concern as they are leaking water and are structurally unstable. The Town has studied the feasibility of partial or full removal or repairs at this site to improve the deteriorating conditions. In addition to problems with the dams, the beaver population at the DelCorte Conservation Area are significantly impacting the waterways at this location a sustainable maintenance plan is being developed to manage the beaver population at this Area, including flow devices and educational initiatives.

Further environmental challenges Franklin faces is the cleanup and reuse of Brownfield and Superfund Sites. Franklin is currently in the site assessment at one of its most significant Brownfields Sites on Grove Street. Completing remediation at this site will help to remove the threat to the surrounding groundwater and surface water supply, specifically Mine Brook. Additionally, redevelopment of Brownfields Sites not only returns the site to productive use but also reduces the need to expand infrastructure and develop greenfield sites.

The only Superfund Site within Franklin, BJAT, was added to the National Priorities List (NPL) in September 2015, making it eligible for long-term cleanup action under the federal Superfund program. Following the demolition of structurally deficient buildings at the Site in 2018, the Environmental Protection Agency initiated Remedial Investigations (RI) and

a Removal Action (RA) conducted by the property owner. The RA included the removal and management of hazardous substances present in soil and drum waste to eliminate the imminent risk to human health and the environment. During the RI, data was collected to characterize site conditions, determine the nature and extent of contamination, and assess risk to human health and the environment. A phased approach was taken to the investigation with the first phase being completed in 2020 and the second phase just recently wrapped up in 2022. This phased approach encouraged the continual refinement of the site characterization effort, which minimized the collection of unnecessary data and maximized data quality. The findings of the investigation will be provided in an RI report that includes a risk assessment. This report is anticipated to be completed in 2023 along with a Feasibility Study (FS). The FS includes the development, screening, and detailed evaluation of remedial alternatives (cleanup actions) being considered for the BJAT Superfund Site.

There have been no significant erosion or sediment deposition issues in Franklin. All of the land use commissions are very stringent in controlling erosion from sites undergoing development.

Of note, the Town of Franklin, the Massachusetts Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance, and the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation are in the process of completing a 'land-swap' of the former Beaver Street Landfill in Franklin. Currently, the Town has submitted its Approval Not Required (ANR) Plan to the State; and all entities will continue to collaborate toward completing the project. The Town-owned portion of this site presently serves as the Recycle Center for Franklin residents - offering an avenue to exclude "hard-to-recycle" items from the waste stream.

Franklin also has a large area of ACOE, Charles River Natural Valley Storage Area within its borders. This system provides a passive means of avoiding flooding within Franklin and upstream municipalities along the Charles River Watershed by allowing flood waters to be stored on low lands that have been kept free of development in lieu of constructing a large system of floodwalls, pipes, dams and other such measures. In addition to flood protection, the Storage Area has the added benefits of providing open space and recreation lands, scenic views, wildlife habitats and more. This philosophy serves as a guiding principle that should be followed as development continues in the area.

Lastly, the Town of Franklin has been experiencing rapid growth for many years now. With climate change looming, The Town needs to be conscious of the potential for over development. Franklin needs to enact development measures that will ensure growth management that protects the New England character and biodiversity of the community well in to the future.

4.I. Environmental Equity

The open space and recreation facilities of the Town are distributed throughout the community and not concentrated on any one area (see Maps 11, 12, 13 and 14 in Appendix E). There are no Environmental Justice designated areas in Franklin.

SECTION 5: INVENTORY OF LANDS OF CONSERVATION AND RECREATION INTEREST

Open space is a term often used to describe public and private conservation lands, recreational areas, forest and agricultural lands, parks and greenways, and lands owned by groups with a conservation interest. “Open space” is also considered direct and passive recreational lands, such as fields or courts, and areas utilized for walking or biking. The term also considers undeveloped or contaminated land with potential to be acquired for an open space or recreational purpose.¹⁶ Additionally, the term “protected” is defined in this Plan as lands that are not developable given the ownership and management status of the land.

Open space and recreation properties are categorized in Franklin as either publicly or privately owned, or as permanently protected or unprotected areas, respectively. The Town of Franklin contains almost 5,000 acres of public and private open space and recreation areas, a substantial amount of which is open to the public. The Town owns approximately 1,075 acres of protected Conservation areas or lands which are maintained through DPCD and the Commission. In addition to protected Conservation lands, the Town owns and operates eight recreation areas. No lands within the Town are permanently protected by a conservation restriction, but some, such as those that were created as part of an open space subdivision are deed restricted. There is property along the northern boundary of Franklin that is under an “Agricultural Preservation Restriction”.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts owns approximately 835 acres of open space within the community between the Franklin State Forest and SNETT. Additionally the ACOE owns 478 acres of open space primarily used for water conservation and flood plain control. This land, while publicly owned by the federal government, is not open to the public to utilize.

Several non-profit organizations also maintain ownership of open space and recreation areas within Franklin. The YMCA, for example, is a non-profit organization which owns multiple areas as open space and recreation. While this organization is a non-profit entity, the lands owned by this organization are not available for public use without a membership to the YMCA (see Table 5-1.). Alternatively, the Metacomet Land Trust, also a non-profit organization, owns several acres of open space and allows the public to use their lands for passive recreation, such as hiking and non-motorized biking. There are many additional acres of privately owned open space and recreation lands throughout Town. Several private recreation areas, including the Adirondack Club and Franklin Rod and Gun Club, also a non-profit, are active recreation areas, but not open to the public without a membership.

Some lands such as Chapter 61, 61A, and 61B lands, which are private lands currently used for forest products, agricultural uses, or private recreation have a semi-protected status. These lands are described in greater detail in the next section.

The following section provides a detailed description of the lands of conservation and recreation interest within the Town of Franklin. The inventory of the all open space,

¹⁶Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Executive Office of Environmental Affairs, Division of Conservation Services. 2008 Open Space Planner's Workbook.

Conservation, and/or recreation lands includes public, private, and non-profit properties. Map 11 in Appendix E and the spreadsheet in Appendix C provide additional geographic information. Please note that some of these parcels are already protected as open space or recreation areas. Other parcels identified are sites that may be favorable for the Town to consider for future acquisition or protection; or have been identified by residents as parcels of special interest. Parcels included in this section have been divided into two types of land categories. These categories are defined as:

Private Lands:

1. Private recreation areas;
2. Lands under special taxation programs, Chapter 61 (Forestry), 61A (Agriculture), or 61B (Recreation); and,
3. Other non-protected, private parcels.

Public Lands:

1. Town owned Conservation and recreation areas;
2. Non-profit lands; and
3. Federal- and State-owned lands.

It is important to protect open space within Town for a myriad of reasons. Protecting open space helps maintain a town's character and provides residents with opportunities to utilize recreation areas and land in its natural state for passive and active recreation. Protecting open space is a way for the town to ensure that natural landscapes and Recreational areas will be preserved for future generations to utilize. Most importantly, in light of the changing climate, protecting open space ensures that future ecosystem services are maintained, fostered, and supported, and that our natural neighbors also have a safe, secure, and healthy place to live.

5.A. Private Parcels

Private Recreation Areas

There are approximately 678 acres of private recreation areas in Franklin, some of which are detailed in Table 5-1. This list considers private recreation areas in Franklin that require a membership, dues or enrollment in a program for use and may not be free for use by the public. A complete list can be found in Appendix C.

Table 5-1: Private Recreation Areas¹⁷

Property Name	Street Address	Parcel Size (Acres)	Existing Uses/Facilities
Harborwood Association Playground	21 Parliament Drive	2.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playground • Recreational courts (basketball)

¹⁷ Public and Private Recreation Sites in Franklin. Provided by Ryan Jette, Director, Franklin Recreation Department on May 23, 2023

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recreational fields (baseball, softball)
Franklin Country Club	372 East Central Street	119.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Golf course • Pool • Clubhouse
Camp Haistan	722 Summer Street	98.10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family camping • Cabins • Recreational courts (tennis, basketball) • Boat launch • Swimming area • Summer camp
Franklin Rod & Gun Club	51 Florence Street	2.40	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beach • Picnic area • Fishing area
YMCA	45 Forge Hill Road	7.80	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playground • Indoor/outdoor pool • Recreational courts (basketball, tennis) • Weight room • Indoor track • Skateboard facility • Summer camp • Childcare • Programming
Planet Fitness	166 Grove Street	6.50	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recreational courts (basketball) • Weight room • Aerobic room • Family karate center • Daycare
NRG Labs	100 Franklin Village	0.40	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weight room • Aerobic room • Crossfit studio • Cardio center
Adirondack Club	800 Chestnut Street	11.30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playground • Indoor/outdoor pools • Weight room • Lounge • Recreational courts (tennis) • Daycare
Dean College Fields (Longley Field)	169 Maple Street	76.89	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recreational fields (soccer, baseball, softball, football) • Concessions

Chapter 61, Chapter 61A & Chapter 61B Lands

Parcels taxed under the Chapter 61 (Forestry), Chapter 61A (Agriculture), and Chapter 61B (Recreation) tax classification are in private ownership and are not protected open space areas. The tax classification enables the lands to be taxed at their use value rather than the full fair market value. The Town has the right of first refusal if the parcels are sold prior to the expiration of the tax-abated status. Owners of land classified under Chapters 61, 61A, and 61B must notify the Town before selling or converting the land to another use. The Town has 120 days to decide whether to exercise the option to purchase the land. This allows the Town to protect individual open space parcels as they enter the market or become threatened by development.

As of May 2023, approximately 1,107 acres of land in Franklin is under this tax classification. Parcels taxed under Chapter 61/61A/61B are listed in Appendix B. The largest of these properties totals approximately 115 acres at the Franklin Country Club. These lands and several other large parcels currently classified as Chapter 61/A/B lands would be of interest for acquisition should they become available for sale. As shown by Table 5-2, there has been an approximate 285 acre decrease in Chapter 61/A/B acreage since 2008. These lands are shown in further detail on Map 12 in Appendix E.

Table 5-2: Chapter 61, Chapter 61A & Chapter 61B Lands

Type	Total Size (rounded to the nearest tenth acre)		
	2008	2016	2023
Total Acres Chapter 61 Land	29.7	12.7	0
Total Acres Chapter 61A Land	670.1	556.3	299.3
Total Acres of Chapter 61A/B Land	62.0	NO DATA	138.6
Total Acres Chapter 61B Land	530.2	540.1	569.3
Total Chapter 61, 61A & 61B Lands	1,292.0	1,109.1 +/-	1,007.2

Other Private Parcels

In addition to the private lands classified above, there are a significant amount of lands that are privately owned, but not classified in any of the aforementioned categories. These parcels are privately owned, but considered not permanently protected parcels. Parcels that fall into this category are lands that are 10-acres or more and containing no structures. The impact of development is potentially detrimental to the visual character and ecological function of the landscape should these large parcels be sold for a purpose other than conservation. Parcels such as these are of potential interest to the Town for future acquisition to ensure they remain in their current state.

5.B. Public and Non-Profit Parcels

The Town of Franklin owns and operates numerous open space and recreation areas. These parcels are essential to the vitality of the Town as they offer residents a variety of recreational opportunities ranging from swimming areas and playgrounds to forest lands for hiking and passive recreation. Franklin also contains hundreds of acres of tax-exempt property. These parcels include non-profit organizations, private recreation land and major institutional holdings. Tax-exempt parcels are privately owned, and in most cases, not protected open spaces. Alternatively, some of these lands are publicly owned, but not

publicly accessible, such as the 487 acres owned by the federal government, of which nearly 100% are used for water resource protection and flood storage. Shown below in Table 503 is a brief summary of Town owned recreation areas (excluding schools). A complete can be found in Appendix C.

Table 5-3: Town Owned (Public) Recreation Areas (Excluding Schools)¹⁸

Property Name	Street Address	Parcel Size (Acres)	Existing Uses/Facilities
<i>King Street Memorial Park</i>	<i>740 King Street</i>	<i>25.87</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Playground with zipline</i> • <i>Recreational fields (baseball (2), soccer)</i> • <i>Recreational courts (basketball, pickleball (2), sand volleyball, bocce)</i> • <i>Bike racks</i> • <i>Picnic tables</i> • <i>Bathroom and concession facility with covered pavilion</i> • <i>58 community garden bed</i>
Fletcher Field	45 Peck Street	13.23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playground • Recreational fields (tee ball (3), baseball (2), senior baseball) • Recreational courts (basketball (2), street hockey (2)) • Batting cages (3) • Concessions • Bike racks • Picnic area • Bathroom
Dacey Community Field	661 Lincoln Street	95.70	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playground • Recreational fields (baseball (2), soccer (1 small, 2 large)) • Batting cage • Trails • Bike racks • Picnic tables • Disc golf • Dog park
Henry "Ski" Faenza Memorial Playground (Nason Street Tot Lot)	22 Nason Street	0.54	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playground • Picnic tables
Sculpture Park	353 Panther Way	3.50	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paths • Picnic tables • Benches
Town Common	200 Main Street	4.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community stage/bandstand

¹⁸ Ibid.

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Memorials • Paths • Benches
Beaver Pond/Chilson Beach	420 Beaver Street	26.90	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playground • Recreational field (multi-use) • Artificial turf obstacle fitness course • Lacrosse rebound wall • Beach • Boat launch • Swim dock • Picnic tables • Bathroom • Concessions
Pisani Field (formally Theron Metcalf)	38 Peck Street	3.70	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recreation fields (softball (2)) • Bathrooms • Concessions • Batting cages (2)
Pirelli Veterans Arena	910 Panther Way	6.70	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ice skating/hockey rink (indoor) • Bathrooms • Locker rooms
DelCarte Conservation Area**	459 Pleasant Street	106.41	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playground • Trails • Canoe/kayak launch • Boardwalk • Fishing dock
Meadowlark Lane Complex	39 Meadowlark Lane	2.50	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playground • Recreational fields (baseball, soccer) • Concessions
Riverbend Conservation Area**	900 Lincoln Street	14.51	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trails

*Pirelli Veterans Arena is State owned; however the Town of Franklin maintains a small park at this site.

*Areas marked with an ** are designated Conservation Areas with Recreation Department facilities

Public Schools with Recreation Areas within Franklin

The Town contains 11 school properties, nine of which are Town-owned, that contain recreational areas and/or facilities for public use. All schools that have playgrounds are ADA compliant. Table 5-4 summarizes the public schools and their associated recreation areas and facilities. Please note that public schools and their associated recreation areas and facilities are not permanently protected areas.

Table 5-4: Public Schools with Recreation Areas within Franklin

Property Name	Street Address	Parcel Size (Acres)	Existing Uses/Facilities
JFK Elementary	551 Pond Street	15.30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playground • Recreation field (baseball) • Court (basketball)

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gymnasium
Parmenter Elementary	235 Wachusett Street	20.49	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playground • Recreational field (baseball) • Court (basketball) • Trails • Gymnasium
Keller Elementary	500 Lincoln Street	14.56	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playground • Recreational fields (softball) • Gymnasium
Annie Sullivan Middle	628 Washington Street	47.03	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recreational fields (soccer, lacrosse) • Gymnasium
Jefferson Elementary			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playground • Recreational fields (baseball, football) • Gymnasium
Remington Middle	224 Oak Street	71.90	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recreational fields (soccer, softball (2)) • Court (basketball) • Gymnasium
Oak Street Elementary			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playground • Recreational field • Gymnasium
F.X. O'Reagan Early Childhood Development Center			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playground
Franklin High School			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stadium with bleachers • Track • Recreational fields (baseball (2), softball (2), soccer- turf (2), football - turf (2)) • Recreational courts (tennis) • Gymnasium • Walking track
Tri County Regional Vocational Technical High School	147 Pond Street	60.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recreational fields (baseball, softball, soccer, football) • Track • Gymnasium
Benjamin Franklin Classical Charter Public School	500 Financial Park	22.03	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playground • Recreational fields • Gymnasium

Protected/Partially Protected Public Open Space

Within Franklin there are approximately 2,000 acres of land reserved for uses such as hiking, biking, and passive recreation, including areas used for uses such as water resource protection and flood control. Of this, approximately 1,100 acres are protected Conservation and open space areas. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts owns

approximately 838 acres of protected land, of which just over 758 acres comprise the State Forest. Metacomet Land Trust, a non-profit conservation organization that is dedicated to the protection of open space and natural resources, owns approximately 63 acres of public open space. Table 5-5 details some of the more significant protected public open space parcels, but a complete list is found in Appendix C.

Table 5-5: Protected/Partially Protected Public Open Space

Property Name	Street Address	Property Owner	Parcel Size (acres; rounded to the nearest tenth)	Current Use(s)
Town Forest	Summer Street	Town of Franklin	181.9	Hiking, trails
Riverbend Conservation Area	Lincoln Street	Town of Franklin	40.1	Hiking, biking, cross country skiing, trails,
DelCorte Conservation Area	459 Pleasant Street	Town of Franklin	106.4	Hiking, biking, cross country skiing, trails, fishing
State Forest	Beaver and Grove Street	Commonwealth of Massachusetts	843.0	Hiking, biking, cross country skiing, trails, horseback riding, hunting
SNETT	Grove Street	Commonwealth of Massachusetts	22.0	Hiking, biking, trails
Reid Memorial Conservation Area	Daniels Road	Metacomet Land Trust	14.5	Hiking, trails
Lady Bug Trail	Coronation Drive	Metacomet Land Trust	1.76	Hiking, trails, outdoor nature classroom
Dawn Marie Circle	Dawn Marie Circle	Metacomet Land Trust	10.50	Hiking, trails
Franklin Woods	Lincoln Street	Metacomet Land Trust	41.8	Hiking, trails
Maple Hill	Bridle Path	Town of Franklin	69.7	Hiking, biking, trails
Schmidt's Farm	215 Prospect Street	Town of Franklin	155.0	TBA
Indian Rock	King Philip Road	Town of Franklin	75.9	Hiking, trails
Unnamed	Addison Ave, Mulberry Lane, Silver Fox Road	Town of Franklin	67.1	Hiking, trails

SECTION 6: COMMUNITY VISION

6.A. Description of Process

This 2023 OSRP update is the product of extensive public input and conversations among various stakeholders, community organizations, and Franklin residents.

Planning for the 2023 OSRP update began in the fall of 2022, with the Franklin Commission collectively serving as the lead agency in the OSRP update, in partnership with DPCD and the Recreation Department.

The process of collecting input proceeded along two parallel tracks. On one hand, DPCD and the Commission engaged in a substantial public engagement process, while Town staff simultaneously worked internally via a staff working group.

Public Outreach

More than 100 community organizations and stakeholder groups, through a series of communications, a Citizen Participation Questionnaire, and approximately two dozen public meetings (which were held both in person at Franklin Municipal Building and the Franklin Senior Center, and via Zoom and YouTube), beginning in December of 2022 and continuing through June of 2023.

- Public meetings included bi-weekly stakeholder meetings that were held in conjunction with the Commission's regular hearings and organized around particular themes, bi-weekly office hours intended to address questions and gather input on the OSRP process in a more informal setting, and three public hearings, which were structured around (1) the Town's progress since the 2016 OSRP update, (2) the goals of the 2023 OSRP update, and (3) a review of the draft 2023 OSRP update. Themes of the above-referenced stakeholder meetings included a review of Recreation programming and enrollment and existing Recreation facilities; a review of the Franklin Public School facilities and anticipated needs in the coming years; discussions of certain key open space and conservation areas, such as Schmidt's Farm, Maple Hill, Riverbend, and DelCarte; discussions around accessibility, including facilities that are not fully accessible and strategies for promoting increased accessibility, particularly to persons with disabilities and families with young children; and discussions around protecting and sustaining the Town's conservation areas, wetland resource areas, and forests.
- Additionally, more than 700 residents provided detailed feedback in response to the Citizen Participation Questionnaire, which was distributed via email, through the Conservation Department's website, and at select locations including Franklin Municipal Building, the Franklin Public Library, and the Franklin Senior Center. These detailed responses are in addition to many written comments and suggestions that were received via email and through a Google form that was made available through the Conservation webpage. Results from the Citizen Participation Questionnaire can be found in Appendix A.

Staff Working Group

Town officials and staff met regularly to discuss and identify goals, objectives and action items for the 2023 OSRP update based on their understanding and analysis of existing

and future Town needs, and based on public input received throughout the OSRP process. The OSRP staff working group included representatives of DPCD, the Recreation Department, the Public Works Department, Building and Inspectional Services, the GIS Department, and Franklin Public Schools, among others.

6.B. Statement of Open Space and Recreation Goals

The overall open space and recreation vision for the Town of Franklin was developed through public input and guidance from Town officials and community groups. Throughout the process of gathering public and staff comments, input and feedback, several themes emerged, including:

- a. Many of the open space and recreation facilities around Town are not fully accessible, particularly for people who use wheelchairs and people with strollers and young children. For example, at several locations, wheelchairs are unable to move about due to surfacing materials (e.g., wood chips and gravel, which are not accessible surfaces), steep grades, or narrow entrances. Likewise, it was noted that several locations are not conducive to strollers and at other locations there are not adequate safety barriers between play areas and parking areas/drive aisles. Relatedly, many of the open space and recreation areas lack permanent, accessible restroom facilities, posing a challenge for visitors to those areas.
- b. Residents are generally not aware of all of the public open spaces throughout Town, and there may be a need for broader methods of communication to better educate residents about the various public open spaces, as well as for improved signage to direct residents toward areas that are not as prominently located.
- c. Recreational facilities (including those that are located on Franklin Public School grounds) are typically at capacity almost every day of the week. This poses a challenge for Recreation Department staff in managing the various groups and individuals looking to utilize those facilities, particularly given the lack of available space for expanding existing Recreational facilities. For example, the Recreation Department does not have enough indoor gym space to accommodate all of the requests from various organizations looking to reserve space. The lack of available facilities also inhibits the ability of new activities, such as pickleball or cricket, to expand in Town.
- d. The Town has recently acquired two significant parcels of land through the use of CPA funding: Maple Hill, and Schmidt's Farm. Both represent unique opportunities and come with their own sets of challenges. For example, Maple Hill is inhibited by a lack of public access points and parking and is integrated within existing residential neighborhoods. Schmidt's Farm is one of the last large and predominantly agricultural parcels in Town. Residents, stakeholders, and Town staff highlighted the need for separate parcel specific plans for both of these areas to ensure that any future use of Maple Hill and Schmidt's Farm are inclusive of Town residents, while also respecting the existing neighbors, legacies, and uses these parcels provide. Relatedly, residents are broadly in favor of continuing to utilize CPA funding in furtherance of future opportunities like Maple Hill and Schmidt's Farm.

The collective comments, input and feedback of residents, participating stakeholder organizations and Town staff helped to generate objectives and proposed actions for the 2023 OSRP update, which are oriented around three principle themes that encompass the vision for the Town:

- (1) Inclusivity and Connectivity** – As the Town looks to enhance its existing open and recreational spaces and plan for future improvements to those spaces, the Town should do so with a particular emphasis on expanding access to and awareness of those spaces, especially for the elderly, persons with disabilities and families with young children. Along those same lines, the Town should develop strategies to promote pedestrian and bicycle connectivity between existing open and recreational spaces, particularly with respect to spaces where there is little available parking, so as to facilitate the use of those spaces by individuals who don't live in the immediate neighborhood.
- (2) Growth** – emphasis on identifying individuals, organizations and activities that are currently underserved by existing open space and recreation areas. This goal includes creating strategies to enable new activities at the Town's existing facilities, and to adapt and/or create new facilities where the existing facilities cannot accommodate activities that are growing in popularity and in which Franklin has an opportunity to become a regional leader.
- (3) Sustainability** – emphasis on balancing the utilization of existing open space and recreational areas, and on new development in Town, with the need to preserve and strengthen the Town's natural resources, particularly existing conservation areas, wetland resource areas and forests. These resources play a critical role in insulating and mitigating the effects of climate change and global warming, and absent proactive sustainability measures, these areas will progressively become less effective and more prone to natural disasters such as drought, disease, and invasive species.

We envision a Town that meets the needs of its residents by providing a safe and healthy environment in which to enjoy the many open space and recreational opportunities. We also hope to maintain the community character that makes Franklin a desirable town to live in and also to visit.

SECTION 7: ANALYSIS OF NEEDS

The Town conducted an analysis of needs based on input gathered from three public hearings, twenty focus group meetings for over 100 identified stakeholder groups, a Citizen Participation Questionnaire, a citizen feedback form, and emails received by Town staff over the course of eight months. The summary of needs below resulted from the input gathered during this public engagement process of the 2023 Open Space and Recreation Plan. All questionnaire results can be found in Appendix A and a comprehensive list of public comments, meeting minutes, and review letters be found in Appendix B.

Information gathered from the survey helped the Commission Department and Commission formulate goals and objectives that address residents' desire for things such as **improved accessibility** (for example, a greater number of respondents (139) responded that they were "dissatisfied" or "very dissatisfied" with availability of Recreational spaces for persons with disabilities than those who responded as being "satisfied" or "very satisfied" with such availability (117)), **better connectivity** (64% of respondents rate accessibility to open space, natural areas and/or Recreation destinations by walking or biking as "very important"), **improving existing conservation lands for Recreation, habitat and biodiversity** (83% of respondents rate this as either a medium priority or high priority), and **acquiring conservation lands for passive Recreation** (70% of respondents rate this as either a medium priority or high priority). A slight majority of respondents (55%) rated the acquisition or construction of additional Recreation facilities as a medium or high priority, whereas a significant majority (80%) rated improving existing Recreational facilities as a medium or high priority.

7.A. Summary of Resource Protection Need

The landscape of Franklin contains many valuable natural resources in need of preservation and continued protection. Landscapes such as wetlands, rivers, streams, fields, pastures and forestlands should be prioritized for protection. These areas provide insurmountable ecosystem services such as but not limited to, climate change mitigation; carbon sequestration; heat island reduction; natural hazard regulation; neutralization, filtering, and buffering of pollutants; water and air quality improvement; water storage and flood protection; erosion control; habitat; biodiversity and genetic resources; and opportunities for recreation, education, and cultural enrichment. Waterbodies most in need of ongoing protection include the Charles River and Mine Brook, in addition to several other large bodies of water including, Beaver Pond and Uncas Pond. These areas require specialized attention as they are home to priority habitats for threatened and/or endangered species and their aquifers are utilized as sources for public drinking water.

Common themes for resource protection identified throughout the public engagement process include, but are not limited to, trail maintenance, trail and boundary markers, habitat improvement, invasive species management, tree protection, and aquatic connectivity.

Since the last iteration of the Franklin Open Space and Recreation Plan (2016), approximately 200 acres have been acquired as open space through funds provided by the CPA. Most notably, the Town of Franklin acquired Schmidt's Farm and adjacent

properties (approximately 130 acres) off of Prospect Street and a property called Maple Hill off of Bridle Path (approximately 70 acres). Potential uses, managing organizations, and objectives for each property will be finalized during parcel specific planning processes, however in an effort to mobilize the community these properties were discussed in length during the public engagement process for this Open Space and Recreation Plan. Notable comments regarding both of these properties can be found below in Table 7A-1 and 7A-2. Additional comments can be found in Table 7A-3.

Another notable theme that presented itself throughout the entirety of the public engagement process was that of a municipal wide wildlife (aquatic/terrestrial) and recreational corridor, colloquially known as the “Franklin Greenway”. This concept mirrors that of the Emerald Necklace in Boston, with a distinct focus on terrestrial and aquatic habitat and trail connectivity, especially between neighborhoods and schools. Internal discussions are underway to expand the open space and recreational areas connectivity within the Town of Franklin, specifically discussions to acquire more land adjacent existing publically accessible land. Details of the Franklin Greenway are to be considered and further expended upon during the upcoming Master Plan update process.

While the need to protect the natural resources of Franklin appears to be largely understood and supported (see Table 7A-4), educational and regulatory measures are still needed to help preserve the natural environment as a whole and to encourage conservation for resource protection and all of the ecosystem services therein.

Table 7A-1: Memorable comments throughout the public engagement process regarding Schmidt’s Farm

Comment 1: “I applaud the town of Franklin for saving this property from development, however, I would strongly suggest that the property (or the majority of it) remain in agricultural production. Massachusetts loses farmland at an alarming rate, and once gone, there is nothing to replace it. Our state has a good number of young farmers that cannot afford to purchase land, by leasing the property it would give the town a return on its investment while making farming more affordable to the next generation. I respectfully ask that you consider this option for the property’s future use.”
Comment 2: “I’m not sure what the plan is for the farm mentioned in the 2023 video, but I would love to be able walk fields/Open Space similar to that of the Leland Wild piece of conservation land in Norfolk. There are birdhouses lining portions of the path there. The Open Space is awesome.”
Comment 3: “I would love to see a dog park on the new property acquired by the Town of Franklin formerly known as Schmidt’s Farm at 215 Prospect St. Also some kind of Community Farm, as like the one in Medway, Mass. Hiking trails for nature walks. If you do plan to save the barn, it could be another community center that could offer classes for artist, crafts and assorted workshops. (Kite making to fly in the field). Also when my daughter was younger she would fly model rockets off in the fields. We had a blast doing this.”
Comment 4: “I think the purchase of Schmidt’s Farm opens up almost an endless amount of opportunities for everyone no matter what they are into there could be something for everyone”
Comment 5: “Develop Schmidt’s Farm into a town used property for learning about conservation and agriculture. We develop multiple trails on the property of varying ability levels. These trails could skirt gardens showing a rain garden vegetable garden and help people learn and understand how care for and take care of land, grow vegetables for themselves. Trails could be made for the schools to hold cross country meets at saving bus fees to places like Borderland park in Easton, or Franklin Park in Boston. If the barn was rehabbed it could be used for education and even rented out to town’s people for private functions. This could also possibly happen on Maple St property as well.”

<p>Comment 6: “Community barn or farm idea would be neat. Somehow work with the food pantry on this- could be a very interesting project. More nature trails would be great maybe a long the Charles River, outdoor areas for the schools to use for field trips and local learning.”</p>
<p>Comment 7: “Preserve it as a WORKING farm”</p>
<p>Comment 8: “I met the owner of the property and understand that the farm had historically been a hay field farm. I would like to preserve this tradition, and utilize this land as a valuable resource for growing grass and hay production. I was told that the children love the field for flying kites as a Recreational sport. I love this concept of using this field for Open Space and Recreation. As you know I am a member of NEMBA and would also be very interested if feasible, to construct and build mountain bike trails and bridges on the property. Otherwise maintain the property as passive Recreation, and active hay production would be desirable.”</p>
<p>Comment 9: “To be able to save the barn for use by the town as a functioning meeting space as well as a learning center</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This could be as a rentable space for functions, small rooms for a learning center, storage for equipment for onsite property maintenance> • Pollinator beds could be planted and maintained by the agricultural commission around the base of the barn not only as learning aspect but also to enhance the beauty of the structure. • A pervious parking area with an area to expand it needed. <p>A small community garden could be prepared for Franklin residents who want a larger patch of garden than offered at the King Street grounds.</p> <p>Some of the fields could be hayed by local farmers to preserve the boundaries of such fields.</p> <p>Small sections of fields could be rented out to local farmers for crops or start-up farming.</p> <p>Several trails could be planned, built, maintained, all with various clubs or residents.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently the cross country teams are bused to some of their meets to Borderland Park in Easton or Franklin Park. If they had a cross country trail at Schmidt’s Farm meets could be held there saving on busing fees. • Exercise trails with different stops to exercise. • Informative walking trails with info plaques describing plants, wetland. <p>Find a use for the property which would keep it in Agricultural use.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Possibly by leasing to a farm this could be done. • Developing a forestry plan and selling some of the logs could help fund projects on this land. <p>As stated at previous OSRP meeting someone, (Manager, Director, and Department Head) needs to be created to control new and existing Open Space in Town.”</p>
<p>Comment 10: “I really liked the idea of the community farm and giving kids a chance to learn how to grow the nutritious food that we all should be eating. The Food Pantry was another winner too. I also thought about the reference of the Norfolk Aggie, since my father was a 1934 graduate and learned so much about farming...I liked the idea of the wildlife release program since there are coyotes, deer, wild turkeys, and always lots of birds...I also thought of another activity for anyone who likes to look at the night sky. It is a good place to check out because of the limited amount of light sources. The shooting stars that they have at all different times of year are amazing.”</p>

Table 7A-2: Memorable comments throughout the public engagement process regarding Maple Hill

Comment 1: “Maple Hill could use a organized group to maintain the existing trail network and maybe improve the main loop for families and seniors by putting down a gravel walkway”
Comment 2: “Please keep Maple Hill natural – just trails for walking/jogging with separate trails for biking”
Comment 3: “Maple Hill needs parking and trail maintenance, marking”
Comment 4: I look forward to seeing what the town would like to do, hopefully keep it natural. If you can kind of get away, get some fresh air and a little exercise, and we have been talking a little bit about just having it be an educational opportunity with the wetlands and vernal pools, maybe we have another vernal pool back there that we got to figure out. There’s just a lot of nature going on, and things, it’s all going to be very interesting to watch too, because quite a big chunk of it was logged, which you guys were probably aware of, and it’s already coming back. My trees are coming back.
Comment 5: My wife and I enjoy the natural trails that already exist around Franklin. We haven’t had the chance to see the Maple Hill area yet, and I just want to voice our opinion that the natural beauty of that parcel is maintained, and try to keep it as close to natural as possible.
Comment 6: So, there are some wonderful trails there, there’s a lot of small trails, so I think there’ just great opportunity for peaceful type of trails. I also do walk the Metacomet, which is kind of adjacent, and it would be wonderful to keep those connections.
Comment 7: I would like to help do some improvements back there, but I’m not sure what improvements are acceptable. Some improvements might be trail signage that points (to a) path number 1, or give it a name, that it goes this way and you’re on that path, and if you want to branch out to a different path, you’re now on that path, because there are different loops that are in there. There’s in my mind, really two 1-mile loops that are in there inside the same property that were sort of side-by-side loops. One was the main route, and the others were secondary routes. There’s also other routes, some I’ve never been on but they’re out there. So, some of the standing practices of ‘what’s acceptable use’ and ‘what’s acceptable to do’. Right now, we sort of do things because it’s out there, and the deer don’t bother us and we don’t bother them, and we go for our walk and we come back and we have a smile on our face, and we hope that’s okay. So, if there’s a way to understand how we can help, and what practices are acceptable, and which paths and properties we can go on. The first gentleman talked about the Conservation Land; I don’t even know if they like us walking on it or not, it would be nice to know. Those are my thoughts and questions.

Table 7A-3: Other notable comments throughout the public engagement process relating to resource needs

Comment 1: “In regard to conservation areas, we need to put effort into removing invasive plants and replacing them with native species. This has to be an ongoing effort as the invasive plants will simply come back if there is no mechanism to keep them from doing so. Please consider volunteer opportunities to help with this, led by people who are experienced in this process.”
Comment 2: “Pollinator Pathway - Franklin would benefit from participating in the Pollinator Pathway program. It could be a great opportunity for a conservation-minded volunteer group to concentrate their efforts. There are many ways to participate, from labor intensive removal of invasive plants to basic education efforts. Existing groups that might be interested: Schools, Senior Center, Community Garden, Girl/Boy Scouts, Garden Club... this program could dovetail nicely with the rain garden program, especially with the new stormwater utility fees going into effect”
Comment 3: “Better trail markings in Franklin Forest”
Comment 4: “Longer walking trails, water trails showing wetlands restoration”
Comment 5: “Get rid of dirt bikers or at the very least Franklin can make access on their conservation land more difficult by repairing fences, posting signage, encouraging police enforcement. By the land adjacent to the State Forest on Spring and Grove Streets to preserve those lands.”

Comment 6: "Since the town has shown no interest in this land, the neighborhoods have taken it on themselves to maintain and mark the trails. As a town we really lack a clear point of contact for who is in charge of the trails in town. Even this committee is very vague on if it is part of the charter. I suggest forming a distinct group that handles the creation and maintenance of the trails in town."
Comment 7: "Clear some more shore line to create space to accommodate more fishing spots."
Comment 8: "Replace invasive plants with native species."
Comment 9: "Invasive species management (e.g. oriental bittersweet)"
Comment 10: "Adopt a park for clean up and improve public awareness for Leave No Trace"
Comment 11: "Town Forest needs beautifying and signage. Very neglected."
Comment 12: "Establish programs that encourage younger folks to participate in outdoor activities at town parks and playgrounds."
Comment 13: "Management program to control Deer population. Allowing residents to Bow hunt to reduce deer numbers. Archer hunting is a safe practice the state of Massachusetts and other locals have used to control a growing deer numbers in the state of Massachusetts."
Comment 14: "Trail markers & plant IDs."
Comment 15: "Clean up of waters edge"
Comment 16: "Stop chopping trees around Beaver Pond! Organize regular trash cleanups, esp along I495 embankment, put a cage around end of water intake pipe so beavers can't block it, provide educational signage about the wildlife at Beaver's pond, reduce size of parking lot and restore to natural state (there is twice the parking area needed)."
Comment 17: "Active efforts to address invasive bittersweet,"

Table 7A-4: Number of Residents Identifying How Important Each Resource Is to Preserve

*The highlighted cells indicate the highest survey response per category

	Not at all important	Less important	Neutral	Somewhat important	Very important
Historic buildings	19	47	83	266	278
Historic or scenic landscapes	10	25	58	239	359
Land containing archaeological resources	14	32	98	245	299
Woodland/forested areas	5	12	26	136	515
Undeveloped land for future generations	11	17	80	155	424
Undeveloped land for future Recreational needs	12	30	91	252	301
Land for protection of water resources	5	8	33	123	521
Land for protection of wildlife habitat, ecosystem functions, and climate resiliency	6	11	35	130	511
Land for groundwater protection	8	4	46	133	501
Land for landscape connectivity/connections to other land	14	30	138	202	297
Land abutting existing Conservation Areas	14	24	111	226	313

Land for farming or that is in active agricultural use	13	25	109	208	329
Land that is important to mitigating the effects of climate change (e.g., floodplains, river corridors)	18	21	50	160	435
Land provides public access to waterbodies	18	27	96	200	342

7.B. Summary of Community Needs

Results of the public engagement process were extremely helpful in identifying what Franklin residents maintain are the biggest open space and recreation needs for the Town.

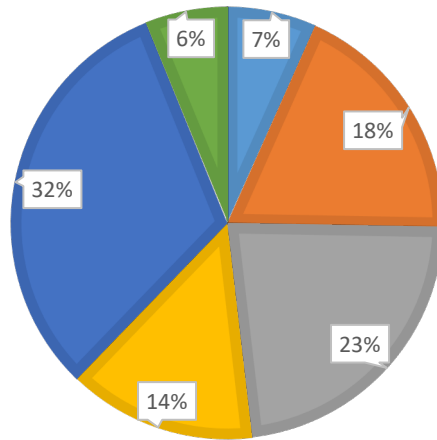
A total of 713 residents responded to the Citizen Participation Questionnaire. Demographic information showed that 44% are over the age of 65 and 6% of respondents require access accommodations to open space and recreation Areas. Likewise, 64% responded that it is “very important” that open space and recreation areas are accessible, specifically by walking or biking (see Graph 7B-3). This correlates strongly to the 66% and 56% of respondents that believe there are sufficient sidewalks or walkways within their immediate neighborhood and that major roads should be striped for bike lanes, respectively.

The majority of respondents are presumed to be well acquainted with the existing open space and recreation areas. Of the 713 respondents, 77% stated that they have previously participated in a Town sponsored recreation activity or recreated at a Town open space or Conservation Area. Only 6% of respondents do not use Conservation Areas, and only 14% do not use municipal or school owned recreation facilities (see Graph 7B-1 and 7B-2).

When asked what open space and recreation facilities the Town needed most, respondents requested more Conservation Areas, trails, and bike paths were the three most popular responses. An expanded community garden was a close fourth. Based on the survey responses, there appears to be a strong desire for additional passive recreation facilities. Overall, the majority of respondents are satisfied or very satisfied with the availability of places to recreate (see Graph 7B-4). Resident desires for improvement and expansion of passive recreation activities and facilities are consistent with regional and national trends.

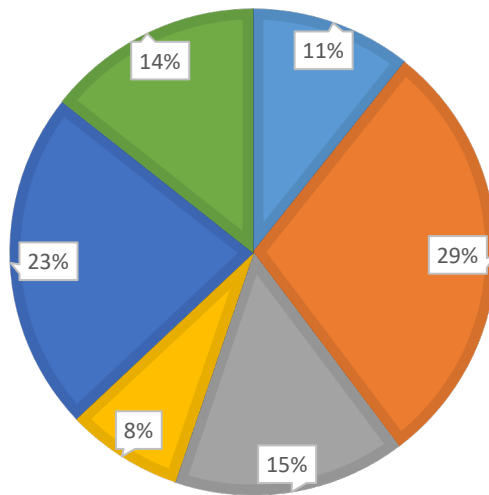
GRAPH 7B-1: FREQUENCY OF USE PER RESIDENT FOR CONSERVATION AREAS

■ Almost every day ■ Weekly ■ 1-2 times per month on average
■ Once a month on average ■ A few times per year ■ Never or not applicable



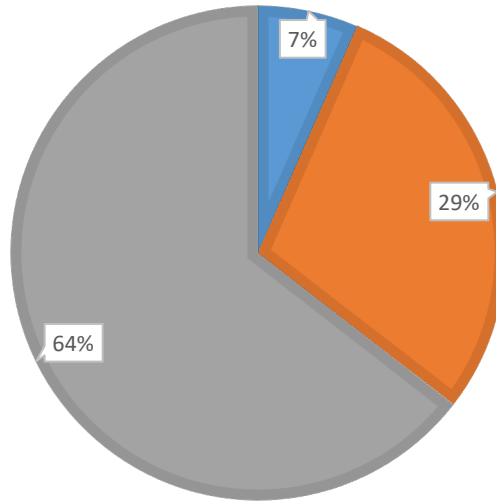
GRAPH 7B-2: FREQUENCY OF USE PER RESIDENT FOR MUNICIPAL OR SCHOOL OWNED RECREATION FACILITIES

■ Almost every day ■ Weekly ■ 1-2 times per month on average
■ Once a month on average ■ A few times per year ■ Never or not applicable

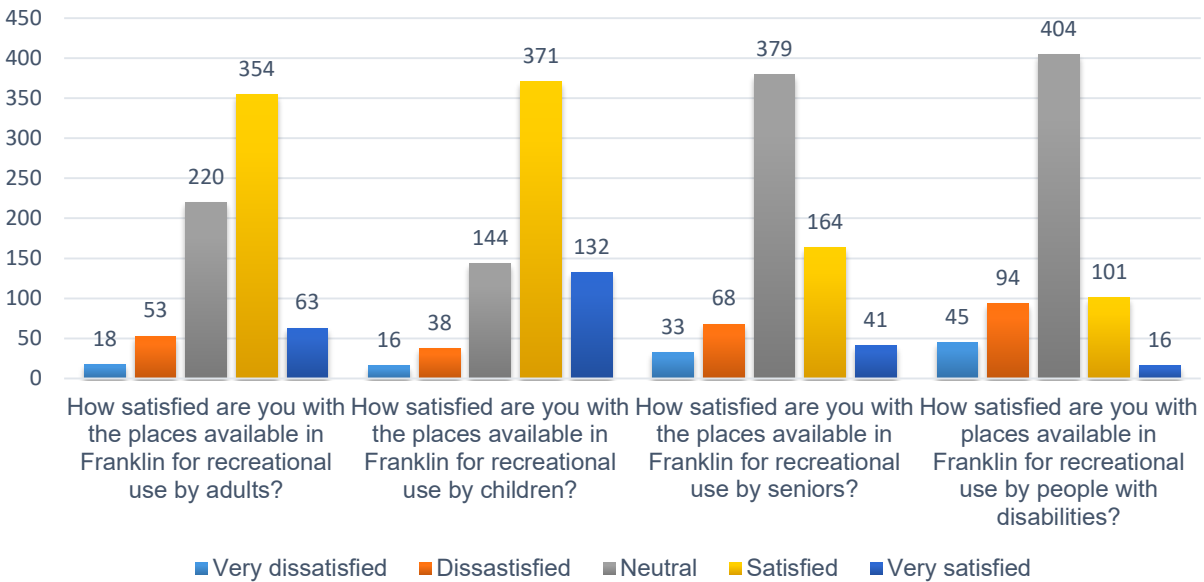


GRAPH 7B-3: IMPORTANCE TO RESIDENTS ON ACCESSIBILITY TO OPEN SPACE, NATURAL AREAS, AND/OR RECREATION DESTINATIONS BY WALKING OR BIKING

■ Not important ■ Moderately important ■ Very important



GRAPH 7B-4: RESIDENT SATISFACTION



Analysis of survey data show that a respondent's opinion of which facilities the Town needs have shifted since the 2016 Plan. For example: the most popular activities from respondents with individuals 65 years and over in their households from 2016 were visiting state parks and swimming. The most popular activities from respondents with individuals 65 years and over in 2023 were pickleball, nature photography, picnicking, and fishing. For those households with residents less than 18 years, the 2016 Plan identified the most popular activities as ballfield sports, playground activities, and

swimming. Surprisingly, the most popular activities in 2023 for households with residents less than 18 years are basketball, soccer, picnicking, and nature photography. Based on these results, it can be assumed that more residents are spending time appreciating and passively recreating in open spaces than prior years.

In an effort to represent all community members of Franklin and provide an equitable experience of the natural world, environmental education and accessibility were two key concepts discussed throughout the public engagement process. The community felt strongly that there was an opportunity to educate citizens not only about the need for protection of natural resources, but also the location of open space and recreation areas within the community, as well as their habitats and ecological function. In addition many residents wanted to see a greater availability of materials that described open space, Conservation, and recreation areas in Franklin and the uses allowed within. The topic of accessibility was preeminent, however.

Throughout the focus group meetings and public hearings, concerns over the true accessibility of the open space and recreation areas became a common theme. Several noteworthy critiques of Town accessibility include:

This is so exciting! Great work! As someone who navigates the world with disability, my top awareness is to develop spaces that are inclusive and accessible. There are a few main considerations to make this possible.

One: Paved pathways and trails. Surfaces such as stone dust and compacted dirt are not accessible. Someone trying to navigate those surfaces with devices such as a walker or wheelchair face the issue of wheels getting stuck, as well as a very bumpy trek - imagine driving down a street full of potholes and that's what it feels like for someone in a wheelchair to be pushed on stone dust or compacted dirt. In addition, someone with balance challenges would fall over within a few steps due to the uneven surface. Please consider having paved pathways and trails.

Two: Accessible entrances. Some locations, such as Del Carte in Franklin, are beautiful, but unfortunately are not inclusive, because it's impossible to get to the trail through the woods, or down/up the hill at the parking area, for someone with physical challenges. I tried accessing it in a wheelchair, and it did not go well. Please consider having paved, properly inclined paths leading from parking to any Recreational areas.

Three: Bathrooms. This benefits anyone, but especially those who have any challenges neurologically or other, with needing to use a restroom frequently.

Four: Playground surfaces and structures. Mulch, rubber pellets, and sand present barriers to those using mobility devices, have balance issues, or physical limitations. Please consider playground surfaces that are something such as the flat rubber type. Please also consider inclusive playground equipment.

Five: Seated areas. It's important to consider that many people will enjoy going for a walk around a park, but may need a break occasionally. Whether it's benches, picnic tables, or bleachers at a ball field, it's important to have seating options that are accessible from paved pathways. If there are benches or bleachers on grass, stonedust, compact dirt, etc, they are not accessible for someone with a wheelchair or walker, as well as present a challenge for someone with balance issues. Please consider seating areas that are accessible via paved pathways.

Other specific accessibility issues discussed included handicap parking at the DelCorte Conservation Area; accessible steps and/or handrails at the DelCorte and Riverbend Conservation Areas; parking and/or walkways to and from DelCorte Conservation Area, Riverbend Conservation Area, and Dacey Field; and sensory (i.e., braille) trails.

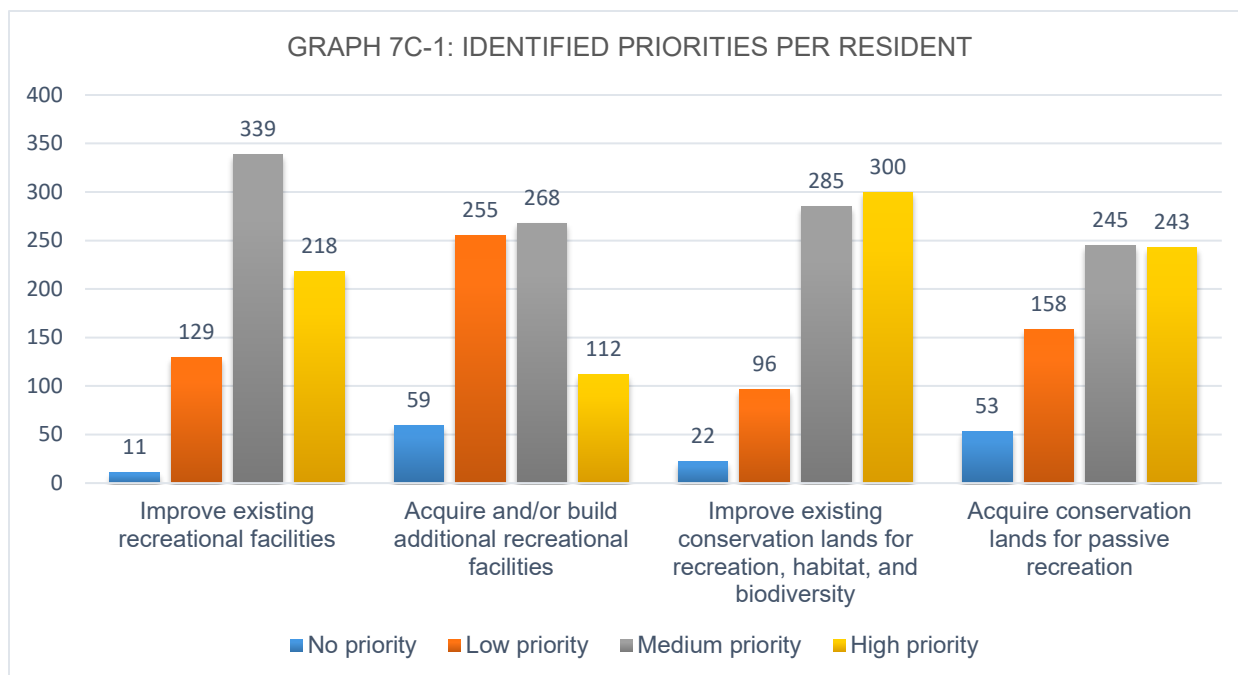
7.C. Management Needs, Potential Change of Use

There is a great need for additional Town resources to effectively and efficiently manage existing Conservation and recreation Areas (see Graph 7C-1). With the recent acquisition of additional property, there is a potential for a third-party managing organization to assist with this need. Of late, the Town has pursued Forest Stewardship Plans and other grants to offset these resource needs and costs. Unfortunately however, these funding sources are not sustainable long-term and additional sources are necessary if the Town wishes to continue to expand and evolve its open space and recreation goals.

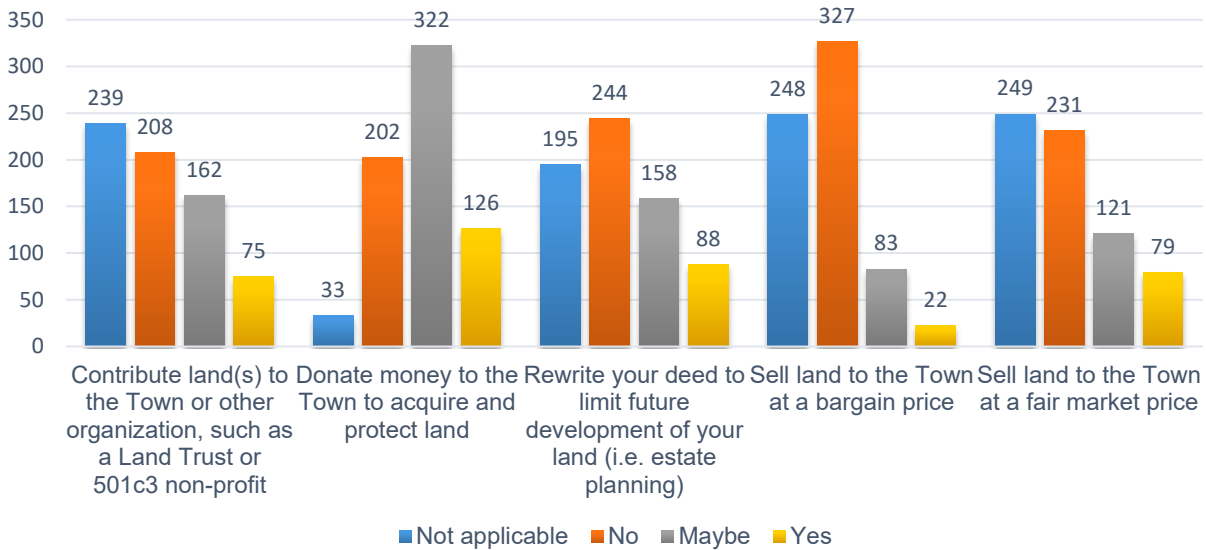
As reinforced by the Citizen Participation Questionnaire, 88% of respondents are in support of Town appropriations for acquisition or construction of additional recreational facilities and 88% are in support of Town appropriations for acquisition of open space. When asked what they would do to preserve open space, respondents generally appealed to donating money to the Town to acquire and protect land.

One option to achieve long term management and additional acquisitions, absent resident donations, is to increase in the CPA fund from 2% to 3%. When asked if an increase in the CPA would be supported, 44% of respondents said yes, while 34% said maybe (see Graph 7C-3). Alternatively, when asked if they would support seasonal or annual user fees to support recreational facilities or Conservation Areas, 55% of respondents said no.

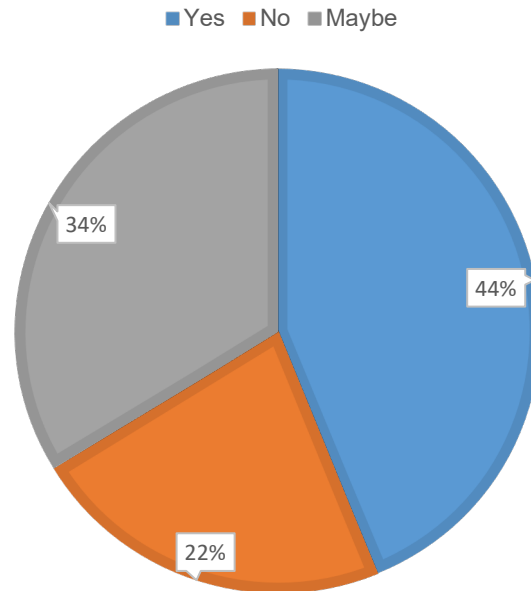
Overall, the identified community needs support future Town priorities and resource needs.



GRAPH 7C-2: ACTIONS SUPPORTED BY RESIDENTS TO PROTECT OPEN SPACE



GRAPH 7C-3: RESIDENT SUPPORT FOR TOWN TO INCREASE THE CONSERVATION PRESERVATION ACT (CPA) FUND TO 3%



SECTION 8: GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The goals and objectives for the Franklin 2023 OSRP are the product of extensive public input and comments, as well as close coordination and extensive planning by Town staff, led by DPCD and the Commission.

In particular, the OSRP goals and objectives reflect an analysis of the results of the Citizen Participation Questionnaire, which provided DPCD and the Commission with data on the current usage of existing open space and recreation areas, and residents' viewpoints on issues such as conservation and protection of natural resources; the availability, accessibility and condition of passive and active open space and recreational areas; and the need for improved connectivity between and among these spaces.

The survey responses, as well input from the public and Town staff, were compiled, assessed and used to formulate the goals and objectives of the 2023 OSRP update, centered on the three central themes of inclusivity and connectivity, growth of existing passive and active recreational opportunities, and sustainability and protection of natural resources. These goals and objectives, broken out into specific categories of action items below, are meant to be cohesive and complementary of each other and created to address the desires, needs and concerns of the residents of the Town of Franklin regarding open space and recreation.

2023 OSRP Goals

1. Increase public awareness of open space and recreational opportunities in Franklin.
2. Promote, preserve, and enhance existing open space resources.
3. Maximize recreational opportunities to meet the evolving needs of the community by maintaining current inventory of facilities and programs, and by providing new facilities and programs for both active and passive recreation.
4. Protect natural, historical, and cultural resources and maintain a New England character.
5. Preserve and protect water resources.

The goals and objectives of this Plan are not designed to operate in a vacuum, but rather to be pursued in conjunction with the goals and objectives of other land use documents especially in the forthcoming Master Plan update.

The following goals and objectives are identified to improve the quality of life for residents at neighborhood, town and regional level:

GOAL 1: Increase public awareness of open space and recreational opportunities in Franklin.

Objective 1.1: Install maps, directional, and interpretive signage at open space and recreation areas, including signage identifying and directing visitors to walking/hiking trail, bike paths and bike paths, and interconnected or nearby open space and recreational areas.

Objective 1.2: Create educational and/or outdoor programs to educate citizens about the natural environment and promote agricultural engagement within the community, including creating partnerships with Franklin High School, Tri-County Regional Vocational High School, Norfolk Aggie, Boy/Girl Scout Troops, Franklin Future Leaders, local sport teams, and other organizations.

Objective 1.3: Assist schools and other organizations with environmental science, conservation and sustainability education.

Objective 1.4: Encourage volunteer efforts to steward natural resources and sponsor town events that promote appreciation, awareness, and utilization of open space to foster a community sense of identification with the land and resources.

GOAL 2: Promote, preserve and enhance existing open space resources.

Objective 2.1: Create a plan for prioritization and acquisition of Chapter 61, 61A, and 61B properties, and ensure the availability of adequate CPA and open space funding for the acquisition and preservation of such properties if and as they become available to the Town.

Objective 2.2: Prioritize land owned by the Town and managed by the Commission for development of resiliency improvements, improved trails and walking paths, increased public access (with a particular emphasis on accessibility to persons with disabilities), and approval of conservation restrictions to ensure the land will be permanently protected.

Objective 2.3: Create a parcel specific plan for the Maple Hill parcel, which should at minimum include the following: identifying and constructing appropriate and accessible trail heads and corresponding parking facilities and locations; promoting public awareness including through off-site directional signage; balancing public access with the private property rights of adjacent neighborhoods; assessing the existing trail network; and promoting forest management best practices.

Objective 2.4: Create a parcel specific plan for Schmidt's Farm, which should at minimum include the following: preserving the legacy agricultural use of Schmidt's Farm, including studying the implementation of a town-managed community garden (similar to King Street Memorial), and/or town-leased agricultural plots (see, e.g., Norfolk Community Organic Farm); studying and identifying appropriate public access to Schmidt's Farm, including studying existing trails and implementing new trails where appropriate; restoring the existing barn, and assessing potential future uses, including as an educational/community engagement facility (e.g., in collaboration with programs at Norfolk Aggie and Tri-County Regional Vocational High School), while celebrating and preserving the Schmidt Family legacy; and assessing potential partnerships with governmental and nonprofit organizations around preservation and wildlife management at Schmidt's Farm.

GOAL 3: Maximize recreational opportunities to meet the evolving needs of the community by maintaining current inventory of facilities and programs, and by providing new facilities and programs for both active and passive recreation.

Objective 3.1: Maintain and improve current recreation Areas and provide new recreation opportunities for residents of all ages and levels of ability.

Objective 3.2: Increase usage of existing recreational spaces and modify existing recreational space as the needs of the Town require and evolve.

Objective 3.3: Assess the feasibility of additional/improved access points for canoes, kayaks and boats to utilize the Charles River and Mine Brook.

Objective 3.4: Increase connectivity to and between open space and recreation areas, including pedestrian and bicycle connections.

Objective 3.5: Work with DCR and others to continue to increase access to and improvements of the SNETT and State Forest trail system.

Objective 3.6: Assess opportunities for the development of a youth center to provide a meeting place for teens to congregate and participate in indoor sports, gaming and conversation, and for additional indoor recreational facilities to ease the lack of available indoor facility space.

GOAL 4: Protect natural, historical and cultural resources and maintain a New England character.

Objective 4.1: Preserve natural resources for the protection of priority habitats so as to enhance biodiversity which will help sustain native plant and wildlife species and improve the quality and health of natural infrastructure.

Objective 4.2: Seek the approval of Franklin voters to expand Community Preservation Act funding.

Objective 4.3: Implement growth management techniques that will help to preserve natural, historic and cultural resources.

GOAL 5: Preserve and protect water resources.

Objective 5.1: Prioritize water bodies in Town for ecological studies to determine overall health of the water body and long term management strategies and programs.

Objective 5.2: Minimize the use of pesticides and salt on roadways and pesticide, herbicide, and fungicide use within public right-of-ways and Town property.

SECTION 9: 7-YEAR ACTION PLAN

DPCD: Franklin Department of Planning and Community Development
DPW: Franklin Department of Public Works
FSD Franklin School Department
FRD Franklin Recreation Department
DCR: Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation
FBRTC: Franklin Bellingham Rail Trail Committee
CC: Franklin Commission

GOAL 1: Increase public awareness of open space and recreational opportunities in Franklin.

Objective 1.1: Install maps, directional, and interpretive signage at open space and recreation areas, including signage identifying and directing visitors to walking/hiking trail, bike paths and bike paths, and interconnected or nearby open space and recreational areas.		
ACTIONS	RESPONSIBILITY	SCHEDULE
1.1a Identify open space and recreation areas where signage is needed.	Town Administration, CC, FRD	Ongoing

1.1b	Determine verbiage, design & materials for each sign (wooden plaque, metal, plastic) and placement for each designated open space & recreation area		Ongoing
1.1c	Approve signs		Ongoing
1.1d	Create signs- Funding: General Fund/ Gift Account	DPCD; Private Contractor	Ongoing
1.1e	Install signs- Funding: General Fund/Gift Account	DPW, CC, DPCD; Private Contractor	Ongoing

Objective 1.2: Create educational and/or outdoor programs to educate citizens about the natural environment and promote agricultural engagement within the community, including creating partnerships with Franklin High School, Tri-County Regional Vocational High School, Norfolk Aggie, Boy/Girl Scout Troops, Franklin Future Leaders, local sport teams, and other organizations.

ACTIONS	RESPONSIBILITY	SCHEDULE
1.2a Complete flora and fauna inventory of recreation Areas in town, and examine history of the areas development and create program based on this information	DPCD, CC	Ongoing

Objective 1.3: Assist schools and other organizations with environmental science, conservation and sustainability education.

ACTIONS	RESPONSIBILITY	SCHEDULE
1.3a Compile list of open space areas, and classify the areas (i.e. wetlands, forest, etc.) that would provide good educational opportunities	CC in conjunction with DPCD	Ongoing
1.3b Find a knowledgeable instructor to develop an overview description summary of each type of habitat example. Funding: Conservation Fund	Science instructor in Franklin Public School system; knowledgeable Franklin resident, consultant	Ongoing
1.3c Set up Wilderness class through Lifelong Learning and/or Scout groups	DPCD, Franklin School Department, Recreation Department	Ongoing
1.3d Apply for grant money to develop environmental and/or natural habitat educational program	DPCD, Franklin School Department	Ongoing
1.3e Develop environmental and/or natural habitat educational program for citizens such as, but not limited to, a community garden	Franklin School Department, Recreation Department	Ongoing
1.3f Schedule educational programs – monthly, quarterly.	Franklin School Department, Recreation Department	Ongoing

Objective 1.4: Encourage volunteer efforts to steward natural resources and sponsor town events that promote appreciation, awareness, and utilization of open space to foster a community sense of identification with the land and resources.

ACTIONS	RESPONSIBILITY	SCHEDULE
1.4a Formalize partnerships with local public schools to secure student interns for general help and outreach coordination	FSD, CC, FRD,	2023 - Ongoing
1.4b Develop a volunteer program to undertake activities such as coordinated clean ups and reporting trail conditions in open space and recreation areas, such "Friends of Franklin Conservation"	CC, FRD, DPW	Ongoing

GOAL 2: Preserve and enhance existing open space resources.

Objective 2.1: Prioritize land owned by the Town and managed by the Commission for development of resiliency improvements, improved trails and walking paths, increased public access (with a particular emphasis on accessibility to persons with disabilities), and approval of conservation restrictions to ensure the land will be permanently protected.		
ACTIONS	RESPONSIBILITY	SCHEDULE
2.1a Catalog, evaluate, and prioritize Chapter 61, 61A, and 61B lands in order of priority for acquisition by Town for preservation	CC, DPCD, Assessor's	Ongoing
2.1b Contact and work with relevant organizations regarding acquisition of available Chapter 61 properties.	CC; DPCD	Ongoing
2.1c Contact owners of Chapter 61, 61A and 61B properties to ascertain future plans for properties. Example: Converse and Conserver Workshop	CC; DPCD, Agricultural Commission	Ongoing
2.1d Purchase priority Chapter 61, 61A and 61B properties	CC; DPCD; Metacomet Land Trust	Ongoing
2.1e Continue to fund CPA to ensure money is available for the purchase of open space properties.	Town Council	Ongoing

Objective 2.2: Prioritize land owned by the Town and managed by the Commission for development of resiliency improvements, improved trails and walking paths, increased public access (with a particular emphasis on accessibility to persons with disabilities), and approval of conservation restrictions to ensure the land will be permanently protected.		
ACTIONS	RESPONSIBILITY	SCHEDULE
2.2a Create a list of significant land parcels that may be lost as Open Space if not permanently protected	CC; DPCD	Ongoing
2.2b Establish procedures and guidelines to use to prioritize protection of significant land parcels.	DPCD; CC	Ongoing
2.2d Transfer Town owned tax title and unresolved parcels to Commission for designation as conservation lands and permanent protection	DPCD, CC	Ongoing

Objective 2.3: Create a parcel specific plan for the Maple Hill parcel, which should at minimum include the following: identifying and constructing appropriate and accessible trail heads and corresponding parking facilities and locations; promoting public awareness including through off-site directional signage; balancing public access with the private property rights of adjacent neighborhoods; assessing the existing trail network; and promoting forest management best practices.		
ACTIONS	RESPONSIBILITY	SCHEDULE
2.3a Catalog, evaluate, and prioritize existing and/or new trail systems	CC, DPCD,	Ongoing
2.3b Develop and solicit RFQ/RFP for possible third party manager	DPCD, Town Administrator	Ongoing
2.3c Develop and install area improvements, such as, but not limited to, parking areas, signage, and kiosks	DPCD, DPW, CC	Ongoing

Objective 2.4: Create a parcel specific plan for Schmidt's Farm, which should at minimum include the following: preserving the legacy agricultural use of Schmidt's Farm, including studying the implementation of a town-managed community garden (similar to King Street Memorial), and/or town-leased agricultural plots (see, e.g., Norfolk Community Organic Farm); studying and identifying appropriate public access to Schmidt's Farm, including studying existing trails and implementing new trails where appropriate; restoring the existing barn, and assessing potential future uses, including as an educational/community engagement facility (e.g., in collaboration with programs at Norfolk Aggie and Tri-County Regional Vocational High School), while celebrating and preserving the Schmidt Family legacy; and assessing potential partnerships with governmental and nonprofit organizations around preservation and wildlife management at Schmidt's Farm.		
ACTIONS	RESPONSIBILITY	SCHEDULE
2.4a Catalog, evaluate, and prioritize existing and/or new trail systems	CC, DPCD,	Ongoing
2.4b Develop and solicit RFQ/RFP for possible third party manager	DPCD, Town Administrator	Ongoing
2.4c Develop and install area improvements such as, but not limited to, parking areas, signage, and kiosks	DPCD, DPW, CC	Ongoing
2.4d Restore the existing barn, to the best extent practicable	Town Administration, DPCD, DPW, Building Department	Ongoing
2.4e Develop and design resident activities and/or education opportunities such as, but not limited to, community gardens, agricultural education programs, and a CSA program/food pantry/school curriculum	Town Administration, DPCD, DPW, FRD	Ongoing

GOAL 3: Maximize open space and recreational opportunities to meet the evolving needs of the community by maintaining current inventory of facilities and programs, and by providing new facilities and programs for both active and passive recreation.

Assess and increase ADA compliance at all publically owned school areas, as applicable

Objective 3.1: Maintain and improve current recreation areas and provide new recreational opportunities for residents of all ages and levels of ability.		
ACTIONS	RESPONSIBILITY	SCHEDULE
3.1b Assess and increase ADA compliance at all publically owned school areas, as applicable	FRD	2023
3.1b Assess and increase ADA compliance at all recreation areas		
3.1c Increase handicap accessibility at Recreation Areas that are currently not handicap accessible or ADA compliant	DPW, CC, FRD	Ongoing
3.1d Provide recycling receptacles at all recreation areas to encourage green initiatives.	DPW; FRD	Ongoing
3.1e King Street Memorial Park, Davis-Thayer Park, and Washington Street Ski Hill renovations, including trail design	DPCD, DPW, FRD, CC	Ongoing
3.1f Improve and develop a vision for expanded river access, boat launch, hiking trails, pollinator pastures, and wildlife habitat at the Riverbend Conservation Area	DPW, DPCD, FRD, CC	2023-2030
3.1g Research and consider increased accessibility at the DelCarte Conservation Area	DPW, DPCD, FRD, CC	2023-2030

Objective 3.2: Increase usage of existing recreational space and modify existing recreational space as the needs of the Town require and evolve.

ACTIONS	RESPONSIBILITY	SCHEDULE
3.2a Create shaded areas at existing playgrounds, preferably utilizing native vegetation	DPW, FRD, CC	Ongoing
3.2b Establish a second community or cooperative garden	DPW, FRD, CC	Ongoing
3.2c Construct bathroom and concession facilities at all applicable Open Space and/or Recreation Areas, as needed	DPW, FRD, CC	Ongoing

Objective 3.3: Identify potential access points for canoes, kayaks and boats to utilize the Charles River and Mine Brook.

ACTIONS	RESPONSIBILITY	SCHEDULE
3.3a Post signage along roads where waterways can be accessed.	DPW, FRD, CC	Ongoing
3.4a Develop a vision for expanded river access and boat launches	DPCD, DPW, FRD, CC	2023-2030

Objective 3.4: Increase connectivity to and between open space and recreation areas, including pedestrian and bicycle connections.

ACTIONS	RESPONSIBILITY	SCHEDULE
3.4a Identify areas where bike lanes would be appropriate and construct bike lanes	DPCD; FRD, DPW	Ongoing
3.4b Assess properties to determine suitability for future Conservation land or additional Recreation area.	DPC, FRD, DPW, CC	Ongoing
3.4c Prioritize lands that have been determined as suitable for future use as Conservation land or additional Recreation land.	DPC, FRD, DPW, CC	Ongoing
3.4d Acquire land adjacent to existing Recreation Areas that may be suitable for future Conservation land or additional Recreation area.	Town Council; DPC, FRD, DPW, CC	2023 - Ongoing
3.4e Master Plan the “Franklin Greenway” including, but not limited to, developing a comprehensive “Franklin Greenway” style map of Open Spaces, trails, sidewalks, bike lanes, pedestrian-friendly network throughout the community, maintaining connectivity between the Town Common, Downtown, Crossing, and National Register of Historic Districts A 20-year community vision of complete streets, acquisitions, easement, bike lanes, and connectivity points	DPCD, DPW, FRD	2023-2043

Objective 3.5: Work with DCR and others to continue to increase access to and improvements of the SNETT trail and State Forest trail system.

ACTIONS	RESPONSIBILITY	SCHEDULE
3.5a Limit/restrict use of motorbikes on open space and recreational areas throughout Town.	Franklin Police, DCR	Ongoing
3.5b Advocate for and obtain resources including public and private funding, materials, and volunteer hours required to plan, design and engineer, and construct the SNETT, Franklin State Forest trails, and related Recreational and alternative transportation resources.	FRD, DPW, DPCD, FBRTC, CC	Ongoing
3.5c Advocate for and obtain support for the SNETT Trail from Town residents, agencies and officials,	FRD, DPW, DPCD, FBRTC, CC	Ongoing

	community organizations, State and Federal agencies, and others to assure incremental development of the SNETT and related Recreational resources.		
3.5d	Develop a phased approach to plan, design and engineer, permit and construct the SNETT, Franklin State Forest trails, and related Recreational and alternative transportation resources.	FRD, DPW, DPCD, FBRTC, CC	Ongoing
3.5e	Prepare preliminary cross section of trail, and other presentation materials for marketing and information purposes.	FBRTC, DPCD, DCR	Ongoing
3.5f	Design and install safety and informational signage and additional safety elements at crossing on Grove Street near entrance to SNETT.	FRD, DPW, DPCD, FBRTC, CC	2023 - Ongoing
3.5g	Identify points of historical interest along SNETT and adjacent trails (e.g., Wadsworth Farm, Wadsworth diaries), and create and install signage and interpretive markers and displays to highlight.	FRD, DPW, DPCD, FBRTC, CC	Ongoing
3.5h	Develop preliminary plans for the acquisition and use of adjacent properties in order to expand the regional trail network. These properties include, but are not limited to the CSXT property between the Downtown area and the entrance to the SNETT at Grove Street, and the CSXT property between Union Street and Grove Street.	Town Administration, FRD, DPW, DPCD, FBRTC, CC	Ongoing
3.5i	Develop and implement plans to install interpretative and wayfaring signage for the SNETT	FRD, DPW, DPCD, FBRTC, CC	Ongoing

Objective 3.6: Seek out a site and develop a youth center to provide a meeting place for teens to congregate and participate in indoor sports, gaming and conversation, and for additional indoor recreational facilities to ease the lack of available indoor facility space.

ACTIONS	RESPONSIBILITY	SCHEDULE
3.6a Determine ways to raise alternative funds to utilize for the development and operational functions for a youth center	FRD	Ongoing
3.6b Develop indoor programs for youth and teens to be implemented at the youth center	FRD	Ongoing

GOAL 4: Protect natural, historical, and cultural resources and maintain a New England character.

Objective 4.1: Preserve natural resources for the protection of priority habitats so as to enhance biodiversity which will help sustain native plant and wildlife species and improve the quality and health of natural infrastructure.

ACTIONS	RESPONSIBILITY	SCHEDULE
4.1a Complete Forest Stewardship Plans for all applicable and qualifying open space and recreation properties	DPCD, CC	2022 - Ongoing
4.1b Request information from Division of Wildlife and Fisheries regarding priority habitats in Franklin.	DPCD, CC	2023 – Ongoing
4.1c Plan list of actions needed to protect priority/unique habitat areas in Franklin. Implement actions needed to protect priority/unique habitat, including installing barriers/fences if warranted.	DPCD, CC	2023 - Ongoing

	Example: Designated turtle habitat at the DelCorte Conservation Area		
4.1d	Install flow devices to protect beaver created ecosystems, prevent stormwater infrastructure damage, and alleviate the financial burden of trapping.	DPCD, DPW, CC	2023 - Ongoing

Objective 4.2: Seek the approval of Franklin voters to expand CPA funding.

ACTIONS	RESPONSIBILITY	SCHEDULE
4.2a Educate community regarding CPA via public meetings, press releases, CPA related fact sheets, public access station, and the Town's website.	Town Administration	Ongoing
4.2b Work to have CPA increase (3%) on Town ballot.	Town Administration	Ongoing

Objective 4.3: Implement growth management techniques that will help to preserve natural, historic and cultural resources.

ACTIONS	RESPONSIBILITY	SCHEDULE
4.3a Update zoning regulations to incorporate growth management techniques into the local bylaws.	DPCD	Ongoing
4.3b Incorporate the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Smart Growth/Smart Energy and Sustainable Development Principles as part of Franklin's Best Development Practices.	DPCD, all Town entities	
4.3c Promote mixed use development in commercial and Downtown areas to ensure best use of properties in these areas.	DPCD	Ongoing

GOAL 5: Preserve and protect water resources.

Objective 5.1: Prioritize water bodies in Town for ecological studies to determine overall health of the water body and long term management strategies and programs.

ACTIONS	ACTIONS	ACTIONS
5.1a Identify water bodies and secure owner's permission for study	CC	Ongoing
5.1b Secure capital funding	Town Administration	Ongoing
5.1c Develop and solicit RFQ/RFP for necessary work	CC	Ongoing
5.1d Conduct environmental studies	CC	Ongoing
5.1e Evaluate the Spring Street culvert and upgrade to meet applicable stream crossing standards.	DPW	Ongoing

Objective 5.2: Minimize the use of salt on roadways, and minimize the use of pesticides, herbicides, and fungicides within public right-of-ways and within Town property.

ACTIONS	RESPONSIBILITY	SCHEDULE
5.2a Minimize the use of pesticides and salt on roadways and pesticide, herbicide, and fungicide use within public right-of-ways and Town property to maintain the health of the surface and groundwater resource areas, habitat, and ecosystem function.	DPW	Ongoing

SECTION 10: PUBLIC COMMENTS

While developing the 2023 OSRP, the Commission received comments in a wide variety of ways. Comment submitted during the civic engagement process include:

1. Comment submitted during the Citizen Participation Questionnaire;
2. Comments submitted during the Draft 2023 OSRP public comment period; and
3. Required DCR and MAPC review letters

1. Public Comments Submitted Throughout the Civic Engagement Process, Including the Citizen Participation Questionnaire

Public comments throughout the civic engagement process were obtained through email, Citizen Participation Questionnaire, Google form, and 20 focus group meetings.

Focus group meetings ran from January 12 to May 18, and were conducted four times a month to garner feedback for the OSRP. Topics for these meetings ranged from “Sports and Recreation Programs” to “Habitat Protection and Ecosystem Restoration”. All of the focus group meetings were available for viewing via Franklin TV, Zoom, and YouTube. Throughout the entirety of this process, residents were able to participate and provide feedback either during the meetings, via email, or via Google Form. Public comments, meeting minutes, and review letters from these focus group meetings are contained within Appendix B.

In conjunction with the focus group meetings, three posted public hearings were held on February 21, April 25, and June 20, 2023. These meetings covered a review of the 2016 OSRP and current priorities; goals and objectives for the 2023 OSRP; and a draft 2023 OSRP review, respectively. Public comments, meeting minutes, and review letters from these hearings are contained within Appendix B.

The Citizen Participation Questionnaire, comprised of 30 questions, was available for resident input from February 13 to April 30. A copy of the Citizen Participation Questionnaire and results can be found in Appendix A.

2. Public Comment on Draft Plan

The Draft OSRP was distributed on June 14, 2023, and the corresponding public comment period officially began on June 14, 2023 and concluded on July 16, 2023. In order to obtain input on the draft plan, the Commission held a Public Hearing on June 20, 2023. The following comments were received as a result of the Public Hearing Comment Period are within Appendix B.

3. Required Review Letters

The Commission has requested the required review letters from the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, Metropolitan Area Planning Council, Franklin Town Council, and Franklin Planning Board. The review letters are contained within Appendix B.

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**APPENDIX A
CITIZEN PARTICIPATION
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CITIZEN PARTICIPATION QUESTIONNAIRE

2023 Open Space and Recreation Plan Citizen Survey

Thank you for participating in the 2023 Open Space and Recreation Plan (OSRP) Citizen Survey. By participating in this survey you are helping guide activities related to future parks and Open Space land acquisitions, management, and activities programming throughout the Town of Franklin. For more information about the ongoing 2023 OSRP, please visit: <https://www.franklinma.gov/conservation/pages/2023-open-space-and-recreation-plan-update>

What to Expect?

In this survey, we will ask you a series of questions about the demographics of your household, and Open Space and Recreational areas. All questions are optional and your responses are kept anonymous. Thank you for taking the time to guide the future of Franklin!

This survey takes approximately 10 minutes.

1. On what street do you live?

2. Are you a renter or property owner?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Renter
- ☐ Property owner
- ☐ Both

3. How long have you lived in Franklin?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Less than 5 years
- ☐ 5 to 10 years
- ☐ 10 to 20 years
- ☐ More than 20 years

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4. Which of the following best describes your living situation?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Single adult - living alone
- ☐ Single adult - sharing living quarters
- ☐ Single parent with young children (i.e., primary school)
- ☐ Single parent with older children
- ☐ Couple - no children
- ☐ Family with young children (i.e., primary school)
- ☐ Family with older children
- ☐ Family, children no longer at home
- ☐ Senior couple or family
- ☐ Senior living alone
- ☐ Multigenerational family

5. What is the number of people in your household?

6. Number in household requiring access accommodations due to mobility impairment and/or disability?

7. Number in household under the age of 18?

8. Number in household over the age of 65?

9. How often do you use designated Conservation areas** in Franklin?

Conservation areas include: DelCarte, Town Forest, Indian Rock, Maple Hill, Riverbend, and Schmidt Farm

**Conservation areas are defined as Town-owned properties left largely undeveloped for the permanent protection of ecosystems and their functions with passive recreation permitted.

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Almost every day
- ☐ Weekly
- ☐ 1-2 times per month on average
- ☐ Once a month on average
- ☐ A few times per year
- ☐ Never or not applicable

10. How often do you use municipal or school owned Recreation facility, such as a ballfield or park, in Franklin?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Almost every day
- ☐ Weekly
- ☐ 1-2 times per month on average
- ☐ Once a month on average
- ☐ A few times per year
- ☐ Never or not applicable

11. In your opinion, are there sufficient sidewalks or walkways in your immediate neighborhood?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

12. In your opinion, should major roads in Franklin be striped for bike lanes?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

13. Has anyone in your household ever participated in a Town of Franklin sponsored recreational activity or recreated at a Town Open Space or Conservation Area?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

14. Do you foresee opportunity on any lot around Town to be purchased as Open Space for permanent protection?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

15. If yes, please describe:

16. Would you support the Town increasing the Conservation Preservation Act (CPA) fund to 3%?

The Franklin Town Council voted to put the CPA on the ballot on November 3, 2020. The adoption of the CPA would add a surcharge on real estate tax bills for both residential and commercial properties. The CPA enables the Town to raise a local, dedicated fund for Open Space preservation, historic preservation, affordable housing, and recreation and ball fields. The surcharge is based off of the assessed value of a property. Money cannot be used for general fund expenditures such as schools, police, fire, etc. CPA revenue is a combination of local contributions and State matching funds.

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Maybe

17. Would you support Town appropriations for acquisition or construction of additional recreational facilities**?

*Recreational facilities are defined as Town-owned park properties, Town-sponsored recreation activities, or other public or private properties used for active or passive recreation.

Mark only one oval.

☐ Yes

☐ No

18. Would you support seasonal or annual user fees to support specific recreational facilities* or conservation areas**?

*Recreational facilities are defined as Town-owned park properties, Town-sponsored recreation activities, or other public or private properties used for active or passive recreation.
**Conservation areas are defined as Town-owned properties left largely undeveloped for the permanent protection of ecosystems and their functions with passive recreation permitted.

Mark only one oval.

☐ Yes

☐ No

19. Would you support Town appropriations for acquisition of Open Space*?

*Open Space is defined as any private or publicly owned undeveloped lands. These properties may be permanently protected or unprotected. They may be owned by non-profit organizations, corporations, private citizens, the Town, the State, or other entity.

Mark only one oval.

☐ Yes

☐ No

20. What should be the Town's priority?

Recreational facilities are defined as Town-owned park properties, Town-sponsored recreation activities, or other public or private properties used for active or passive recreation.

Open Space is defined as any private or publicly owned undeveloped lands. These properties may be permanently protected or unprotected. They may be owned by non-profit organizations, corporations, private citizens, the Town, the State, or other entity.

Mark only one oval per row.

	No priority	Low priority	Medium priority	High priority
Improve existing recreational facilities?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Acquire and/or build additional recreational facilities?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Improve existing conservation lands for recreation, habitat, and biodiversity?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Acquire conservation lands for passive recreation?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

21. Indicate approximately the number of times you or a family member participate in each recreational activity during an average year.

Only answer for the activities that you participate in.

Mark only one oval per row.

	Zero times per year	A few (1-3) times per year	4-10 times per year	Many (10+) times per year
Use of playground	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Use of ball field	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Boating (motorized and non-motorized)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Street hockey	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Ice skating - rink	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Cross country skiing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Swimming - private recreational pool	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Swimming - public beach	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Bird watching	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
ATV/Dirt bike/Motorcycling/Snowmobiling	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Outdoor concert	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sightseeing (historical locations)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Rollerblading	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Bicycling - pavement	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Bicycling/mountain bike - trail	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Nature walk/hiking or similar use	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Walking - pavement or similar use	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Running/jogging - pavement	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Running/jogging - trail	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Skateboarding	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

22. Mark only one oval per row.

	Zero times per year	A few (1-3) times per year	4-10 times per year	Many (10+) times per year
Lacrosse	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Frisbee golf	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Baseball	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Softball	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Basketball	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Football	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Soccer	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Fishing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Hunting	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Archery	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Handball	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Tennis	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Picnicking	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Volleyball	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Golf	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Ice hockey	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Bocce	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Field hockey	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Paintball	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Nature photography	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Pickleball	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

23. In your opinion, what does Franklin need more of for recreational programs, facilities, or Open Space?

Common answers are provided, but please submit any idea, vision, or notion you have in the same below.
Common answers: additional conservation areas, amphitheater, soft/baseball fields, bike trails, pocket park, track, picnic areas, hiking trails, playgrounds, ice skating rinks, soccer fields, tennis courts, campground, public swimming pool, canoe/kayak launch, cross country trails, motorized boat launches, basketball courts, skateboard parks, town beach, golf courses, bocce courts, youth center, hunting areas, handball courts, "parcourse", community garden areas, community barn, bridle paths, etc.

24. Please enter the number corresponding to your choice.

Mark only one oval per row.

	Very dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Satisfied	Very satisfied
How satisfied are you with the places available in Franklin for recreational use by adults?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How satisfied are you with the places available in Franklin for recreational use by children?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How satisfied are you with the places available in Franklin for recreational use by seniors?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How satisfied are you with places available in Franklin for recreational use by people with disabilities?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

25. To preserve Open Space in Franklin, would you:

Mark only one oval per row.

	Yes	No	Maybe	Not applicable
Contribute land(s) to the Town or other organization, such as a Land Trust or 501c3 non-profit?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Donate money to the Town to acquire and protect land?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Rewrite your deed to limit future development of your land (i.e. estate planning)?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sell land to the Town at a bargain price?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sell land to the Town at a fair market price?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sell or contribute conservation restrictions to protect your land from future development?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Vote for Town supported land acquisition if it can be done without raising taxes?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Vote for Town supported land acquisition if it meant an increase of 25 cents (increase of approx. 2% from FY23 rate) to 50 cents (increase of approx. 4% from FY23 rate) on the present assessed value of real estate per \$1,000?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Approve zoning changes to guide growth in areas that are less suitable for development, but better for habitat protection, biodiversity, and ecosystem services?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

ecosystem services?

26. How important is you to protect and preserve:

Mark only one oval per row.

	Not at all important	Less important	Neutral	Somewhat important	Very important
Historic buildings?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Historic or scenic landscapes?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Land containing archaeological resources?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Woodland/forested areas?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Undeveloped land for future generations?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Undeveloped land for future recreational needs?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Land for protection of water resources?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Land for protection of wildlife habitat, ecosystem functions, and climate resiliency?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Land for groundwater protection	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Land for landscape connectivity/connection s to other land	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Land abutting existing Conservation Areas	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Land for farming or that is in active agricultural use	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Land that is important to mitigating the impacts of climate change (e.g., floodplains, river corridors)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Land that provides public access to waterbodies	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

27. How important is it for you to be able to access Franklin's Open Space and Natural areas, trails, and/or recreation destinations by walking or biking?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Not important
☐ Moderately important
☐ Very important

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28. How do you receive information about Open Space and Recreation Opportunities in Franklin?

Check all that apply.

- ☐ Town website
☐ Recreation Department newsletter
☐ Conservation B(l)og
☐ Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)
☐ Friends/word of mouth
☐ Local newspaper
☐ Other websites or organizations
☐ I don't, - I just explore!

29. What is your favorite public Open Space and/or Recreation area in Franklin and why?

Examples: DelCorte, State forest, Town forest, SNET trail, Riverbend, Indian Rock, Schmidt Farm, Maple Hill, King Street Playground, Dacey Field, Beaver Pond

30. Do you have any suggestions for how this favorite place can be improved?

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Survey No	Are you a renter or property owner?	How long have you lived in Franklin?	Which of the following best describes your living situation?	What is the number of people in your household?	Number in household requiring access accommodations due to mobility impairment and/or disability?	Number in household under the age of 18?	Number in household over the age of 65?	How do you receive information about Open Space and Recreation Opportunities in Franklin?	What is your favorite public Open Space and/or Recreation area in Franklin and why?	Do you have any suggestions for how this favorite place can be improved?
1	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth		
2	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Other websites or organizations	Fletcher Field -- it's where my kids play most often so it has a sentimental attachment	It could use a little more maintenance and potentially upgraded play spaces for children.
3	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	Dacey field because of neighborhood proximity & dog park & SNET trail	
4	Both	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	1	0	I don't, - I just explore!		
5	Renter	Less than 5 years	Single parent with older children	2	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	King Street Playground - Pickleball	
6	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	All of them	
7	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Other websites or organizations	DelCarte	Keep the partnership with the library for the book trail walk.
8	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	King street playground	
9	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	Town website		
10	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Town website, I don't, - I just explore!	King Street playground	
11	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	SNET Trail	Connect SNET to downtown via marked bicycle lanes, increasing access to/from MBTA and downtown businesses.
12	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	SNET Trail	Improved visibility at the crosswalk
13	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	DelCarte	Nope its great
14	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Beaver Pond, King Street	King Street fields can be reorganized for optimum use across sports
15	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	0	0	Recreation Department newsletter	SNET Trail	
16	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	KING STREET - HAS EVERYTHING	UNLOCKED RESTROOMS
17	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Jefferson school fields	Clean up the area and improve sidewalks and curbing.
18	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte	More events
19	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte - It has something for everyone in our family. Yet the trails arent too difficult or hard for the little ones. And they get to play on the playground when the trail is done!	The only thing that can be difficult can be the parking but at the same time it would seem a bit counteractive to tear down trees and disrupt nature for more parking spaces when we are talking about conserving land
20	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte- trail and pond!	More places in town like it
21	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte	
22	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	2	1	Recreation Department newsletter	Delcarte playground and walking the hiking path is a big hit with the kiddos	Bathrooms
23	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	Recreation Department newsletter	DelCarte-- connection to nature	Institute neighbors to shovel/clear their sidewalks during winter!!! We have beautiful sidewalks but are forced to the roads during winter making it unsafe to use sidewalks for students, dog walking, elderly, etc.
24	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Del Carte- updated playground, beautiful water views, nice trails, storywalks	
25	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	Town website, Friends/word of mouth	King Street Playground	Add more pickleball courts
26	Renter	10 to 20 years	Single parent with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte! Between the playground and walking trail and pond it hits everything our family likes to do.	
27	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Recreation Department newsletter	Dacey field	Parking is an issue during soccer season
28	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Multigenerational family	6	0	2	1	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations	DelCarte- it has something for everyone! We spend a lot of time at fields for baseball and soccer.	
29	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	3	0	0	1	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNET Trail, DelCarte and Beaver Pond	I would like to hike Maple Hill, but I do not know where to park or if the trails are marked
30	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	1	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Del Carte, SNET town and state forest. Hopefully soon Schmidt farm. Looking forward to that space.	
31	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Beaver Street complex	
32	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper, I don't, - I just explore!	DelCarte	
33	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	SNET trail to ride bikes, the flag football field	
34	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	6	0	2	2	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte playground . I have young children and we like to enjoy nature and explore	
35	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with older children	6	0	3	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte or Beaver Pond--we love to be able to access water.	We wish Beaver Pond was always safe for swimming!
36	Property owner	More than 20 years	Single parent with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	2	0	Local newspaper		
37	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte	
38	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Recreation Department newsletter	DelCarte because of the story walks, easy hiking trails for varying ages, the water, picnic area, and the playground. We are also very fond of the SNET trail as we live close by and access it often. The new updates are great!	
39	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	DelCarte and Franklin forest	Better trail markings in franklin forest
40	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	0	0	I don't, - I just explore!	Don't know	NA
41	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	DelCarte for conservation land and King Street for recreation (because it's close and our satellite garden is there)	Would love to see more creative, tall and interesting playground structures
42	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Single parent with older children	3	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte, state forest, SNET, paths at Dacey because lots of trees! And, they're not crowded when I go. Also Beaver Pond because I love the water!!	Posted education about tickborne illnesses
43	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Single parent with young children (i.e., primary school)	2	0	1	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Delcarte - nice walking trail	
44	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	3	none	0	2	Town website, Conservation B(l)og, Friends/word of mouth	snet, maple hill, schmidt when available	longer walking trails, water trails showing wetlands restoration.
45	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Town website		
46	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	1	2	0	Recreation Department newsletter		making things accessible as possible so everyone can enjoy being outdoors.
47	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	4	0	1	2	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Other websites or organizations	Beaver Pond	More parking for field events

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48	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	Dacey Field	Tennis Courts
49	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	Recreation Department newsletter	SNET Trail	Raise the walking path higher so it doesn't get covered with rain water or turn into mud. The improvement is already great but when it rains the water doesn't run off in many sections and it turns it into mud.
50	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	6	0	4	0	Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth	Descarte. Good play ground. Nice walking trails. The story walk	Some shade on the playground would be nice. Maybe a sun shade structure
51	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	delcarte and town forest	
52	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Dacey Fields Disc Golf - play there often, and it's one of the few courses in our area	Add 18 more holes if there is space since the course can get really busy. Add pickleball courts. Could use more parking as it can be crowded when soccer games are going on same time as disc golf. Yard games area would be cool (cornhole, bocce, badminton, volleyball, etc.) with a shed for access that is somewhat secure to prevent theft - cameras linked to police and a unique code provided to residents only?
53	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	King st playground, Del Carte and SNET trail -locations	Beaver pond is gross!!!
54	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte	
55	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	No	3	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth	King. St	
56	Property owner	More than 20 years			0	0	this have to do with	I don't, - I just explore!	Dwlcarte	
57	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	2	Town website		
58	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	5	0	0	1	Town website	SNET	no
59	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with older children	4	0	1	0	Recreation Department newsletter	King Street Playground, Lacey Field	Lacey filed should have tennis, pickleball and other courts created
60	Renter	Less than 5 years	Multigenerational family	5	0	2	1	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNET	Add a paved area for road bikes
61	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Delcart	
62	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	1	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth	SNET trail — great improvements	
63	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	None	1	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), I don't, - I just explore!	State forest	
64	Renter	5 to 10 years	Family with older children	3	0	1	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Unsure	No
65	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Recreation Department newsletter	DelCarte	
66	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	1	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Town common	Improved landscaping
67	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte and Dacey frisbee golf (best hiking in town)	no - appreciate regular improvements the town has done over the years
68	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	5	0	3	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	State Forest and Beaver Pond	Get rid of dirt bikers or at the very least Franklin can make access on their conservation land more difficult by repairing fences, posting signage, encouraging police enforcement. By the land adjacent to the State Forest on Spring and Grove Streets to preserve those lands.
69	Property owner	More than 20 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	2	Town website	Unsure - no experience with most of them	n/a
70	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte	
71	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	0	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Delcarte	Fix park fence
72	Renter	More than 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth		
73	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	6	0	4	0	Friends/word of mouth	Indian Rock. Close to home	Have students work/ volunteer at these places! Clean up. Improvements. Etc
74	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	As of now we prefer the school playgrounds. Hoping the redo of the park at Beaver will have lots for all ages	
75	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Del Carte because ti is good for both us (seniors) and our grandchildren. It has a playground, great trails, storywalk, a pond with some wildlife, and room to roam.	Better marked trails
76	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Single parent with older children	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter		
77	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Recreation Department newsletter	DelCarte	
78	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Town website		
79	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	1	0	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Beaver Street	
80	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	Delcarte and SNET trail	
81	Property owner		Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website, Friends/word of mouth	Schmidt Farm	Walking trails, possibly community gardens, cross country ski and snow shoe trails. Par three golf course. Overall, a great place to experience nature. Loaded with deer, owls,hawks, coyotes, turtles, fisher cats, rabbits, wood peckers, even pileated wood peckers AKA woody wood pecker can be observed at times.
82	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	1	1	Town website, Local newspaper	Maple Hill. It's adjacent to our neighborhood	Develop more trails, perhaps add some signage
83	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	2	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte, Dacey Field	
84	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	3	0	0	1	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	Schmidt Farm, SNET Trail	
85	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	DelCarte (because it is both close and special)	Town/ConCom has done a very good job with trail markers, maps, etc. Parking is limited but not sure I'd recommend any additional spaces due to slope, etc. Glad that the Town replaced the playground equipment and very good to have the crosswalk with light. Some of the trails could be made more accessible or guidance provided as to which ones are recommended.
86	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Use it all the time to explore, do story time, take pictres, use the playground	
87	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Delcarte and snet trail.	Extend SNET to Union Street if it can be done at a reasonable cost to the town.
88	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Other websites or organizations	Delcarte , playground with a scenic vee, hiking so fun, and most important fishing! Best space hands down. No competition.	Having opportunity to rent kayaks or similar. Other idea beaver pond sailing lessons on small sale boats like Jmaica Plain does and Hopington

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89	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	5	0	0	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte - clearly marked trails, beautiful water/scenery...Dacey nature walk is fine too but small and disc golf is usually busy with people to walk there....Maple Hill needs more trail markings...Riverbend needs better trail markings in spots...Town Forest needs better trail markings in some spots and maps....State Forest is good for trails and signage....Beaver Pond - would love to see trails here....SNET trail - hopes it connects to Downtown someday!	noted lots above
90	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	3	0	0	2	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	SNETT!	There are a couple of wet areas that could be fixed, but recent improvements are fantastic!
91	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte for hiking, it's a nice easy hike, pretty, feel safe and has parking	
92	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	1	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Never metioned by the town, but the area between Brandywine and Daniels is made up of severla town owned parcels. A fabulous set of hiking trails have been built that link several neighborhoods together. This type of connected network is great for the community and we see so many people walking the trails daily right from thier homes.	Since the town has shown no interest in this land, the neighborhoods hoods have taking it on themselves to maintain and mark the trails. As a town we really lack a clear point of contact for who is in charge of the trails in town. Even this committee is very vague on if it is part of the charter. I suggest forming a distinct group that handles the creation and maintenance of the trails in town.
93	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	SNET Trail - beautiful, good for grown-ups and kids in our family, and well maintained.	Some seating options (benches) and a paved section would be so nice
94	Renter	10 to 20 years	Single parent with older children	3	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	SNET	
95	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	0	1	Town website, Friends/word of mouth	Schmidt Farm and SNET trail for walking	Schmidt I'd like to see community farming. King Street as mentioned I'd like to see a dog park. SNET improvements have been great - I'd like to see it extended
96	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Kids use beaver field all the time, and we love the snett for walking and biking	
97	Renter	More than 20 years	Single adult - living alone	1	0	0	0	Town website, Conservation B(l)og, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	I love the SNETT for it's combination of history, accessibility, and tranquility!	Extend it to downtown, expand parking on Grove Street, highlight Wadsworth Village history, improve Grove Street crossing
98	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	1	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	DelCarte - great, scenic nature walk	Create a gravel/year-round paved jogging path. Cannot visit trail after heavy rain.
99	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Delcarte	Would love to see the sculpture park cleaned up.
100	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations	Del Carte - close and variety of activities	help trail erosion, build bridge on west side
101	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Delcarte	
102	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	4	None	None	2	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNET trail, king st. Beaver pond	Ensure we can maintain high standards. Meaning don't expand to the point we can't maintain with expense and capital upgrades
103	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte is beautiful! The King Street playground is a favorite of my kids. We also love Dacey and are there often.	
104	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with older children	4	0	1	0	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)		
105	Property owner	More than 20 years	Multigenerational family	3	0	0	2	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations	SNETT	Recent improvements are great- few areas need adjustments. Maybe a bench near Spring St. or Prospect St.
106	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	SNET	
107	Property owner	More than 20 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0	Town website	SNET easy walk and yet no motor bikes allowed	Benches in place so that you can rest while taking a long walk. We usually walk 6 miles and sometimes rest by sitting on rocks.
108	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Del carte	
109	Property owner	More than 20 years	Multigenerational family	3	1	0	2	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte I feel safe alone before woods start.	the path is too narrow leading into woods after bridge
110	Renter	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	Town website	DelCarte	There is limited handicap accessibility to the trails
111	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth	Franklin High School grounds	
112	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	2	Town website, I don't, - I just explore!	Shepherd's Brook, because it's nearby.	Try to fight invasives.
113	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Recreation Department newsletter	Pisani Fields - Softball	N/A
114	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Speaking through perspective of a parent with young kids and a disabled sister: I'm going to broadly say playgrounds - awesome that we have such a variety. But they all need to be drastically improved! I love the variety of fletcher, intimacy of Nason, adjacency of trails at Del Carte, convenience of Davis Thayer (can it stay/get bigger/improved?), would love to see more offered at all-in-one sites with playgrounds. Can we have walking trails connect amenities? Snett would be the #1 best resource IF paved/accessible and IF it connected to downtown!	Rubberized/accessible surfaces and more shade! Choate park in midway is an amazing example of a wonderful recreation experience with so much to offer in one spot from playground with shade, connection to large trail network and smaller trails on site, connections to hall fields, pond, bathrooms, pavilion, even electric vehicle charging stations! Can we do this in Franklin??
115	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	1	3	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Conservation B(l)og, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations	SNETT, it's well taken care of and a great environment.	Connect the SNETT trail from Grove to Union.
116	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Dacey. Soccer fields. Walking trail. Sledding. Disc golf. Delcarte best open space.	Add a basketball court. Leave soccer nets up year round.
117	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Friends/word of mouth		
118	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Senior couple or family	3	0	0	2	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	King Street Memorial Park	if the softball/little league field directly in front of you, as you enter the KSM Park isn't being used, that would be an ideal place for some additional pickleball courts.
119	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	The SNETT Trail. It's a gem!	continued maintenance
120	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Friends/word of mouth		elementary school playground
121	Renter	10 to 20 years	Just myself. Senior Hous		1	None	1	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth		
122	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Senior couple or family	20	0	02	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper		
123	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Recreation Department newsletter	Darcey field because it is good for kids with disabilities	None
124	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Beaver for fishing.	Clear some more shore line to create space to accommodate more fishing spots.

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125	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Delcarte because it has a beautiful playground and access to walking trails.	I would like to see some paved access trails and better trail markings.
126	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	2	Town website	DelCarte	Keep down the Water Chestnut growth
127	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Town website	SNET Trail & DelCarte	
128	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	SNET trail (I also jog on the FHS track)	Pine Street has become a very busy roadway (that includes 18 wheelers), so sidewalks and/or walking trails are welcome. Also, I watch the various town meetings recorded on YouTube.
129	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	1	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	No particular favorite	Replace invasive plants with native species.
130	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0		Dacey and king sports fields	
131	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	0	I don't, - I just explore!	Dacey Field	
132	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	State forest	
133	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Senior living alone	1	0	0	1	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte, King St.	
134	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Schmidt Farm - farmland is incredibly scarce and needs to be protected/maintained. Once lost, whether through development or change of use, it is gone forever and irreplaceable.	Preserve it as a WORKING farm
135	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Delcarte is our most frequented due to location and offering for my children. We also like the rail trail but not as easy to access.	
136	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	Del Carte, Dacey Field, SNET trail, Beaver Pond	keep up the great work
137	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Multigenerational family	5	0	2	1	Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	King Street Playground because it is closest to us.	There is currently no playground equipment for little kids at King Street Playgroung. There used to be at least one little area where little kids aged 2-6 could play, not that is also gone. I think the park could be improved by adding a playground area for these kids. Because often families have kids with different ages, while one enjoys the park the other one gets bored and parents struggle.
138		10 to 20 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte, SNET trail	
139	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte, Snett Trail	
140	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	0	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	Snett	
141	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	2	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	DelCarte is a beautiful scenic area that is easily accessible for	just keep it maintained as it is.
142	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	none	1	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	SNET trail and DelCarte	Would be an answer addition for extend the SNET trail to central Franklin for easier access.
143	Property owner	More than 20 years	Single adult - living alone	1	0	0	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Conservation B(l)og, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	State Forest	
144	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Conservation B(l)og, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	State Forrest	Clean up and create new trails. Offer activities for kids
145	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Other websites or organizations	SNET	Erosion protections, to limit puddling and run offs. Cinder surface conducive for running or riding
146	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Delcarte, Dacey	
147	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Delcarte for walking, hiking, fishing. Riverbend is close to our house and enjoyed often.	Riverbend is near our house but there are no sidewalks on Lincoln street near it. Although it's within walking distance, it can't be safely walked to. Lack of sidewalks in that area is a major safety issue due to the traffic and speed on Lincoln.
148	Renter	5 to 10 years	Senior living alone	1	0	0	1	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	King St Playground Communiy Garden	seems to be ok as is
149	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	5	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Franklin State Forest	Fix trails, mark trails, improve parking. The heart healthy trail parking lot is a very nice but the rest of the State Forest needs a lot of attention.
150	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte. Decent loop-style trail around a body of water that's within 10 min drive of home.	
151	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	I don't, - I just explore!		
152	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte because it's within walking distance and beautiful year round	
153	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)		Snet
154	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	Recreation Department newsletter, Other websites or organizations	Del Carte - nice trail to hike	
155	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte -we love the hiking trails, fishing and playground, Dacey for disc golfing, state forest for hiking, SNET, king street -playground and bike paths. Schmidt as it will be close to us, Beaver St, just explored the new ninja course and it is awesome. Too many great things to list!	We are excited to see Schmidt developed, I am sure it will be great!
156	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Senior couple or family	3	0	0	2	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNET trail	More parking. Gravel more of the trail
157	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	1	1	0	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Town Forest	No
158	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	1	2	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Maple hill - keeps my neighborhood quiet	
159	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte	
160	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	Zero	2	Zero	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Delcarte	
161	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNET and DelCarte for hiking- very clean and great for walking dogs	SNET had many improvements already- maybe some smoother trails in delcarte
162	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	Beaver Pond, DelCarte, SNETT,	Open the back of Beaver Pond so we can walk completely around it. Block off the Water Treatment Plant, not the well area, and make a path all the way around it for walkers, not just trail bikes.
163	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Delcarte, Beaver pond and king st. More to do for Teens	
164	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Del Carte Beaver Pond	
165	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	0	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Dacey, it has a quick hiking trail, disc golf course, and dog park along with easy and plentiful parking.	Make the dog park bigger.
166	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Single parent with older children	2	0	0	0	Town website, Conservation B(l)og, Local newspaper	Delcarte	Just maintain trails
167	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	We really love them all	
168	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte	
169	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	2	1	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	King street playground because it is closeTo home , easy to get to, and has a decent play area plus the paved path, garden to see, fields and courts. I'd love to see more. Del carte is second favorite.	Sometimes the zip line breaks, often the bathrooms are locked. A long paved path around the park would provide a great place for kids to bike around instead of going to Bellingham town common.

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170	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper		
171	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte, State Forest, SNET Trail	I live close to two of these areas but need to take a car to get there due to no sidewalks leading there. Grove street is very dangerous to walk on due to lack of sidewalks and excessive speeding cars. I wish I could access them without having to drive.
172	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	2	0	Town website, Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte	
173	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	Other websites or organizations	Delcarte because of trails, boating and playground	Improve playgrounds; Medway's are much better
174	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	Recreation Department newsletter	SNET and Pickleball courts at king st park	Additional Pickleball courts - there is almost always someone using them which often leads to arguments. SNET is well maintained in Franklin but possible collaboration with the other towns to have consistent trail quality throughout or possible to extend?
175	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Other websites or organizations	delcarte; walking and great playground	
176	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	0	0	I don't, - I just explore!	DelCarte. It's close by and I love the water. The damns are interesting.	Just make sure everything stays clean and maintained.
177	Renter	10 to 20 years	Single parent with older children	2	0	1	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Declarer, sent trail, beaver pond, Dacey fields	
178	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), I don't, - I just explore!	Riverbend	Improve trail conditions
179	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	None	1	None	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte!	Playground equipment for bigger kids- like a zip line
180	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior living alone	1	0	0	1	Town website	DelCarte and forests King street Playground	King street playground has no sidewalk access from Forest street.
181	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	Recreation Department newsletter	We love DelCarte because there's a walking trail, playground, picnic area and the potential for fishing.	No.
182	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations	Indian Rock	Accessibility and signage
183	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!		
184	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	DelCarte, its near our house, it's been redone and is a terrific place for short hikes with kids, dogs, family.	there are a fair number of dead trees that could pose a fire risk. Perhaps this could be assessed.
185	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	None	None	2	Town website, Local newspaper	Delcarte Beaver pond	Improve waking at Delcarte
186	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte because it is close to our home. Also really enjoy the SNET trail and some other Forest trails	Forest trails could be better marked...also ATV trails should be clearly marked so that walkers like us know enough to go elsewhere.
187	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	Town website	This is like asking which is my favorite child! Currently it is Maple Hill because I abut the property and I am trying to learn where all the main and side trails lead.	It needs a group to develop and oversee the trail layout, marking and maintenance. I would be a volunteer for such a group!
188	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNET trail- wonderful walk and well maintained	
189	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	0	0	Other websites or organizations	Dacey Field, DelCarte, state forest	
190	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	I don't, - I just explore!		
191					0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	SNETT	Extend it!! We'd love to be able to hike all the way into Franklin downtown!!!!
192	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	1	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Dacey, King St., SNET trail & DelCarte	Connected trail systems, pickleball courts and bike lanes. Work on making Franklin easier to use without needing a car.
193	Renter	More than 20 years	Single adult - living alone	2	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Nason Street - Grandchildren	It's currently under improvement. We are anxiously awaiting.
194	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, I don't, - I just explore!	SNETand Delcarte	Maybe these places could have information about the other town properties so people can learn by exploring.
195	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, I don't, - I just explore!	I visit them all when I can :)	
196	Property owner	More than 20 years	Single parent with older children	4	0	2	0	Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	Del Carte - fishing and light hiking - kayaking when the launch was in better shape	Invasive species management (e.g. oriental bittersweet)
197	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	No	2	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	King Street	Sidewalks on Forest Street for easier access for kids on the street
198	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	None	3	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Turf Field at Beaver Pond, Del Carte	
199	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte	
200	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Recreation Department newsletter	Pickleball courts at the park	More courts. 2 is not enough. The sport is exploding. Lights during spring summer and fall would be used regularly
201	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	SNET Trail. Well maintained trail to walk or bike with my family. Also, stroller friendly.	
202	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	5	none	0	0		have no idea where inn rock, Schmidt farm or Maple Hill is located. Franklin forest bc I like to hike with my pup. I will look into the other areas: riverbend, indian rock, maple hill, and schmidt farm - i don't know where they are.	Communications is poor about openspaxce. I get updates from town. We do not have a town newspaper. Difficult to receive important information. Beaver pond needs to be cleaned up.
203	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	Two	None	None	2	Town website		It has been improved with a parking lot. Jeff Roy is doing some work on signage to tell if the land's historical use and I think making some of the path handicap friendly.
204	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	1	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNETT and Delcarte - love the improved surface on SNETT for biking walking and the fact it now is suitable for strollers and possibly wheelchairs. Love the mix of woods, trails and pond at Delcarte. I love that both are free and family friendly dog friendly locations.	Increase areas for parking.
205	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with older children	4	None	1	None	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte	
206	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	0	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNET trail and DelCarte, especially since the SNET was improved. They're great spaces to get outdoors and get some fresh air and they make me proud of our town	DelCarte trails should be wider and more flattened
207	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	None	None	2	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations	DelCarte / Riverbend they are quiet and scenic with varying views	DelCarte could use some trail maintenance in the form of root and rock mitigation. I believe River Bend has had some clean up done. It was hit bad by some past wind storms.
208	Property owner	More than 20 years	Couple - no children	2	00	0	1	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	DelCarte sculpture park	
209	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	5	0	0	0	Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations, I don't, - I just explore!	snett delcarte town forest	just learned of trails by completing this survey, so please publicize locations better!, host public clean ups/maintenance throughout the year- many are trashed! host or post history of areas

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210	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	0	Recreation Department newsletter, Conservation B(l)og, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	DelCarte for kayaking, Dacey Field for snowshoeing	
211	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	2	0	2	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte	No
212	Renter	Less than 5 years	Single adult - living alone	1	1	0	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Sculpture Park, because it is paved and accessible, including having handicap parking in the back lot	The Sculpture Park could use some landscaping work, new art/refreshed art/painting of sculptures, repair the bridge railing for safety (it's loose), and add a restroom
213	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	0	0	Other websites or organizations		
214	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Multigenerational family	6	None	3	2	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Dacey- nicely kept fields for baseball	Add concessions at dacey
215	Property owner	More than 20 years	Single parent with older children	3	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte and state forest - beautiful treasures	Preserve more like them
216	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Del Carte - natural, walking trails, walking distance to my home	Adopt a park for clean up and improve public awareness for Leave No Trace
217	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth	King st playground	Walking paths around property
218	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	1	1	1	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	River Bend- It is in close proximity, and I walk it a lot.	Better trail maintenance
219	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	King st and declarer	
220	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	Town website	SNET trail	Just normal upkeep
221	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	1	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Other websites or organizations	DelCarte	Yes. Please offer to buy the property at the back of 237 Pleasant Street (St. John's). This will allow them to feel good about being stewards of this land and the town can increase trail access to this beautiful town gem (and no wildlife will be disrupted in the process like they would be if building happened here).
222	Property owner	More than 20 years	Multigenerational family	5	1	2	1	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)		
223	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, I don't, - I just explore!	they are all special.	
224	Property owner	More than 20 years	Single parent with older children	2	0	0	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	Riverbend	Clear out the trash and invasive species
225	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Multigenerational family	5	1	2	1	Town website	DelCarte & Dacey	Add tennis courts to Dacey
226	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Multigenerational family	5	0	2	1	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte - proximity to our house, options for playground, nature home, biking, fishing. Safe access via sidewalks and signaled crosswalk	Bathrooms!!
227	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website, Conservation B(l)og, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	DelCarte, State Forest, Snet Trail, Indian Rock due to the the beautiful wild life and nature	Upkeep of the trails and clear dead trees Protect against forest fires
228	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	1	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Conservation B(l)og, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	Town Forest -a beautiful, quiet spot	Clearing felled trees from trails
229	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	7	0	2	1	Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte	By not allowing any more building upon our abutting the area
230	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	Del Carte. Combination of hiking, water, kids playground, etc	Kayaking dock improvement
231	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)		
232	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Delcarte	
233	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Single parent with older children	2	0	1	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Rail Trail and DeCarte	Clean up the trash
234	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte	Managed downed trees better
235	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Del Carte. It's conveniently located to my home.	
236	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	King street park	Keep up with cleanliness of park and enforce owners keep their Dogs on leash and also enforce owners to pick up their dogs waste, it's unacceptable for owners not to be responsible & for a child to feel unsafe when a dog is off leash !
237	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Del carte	
238	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Couple - no children	2	No	0	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	SNET trail because it's a long trail that is great for running! I only wish it started closer to my house!	Add on so that it reaches closer to northern Franklin
239	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Franklin State forest	
240	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Single parent with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	3	0	I don't, - I just explore!		
241	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	None	2	1	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	State/town Forrest for hiking	Clear and mark trails annually and make town maps printable and legible from town website
242	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Del Carte -it had a nice playground and hiking and fishing.	
243	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior living alone	1	0	0	1	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)		
244	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Maple Hill	Addition of walking paths/trail markers and maps
245	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	SNETT for walking my dog	
246		10 to 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte	
247	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	3	1			
248	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	SNET trail because of easy access, Beaver Pond area	SNET extend to downtown. Access to State Forest. Beaver pond improvements for hiking picnic areas.
249	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Dacey, variety of activities	Bathrooms
250	Property owner	More than 20 years	Single adult - sharing living quarters	4	0	0	0	Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	I really love the SNET Trail - you guys did a fantastic job with that!	I wish you didn't allow the solar farm to be built so close to it because it ruins the experience on that stretch. With that in mind, I would prioritize protecting land along this trail so it can maintain its rural wooded charm. I would hate to see that area of town overdeveloped so that it feels like we are using a trail through peoples' backyards
251	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	1	0	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations	DelCarte - close to my home	
252	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	King Street playground for its diverse activities and surrounding trees	Plow parking lot in the winter. Add a couple street /walkway lights
253	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Single parent with older children	3	0	2	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNET, beaver pond, Indian rock are most utilized by my family for the activities that we enjoy	

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254	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	5	0	1	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Beaver Pond	Improvements to facilities, restrooms unlocked
255	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte	Clear walking path
256	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Love delcarte and dacey trail	
257	Property owner	More than 20 years	Single parent with older children	2	0	0	0	Town website, Conservation B(l)og, Friends/word of mouth	Schmidt farm	Mountain bike trails
258	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website		
259	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Other websites or organizations	SNET Trail, Easy to access but not surrounded by vehicle traffic	Recent improvements to the SNET have been wonderful. Addition of bird or bat houses to attract more wildlife would be fun to see.
260	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	Town website	Dacey Field - open fields, playground, and dog park	Add lights
261	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)		
262	Property owner	More than 20 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	1	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)		
263	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Single parent with older children	5	0	3	0	Town website	Delcarte	No
264	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Delcarte. Good little hike and play space for kids. Dacey field for soccer games. snett for nature trails and hikes , town common for events and picnics.	Restroom facility at park during day hours. Dacey playground improved for post game use.
265	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	Dacey Field	Improvements to playground area, especially adding an infant swing, adding equipment appropriate for children 6 and under & blocking high surfaces that may be dangerous for little ones (specifically at the top of the rock climbing wall nearest swings)
266	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Fletcher field it has served this town for generations with out breaking the bank	
267	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Fletcher Field	Better policing of dog leash law
268	Renter	Less than 5 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Town Forest	More rocks to help with muddy trails. More signage and maps.
269	Property owner	More than 20 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	2	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNET and DelCarte	
270	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Friends/word of mouth	Snet trail	
271	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	It children not living a	0	0	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Railtrail nice even walking path in wooded area Delcarte is wonderful as well	
272	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with older children	5	0	1	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	State/town forest and SNET trails- love nature, hiking, and the space for wild life. Also Beaver pond for the sand and water. Every time I'm there, it feels like a mini vacation.	
273	Renter	Less than 5 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), I don't, - I just explore!	Delcarte, the pond by my apartment that my landlord owns	
274	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0	Other websites or organizations	SNET Trail	
275	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Maple Hill, dacey playground, snett, delcorte conservation	More mountain biking trails. More/longer nature walk trails,
276	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations	Del Carte and SNET Trail. Both have parking for easy access. Safe.	
277	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	6	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations		
278	Renter	Less than 5 years	Senior couple or family	6	0	22	2	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	DelCarte	
279	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	6	0	2	2	I don't, - I just explore!		
280	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with older children	3	No	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte and SNET trail	Crossing light for Grove St access to SNET- cars don't stop for pedestrians!!
281	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Single parent with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte. It is very accessible, any age can enjoy it, protects/conserves wildlife	
282	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	5	0	1	0	Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	SNETT, and state forest	SNETT continuation northward from grove street
283	Renter	More than 20 years	Single adult - sharing living quarters	3	0	0	2	Other websites or organizations	State forest	Enforce off-season dirt bike restrictions
284	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	5	0	0	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Hard to pick a favorite but DelCarte and Town forest are right up there	DelCarte - "back in the day" I learned to skate on DelCartes - could we look at offering pond skating - was wonderful to be outside skating. Town Forest - more signage please
285	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	Other websites or organizations	Franklin State Forest	Expansion of trail network for non-motorized bicycles in FSF
286	Renter	More than 20 years	Family with older children	5	0	0	0	I don't, - I just explore!		
287	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	6	0	4	0	I don't, - I just explore!	SNET trail and state forest for gravel riding and mountain biking	Improve and develop trail system for mountain biking. Many trails are too washed out from mini bikes.
288	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	4	1	1	0	Town website, Local newspaper	SNET trail - enjoy walking it	No
289	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	SNET Trail	
290	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	1	0	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Town Forest, good MTB riding where not rutted out by Moto	More trails protected from Moto use
291	Property owner		Family with older children	2	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Town forest, snett trail	Expand the snett
292	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte and SNETT trail - both offer an opportunity for multi-purpose use and escape into nature.	Not directly answering your question, but I really wish consideration would be given to preventing motor bikes from using the State Forest. The damage they've done is immeasurable, and the lack of consideration given to others is astounding. We stopped using certain trails because of an incident of harassment that occurred (with our children present) behind the YMCA where a motor biking crew almost backed over our children's bicycles, then yelled obscenities at us. It amazes me how much land is dedicated to motor bikes; when we've had pleasant interactions, we've found that every motor bike rider we've encountered is not from Franklin. What are we catering to people who don't live in our town and pay taxes here?
293	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Other websites or organizations	DelCarte	
294	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	0	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	King street for the pickle ball courts and community gardens	Add more pickle ball courts
295	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0	I don't, - I just explore!	SNET	Prohibit dirt bikes in franklin
296	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	King street park (tennis/pickle ball, bocce, and community gardens)	Paved wide bike paths in and around the park to encourage biking from nearby neighborhood areas and within the park
297	Property owner	More than 20 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Other websites or organizations	The recently improved SNET trail is a joy and benefits many, many people young and old.	
298	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Senior living alone	1	0	0	1	Town website	Darcy Field for walking my dog	No
299	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	7	0	4	0	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte; it is very peaceful	Connect trails to the land behind St. John's church
300	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	5	0	0	0	Town website, Friends/word of mouth	Maple Hill! Beautiful Trials, but needs to regrow logging work.	Maple Hill could use a organized group to maintain the existing trail network and maybe improve the main loop for families and seniors by putting down a gravel walkway.
301	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	1	0	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	King street pickleball courts	Add more courts please
302	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0		Dacey	Baby swing

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303	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	1	1	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), I don't, - I just explore!	SNET, particularly since it was resurfaced. I can now bring my handicapped daughter in her bike trailer through the beginning half!	
304	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNET is our favorite biking trail and we would love to see it expand. Fletcher field playground is our favorite town playground bc it's right by our house and has plenty of space to play and run	Fletcher playground is aging and needs some repair and power washing. The zip line slider is broken, the saw horse needs oiling, and the white play structure needs a power wash. Small repairs would make a big difference for our community! There also needs to be better trash control near the basketball/hockey area, unfortunately trash (and pet waste) does not always make it into the bins which is a citizen issue but issue nonetheless.
305	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	DelCarte as it incorporates the reservoir and trails.	Keep up maintenance.
306	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	None	2	None	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Tough to decide between DelCarte and Dacey. I'll choose DelCarte for the purposes of this survey-so many things in one place. Playground, water, and trails.	No more building around the area in front of the conservation land that does not benefit the public, I.E. houses, apartments. An expanded parking area would be nice, sometimes it can get crowded.
307	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Friends/word of mouth		
308	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations, I don't, - I just explore!	All of the above (although have not explored the new acquisitions yet)	I am hoping to hear and learn more on Schmidt Farm and Maple Hill trail development/recreational opportunities.
309	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Pisani fields and Beaver Pond fields. Very nice facilities for my girls to play sports.	
310	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Dacey, schools	No
311	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	maple. hill	
312	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website, Local newspaper	SNET trail.	Pave it.
313	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Local newspaper		
314	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with older children	3	0	0	2	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Local newspaper	Pickleball - used	
315	Renter	Less than 5 years	Single adult - sharing living quarters	2	0	0	0	Local newspaper	DelCarte because it's a great open space where you can also take dogs on a nice walk. And it has views of the train!	More trails, maybe better visibility for trails.
316	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	3	0	0	0	Town website, Local newspaper	SNETT trail because it allows access to other places and trails	Extend trail from Grove St to downtown Franklin
317	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	I don't, - I just explore!	State forest, good for a hike and snow shoeing/cross country skiing in winter.	Improve signage and blazes on trails in the upper section past the Y. Trail blazes should be in both directions, not just one direction. I recently noticed that the bottom part of forest near Grove Street has improved signage. I was lost more than once in this State Forest. The main trail meanders A LOT!
318	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	Two	None	None	2	Local newspaper	Dacey field	Trees trees trees
319	Property owner	More than 20 years	Single parent with older children	5	0	0	0	Local newspaper	DelCarte	
320	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	King street park - community gardens, basketball and pickle ball and great playground all in one.	Exercise equipment on a walking route
321	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Town website, Local newspaper	Dacey's field. Use it for soccer training and has a bit of everything	Improve playground. Lights would be great!
322	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	1	0	2	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper		Misc feedback: would also love an "adult playground" with equipment to work out like pull up bars, etc. great example of this is Brown Street Park in Providence. Has equipment for all ages - infants all the way to adults!
323	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Local newspaper	Sculpture park, Delcarte, beaver pond, all the playgrounds	All the playgrounds need more basketball areas, delcarte needs more trails, beaver pond needs clean water, algae mitigation sculpture park needs signage and cleanup
324	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	2	Town website, Local newspaper	I have used all of those spaces. Hard to pick favourite.	
325	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	Local newspaper	SNET Trail	At the moment, no improvement needed.
326	Renter	Less than 5 years	Single adult - sharing living quarters	2	0	0	0	Town website	DelCarte	Ensure trails are well labeled
327	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	SNET trail	Add trash cans for dog poop bags and add dog poop bags. Add some benches along the way. Connect more trails
328	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Del carte and Dacey field.	
329	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	2	Town website, Local newspaper	Town & state forest. SNET trail	
330	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	5	0	3	0	Town website	DelCarte and Dacey Field	Allow hours where dogs can be off leash
331	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0	Local newspaper	I that you can swim at beaver pond. I like the SNETT because it nice for waking. I like that riverbend goes to the Charles river. I like delcarte because I can take my dog.	If there was a boat launch available at river bend.
332	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	5	No	0	1	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Delcarte, great walk, dog friendly, great bird and beaver sightings.	Add pickle ball and basketball courts, some parts of the walking trail are too uneven for older or disabled, bridge over the one area that doesn't have one
333	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Friends/word of mouth	Del Carte, ease of access, it's beautiful	Not at this time
334	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	0	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations, I don't, - I just explore!		
335	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Local newspaper	SNETT BIKING WALKING. DELCARTE	
336	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	SNET Trail & Dacey Field	A sidewalk on prospect street leading to Schmidt Farm
337	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations	DelCarte	DelCarte is fairly well maintained.
338	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	7	0	5	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations, I don't, - I just explore!	DelCarte because it is a fun playground, easily accessible, great trails, and beautiful water and birds and access to the water :)	More parking
339	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	1	Local newspaper	State Forest	Eliminate dirt biking and ATVs.
340	Renter	5 to 10 years	Senior living alone	One	None	None	1		DelCarte and Dacey Field (dog park)	Small dog section added to dog park
341	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	1	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte, Maple Hill	Please keep Maple Hill natural - just trails for walking/jogging with separate trails for biking.
342	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	None	0	0	Local newspaper	Delcart	No
343	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Most parks. We use most of them.	No.
344	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	0	0	Town website, Local newspaper	DelCarte. Nice walking trails around the pond.	No
345	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	0	2	Local newspaper	State forest	Trail development, clean It up
346	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	1	Town website, Other websites or organizations	SNET trail	A few trash containers so folks can discard dog excrement properly rather than leaving in bags on trail
347	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper		
348	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website, Local newspaper	King St Playground , dacey field, Nason st playground, fletcher field.	
349	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Senior couple or family	2	1	0	2	Town website	BeaverPond	No

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350	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Other websites or organizations	Beaver Pond, Pirelli Ice Rink, Franklin Town Forest, Dacey Fird, DelCart, Fletcher field	Clean up highway trash next to 495N at Besver Pond and close gaps in the chain link fence. Pave SNET trail for biking Connect SNET trail to downtown Franklin via sidewalks/bike paths. Additional tennis courts in town.
351	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth		
352	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	5	0	2	0	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Del Carte	Yes!! Trails need wood chips! Tree roots are in peril, and it is difficult to walk/run on the trails. Happy the place is getting use, but we need to take care of it. Riverbend trails down by the water need help as well.
353	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Friends/word of mouth	Descarte	
354	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	9	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Other websites or organizations	Del carte	
355		More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	State / Town Forest on Summer St	No
356	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	1	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Delcarte	Not sure - it's such a great space! Love going for walks there!
357	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Town website, Local newspaper	We live near Dacey And love it. We've walked the trails there and the frisbee golf course is fantastic.	
358	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	2	Town website	SNETT, BEAVER POND REC AREA	I WOULD LOVE TO SEE A SAILING PROGRAM STARTED.
359	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Single parent with older children	4	0	1	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Del carte	Not sure
360	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Recreation Department newsletter	Delacarte. Forest walk. Book on trails. Playground. Lovely	
361	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	DelCarte easy access	
362	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	0	0	Town website	Del carte, maple hill, town forest, snet trail dacey beaver	Clear trees off trails in wooded area.
363	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	Four	None	One	None	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Beaver pond/SNET and Town forest	I enjoy walking the trails around beaver pond but they're currently not maintained.
364	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	SNET Trail - close to my home	Pave it for bike-riding
365	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	2	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations	I have to pick just one?! I'd have to go with DelCarte. But I also very much appreciate Fletcher Field with the open field space and really nice basketball courts.	Parking and access at the near end (closest to downtown) of DelCarte could be improved. This would help spread the visitors across both ends of the park.
366	Renter	Less than 5 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	1	0	1	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	King Street Community Garden	More parking, lights and security cameras, better bathrooms, vending machines
367	Renter	5 to 10 years	Single adult - living alone	1	0	0	1	Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Del Carte for its natural setting	
368	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	1	0	Local newspaper, I don't, - I just explore!	How do you get to and access Riverbend, Indian Rock, Maple Hill, Schmidt Farm???????	Better signage, parking, public access
369	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	SNETT (and Town Common if allowed to name 2!). SNETT provides a great walking experience while also promoting good will and interaction with Bellingham.	Recent improvements (underpass and surface) are great! Next improvement should be to work with Bellingham and Blackstone to improve their sections to at least the Blackstone River Greenway.
370	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	three	none	0	2	Town website, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	Beaver Pond for sunbathing, swimming, use of athletic field for power walking. Use King Street recreation area for dog running, fetch, and pickleball, gardening. the adjacent ball field for walking, also King St. for dog running, fetch, gardening, pickle ball	Is the open space across from Beaver Street Pond available for open conservation trails being developed, also for bird watching, habitat protection?
371	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	4	0	0	2	Town website	Riverbend- maybe less busy than other trails	post boundaries- hunting takes place close by on private land, post approved use i.e., no dirt bikes., buy surrounding land.
372	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	0	2	Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	Del Carte	
373	Property owner	More than 20 years	Multigenerational family	4	0	2	1	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Snett. Would be state forest if you kicked out the motorized vehicles though.	SNETT extension to Union, and connect some protected bike lanes to access it. See previous comment re: state forest.
374	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Single parent with young children (i.e., primary school)	2	0	1	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	DelCarte has variety of opportunities in one area.	Improve signage on the trails.
375	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	0	0	Conservation B(l)og, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNETT DelCarte Dacey	Keep them dog friendly, off leash areas in open field like Boarderlands. Don't give up on making Franklin a green gem and the best open space along the 495 corridor.
376	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	2	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth	Del Carte, Dacey hi	At Dacey, add some water fountains
377	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Delcart for its variety of water, trails, and playground although the state forest is great too.	Public restrooms and increased parking. I would like to see mountain bike trails developed with intent in franklin. So much opportunity in the town forest to create a great network of mtb trails for example. It's ok to walk there but having single track for bikes would be great. Beaver pond....pump track/ skate park with sidewalks all the way to it on beaver street from 140. Currently no sidewalks to beaver pond...
378	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	None	2	0	Local newspaper	Indian Rock and Dacey	Both are great
379	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	No	1	0	I don't, - I just explore!	State Forest because it's right behind my house easy access to walk dogs	
380	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	1	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)		
381	Property owner	More than 20 years	Single adult - living alone	1	0	0	1	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	SNET trail	No , just leave it as is or make it longer
382	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0	I don't, - I just explore!	We love living near Indian Rock! And we love the Dacey disc golf course	There's no map
383	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website, Local newspaper	Del Carte--beautifully	More parking
384	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	1	0	Local newspaper	Playgrounds	Establish programs that encourage younger folks to participate in outdoor activities at town parks and playgrounds.
385	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Del carte - great for kids with the story walk and playground and relatively easy walk around.	
386	Property owner	More than 20 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Delcarte. Size, trail system; wildlife, good for all ages	Town Forest needs beautifying and signage. Very neglected.

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387	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Other websites or organizations, I don't, - I just explore!	town forest	1- i am concerned about impact apartments next to big y will have on well 9. i am hopeful there is a proactive plan to avoid minimize and mitigate before any adverse affects arise.
388	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	DelCarte for hiking and SNETT for biking	2- proposed trail at riverbend (upstream from existing trails next to charles river) is ill-advised - it will fragment riverfront habitat and be subject to erosion. there are already loop trails at riverbend. the proposed trails are unnecessary and will directly harm conservation interests.
389	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	6	0	0	0	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations, I don't, - I just explore!	State and town forest	3- please do something about the canoe launch (?) at delcarte pond#4 (by playground). keep the baitshack tank and foundation.
390	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Delcarte - walking/hiking, story walks, open space, playground	4- town could improve access to 46.11 acre.woodland comprised of 331-034-000, 331-033-00, & 331-046-000 - nice trails past the best stone walls in town imho. same steep ridge as mount st mary and cliff in town forest.
391	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Local newspaper	Snet trail	
392	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	DelCarte	More stroller friendly trails please
393	Property owner	More than 20 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	DelCarte is a nice mix of playground, open water space, and wooded hiking trails. A wonderful gift to the residents of Franklin!	
394	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	SNET Trail and King St	My only wish for improving DelCarte and other spaces in Franklin would be to make some trails ADA compliant, so that more of our community could enjoy them.
395	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte	Yes, the SNET trail has some very unsafe portions where the surface is hazardous to walk on and has very boggy areas that get flooded. Also there are numerous Asiatic Bittersweet vines along the trail just choking out the trees. The vine is also overtaking the King St Park wooded boundaries as well as the areas around the Jefferson Remington Schools.
396	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	Dacey and DelCarte	Restrooms
397	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Del Carte, especially the story walk. Nason Street playground	Fix path at del carte from secondary parking lot, rebuild Nason for toddlers
398	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	4	0	0	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Oak Hill (where Klein Innsbruck ski area used to be. The Villages at Oak Hill builder was supposed to create public access, but never did.)	See above
399	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Senior couple or family	20	0	0	0	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	DelCarte	I think it is good already.
400	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Del Carte because of the trails and wildlife. We can walk to it.	Slightly better small craft launch.
401	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	Four	None	One	None	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	DelCarte and Maple Hill	Maple Hill needs parking and trail maintenance, marking.
402	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	0	1	Town website, Friends/word of mouth	Del Carte, proximity to my home, trails are easy to traverse and being near the pond	
403	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	2	Local newspaper	DelCarte	
404	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	0	0	Friends/word of mouth	Dacey field, proximity and enjoy the multi use facility	
405	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Other websites or organizations	Del carte because of the variety available there	More frequent book changes
406	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0	Local newspaper	SNET trail! Great for dog walking, running, and biking	
407	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Single adult - living alone	1	0	0	0	Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, I don't, - I just explore!	Delcarte is spectacular. There is wildlife, native plants, the migration of animals is obvious	It's been walked on by so many people that the roots of the trees are now above where they should be. It really needs an entire makeover on the trails to cover those roots to save those trees. A mulching crew, maybe high School volunteerism, could do it. It's pretty critical. That's true of most of the Open spaces that have trails.
408	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	DelCarte	Not at the moment
409	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Single adult - living alone	1	0	0	0	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Delcarte	Trail marking in State Forest
410	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	1	2	0	Town website		
411	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Town Forest	
412	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), I don't, - I just explore!		
413	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	All of them	Clean up the Sculpture park. Improve playground at Dacey field
414	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	1	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	State forest. Town forest. My family enjoy the trails	Town organized volunteer group to keep paths clear and increase signage on trails
415	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Dacey Field (we live nearby), Del Carte (kids love it), Beaver Pond (kids love it)	Dacey - new play structure or adding structures for older kids
416	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	State Forest, Riverbend	
417	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	I don't, - I just explore!		
418	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	5	0	1	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)		
419	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Single adult - living alone	1	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	Snet Trail	
420	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Snet trail	
421	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Del carte	
422	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Snet	Asphalt path instead of mud
423	Property owner	More than 20 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	2	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNETT	
424	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	1	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	We love DelCarte and the trails behind Dacey Field.	I wish people would stop letting their dogs off leash. Its frustrating because I follow the rules and leash mine and have very often been caught off guard with an aggressive dog.
425	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Senior living alone	1	0	None	1	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), I don't, - I just explore!	State Forest, SNET and DelCarte	
426	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)		
427	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	1	0	Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	Dacey Field Disc Golf followed by DelCarte	
428	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	Recreation Department newsletter, Local newspaper		
429	Property owner		Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte! For the extensive trails, the beautiful scenes by the water, the rope bridge, the wildlife, the story walk for the kids, and the playground.	Yes, dog owners have become too casual about picking up their dogs' droppings on the trails and this really needs better enforcement. My toddler actually picked up a pile once thinking it was a "cool rock" before I could stop him (hope that provides a laugh)!

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430	Property owner	More than 20 years	Multigenerational family	3	0	0	1	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Dacey Field and DelCarte	Put in Fitness Stations along the paths in open spaces (e.g. Dacey and DelCarte)
431	Property owner	More than 20 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	2	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	maple hill, dacey field, del carte	limit non-walking activities
432	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Friends/word of mouth	Delcarte with the reading loop	
433	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte provides beautiful views, a walking trail and a safe playground	change surface of playground from wood chips, shaded picnic tables
434	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Del Carte, Beaver Pond, State Forest, Upper Charles rail trail,	
435	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Del carte	Adding bathrooms to all Rec areas is important and would improve them greatly
436	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	None	2	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	King Street Playground	Would love to see more activity on the land there. Perhaps the community garden should be larger.
437	Property owner	More than 20 years	Single parent with older children	2	0	0	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Riverbend	Complete the sidewalk on Lincoln street Clean up all the trash on Lincoln and in Riverbend Remove the invasive species and restore with native plants
438					0	0	0			RIGHT TO FARM PLEASE
439	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with older children	3	0	0	0	Friends/word of mouth	State and Town Forest	
440	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	King street playground	Add a splash pad for young kids.
441	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	State forest, because it's my backyard.	Do not allow motorized vehicles.
442	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations	DelCarte, SNETT trail, avoid State Forest due to hunting and motorized vehicles,	
443	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	Town website, Local newspaper		
444	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	4	one but may require in futur	1	0	Town website, Other websites or organizations	DelCarte, Town forest	No - like as is. Franklin does not need to become a town with cement and paved sidewalks everywhere, expanding roads and adding arrows and specifies lanes everywhere. Where needed in middle of town or major roads, yes what makes sense. The conservation and recreation needs to retain lands to protect walking, wildlife and the feel of the country. Simplicity and being able to see forest and farmland even driving by is good. Planting trees and allowing kids access to swim for \$1 for the day with a lifeguard and a ham sandwich. Don't make Franklin Milford. Franklin is more like Norfolk, Medway Concord.
445	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	Two	1	0	2	Town website	Town Common Music Programs	No
446	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	State forest	
447	Property owner	More than 20 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	King Street playground good for grandkids, couldnuse updating , akin to wjat has been done in Wrentham	Could use upgrades as has been done at play are across from Development Center in Wrentham Less Ninja warrior and just solid climber, better swings for younger kids., along with accessible public bathrooms
448	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	7	0	2	1	Recreation Department newsletter	DelCarte	Keep the area surrounding it wooded.
449	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	2	Friends/word of mouth	King st park, close.	Hiking trails
450	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	The SNET Trail!	Increased sidewalk presence on areas surrounding SNET. Mainly, Prospect Street where it overpasses the SNET. There should be a sidewalk there. Thanks for all you do!
451	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNETT	Drainage needs to be improved in several locations on the SNETT, such as immediately west of Prospect Street
452	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0	Friends/word of mouth	SNET trail is fantastic!	Would love sidewalks on Prospect St so we can access the SNET trail by walking.
453	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Senior living alone	1	0	0	1	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Beaver Pond	
454	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	1	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte	Leveling of the trails around the pond.
455	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	5	0	1	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	DelCarte, it is the prettiest	Crossing pleasant feels very dangerous and should be made safer
456	Property owner	More than 20 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Conservation B()log	All	Management program to control Deer population. Allowing residents to Bow hunt to reduce deer numbers. Archer hunting is a safe practice the state of Massachusetts and other locals have used to o control a growing deer numbers in the state of Massachusetts.
457	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Town website	DelCarte	
458	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	none	0	2	I don't, - I just explore!	State forest	
459	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	2	1	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Town Forrest walk in there all the time	Better trail markings it's spotty and needs updating and publish maps online
460	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	1	0	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Delcarte, SNET trail, king street playground, dacey field	Basketball courts at Dacey
461	Property owner	More than 20 years	Multigenerational family	4	0	1	0	Town website	Dacey Fied, close to home	cross country ski trail, playground, picnic area with benches
462	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	1	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Snet Trail- great for walking and riding bikes	no, it's been nicely updated.
463	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	2	0	0	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	They all are	
464	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	3	0	0	2	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Dacey Field for dog walk. DelCarte for beauty.	Purchase land next to Dacey field when goes up for sale. More trails. Community Garden.
465	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	0	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNET	
466	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	Del carte is walking distance to my house and I love the hiking!	Nope it's perfect
467	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Couple - no children	Two	Zero	Zero	Zero	I don't, - I just explore!		
468	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	0	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	I use them all and like them all for different reasons	Better signage for trails
469	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	6	0	0	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte, Dacey, SNET trail	Shade on the playgrounds
470	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	1	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Any of the town softball/baseball fields, Dacey when it's not too hot.	DPW and the Rec Departments both do a great job on the fields!
471	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	0	0	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	We love the SNET trail because we get good exercise and see the natural beauty...and we will not get run over by a car speeding down Maple St while we walk!	We love the newest improvement in the trail itself (not so muddy)...maybe look at what Holliston does to get ideas. Their trail is really exceptional!
472	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	2	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Conservation B()log, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	None	New town council
473	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	Delcarte	
474	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	None	No
475	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	No	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Dacey/disc golf/dog park, king st park, SNETT, state forest and town forest	Walkway around the perimeter of king st park
476	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior living alone	One	1	0	1	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth		
477	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	1	Town website, Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte	The roots need to be better covered on the trails and we need to restore the shrubs and wildflowers that were once found in most Eastern woodlands.
478	Renter	Less than 5 years	Single parent with young children (i.e., primary school)	2	1	1	0	I don't, - I just explore!		

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479	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Del Carte - walking paths, playground, water; nason street tor lot - age appropriate playground; Davis Thayer- walkable park	
480	Property owner	More than 20 years	Couple - no children	2	None	None	2	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Del Carte	NA
481	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter		
482	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior living alone	one	none	None	none	Town website, Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte	
483	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	0	0			
484	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	I don't, - I just explore!	SNETT	
								Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth		
485	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Dacey field	
486	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	delcarte	
487	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Dacey field because my son plays baseball there	
								Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)		
488	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	6	0	4	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth	Beaver playground (not beaver pond it is gross) and SNET	Beaver pond is so gross, could the area not be redeveloped into splash park, Public pool or otherwise cleaned up? Or redevelop into wetland/conservation area and focus resources elsewhere.
489	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Delcarte	Dacey can be improved - it has most parking and fields so please prioritize replacing playground and potentially adding public bathrooms etc
490	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0		Fletcher field	Supply basketballs
										fletcher needs night lighting...would give more options for field time...recreation department needs to be more user-friendly and focus more on customer service—surveys after each season would be helpful to get feedback on strengths and weaknesses of programs and site locations, sculpture park needs updating
491	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth	town commons #1, fletcher baseball fields, these are the two areas we use the most and seelarge numbers of franklin residents enjoying	
492	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Snet trail.. quiet and clean	
493	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper		
494	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	I don't, - I just explore!	Delcarte bc it's near water and I love the stories in the trail. I also love snet bc it's sn easier walk with a stroller and little kids	
495	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	0	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte and Dacey field	Maintain cleanliness
496					0	0	0	Friends/word of mouth	Declarte is great for hiking	Enforce dogs on leashes. Improve water quality and/or water flows.
								Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth		The info panels are really cool, maybe incorporating more. Having a walkway from prospect st to the trail would be cool too
497	Property owner	More than 20 years	Single adult - sharing living quarters	4	0	0	0		SNETT trail, close by. A lot of great improvements over the years	
498	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	1	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	King street park	Lights in parking lot at king street
								Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Other websites or organizations		
499	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0		SNET trail	Make the path from the east end to the Bellingham line wider and less muddy
								Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth		
500	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0		Delcarte	
								Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper		Dacey could use updated soccer goals and netting to catch any errant shots from going into the woods
501	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	5	None	3	0		King Street and Dacey	
502	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Del carte because we can walk there. Kids love beaver with the exciting playground and sand to dig in.	Bathroom at del carte
503	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Recreation Department newsletter	King street	
504	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website	DelCarte - story walk, hiking trails, & playground	
505	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	4	0	0	2	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	DelCarte - It's peaceful	Bigger parking lot
								Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Conservation B(l)og, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper		
506	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	6	0	4	0		Dacey, beaver, meadowlark, fletcher.	Continue with the regular upkeep. Love them all.
507	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	0	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNET trail, Dacey Field for walking and enjoying outdoor safely	
									DelCarte, King Street Playground, and Dacey - fun for the whole family.	
508	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	I don't, - I just explore!		
								Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	Maple Hill	Keep the trails as is, very natural setting is an oasis within town
509	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	5	0	1	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)		
510	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0			
								Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth		
511	Renter	More than 20 years	Single adult - living alone	1	0	0	0		Beaver Pond	
								Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper		
512	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0			
								Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth		
513	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0		DelCarte and SNET trail	
								Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper		
514	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	Two	none	none	2		Dacey Field	Acquire adjacent property
515	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)		
								Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth		
516	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0		SNET and Beaver Pond and DelCarte	
								Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	King Street simply because of the proximity and how many different things there are to do there.	
517	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0			
518	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	2	I don't, - I just explore!	DelCarte, SNET trail	
								Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), I don't, - I just explore!	Beaver Pond	The boat ramp needs to be fixed and dredged at the very bottom to make launching of trailered boats and kayaks easier. Keeping access to Franklin Residents during season is extremely helpful in ensuring that fishing pressure remains low and stocks remain high for recreational use. The newly renovated boat ramp at Milford Pond and dredging is a great example of what can be done there.
519	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3, will be 4 in May	0	1 soon to be 2	0			
520	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	1	Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations		
										Some of the trails are getting rough due to more exposed roots. There are also some muddy areas. It would be nice to have either some type of walkway added or to fill in or build up some of those areas for easier access.
521	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website	DelCarte It has a good variety of trails and views of nature plus a nice playground and picnic tables.	It is hard to use a stroller through parts of the trails.
522	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	0	1	Town website	Del carte SNET	Make more trails to continue all the way around the second pond
523	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	Town website, Friends/word of mouth	River end is my gavotte location because it gives access to the River and it is very peaceful woods.	Riverbend can be improved through better storm drainage and more clearly marked signs.
								Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth		
524	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	1	0		DelCarte because of the trail around the pond	More trails and better marked
									DelCarte; we walk our dogs there everyday. It is peaceful and very well kept.	
525	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	None	3	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)		Clearing up the downed trees and other debris in the wooded areas.

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526	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	Trunkline Trail; King St Playground	Add more public tennis courts ... only available is at high school. Make at least 1-2 of the new courts pickleball dual-use
527	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	5	0	0	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Town Forest and SNET Trail for dog walking	
528	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	Two	1	0	2	Town website, Conservation B(l)og, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte	
529	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	None	None	2	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	SNETT	Improvements made are wonderful!
530	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Maple Hill	Provide access trails from the northern end, such as off of Hancock Road, formalize the trail network and close off some areas to prevent the proliferation of 'natural' trails that are occurring currently. This property has great potential to be an excellent resource if managed well, especially if it can be connected to Dacey / Helen Keller / the adjacent MLT property and access via Maple Street.
531	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Conservation B(l)og, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	DelCarte because it is accessible to us.	
532	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	1	Town website	DelCarte	No
533	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	1	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)		
534	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	Maple Hill because its size makes it an ideal location for trail running	Add trail kiosks at trail heads with trail maps, blaze trail paths, clear primary paths so that walkers, joggers, and others have access to a well groomed loop.
535	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	I don't. - I just explore!	SNET trail- we go on family hikes there regularly, no matter the time of year.	
536	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Dacey field due to its proximity and amount of space.	There needs to be something geared to older kids in grades 5-8
537	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	0	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Dacey Field due to variety of activities	
538	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	I don't. - I just explore!	Delcarte	
539	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	5	0	1	0	Town website	Maple hill	Removing down trees or soon to be falling limbs, mark trails,
540	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	0	0	I don't. - I just explore!	DelCarte	None
541	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	0	0	Town website	DelCarte is my favorite space. It's easy to get to and it provides a peaceful oasis.	no. I enjoy the trails, playground, and seating areas. It's just right!
542	Property owner	More than 20 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	State forest for walks. Fletchers field for nieces.	
543	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	1	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Other websites or organizations	Del carte and franklin forest because I enjoy walking in places away from traffic	Better trail markings for franklin state forest. Guided walks
544	Renter	More than 20 years	Single adult - living alone	1	0	0	1	Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	SNET trail	Prevent dirt biking.
545	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	2	Local newspaper, I don't. - I just explore!	Beaver Pond , smaller area, all activities there, but not enough park benches and winter walking access	Park benches to walk and rest , places for turtles to live
546	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Single adult - living alone	1	0	0	1	Town website, Friends/word of mouth	Del carte - I know where it is and where to park	Trail maintenance needed / more parking
547	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth		
548	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Dacey Field - close to home and lots of options & DelCarte - playground and walking trails	More shade and better addressing of bees on playground. There tends to be a lot of bee nests at Dacey and it can be dangerous for kids.
549	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte because of the playground by the pond	No
550	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations	DelCarte is definitely our go to because it has something for different moods! The playground, the story walks, trails,	Maybe update the docks
551	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Multigenerational family	7	0	3	1	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations, I don't. - I just explore!	Del carte	
552	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Recreation Department newsletter	Dacey Field- playground (although needs updating), open fields all in one	Update Playground
553	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)		
554	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Dacey Field	More consistent grooming and landscaping to keep things clean at our parks and walking trails. More organized events at parks with playgrounds.
555	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	0	0	Other websites or organizations	Dacey field	
556	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Dacey disc golf course	Continued support
557	Property owner	More than 20 years	Single adult - living alone	10	0	0	1	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	SNET trail	Just leave it be to preserve the natural beauty. It is amazing right now!
558	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte. My kids enjoyed the playground when they were younger, love the walking trails and good access to the water for kayaking etc.	Improve access to water.
559	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	We love walking in the town forest and Delcarte because they are kept clean and are an escape to nature. My son uses Fletcher, king st playground, Dacey, Beaver, and the school basketball courts. because	Please add a trash can at the trail heads of the forest (maybe a big belly solar compactor).
560	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	3	No	0	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	DelCarte - I love the walking trails and the diversity of wildlife and plants	Provide wooden pallets on trails where it gets muddy after a rainstorm.
561	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Del Carte/ king street	More areas to walk
562	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	5	0	1	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	DelCarte, Indian Rock	I would use Indian Rock but the access from Concetta Way/Lost Horse is now blocked by a house. There should be an access point on this end of the park to allow easier access.
563	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, I don't. - I just explore!	Del carte	Family picnic area. Kayaks?
564	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Maple hill. End of street	Cut dead trees down to make it safe. Improve the main trail for handicap accessibility
565	Property owner	More than 20 years	Single adult - living alone	One	Zero	Zero	Zero	Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte	Yes, split DelCartes for on leash and off leash dog walking.
566	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Single parent with older children	2	0	0	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Del Carte- my dog loves goes there and so do I. It is a beautiful space and walking path.	Bathrooms!
567	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Fields for kids to play	
568	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0	Town website		
569	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Couple - no children	2	1	0	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, I don't. - I just explore!	Beaver pond and the trails across from fairmount fruit farm	Seating areas, trash pickup,

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570	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	1	2	1	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Tied bewteen SNET and Dacey - SNET for its accessibility for my whole famile. Dacey for my kids and I to play, be outside, watch the dogs in the dog park, and do some light hiking	Dacey - More clearly marked trails and an onsite map
571	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	0	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte	
572	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	3	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth		
573	Renter	10 to 20 years	Single parent with older children	2	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	SNET Trail. Love walking& Biking	Please stop developing spaces and preserve & conserve the open spaces and land
574	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Fletcher Field	Better patrolling to prevent off leash dogs, move swings closer to remainder of park structures, add more baby bucket swings
575	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	None	1	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Delcarte and SNET, Dacey Field, Beaver pond	Beaver pond could benefit from building a sound barrier from the highway and increasing walkable trails around the entire pond.
576	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	2	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte for birdwatching and Beaver Pond for wild flowers	Stop tearing up the woods for recreation/sports sites that are rarely used.
577	Renter	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	No	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)		
578	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Other websites or organizations	Beaver Pond. I've used that property for 60 plus years now. Love what the town has done with it.	It's built up enough... Let's let it breath now.
579	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	None	3	0	I don't, - I just explore!	Del Carte, Beaver Pond, Dacey	Would love a skate park
580	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Other websites or organizations	King St park. It is near my home and we use it at least 2x a day for walking. Also the Community Garden.	Make a walking trail around the perimeter of the park. Also, make a pass through the parking lot after a snowstorm so that walkers can get in.
581	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	1	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Delcarte, snet,	
582	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Recreation Department newsletter		
583	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	1	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Del carte, beaver pond	Beaver - incorporating a loop trail around pond would be great for people with dogs and bikes
584	Both	More than 20 years	Family with older children	4, sometimes 5	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	As part of the youth soccer program I spent a LOT of time at King Street Memorial Park and Dacey Fields. As a regular walker I spent a lot of time at DelCarte, the State and Town forests, and the SNET trail. I look forward to seeing what the Schmidt Farm can become. Favorites? Of all the grass soccer fields (King, Dacey, Keller, Remington, FHS grass, Meadowlark), King Street Memorial Park is the best simply because it handles water the best. Whatever was done in the late 80s, early 90s when that field was constructed, the field takes water, drains well, and responds to tender loving care. Although all of the other grass fields came later, none drain well. Remington is very poor, the "new" FHS grass fields on the hill are very poor. Steps have been taken to address Dacey fields, but they are poor. As for Open Spaces, all of Del Carte, SNETT, State Forest, Town Forest are decent in that they have well-warm paths and relatively safe pathways. The SNETT improvements between Grove and Prospect Streets last year were terrific!	If new fields are ever to be built, can we learn from whatever was done at King Street and make sure that drainage is properly constructed for the long-term? As for Open Space improvements, if new trails are to be constructed, I would hope they are well-marked, and, if possible, are laid out in a loop or series of loops (like DelCarte) so that patrons can vary their experience and distance walked/hiked. It would be great if the SNETT could be extended into downtown Franklin and, perhaps, connect to other bike trails that exist (Milford, Holliston, etc.)
585	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Single adult - living alone	1	None	None	None	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper		
586	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	Beaver pond	
587	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Franklin High School Athletics fields. They are the most modern facilities in Franklin.	The DPW should be reminded that their purpose is to prepare the fields for USE and not to limit access during the short window spring sports has to utilize the fields.
588	Property owner	More than 20 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	2	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)		
589	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Town website	DelCarte	Provide more parking. Eliminate the dangerous cross walk. I have watched as way too many people almost get mowed down trying to cross here. Regardless of the safety lights. It can be a blind corner when going speed limit. Cars also park on the street now for overflow making this situation even worse. This space has nice trails, water and a SHADED playground. This is why this one gets more use over larger playgrounds in town that are in direct sunlight.
590	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Beaver Pond	Nice turf on that warmup field
591	Property owner	More than 20 years	Single adult - living alone	1	0	0	1	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), I don't, - I just explore!		
592	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Town website	beaver pond-nice animals in area.	
593	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Single parent with older children	2	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Beaver Pt.	
594	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Town Forest	Improve parking areas
595	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	3	cal disabilities in the house	1	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Beaver pond because you can swim there without the hassle of traveling far and spending \$\$\$\$ on parking fees.	Food trucks or snack at—equipment rentals (canoe kayak, etc) — lessons.
596	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Friends/word of mouth	Lacey Field	Provide a landscape plan for casual gathering
597	Property owner	More than 20 years	Single parent with older children	2	0	0	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte	
598	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	1	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Beaver Pond, King Street Park, SNET trail - they're all lovely spaces	
599	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Franklin Rail Trail - SNETT - it's accessible to different fitness abilities which makes it an easy place to to walk and bike with friends or family.	increase parking at Grove St and improve road crossing
600	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte. enjoy the playground for the Grandkid's and the walking trails.	Boat Rides
601	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Dacey	Please get lighting and water supply to the dog park at Dacey.
602	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	3	1	0	3	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations	Delcarte	
603	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	We utilize the baseball and football fields regularly. My favorite open hiking area is Del Carte.	To be clear- my answer or maybe on the question of whether I support a raise to 3% is due to the fact I feel strongly about supporting the open space initiative and improving our recreational availability but I don't support using the money to build low income/affordable housing which is also included in the Conversation Act. If the increase in funds was dedicated to conversation I'd be all for it. Thank you.
604	Renter	10 to 20 years	Single parent with older children	2	0 so far	0	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	I like ALL of the open space and recreational areas...ALL!	Alpine Row
605	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Other websites or organizations		

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606	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Other websites or organizations		
607	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Senior couple or family	2	1	0	2	Town website	NA	
608	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	3	1	0	1	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	DelCarte	
609	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	1	Town website, I don't, - I just explore!	SNET trail & town forest peaceful trails with nature, kind of self explanatory :-)	Trail markers & plant IDs. Advertising what we do have would be great too. If you're new to town & don't have kids it's very difficult to know what Franklin offers.
610	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior living alone	1	0	0	1	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Dacey	
611	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0	Town website		
612	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with older children	5	0	3	0	Recreation Department newsletter	Beaver Pond, my kids love the new park and enjoy swimming there.	Discourage littering and use from people out of town.
613	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Local newspaper	Davey Field disc golf course	Empty trashcans overflowing on the course
614	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte - great natural scenery	More events
615	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	NA	1	NA	Town website	Beaver pond	
616	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	Two	1	0	2	Town website		
617	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	2	Town website	SNET trail	Improved drainage
618	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0	Town website		
619	Both	10 to 20 years	Single parent with older children	3	0	2	0	Town website, Friends/word of mouth		
620	Property owner	More than 20 years	Single parent with older children	2	0	0	1	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter		
621	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website	King Street	no
622	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website	Beaver pond	More access around the pond.
623	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	2	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Other websites or organizations	delCarte	
624	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	1	2	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	SCULPTURE PARK AND BEAVER POND - TODDLER FRIENDLY	BETTER UPKEEP, MORE AND/OR CHANGING SCULPTURES/INSTALLATIONS
625	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	2	Town website, Friends/word of mouth	King Street playground, for and with our young grandchildren	no, but thanks for letting me/us answer this survey.
626	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior living alone	1	0	0	1	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	Fletcher Field. Convenience/location	Pickle ball courts.
627	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website	Delcartes	
628	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Senior living alone	1	0	0	1	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Local newspaper	DelCarte	
629	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Snet trail	
630	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	1	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	State forest	
631	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	1	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	King Street	
632	Property owner	More than 20 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0	Town website		
633	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Single parent with older children	2	0	0	0	Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	DelCarte but very difficult to walk if your a senior.	More nature walking trails that are suitable for seniors.
634	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	2	Town website		
635	Property owner	More than 20 years	Single adult - living alone	One	Currently none	0	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	Del Carte	Calming
636	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	1	0	2	Recreation Department newsletter	SNET	No
637	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	NA	NA	N/A	N/A	I don't, - I just explore!	Dacey Field - like to walk in woods with dogs	MAKE THE TRAILS NICER AND LESS MUDDY
638	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	SNET trail	Benches on the trail so seniors can rest for a time before continuing walking
639	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)		
640	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website	Town Forest. Hiking	No
641	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)		
642	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website		
643	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	DelCarte,SNET trail	
644	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	2	Other websites or organizations	SNET Trail	No additional comments
645	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	All of the above	
646	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	0	1	Town website	Delcarte and the Snet trail the state forest Fletcher Field i lovethese plocs because they always have something to see. They are easily accessible. Usually very well maintained	Would love to see a tennis court at fletcher field.
647	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	4	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNETT is awesome! We are so lucky to have such an amazing resource in our community.	More parking, lighted crosswalk sign at Grove Street entrance to SNET trail.
648	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!		
649	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Other websites or organizations	SNET trail	Do something about the puddles and the mud, add opportunities for people to add bird or bat houses and other things like that
650	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0	Town website		
651	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	4	None	None	None	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	All listed here. We have utilized and enjoyed all these spaces for town athletics and leisure activities.	
652	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Recreation Department newsletter	delcarte	clear a larger area for gathering or picnics
653	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Couple - no children	2	0, formerly 1	0	0	Recreation Department newsletter, I don't, - I just explore!	The town forest and state forest and the SNETT trail, and DelCarte, because they are more wilderness and less developed recreational facilities	Keep development to a minimum
654	Property owner	More than 20 years	Single adult - sharing living quarters	2	0	0	2	Town website		
655	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children		0	0	0	I don't, - I just explore!	SNET and DelCarte	Pave the SNET.
656	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Single parent with young children (i.e., primary school)	2	0	1	0	Town website	SNET trail.	More trash receptacles on king street
657	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	King st playground- close to home, my husband and I can play pickleball while the kids are safe and can play on the playground. I love the community garden.	Accessible Bathrooms!!!
658	Property owner	More than 20 years	Single parent with older children	2	0	0	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	State forest	Kept clean and maintained.
659	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	5	1	0	1	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)		
660	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Senior living alone	1	0	0	1			
661	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth		

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Survey No	Are you a renter or property owner?	How long have you lived in Franklin?	Which of the following best describes your living situation?	What is the number of people in your household?	Number in household requiring access accommodations due to mobility impairment and/or disability?	Number in household under the age of 18?	Number in household over the age of 65?	How do you receive information about Open Space and Recreation Opportunities in Franklin?	What is your favorite public Open Space and/or Recreation area in Franklin and why?	Do you have any suggestions for how this favorite place can be improved?
662	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	SNET trail	Restrooms
663	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte—dog friendly trails	Restrooms
664	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Delcarte- child friendly	
665	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Delcarte (trails and boat access)	Fix/add canoe/kayak access
666	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website	Del carte	Restroom
667	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Del carte. It's the perfect size loop for my kids age (1st and 2nd grade)	Honestly, you did a wonderful job with the playground remodel a few years ago; it's a great place to play. Thank you!
668	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	Dacey Field	
669	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	Town website, Other websites or organizations, I don't, - I just explore!	SNET trail	
670	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	1	I don't, - I just explore!	Beaver pond	
671	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior living alone	1	0	0	1	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth		
672	Property owner		Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0			Stop increasing taxes on residents and increase commercial taxes.
673	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	Town website, I don't, - I just explore!	DelCarte	
674	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Single parent with older children	2	0	0	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte	
675	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	3	0	1	0			
676	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website		
677	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	5	0	3	0	I don't, - I just explore!	DelCarte because of the well maintained trails, the wildlife, the vistas, it is dog and child friendly	More trails and longer loops to add to the distance one could walk
678	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	4	0	0	0	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Del carte nice walking trails. Seems safe.	Bathrooms. More parking
679	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior living alone	3	0	0	1	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations	DelCarte,	Improve paths in challenging (uneven) areas.
680	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	0	0	Town website, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	I like the art park, King Street	Expanding the trail would be great. The art needs to be upkept, but it is a good, safe feeling walking area as it is close to the police station. King Street has multiple issues that need attention, including people walking in narrow car path, very desolate, this would be a great calisthenics location along a paved path and would also benefit the campers.
681	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Single adult - living alone	1	1	0	0	I don't, - I just explore!	snet trail	
682	Property owner	More than 20 years	Single adult - living alone	1	1	0	1	Town website, Friends/word of mouth	Beaver Pond	Clean up of waters edge
683	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	0	2	Town website	Snet	No
684	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	SnETt for biking or fields at Beaver	Keep up the good improvements to extend the surfacing of the SNETT
685	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Local newspaper	Del Carte	
686	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	1	Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte	Clear and add wood chips along the trails to mitigate tripping hazards
687	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	1	0	2	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Snet and delcarte	Longer bike path, that connect surrounding towns
688	Property owner	More than 20 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	2	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Sent trails	
689	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	1	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)		
690	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2		Raver pond	Fox dirt trails
691	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!		
692	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Suet trail	
693	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	4	None	None	None	Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	Town forest because it's quiet, Beaver Pond for birding, SNET for walking/biking, Del Cartes for scenery and playground (grandkids love it)	Stop chopping trees around Beaver Pond! Remove artificial turf. It's toxic!! Organize regular trash cleanups, esp along I495 embankment, put a cage around end of water intake pipe so beavers can't block it, provide educational signage about the wildlife at Beaver's pond, reduce size of parking lot and restore to natural state (there is twice the parking area needed).
694	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	None	1	None	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	Love it all! SNET trail	Explains the SNET trail to downtown or Union street.
695	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior living alone	1	0	0	1	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth		
696	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website	SNET trail	
697	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	2	0	0	2	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations, I don't, - I just explore!	King St - for pickleball	Bathrooms; easier registration for reservations
698	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior living alone	1	0	0	1	Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	DelCarte, because it is near to my house, beautiful and accessible.	Improve trails so that one can walk all the way around the pond.
699	Property owner	More than 20 years	Multigenerational family	4	0	0	2	Town website	Beaver Pond enjoy the beach	Better maintain
700	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Friends/word of mouth	Delcarte - love the playground and ability to walk the trails! We also love Dacey for the location, access to the trail and the fields!	Would LOVE to see Dacey playground updated as the playground is old and needs updating - could be such a great space!
701	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte, great place to explore nature	Love to see a skateboard park in town
702	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	Recreation Department newsletter	Del Carte - it is beautiful with trails in the forest and along the ponds	Del Carte needs restrooms and lots more parking. Trails could be better marked. We need benches periodically spaced along the trails. There is one section of trail that is a bit treacherous (sandy/slippery steep slope) and needs stairs or some other type of remedy. Maybe a few more picnic tables. Thank you for seeking our input!
703	Property owner	More than 20 years	Senior couple or family	6	0	2	2	Town website, Conservation B(l)og, Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations	DelCarte	
704	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	4	0	1	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Other websites or organizations	SNETT trail is beautiful & easily accessible to our home	Possibly more parking
705	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website	Beaver Pond bc of access to swim and playground	Make the beach/sand area larger
706	Property owner	Less than 5 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations		
707	Property owner	More than 20 years	Couple - no children	2	0	0	0	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper		
708	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	40	0	00	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth	Beaver	Practice bubble
709	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with older children	4	0	2	0	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Dacey, for the variety of activities, dog park, nice playground and fields	Restrooms, additional road access
710	Property owner	5 to 10 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	4	0	2	0	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte	
711	Property owner	10 to 20 years	Family with young children (i.e., primary school)	8	0	6	0	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Fletcher Field, King Street Playground	

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712	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family with older children	3	0	0	0	Recreation Department newsletter	DeiCarte	Active efforts to address invasive bittersweet, improved pathways so those with less ability can access.
713	Property owner	More than 20 years	Family, children no longer at home	2	0	0	0	Friends/word of mouth	SNET trail	

		Almost every day	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Never or not applicable
9	How often do you use designated Conservation areas in Franklin?	47	131	161	99	223	43
10	How often do you use municipal or school owned Recreation facility, such as a ballfield or park, in Franklin?	76	206	110	55	161	102

		Yes	No
11	In your opinion, are there sufficient sidewalks or walkways in your immediate neighborhood?	469	238
12	In your opinion, should major roads in Franklin be striped for bike lanes?	397	308
13	Has anyone in your household ever participated in a Town of Franklin sponsored recreational activity or recreated at a Town Open Space or Conservation Area?	545	163

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Survey No	How often do you use designated Conservation areas in Franklin?	How often do you use municipal or school owned Recreation facility, such as a ballfield or park, in Franklin?	In your opinion, are there sufficient sidewalks or walkways in your immediate neighborhood?	In your opinion, should major roads in Franklin be striped for bike lanes?	Has anyone in your household ever participated in a Town of Franklin sponsored recreational activity or recreated at a Town Open Space or Conservation Area?	Do you foresee opportunity on any lot around Town to be purchased as Open Space for permanent protection?	If yes, please describe:
1	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	No	No	No	
2	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
3	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	No	No	
4	Once a month on average	A few times per year		No	Yes	No	
5	Never or not applicable	Once a month on average	Yes	No	No	No	
6	Weekly	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
7	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
8	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
9	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	No	No	No	
10	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	Yes	No	No	
11	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
12	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Not sure
13	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Areas around David RD
14	Almost every day	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Beaver pong area could be redeveloped for better pickle ball facility. King Street field, Kennedy School field could be used for emerging sports like Cricket. If the King Street soccer field could spare Sunday (or Saturday) for Cricket then we can bring revenue to town. It is a large field, Cricket won't need the full space. Just one side
15	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
16	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
17	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
18	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
19	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	I can specifically describe a lot but it does seem that we a lot of area that gets purchased by developers - traffic in town gets worse and worse and the water ban seems to be more often than not. And protecting more land and using for Open Space/Recreation would be a much better investment for current residents and the future of out town and future residents.
20	Almost every day	Once a month on average	No	Yes	Yes	No	
21	Almost every day	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
22	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	No	Yes	No	
23	A few times per year	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	No	But all who use town fields should pay the same fee. Currently Franklin Bulldogs program doesn't pay for fields and are giving priority over booking field space over Franklin town/recreation programs. Similar for Franklin Soccer School. Make a legit Baseball complex (multiple fields/lights) so Franklin can host tourneys bringing revenue into town.
24	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
25	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
26	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
27	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
28	Once a month on average	Almost every day	No	No	Yes	No	
29	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Elm Street
30	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	I support purchasing as much open space as possible.
31	Never or not applicable	Almost every day	No	No	Yes	No	
32	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	No	No	
33	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
34	Weekly	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Open space needs to be kept for open space and not for construction purposes- pause the housing boom that is crippling our towns infrastructure.
35	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
36	Never or not applicable	Weekly	No	No	Yes	No	
37	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	No	Yes	Yes	Unsure of the status of the woods behind our house, but that is an open space

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38	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes	No	
39	Weekly	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes		
40	Never or not applicable	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Farm land in Franklin. Stop building apartments and houses!
41	A few times per year	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
42	Weekly	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes		
43	Almost every day	Almost every day	Yes		Yes		
44	Almost every day	Never or not applicable	No	No	Yes	Yes	Calana Farm off Lincoln St. adjacent to Dacey fields, Any parcel larger than 20 acres available.
45	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	No	Yes	
46	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	I think there are some good hiking trails by our house. I would like to see that remain or even just made a little more accessible to walk on. I have bad knees and a bad back but walking helps and id like to go hike through those woods without worrying.
47	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
48	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
49	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
50	Once a month on average	A few times per year	No	No	No	No	
51	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
52	Weekly	Weekly	No	Yes	No	Yes	Prospect St
53	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	No	Yes	No	
54	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
55	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	No	Yes	No	
56	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	No	No	
57	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	No	No	
58	Never or not applicable	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	No	No	
59	Never or not applicable	A few times per year	No	No	No	No	
60	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	Yes	No		
61	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	No	No	Yes	No	
62	Weekly	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
63	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	
64	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	No	No	
65	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
66	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
67	Weekly	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
68	Weekly	Once a month on average	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	The area next to the power line on Grove St. The land has been for sale for a while. Would be nice to preserve that land as it abuts the state forest land (healthy heart side). This land should not be developed!
69	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	No	No	
70	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes		
71	Weekly	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes		
72	Almost every day	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Just stop building. Just stop it.
73	1-2 times per month on average	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	No	
74	A few times per year	Once a month on average	No	No	Yes	Yes	Anywhere with vacant and condemned buildings.
75	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Actually, I'm not sure !
76	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
77	1-2 times per month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	No	
78	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	No	No	
79	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes	No	

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80	Once a month on average	Weekly	No	No	Yes	No	
81	Almost every day	A few times per year	Yes	No	No	No	
82	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
83	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
84	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
85	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Field behind Davis-Thayer/Old HS should be kept open.
86	Weekly	Once a month on average	Yes	No	No	No	
87	Once a month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes		
88	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	King street near highway?
89	Almost every day	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
90	Once a month on average	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	No	
91	Once a month on average	Weekly	No	No	Yes	Yes	I don't know of a particular parcel of land but if any other farmland were to become available would love to see it as Open Space or as a farm.
92	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	These are all large parcels that should be protected from development. Most of these are undeveloped. PARCEL ID: 228-002-000-000 and PARCEL ID: 227-015-000-000, PARCEL ID: 233-037-000-000, PARCEL ID: 220-055-000-000, PARCEL ID: 205-026-000-000, PARCEL ID: 208-019-000-000, PARCEL ID: 208-009-000-000, PARCEL ID: 212-026-000-000, PARCEL ID: 212-025-000-000, PARCEL ID: 222-046-000-000, PARCEL ID: 222-047-000-000
93	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
94	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	No	No	
95	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
96	Once a month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No	No	Yes	Yes	There is a large area on Daniels st adjacent to an abandoned home. It *may* have been sold, but there has been no construction in 6-9 months.
97	Once a month on average	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Dellea property on Elm St, Franklin Country Club, Camp Haiastan, back of 454 Lincoln (to complete Franklin Woods trail network), Ranieri property off Maple St (abuts Maple Hills lands), 469 Maple Street (barn can be base for Maple Hills exploration), 137 Mastro Dr, 22 Elm St, Fitzgerald property on Kimberlee, Dean College properties off Lincoln, CSX railbed from Grove to Union (to extend SNETT), 444 E Central St, 7 Penny Lane (to connect Summer neighborhoods with Parmenter school), 4 & 16 Mount St, ROW across tracks between Town's DelCarte and Longobardi properties (to connect DelCarte with Downtown)
98	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
99	Once a month on average	Weekly	No	No	Yes	No	
100	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
101	1-2 times per month on average	Once a month on average	Yes	No	No	No	
102	Once a month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
103	A few times per year	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	No	
104	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	No	No	
105	Weekly	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes		
106	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	No	
107	1-2 times per month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	No	No	
108	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes		
109	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	The farm on Prospect street
110	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
111	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
112	1-2 times per month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	No	No	
113	Once a month on average	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	No	N/A

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114	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Wooded zones near Franklin forest on Grove St. - in jeopardy of compromising experience of forest due to proposed "friendly" 40b
115	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Should still buy and protect the area destroyed for the flex space garages on Washington Street. Should buy and protect the old railroad track that leads to SNETT.
116	1-2 times per month on average	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	No	
117	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
118	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
119	A few times per year	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	The lot proposed for Madelene Village project
120	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
121	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes		
122	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	No	No	
123	Once a month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No	No	Yes	No	
124	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
125	Once a month on average	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	I would like to see the town add more features to the conservation areas that they currently have. Such as paved walkways or better/clearly marked paths.
126	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	NORTH WEST FORESTED AREAS ADJACENT TO POWERLINES
127	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	Yes	No	No	
128	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes	No	
129	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	No	No	
130	A few times per year	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes		
131	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	No	No	
132	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	My family owns an 18 and 16 acre parcel that abutts the state forest
133	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	No	No	No		
134	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	No	
135	Once a month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes		
136	Weekly	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	No	
137	Once a month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	No		
138	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes		No	No	
139	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Need more open space
140	A few times per year	Once a month on average	No	No	Yes	No	
141	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Any large properties, especially if they abut wetlands, and woods for wildlife to flourish
142	Once a month on average	Once a month on average	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Forested area bordering Del Carte. Forested areas bordering Beaver Pond area.
143	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Area near Fletcher Field
144	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
145	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
146	Weekly	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes		
147	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	No	
148	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	
149	Weekly	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes		
150	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	No	Yes	No	No	
151	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Madelene Village project add the land to Fletcher Field
152	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
153	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
154	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	I'm sure there's open lots, I just don't know which
155	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
156	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	No	
157	Almost every day	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	

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159	Once a month on average	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	No	
160	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes		
161	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	No	No	
162	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	It would be nice to walk completely around Beaver Pond.
163	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
164	Weekly	Weekly	No	No	Yes	Yes	Lot behind St John's on Pleasant st
165	Almost every day	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
166	Weekly	Once a month on average	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Davis Thayer
167	Almost every day	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes		
168	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
169	A few times per year	Weekly	No	No	Yes	Yes	Farm land off of Grove, Prospect, across from Townline
170	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
171	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	No		
172	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
173	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	No	No	
174	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
175	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	No	No	
176	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	No	No	
177	Weekly	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes		
178	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
179	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
180	Once a month on average	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	Yes		
181	Weekly	Weekly	No	No	Yes	No	
182	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A house in the neighborhood has extra acreage that abutts current Open Space.
183	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
184	Almost every day	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes		Don't know
185	A few times per year	Almost every day	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	There is still a lot of under delveloped property in Franklin
186	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	any remaining land near the reservoir...also, other farmland as it becomes available or wooded parcels that could connect to existing trails.
187	1-2 times per month on average	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Property within Bridal Path, Metacomet and Keller-Sullivan school. The foot trail from Bridal Path immediately comes to a wooded area (that leads to back of K-S school) that has a no trespassing sign.
188	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	No	
189	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
190	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	No	No	
191	Weekly	Almost every day	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	I'd love for the SNETT to be extended into downtown Franklin along the industrial line that goes from Grove to Central. It's very scenic and would increase pedestrian access to the downtown shops.
192	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Parks, playgrounds and like. Depending on size.
193	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	No		
194	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	The areas of maple St that connect to current conservation land (Lily way area and others)
195	Weekly	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
196	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
197	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes	No	
198	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	There's a lot in my neighborhood that borders on wetlands
199	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	

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200	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Too much building in Franklin. Need to preserve it.
201	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No	No	Yes	No	
202	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Callahan property on Lincoln street that abuts Dacey Field
203	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
204	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Davis Thayer grounds and forested areas throughout the town
205	Once a month on average	Almost every day	No	Yes	Yes	No	
206	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	The previous location of Ficcoss which is now a church
207	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	No	No	Yes	There is a 26 acre tract off Partridge St that could be purchased and used for open space. That could help reduce traffic the traffic flow increase in the surrounding area.
208	Weekly	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	No	
209	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes		
210	Once a month on average	Once a month on average	No	No	Yes	No	
211	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	Yes	No	
212	Never or not applicable	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
213	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes		Yes		
214	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	I really don't know
215	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Land for sale off partridge
216	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Part of St Johns property adjacent to Del Carte
217	Almost every day	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
218	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	No	No	
219	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	No		
220	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
221	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	I believe that the town should consider purchasing the land at the back of the St Johns Episcopal Church property to extend the use of Del Carte (instead of them using the land for affordable housing). I agree that we need affordable housing but this is not the appropriate location.
222	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	No	Yes	No	
223	Weekly	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	farm on lincoln street , Calnan property
224	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Town should buy as much open land as possible to keep Franklin from turning into a paved fast food strip mall city
225	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	There have been a lot of new housing developments built around town. So any open land should be protected to avoid further building. The may be opportunities with some areas, but I'm not sure exactly where.
226	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
227	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Prospect Street forests and land behind Brook St
228	Weekly	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Charter school.playing fields
229	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	No	No	
230	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Generally, I'm sure yes but I don't have a specific one to site.
231	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
232	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	Yes	No	
233	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
234	Weekly	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
235	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	No	No	
236	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	
237	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes		
238	Once a month on average	A few times per year	No	No	No	No	
239	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	No	No	

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241	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
242	Almost every day	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
243	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	No	No	
244	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	No	No	Yes	No	
245	Once a month on average	Once a month on average	No	Yes	Yes	No	
246	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes		
247	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	No	No	
248	Weekly	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	South street and Spring street also any parcel abutting Schmidt's farm
249	Once a month on average	Almost every day	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Property adjacent to the abbey
250	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	There is a large piece of a land that looks agricultural along Washington Street - before South Street if you are coming from the center of town. There is a White House on it and it's a beautiful property. I think the town could protect
251	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
252	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Not sure of any specific locations at this time.
253	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
254	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
255	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	No	No	No	
256	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
257	Weekly	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Different farms
258	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes		
259	A few times per year	Once a month on average	No	No	Yes	No	
260	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	No	No	
261	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	No	No	
262	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	No	Yes	
263	Weekly	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
264	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	No	No	Yes	Yes	
265	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
266	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
267	A few times per year	Weekly	No	No		No	
268	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
269	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	There are many. Houses knocked down to build more needless buildings
270	Weekly	Weekly	No	No	No	Yes	
271	Weekly	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	No	
272	Weekly	A few times per year	Yes	No	No	No	
273	Once a month on average	A few times per year	No	No	No	Yes	There was a great path on Washington Street across from Taft by my apartment that is now turning into a commercial space. I had just moved to Franklin when that decision was finalized. I was very sad to see that happen.
274	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
275	Once a month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
276	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
277	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
278	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
279	Weekly	Once a month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
280	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
281	Weekly	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	No	No	
282	1-2 times per month on average	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	

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283	Almost every day	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	No	
284	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	With farm land and or big parcels, it would be beneficial to determine whether purchasing for Open Space would make sense -
285	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Land across from Townline road on Washington Street (if still available)
286	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
287	Once a month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
288	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
289	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	I am always in support of protecting open space/conservation land. At this moment, I don't have a particular location in mind but would like to ensure that the open spaces and conservation land that we currently have remain protected.
290	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
291	Weekly	A few times per year	No	Yes	No	No	
292	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	I don't know specifically, but I will share how disappointed we are in the rate of development in Franklin since we moved our family here from Milton, MA nearly 7 years ago. Had we known that so much land would be converted to development, we would have seriously considered moving somewhere else.
293	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Property off of Partridge, between Lincoln and and Maple
294	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
295	A few times per year	Once a month on average	No	Yes	No		
296	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	
297	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
298	Never or not applicable	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	No	No	
299	A few times per year	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	No	
300	Almost every day	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
301	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes		
302	Almost every day	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	No	
303	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
304	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
305	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
306	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	The land around St. John's Church which sits directly in front of Del Carte. I believe it is currently up for sale to be developed into apartments.
307	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
308	Weekly	Almost every day	No	Yes	Yes	No	
309	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
310	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	No	No	No	No	
311	Almost every day	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	
312	Never or not applicable	1-2 times per month on average	No	No	Yes		
313	Almost every day	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	No	No	
314	A few times per year	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
315	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	No	Yes	No	
316	Once a month on average	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	No	
317	Once a month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
318	1-2 times per month on average	Almost every day	Yes	No	No	Yes	
319	Almost every day	A few times per year	No	No	Yes	No	
320	Almost every day	Almost every day	No	Yes	Yes	No	Don't know of specifics but all for it.
321	A few times per year	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
322	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	

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323	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	
324	Almost every day	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	No	No	
325	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No specific lot, but open lots should be vetted as open space options before allowing them to be built upon.
326	Weekly	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	No	No	
327	Weekly	Weekly	No	No	Yes	Yes	Lots on prospect street, lots on south st
328	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes		
329	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes		
330	1-2 times per month on average	Once a month on average	No	No	Yes	Yes	Area behind Wyllie Road
331	Weekly	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	585 King St
332	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	No	Yes	No	
333	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	No	
334	Never or not applicable	A few times per year	No	No	Yes	No	
335	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
336	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	
337	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	between Bridle Path and Maple
338	Once a month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
339	A few times per year	Weekly	No	No	Yes	Yes	Prospect street at sharp bend
340	1-2 times per month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	No	No	
341	Once a month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
342	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
343	Once a month on average	Weekly	No	No	Yes	No	
344	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	No	No	Yes	Yes	The Calnan Farm on Lincoln St
345	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
346	Never or not applicable	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
347	Once a month on average	Weekly	No	Yes	No	No	
348	Never or not applicable	A few times per year	No	No	Yes	No	
349	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	No	No	
350	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
351	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	No	No	
352	Almost every day	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes	No	
353	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes	No	
354	Weekly	Weekly	No	No	Yes	Yes	300 grove street and train tracks from union to grove
355	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
356	Once a month on average	Almost every day	No	Yes	Yes	No	
357	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	No	Yes	There are trails off of Cooper Drive that run through the neighborhood that could benefit from formal maintenance and trail development. I would like to see more open space protected from development in general. The open spaces we do have are a huge asset to the Town.
358	1-2 times per month on average	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	Yes	No	
359	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
360	Weekly	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
361	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes		
362	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes		
363	Almost every day	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes		
364	Once a month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	No	No	

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365	Weekly	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
366	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	farmland for growing vegetable, flowers, and animals
367	Weekly	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
368	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	No	No	Yes	Yes	1.On RT.140 and/or King/Washington Sts.any open lots or abandoned lots from closed businesses or homes should be converted to green spaces: community garden/dog park 2. The open meadow at the end of Spring St that is right next to the State Forest and next to the solar farm in this area should be left as open space as a "meditation meadow" and not sold to build homes on. 3. The farm? land off of Lincoln St between Dacey Field and the Blueberry Hill? Estates should be bought and preserved and made into a hiking trail.
369	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes		
370	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	The old farm and vegetable stand on Grover Street.
371	Weekly	Weekly	No	No	Yes	No	
372	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
373	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	The Town should buy out Hawthorne Village's recreation area and woodlands w/ trail etc. It would become the only park in this part of town
374	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
375	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Areas that would allow for expansion of the SNETT to enter town center/areas of business. Land in and around the Charles river. Adding public access hiking trails where farm land, forest, open space permits.
376	A few times per year	Once a month on average	No	Yes	Yes	No	
377	Weekly	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
378	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Town needs to purchase private land now
379	A few times per year	Once a month on average	No	No	Yes	Yes	Schmidt's Farm staying as is
380	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
381	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	No		
382	Weekly	A few times per year	No	Yes	No	No	
383	1-2 times per month on average	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
384	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	No	
385	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	No	
386	Once a month on average	Never or not applicable	No	No	No	No	
387	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	chapter 61 land off pond st @ mine brook
388	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
389	Weekly	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Near 495 and Washington street
390	Once a month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No	No	Yes		
391	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes		
392	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	I don't know an exact location, but properties come up for sale all the time and support purchasing if conditions are right.
393	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	There is an undeveloped 2.2 acre lot at 23 Longfellow Drive which borders wetlands and could connect to trails on Franklin-owned property leading to the Josephine Ave area; and which could create town-owned trails around a small, natural body of water which connects to Delcarte's. I believe this lot has been on and off the market a few times in the past several years. It would be a good lot to remain undeveloped due to it's proximity to the adjacent wetlands.

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394	A few times per year	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	All the land surrounding the swamp under the power lines off Washington St. That building on the slope of the hill under the power lines is a disgrace. All the winter salt from that parking lot will flow into those waters. That is the type of property we should be buying to protect water sources with the Conservation Preservation money.
395	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes		
396	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	No	Yes	
397	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Properties that border Schmidt Farms off of Washington Street have previously expressed interest in selling their property to make way for entry way to Schmidt Farm
398	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	The closed factory downtown, Davis Thayer, closed school next to the common
399	1-2 times per month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
400	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
401	Weekly	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
402	Once a month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	No	
403	Weekly	Once a month on average	No	Yes	Yes	No	
404	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
405	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
406	Weekly	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	No	No	
407	Almost every day	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	I don't know their names of the streets right off the top of my head, but I do know that there are lots of waterways and wetland spots that could be conserved.
408	1-2 times per month on average	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	No		
409	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	No	No	
410	Once a month on average	Weekly	No	Yes	No	No	
411	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes		
412	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	No	No	
413	Once a month on average	Once a month on average	No	No	Yes	No	
414	1-2 times per month on average	Almost every day	No	Yes	Yes	No	
415	Once a month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
416	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes		
417	Weekly	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	No	
418	1-2 times per month on average	Once a month on average	Yes	No	Yes		
419	Once a month on average	Almost every day	No	No	No	No	
420	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	No	No	
421	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
422	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	No	
423	A few times per year	Never or not applicable		No	No	No	
424	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes		
425	1-2 times per month on average	Never or not applicable	No	No	No	No	
426	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
427	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No specific ideas, but strongly desire a significant decrease in development
428	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
429	1-2 times per month on average	Almost every day	No	Yes	Yes		
430	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	No	No	Yes	Yes	26 Acres off Partridge St.
431	Almost every day	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
432	Once a month on average	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
433	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
434	Almost every day	Weekly	No	No	Yes	No	
435	Weekly	Almost every day	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	The lot behind St John's

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436	Weekly	Weekly	No	No	No	No	
437	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	
438							
439	Weekly	Never or not applicable	No	No	No	No	
440	A few times per year	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Always opportunities to conserve land if the timing is right for the landowner and funding is available.
441	Almost every day	Once a month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
442	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Don't have time to pull up the map now, but would love to see the Grove Street property purchased but understand timing and \$\$ may not make it viable. Otherwise, love the work with currently large property owners to educate on conservation options
443	A few times per year	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
444	Weekly	Once a month on average	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Farms and non built on lots
445	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
446	Almost every day	A few times per year	Yes	No	No	No	
447	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
448	Once a month on average	A few times per year	No	Yes	No	No	
449	Almost every day	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Better walkable access to town parks. Linked together.
450	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	Yes	No	Yes	I have seen "for sale" signs at a vacant lot near the King St / Washington St split
451	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	No	No	n/a
452	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes	No	
453		Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
454	Weekly	A few times per year	No	No	No	No	
455	Almost every day	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
456	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	No	No	Yes	Parcels located next to conservation property and state priptys should be purchased.
457	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
458	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
459	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	I would love the town to purchase as much space as possible to preserve it from being over built.
460	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes		
461	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	No	No	No	No	
462	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	No	No	
463		A few times per year	No	No	Yes	Yes	Any lot should be protected as open space
464	1-2 times per month on average	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Farm land on West Central St/Beaver Street. Two large parcels on Lincoln St (not in chapters?)
465	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
466	Almost every day	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
467	Weekly	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	No		
468	Almost every day	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
469	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Blueberry fields on Union if they were ever to be sold
470	Once a month on average	Weekly	No	No	Yes	Yes	Franklin does a great job with their open spaces - the township can only benefit from additional open spaces, regardless of their designation (kids, all ages, etc.).
471	Once a month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	More around DelCarte?
472	Never or not applicable	Almost every day	Yes	No	No	No	
473	1-2 times per month on average	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	Yes	No	
474	Never or not applicable	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	No	No	

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475	Once a month on average	Weekly	No	No	Yes	No	
476	A few times per year	Never or not applicable				No	
477	Almost every day	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
478	Once a month on average	Almost every day	No	Yes	No	No	
479	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	No	Yes	Davis Thayer park
480	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	No	
481	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	No	No	
482	Once a month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	No	Yes	Back half of my house lot, if it will reduce my property taxes
483	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes		Yes		
484	Almost every day	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	
485	A few times per year	Weekly	No	No	Yes	Yes	We are building too much around town
486	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	
487	Never or not applicable	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
488	Once a month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
489	Weekly	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
490	Never or not applicable	A few times per year	No	No	Yes	Yes	Davis Thayer should be preserved
491	A few times per year	Almost every day	No	No	No	No	
492	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Area near Jefferson and Area on Lincoln
493	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
494	Weekly	Weekly	No	Yes	No	No	
495			Yes	No	Yes	No	
496							
497	Once a month on average	Once a month on average	No	No	No	No	
498	A few times per year	Almost every day	No	No	No	No	
499	A few times per year	A few times per year		Yes	Yes	No	
500	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	No	No	
501	Once a month on average	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
502	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
503	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	No	Yes	No	
504	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes		
505	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	Yes	No	
506	Weekly	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Land on or off Prospect Street
507	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	No	
508	Weekly	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
509	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
510	Once a month on average	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	No	No	
511	Never or not applicable	A few times per year	Yes	No	No	Yes	Green's Pond, Oliver Pond Home and property needed for rail trail parking
512	1-2 times per month on average	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	Yes	No	
513	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	51 Chestnut St
514	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Hoffman Farm
515	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	No	No	No	
516	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
517	A few times per year	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
518	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes		
519	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	No	No	No	
520	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes		
521	1-2 times per month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	No	No	

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523	1-2 times per month on average	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	No	No	
524	1-2 times per month on average	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
525	Almost every day	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
526	1-2 times per month on average	Almost every day	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	
527	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes		
528	Almost every day	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
529	1-2 times per month on average	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Property on Grove Street. PLEASE, no more condos/ apartments/ high rise buildings!
530	Weekly	Almost every day	No	Yes	No	Yes	Land behind Elm Street which spans to the junction of Mine Brook / Charles River is ecologically significant, overall Franklin has limited waterway access that should be improved. There is an existing potential Charles access point on Plain street but it would require effort to make that lot usable and work with neighboring towns to improve the quality of the Charles along that section of river above the Standford Mill dam, especially since there are conservation properties above the mill dam on both banks.
531	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes		
532	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
533	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
534	Weekly	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
535	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
536	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
537	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
538	Never or not applicable	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	No	
539	Almost every day	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Keeping maple hill protected
540		A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	The town should explore all opportunities
541	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
542	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Yes	No	No	No	
543	Almost every day	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
544	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	603 Old West Central St
545	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Beaver Street between town waste/recycling area and 495 overpass, known as "Turtle Crossing"
546	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes	No	
547	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes		
548	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes		
549	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
550	Once a month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
551	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	No	No	
552	1-2 times per month on average	Almost every day	No	No	Yes	No	
553	Once a month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
554	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	No	No	
555	Weekly	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
556	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
557	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
558	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
559	Almost every day	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
560	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Not sure exactly what you're asking but I think saving any open space is an opportunity to keep our town from overdeveloping more than it already has
561	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	No	No	

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563	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
564	Almost every day	A few times per year	No	No	Yes	Yes	4 acre piece at end of Kimberlee that connects to maple hill
565	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
566	Almost every day	Almost every day	Yes	No	No	Yes	Grassy lot behind old Davis Thayer
567	A few times per year	Weekly	No	No	Yes	Yes	Franklin country day camp
568	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
569	Weekly	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
570	1-2 times per month on average	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
571	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	I am sure there are several
572	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
573	Weekly	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
574	A few times per year	Almost every day	No	No	Yes	No	
575	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	Yes	No	No	
576	Weekly	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
577	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
578	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Any lot that becomes available should be purchased.
579	A few times per year	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Davis Thayer field
580	A few times per year	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Grove St where they are talking about building apartments.
581	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Any open space available.
582	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	
583	Once a month on average	Once a month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
584	Almost every day	Almost every day	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Lincoln Street farms?
585	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	Yes	No	No	
586	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	No	No	
587	A few times per year	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	No	
588	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	No	No	
589	Weekly	Almost every day	Yes	No	No	No	
590	1-2 times per month on average	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	No	
591	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	No		
592	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	No	No	
593	Once a month on average	A few times per year	No	No	No	Yes	Any suitable property particularly to be used as green areas
594	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	No	No	Yes	Yes	
595	Weekly	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	I'm not sure I understand the question but the school that closed down could be used.
596	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
597	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No		Yes		
598	A few times per year	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	The space next to the Taco Bell has been for sale forever. The space off the King Street exit has had a Land for Sale sign forever. The space at the former Cole's Tavern would be cool for recreation. I'm sure there are more spaces meant for commercial zoning, like on Grove Street, that would be great for recreation
599	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	No	
600	Once a month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
601	Weekly	Weekly	No	Yes	No	Yes	
602	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	No	No	Yes	No	
603	Almost every day	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	The whole wooded area that runs behind Tanglewood Estates to Skyline, Brandywine, and down to Blueberry and Longwalk. Beautiful pathways.
604	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Alpine Row

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Survey No	How often do you use designated Conservation areas in Franklin?	How often do you use municipal or school owned Recreation facility, such as a ballfield or park, in Franklin?	In your opinion, are there sufficient sidewalks or walkways in your immediate neighborhood?	In your opinion, should major roads in Franklin be striped for bike lanes?	Has anyone in your household ever participated in a Town of Franklin sponsored recreational activity or recreated at a Town Open Space or Conservation Area?	Do you foresee opportunity on any lot around Town to be purchased as Open Space for permanent protection?	If yes, please describe:
605	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes		
606	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	No	Yes		
607	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	No	No	
608	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes		
609	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Area along 140 behind the old bowling alley, now church
610	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	No	No	Yes	Yes	
611	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	No	No	No	No	
612	Once a month on average	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
613	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
614	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
615	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	No	No	
616	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	There seem to be a fair amount of wooded areas which are currently undeveloped.
617	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	We use the rail trail, not sure what properties are available for purchase.
618	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	No	No	
619	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
620	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	No	Yes		
621	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	No	No	
622	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	
623	1-2 times per month on average	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Davis Thayer
624	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	No	No	
625	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	Yes	No	
626	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
627	Never or not applicable	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	I wish they had purchased the land adjacent to the State Forest on Grove Street . It would have been great for more athletic fields , a bandstand . Picnic groves , etc that would not create noise for residential neighborhoods.
628	A few times per year	Once a month on average	No	No	No	No	
629	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	No	No	
630	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	Yes	No	No	
631	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
632	Weekly	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	No	No	
633	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	No	Yes	A rail trail would be nice
634	Never or not applicable	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	plenty of areas that could be protected
635	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes		
636	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	No	No	No	
637		A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
638	1-2 times per month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	No	No	
639	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes		
640	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	No	No	No	Yes	Wadsworth Farm
641	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
642	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	No	Personally think Town has enough open space already no need to purchase more.
643	1-2 times per month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	No	
644	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	No	
645	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
646	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes		
647	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes		
648	A few times per year	Weekly	No	Yes	No	No	
649	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	No	

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650	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	No	Yes	
651	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
652	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
653	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	The big undeveloped area that Ranieri is trying to develop by King Street and 495 is full of habitat for wildlife that, when developed, will cause them to move into neighborhoods instead.
654	Never or not applicable	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	No	No	
655	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No			
656	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Former putnam investment property
657	A few times per year	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Washington street
658	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	No	
659	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes		
660	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	No	No	
661	1-2 times per month on average	Once a month on average	No	No	No	No	
662	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Corner of Crescent and Garfield
663	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
664	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	No	
665	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
666	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	No	No	
667	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
668	Weekly	Weekly	No	Yes	No	No	
669	A few times per year	Weekly	No	Yes	No	No	
670	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	No	Yes	No	No	
671	1-2 times per month on average	Almost every day	No	Yes	Yes	No	
672	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
673	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
674	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes		
675	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	Yes	No	No	
676	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	No	
677	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
678	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
679	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
680	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	No	Yes	Yes	Land on Coronation that abuts the dirt path to Kennedy School. Not sure if Town or someone on the street owns it as I believe someone has mowed grass there for years that lives on Coronation.
681	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
682	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Any time open space can be protected is a must
683	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	No	
684	1-2 times per month on average	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
685	A few times per year	Once a month on average	No	No	Yes	No	
686	Almost every day	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes		
687	Weekly	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	No	No	
688	Weekly	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
689	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No	No	Yes		
690	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
691	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
692	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	No	No	

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693	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Any forested lots abutting the town woods or Franklin forest. There is almost no forest and fields left in town.						
694	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Some land on Lincoln and rail trail land between union street and the SNET trail.						
695	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	No	No							
696	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No							
697		A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Connect with abutting towns and open spaces in Norfolk						
698	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	St. Rocco's Fairgrounds area						
699	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Space between Sunset Dr and the Kennedy School						
700	Weekly	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No							
701	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes								
702	Almost every day	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	1) the parcel at the end of Kimberly that would connect it to Maple Hill; 2) 121 Grove Street, would connect nicely with the Franklin State Forest; 3) any land adjacent to existing town parcels like Maple Hill, Schmidt's Farm, Riverbend, Franklin Town Forest, Beaver Pond, Sculpture Park, Dacey, and/or Fletcher Field						
703		Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Extend area around DelCartes						
704	A few times per year	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	Yes							
705	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No							
706	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No							
707	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	No	Yes	No								
708	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No	No	Yes	No							
709	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No							
710	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No							
711	A few times per year	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	No							
712	1-2 times per month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	No							
713	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	No	No							

Indicate approximately the number of times you or a family member participate in each recreational activity during an average year.						
	Zero times per year	A few (1-3) times per year	4-10 times per year	Many (10+) times per year		Total Responses
Use of playground	237	111	86	227		661
Use of ball field	256	124	82	189		651
Boating (motorized and non-motorized)	492	92	41	21		646
Street hockey	539	54	20	27		640
Ice skating - rink	363	144	79	65		651
Cross country skiing	508	100	34	9		651
Swimming - private recreational pool	263	93	110	184		650
Swimming - public beach	287	178	125	62		652
Bird watching	289	142	101	124		656
ATV/Dirt bike/Motorcycling/Snowmobiling	579	34	15	7		635
Outdoor concert	116	338	171	50		675
Sightseeing (historical locations)	186	290	139	51		666
Rollerblading	529	72	19	13		633
Bicycling - pavement	148	129	175	216		668
Bicycling/mountain bike - trail	351	113	97	79		640
Nature walk/hiking or similar use	32	100	199	364		695
	10	64	157	462		693
Running/jogging - pavement	250	89	99	209		647
Running/jogging - trail	289	107	107	140		643
	555	46	15	15		631
Lacrosse	550	26	9	50		635
Frisbee golf	488	98	33	21		640
Baseball	450	57	38	95		640
Softball	535	28	16	52		631
Basketball	362	85	65	132		644
Football	492	46	40	56		634
Soccer	374	51	54	158		637
Fishing	398	109	84	55		646
Hunting	591	23	11	8		633
Archery	585	28	13	8		634
Handball	611	16	3	0		630
Tennis	443	100	52	45		640
Picnicking	228	214	136	68		646
Volleyball	531	60	20	18		629
Golf	422	70	57	91		640
Ice hockey	531	30	24	50		635
Bocce	518	78	28	10		634
Field hockey	581	13	11	23		628
Paintball	598	22	5	1		626
Nature photography	305	136	117	95		653
Pickleball	425	82	64	71		642

How satisfied are you with the places available in Franklin for recreational use by..					
23		24	24	24	24
Survey No	In your opinion, what does Franklin need more of for recreational programs, facilities, or Open Space?	adults?	children?	seniors?	people with disabilities?
1	Updated playgrounds	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
2	Hiking/Walking trails	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
3	Pickleball courts	Very satisfied	Very satisfied		
4		Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
5		Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
6	Public swimming pool	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
7	Trails, another older child playground	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
8		Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
9	We need more of (and improvements to current) basketball and pickleball courts and baseball fields.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
10	Tennis courts, biking trails	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
11		Satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
12	Playgrounds for all ages	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
13	Affordable golf	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
14		Neutral	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral
15	additional pickleball, both indoor and outside	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
16	COMMUNITY BARN	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
17	Better baseball/softball fields	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
18	picnic areas, additional conservation areas, public swimming pool	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
19	I cannot provide feedback in this space as we are just starting to get introduced to this space with our young children. The only thing that we have sought out other towns for is a splash pad, which we currently use Choate Park in Medway for.	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
20	More maintained hiking trails, bike path, conservation areas off of Brook street revived	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
21	Pickleball courts	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
22	Open space	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied	
23	Again, Franklin Bulldogs Baseball (AAU) program should not be given more allotment to fields than other teams/programs and SHOULD PAY THE SAME FEE AS OTHER PROGRAMS. Similar for Franklin Soccer School. These are for hire programs who use our space on taxpayer money and book space/not use them when other programs and sports that our Franklin kids could be utilizing. This results with other programs scrambling for times/spaces. Soccer in our town has claim to too many fields that could be better allocated. Build a legit complex for baseball to host tourneys, lights, concessions (change King Street to Baseball complex). Leave Dacey for Soccer. One Baseball field at Dacey (Dacey #2) is unplayable in the afternoon/sun setting hours due to the sun going down. If standing at home plate, ball thrown from pitcher blinds the batters and umpires making it unsafe for players and umpires. This has been a problem for years!	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
24	Community pool, splash pad	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
25	More pickleball courts	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
26	Youth center, town beach, community gardeb areas	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied
27		Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
28	I would like to see more conservation areas and trails. I would love if the town had equipment to rent, such as cross-county skis, snowshoes, kayaks, etc. to promote or introduce outdoor activities.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
29	hiking trails, kayak launch, cross country trails, community barn, community garden areas	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied
30	Additional conservation areas, community gardens, nature trails, outdoor weren't so expensive or amphitheater	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
31	More programs and better use of current space. Don't buy more land the town can't take care of	Very dissatisfied	Dissatisfied		
32		Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
33	bocce court, parcourse, bike paths	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
34		Satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
35	Public swimming pool	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
36		Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
37	improved playgrounds & town beach, public swimming pool, youth center	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Neutral
38		Satisfied	Satisfied		
39	More community gardens and more open spaces to preserve nature	Neutral	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
40	Unsure	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
41	An amphitheater for public plays or concerts would be amazing! More playgrounds with a variety of infrastructure would be great, more community garden beds are needed, more picnic areas would be nice, a youth center would also be of great interest to us!	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
42	Teen recreation downtown; "parcourse"	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
43	Skateboard park	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
44	develop Schmidt farm into a town used property for learning about conservation and agriculture. We develop multiple trails on the property of varying ability levels. These trails could skirt gardens showing a rain garden vegetable garden and help people learn and understand how care for and take care of land, grow vegetables for them selves. trails could be made for the schools to hold cross country meets at saving bus fees to places like Borderland park in Easton, or Franklin Park in Boston. If the barn was rehabbed it could be used for education and even rented out to town's people for private functions. This could also possibly happen on Maple St property as well.	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
45	Just Open Space. No more athletic fields!!	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral

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	23	24	24	24	24
46		Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
47	Town swimming pool	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral
48	Tennis courts	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
49	Some of the conservation land/areas can be cleaned up and adjusted as nice pathways that are accessible for people like elderly, families, individual adults, wheel accessible to enjoy walks or jogging. Especially conservation areas that are in neighborhoods like in Charles rivers. Many people from other neighborhoods in Franklin already come into walk in the neighborhood, why not create a long nature trail for all to enjoy. The dead trees near homes pose as danger for fire when there is lightening or high winds and heavy rain. Especially with the unpredictable weather we have now. Charles River has good sidewalks but the fast traffic is risky when kids are out biking or walking. The size of conservation land can be opened up and be used to go from one side of town to another. Maybe adding classes about birds, trees, wild animal life also creating volunteer groups for teens and adults to help with clean up...would make people appreciate conservation land more as opposed to looking at what looks like dead trees that have fallen over and not understanding the value of it.	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
50		Satisfied	Very satisfied		
51	paved walking paths off street	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied
52		Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
53	Forrest street doesn't have sidewalk limiting access to Jefferson	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
54	Need more paved bike trails and Pickleball courts that are used only for picklball	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
55	Facilities and fields	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
56		Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied
57		Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral
58	Walk/hiking trails	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
59	Create permanent Badminton, Pickelball, and TT (covered and weather proof) facilities and town needs to build more Cricket fields	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	
60	Paved bike path	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
61	conservation	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
62	Walking trails and side walks	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
63	Conservation, paracourse, opportunities for kids that don't participate in traditional sports	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
64	Community garden, indoor park for use in winter	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
65	conservation area, hiking trails, kayak launch, youth center, community garden or barn	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
66	Bike lanes, basketball courts	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
67	Youth Center - need someplace safe and entertaining for tweens/teens to go	Satisfied	Satisfied		
	<p>I would like to see more bike paths and access around Beaver Pond. I would also like more enforcement of illegal dirt biking in the area. They generally ride around Beaver Pond and then illegally access other parts of the State Forest that are off limits to dirt biking.</p> <p>I think that where lawful all conservation land should be accessible to bow hunting. In addition, there is land in town that abuts state property. Franklin should purchase them to provide more recreation. If those areas become developed then that will mean--due to setback laws--that less and less land will be open to hunting in our area. The land for sale off of Spring Street should be purchased. Perhaps Franklin and the State can combine forces to purchase the land areas off of Grove and Spring.</p> <p>A Skate park at DT would be awesome!</p> <p>The town beach has so much potential. Better sand is needed in the area and maybe a few more shade areas. I like the floating dock but there needs to be life guards on it to prevent horse playing. It can get pretty dangerous on the dock when kids are pushing and shoving. I have seen kids come pretty close to hitting their heads. That seems dangerous and avoidable with some lifeguards to enforce the rules. I would gladly purchase a pass to support the hiring of lifeguards.</p> <p>What ever happened to the kayak and canoe rentals at Beaver Pond? Bring them back. Additionally, it would be great if citizens could pay to store their canoes at Beaver to use when they wanted. A reasonable fee could be paid and boats could be stored in a locked area by the boat launch. Speaking of the boat launch--that thing needs some work.It has been in disrepair for quite some time.</p>				
68	An amphitheater at DT would be awesome too. Let's make that place a destination, not condos.	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied
69	hiking trails, youth center, pocket park, community garden areas	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
70	Bike trails, canoe/kayak launch	Neutral	Satisfied		
71	Mountain bike trails	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied
72	Swimming, fishing, skateboarding, bocce	Neutral	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
73	More multi-use areas like Del Carte	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
74	Parks with some shade. If we can't stop building then buy more land for conservation before there is no trees left in this already overgrown city.	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
75	Franklin really has done well with what it has to offer, compared to when we moved her 35 year ago.	Very satisfied	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
76	Would be nice: picnic areas, bike trails, public swimming pool, canoe launch, youth center,	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
77	none	Very satisfied	Neutral	Neutral	Dissatisfied
78	hiking	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
79	Same	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
80	Tennis courts, wooded trails	Satisfied	Satisfied		

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	23	24	24	24
81	Nature hiking trails, community garden areas, cross country ski and snow shoe trails	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied
82	Additional conservation areas; bike/walking trails	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
83		Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
84	Additional conservation areas, community gardens, bridle paths	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
85	Small play areas throughout town; accessible natural areas with safe trails; free public spaces; outdoor ice skating at public park; picnic tables, kiosks, adequate parking; permeable surface parking, trails, etc. to allow for recharge; outdoor day use area for groups and town daycamp programs (with at least one large picnic shelter); more community garden space, including near public schools for multi-generation programs. etc. :)	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Very satisfied
86	Hiking trails, playgrounds, bocce courts	Satisfied	Neutral	Satisfied
87	The rail trail is an excellent outdoor trail for hiking, biking running. Not sure what the cost would be to expand it all the way to Union street or whether it would be feasible. The town/state did a great job repairing the trail from Grove to the new tunnel at Prospect. Possibly other ideas connecting current town land to that trail would be great. Maybe from town forest. Not sure if that would work though.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Very satisfied
88	Sidewalk along all of Forest Street so kids can walk safely to school and all homeowners can walk and jog safely and go to King Street Playground by foot.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied
89	more clearly marked hiking paths, Community center that can be used for youth center but also as an arts center, much larger open field fenced dog park (similar to Wrentham), public swimming pool, pocket parks	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
90	Cross Countryr trails	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
91	Paved bike/walking trails, canoe/kayak launch and rentals, youth center	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
92	I would love to see a bicycle skills park developed for the kids. The property at 350 GROVE ST right next to the rail trail parking lot would be a great location. Additionally the extension of the rail trail to Union Street would open up access to the rail trail to a large amount of residents in the downtown area. The combination of these two project would allow the children in the area to much more passive recreation.	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
93	Fenced areas for kids; paved bike trails and lanes	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral
94		Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
95	I think a dog park at King St Park would be most appropriate. The other dog park is too far away and there are so many dog walkers at King St!!	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
96	Youth activities (tween/teen), hiking trails	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
97	cricket pitch, multi-use bike paths, canoe/kayak launch, hiking (elevation gain), pedestrian pathways connecting neighborhoods, pocket parks, community garden areas, community barn, conservation areas, sculptures	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
98	More jogging trails, more pickleball courts (indoor and outdoor)	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied
99	Walking paths	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
100	mountain bike trails	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
101	Walking paths	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
102	Yes	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied
103	Franklin needs a swimming pool, and maybe a swim team or program. A summer track and field program for kids would be great, similar to Needham's program. Boating lessons or recreational boating and fishing opportunities would be great. My kids play rec basketball, but I wish there were opportunities for rec teams to have practices beyond the 3 at the beginning of the season. More basketball skill programs would be helpful as well, including for upper elementary / middle school students who know how to play, but want direction on how to improve their technique. In winter if the rec program could make a safe outdoor skating area that would be nice or let people in the town know when it is safe to skate in different locations outside. Additionally, I would love more programs, outings, or social activities for tweens and teens. Franklin could use a community theater or acting program.	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
104		Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
105	Many of these- additional conservation, hiking trails, amphitheater, kayak launch,	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
106	Public pool, campground, kayak launch	Neutral	Very satisfied	Very dissatisfied
107	Hiking Trails	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
108		Neutral	Satisfied	Dissatisfied
109	Amphitheater, picnic areas, trails through the town forest with markers and information postings (such as wildlife and plants in the area, elevation, distances)	Neutral	Neutral	Dissatisfied
110	Bike trails	Satisfied	Satisfied	
111		Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
112	Acquisition of open space	Very satisfied	Neutral	Very satisfied
113		Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
114	Accessible surfaces at playgrounds - rubberized instead of mulch. Splash pad (coming, yay!). Paved or accessible trails - for running, stroller use, use by wheelchair. Need to go to other towns to use paved bikes paths which is frustrating - feels like Franklin should have more! Also, repair existing sidewalks to improve pedestrian network in busiest areas of town (I.e. oak street with all of our schools Is a nightmare at many points). Love Franklin Rec! Maybe more outdoor pavilions near playgrounds, like what medway has at Choate. Great for having events and flexible use of amenities on site.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
115	Additional conservation areas, skateboard park, cross-country trails	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
116	Kayak/canoe launch with inexpensive or free to resident rentals, public swimming pool with enhancements for kids like slides and zero depth splash pads, outdoor skating rink, hiking trails and picnic areas, community farm where residents can work for a share, more spaces geared towards middle and high school aged kids, like a Rec center, open gym, supervised field trips in the summer and on vacations, a ski club, and last but not least facilitate pick up soccer and basketball	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
117		Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
118	Pickleball continues to become a very popular sport, as more and more people are giving it a try and finding that they like and/or love it. With that in mind, we need more outdoor Pickleball courts - this past Sunday, 2/12/23, both of the King Street Memorial Park Pickleball courts were full w/8 players and there were at least 6-8 players waiting to play. Once the nets go back up in Millis, many Franklin residents will go to Millis because they have 6 outdoor courts. Also, a new multi-purpose 'pay to play' indoor facility with more than two courts, could become quite a money maker for the town during the colder months. Currently, the two pickleball courts at the Rec center come with 'swing' restrictions because the courts are not regulation sized, with regards to the back lines being to close to the buildings walls. The side lines should not be right next to each other.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
119	Indoor volleyball courts. Volleyball is *exploding* in popularity in Franklin at the middle school and high school levels. More walking/hiking trails, bike trails, and kayaking.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
120	Playgrounds and picnic areas	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
121	Thinking	Neutral		Neutral

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	23	24	24	24
122		Neutral	Dissatisfied	Neutral
123		Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
124		Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
125	Hiking trails, bike trails, I would love something like the Milford Paved bike trail, picnic area, kayak rental area, skateboard park and more amenities for Delcarte.	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
126	ADDITIONAL CONSERVATION AREAS	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
127		Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral
128	Pine St needs repairs and a sidewalk.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
129	Invasive plant removal and control, replacement with native species	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
130		Satisfied	Satisfied	
131	golf courses	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
132	I think the purchase of schmidts farm opens up almost an endless amount of opportunities for everyone no matter what they are into there could be something for everyone	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
133	tennis/pickleball courts, basketball courts	Satisfied	Neutral	Satisfied
134	Agriculture! Extremely important not to change use/zoning of land that can be used for agricultural production. Farmland is irreplaceable.	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
135	Franklin has many different recreational opportunities and areas but nothing really tying them together or centralized. A true recreational center would be amazing, something with space for the community to become involved and active in many ways. A venue for shows, musical events, performances, food and drink events, gardening, nature walks, indoor space for games or sporting events or practices. A golf course or driving range would also be unique and probably well used.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
136	conservation ares,hiking trails,cross country trails,golf courses,youth center,community garden areas,& dpw to service disc golf course & nature trail at Dacey field.	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied
137	Franklin first of all needs to have safe roads with sidewalk for people to be able to walk and run, for kids to be able to walk to school and to parks nearby. Forest Street is probably the best example of a very busy and dangerous road without a sidewalk.	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral
138	amphitheater, tennis courts,, community garden areas, community barn,	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
139	Picnic areas, tennis & pickle ball courts, golf, amphitheater, bike trals	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
140	Program facilities	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied
141	canoe/kayak launch, hiking trails, conservation areas, community gardens and barn	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
142		Satisfied	Satisfied	Very satisfied
143	Open space	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
144		Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
145	Tennis and or Pickleball courts beyond HS.improving the railtrail for biking, as well as ensuring adequate space for road biking. Playgrounds that offer a broad range of age appropriate activities. New additions at Beaver Pond are nice but very limited for 5-10 YO	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Satisfied
146	Playground improvements, bike lanes, kayak,		Satisfied	
147		Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
148	community garden, amphitheater, pocket parks, picnic areas	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
149	Sidewalks would be helpful. I live near King Street Park but it is extremely dangerous to walk to this park because Forest Street doesn't have sidewalks and the only way to access it is by walking on the narrow road with speeding cars right next to you. There is a section on Forest St , around #60 that has a path but the King Street Park is surrounded by a chain link fence. Also in the King Street Park it would be nice if a trail was made around the park and into the woods so one could walk around the soccer field and into the woods behind the soccer field. Not sure why King Street Park was built with limited access - you can walk to it if you live on King Street but one has to take their life in their hands if you live off Forest Street. It would also be great if the Historical building on Washington Street could be used for community and private events- similar to the Chapel Meeting House in Foxboro, MA. Also Riverbend Recreation trail isn't very well marked and it has an unattractive entrance- people park there - ie loitering. - off of Lincoln Street - seems sort of sketchy when you go alone. Also there is a lot of trash there. The trail is just out and back not great to walk. Trail needs work. Also the town should partner with the State to fix Franklin State Forest - it is not a multi use place because the dirt bikers have ruined all the trails and made huge pits by riding over the dirt. The trails are not in good shape. The trails are unmarked and the place is under utilized because the dirt bikers have free reign over it which doesn't seem right. Hopkinton and Foxboro are two towns that have State Parks that are well cared for and it adds a lot to the town's reputation and overall quality. Franklin State Forest is a forgotten forest which is sad. Wadsworth Road to get to the Forest is a mess and should be re paved so folks can access the forest. Also the Trunk line trail crosses Wadsworth Street and the entrance there by greenhouse is always flooded and muddy- dirt bikers ride through it when the ground is soft and ruin it. It should be paved or landscaped so it doesn't become more of a hazard. - maybe work with the landowner who abuts the trail to add rocks or stones so the area is defined. The parking lot to Franklin State Forest - up by the YMCA / water tower is full of trash and not well kept. Folks park on the grass in front of the parking lot to unload dirt bikes and all the grass is dead and it looks awful. The King Street community Garden is nice but the two or three gardens on the outside of the Community Garden are a mess. The landscaping needs attention. - everyone that used the garden or pickle ball court has to walk by it and it's full of weeds that are choking out the original flowers- just needs some attention. Also ban plastic water bottles from the park or have the trash barrels/ recycling emptied more often. In the summer the basketball court at King Street is littered with Poland Spring bottles- the recycling barrel is filled up so folks leave them all around. Maybe try a campaign to get folks to not use them or have the waste company come empty the barrels more often. It would be great if the recreation places that are already available were kept in tip top shape. - bushes trimmed, weeded, flowers planted, mulch added - maybe then folks might keep them up. The sidewalks in the summer are a disgrace with weeds poking up and growing through all cracks. Franklin has beautiful spots to relax and enjoy life they just need attention and care to make them shine!	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral
150	Sidewalks, protected lanes for cyclists, additional conservation areas	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
151		Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
152	Bike lanes, hiking trails,	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied
153		Neutral	Satisfied	Dissatisfied
154	Need more kids for rec programs. Generally need protected space for wildlife	Neutral	Satisfied	
155	bike trails, hiking trails, community garden, community barn	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
156	Pickle ball courts!	Neutral	Satisfied	Very dissatisfied

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	23	24	24	24
157	Bike path from town to SNETT	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral
158	Tot lot	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
159	Yes, pickle ball courts, improved baseball and softball fields for rec dept leagues. New playground for older kids	Neutral	Satisfied	Dissatisfied
160	Trails for walking and biking	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
161	skateboard park!! and a public outdoor pool	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Neutral
162	how about a labyrinth?	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied
163	Clear more trails around Beaver Pond for hiking and fishing, ice skating rink and public pool would be nice. It would be nice to have a safe area for teens to hike/bike and hangout. Create walkable trails off oak st extension around Mine Brook	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
164		Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
165	Continue development of open space, keep it simple. Improve access to the Charles river for fishing and kayak/canoe launch. Improve the Beaver pond launch by putting a trash can there and Clean up the garbage and glass. Medway created a great fishing access section off of village street, Franklin needs to create something similar, I have no idea where but there are a few state stocked brooks in town, maybe start there. All in all the Franklin parks and Rec dept is first class, keep it up!	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied
166	Mountain biking trails	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
167	Open space!	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
168	Youth center	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
169	Tennis courts, youth center possibly	Neutral	Satisfied	Very satisfied
170	hiking trails!	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral
171	Paved walking trails (rail trail)	Satisfied	Neutral	
172	Better town beach	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
173	Biking paths	Neutral	Satisfied	Very satisfied
174	Tennis and Pickleball courts	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral
175	Trail running, x-country skiing trails	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
176	Community garden areas, bridle/bike/walking paths, hunting areas to control wildlife population, make town owned land into conservation land wherever possible to ensure that stays available for the wildlife. We are loosing our small town charm by the day.	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
177	Community gardens, public swimming facilities, cross country trails, more safe spaces for older youths	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
178	Additional conservation areas. Hiking	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
179	Community garden, hiking trails, a playground on the common	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
180			Dissatisfied	
181		Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
182	Vision impaired AND handicap friendly nature / open space areas.	Dissatisfied	Very satisfied	Dissatisfied
183	Yes, we could use more designated soccer and baseball/softball fields.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
184	More open space protection. Use currently developed vacant spaces for housing conversion where possible instead of clearing new space.	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
185	Picnic area kayak launch	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
186	any outdoor activity venue...especially trails for walking and biking. In addition, an amphitheater along with more parks, garden areas, working farms that cater to bringing community together for education and/or entertainment...would all be great resources for our town.	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
187	1. Outdoor Pickleball dedicated courts in a cluster of 6-8 courts. Lights and restroom access would be ideal. More than 1 location with 6-8 courts would be even better. 2. Better hiking trail upkeep and trail markings. A QR code of a trail map at the trailhead would be ideal. For example, I been walking the Franklin forest off Summer street for a few years now and I still get "lost" trying to decipher the red, white and blue trails and where they lead. 3. Improved watercraft (non-motorized) and fishing guides. I been a resident for 25+ years and I still don't know where to go fishing (or if the fishing is good) in this town.	Dissatisfied	Very satisfied	Very dissatisfied
188	Yes, the constant building of large apartment complexes has become too much for Franklin. Open space is needed to balance the large construction projects.	Satisfied	Neutral	Satisfied
189	Bike trails, tennis and pickle ball courts, kayak launch,	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied
190		Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
191	I would *LOVE* an outdoor track. I've used the school track weekly for years, but it's not always available.	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Neutral
192	Connected hiking trail system, pickleball courts	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
193		Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied
194	Community barn or farm idea would be neat. Somehow work with the food pantry on this- could be a very interesting project. More nature trails would be great maybe a long the Charles River, outdoor areas for the schools to use for field trips and local learning.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
195		Satisfied	Neutral	Satisfied
196	canoe/kayak launch, bike trails, youth center	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
197		Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
198	Turf fields that can be used for football, field hockey, LAX, soccer	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
199	Public swimming	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied
200	Pickleball courts (with lights)	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
201	Additional conservation areas. Green space.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
202	Why not an art center like Hopkington. Public lighted Tennis courts. town adult teams. Public par three course you can charge. wildlife rehab center, bocce court, Bird sanctuary, more public growing gardens, No charge to use facilities. Excercise Trail, have dedicated recreation for town residents use and not youth sports. Youth sports leave so much trash behind from spectators.	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Very dissatisfied
203	Franklinneeds to protect the land that is woods and natural woodsy areas. The franklin forest, the area around beaver pond, the SNETT, Descartes, and others. Our town's children need to have those areas as well as other people.	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied

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	23	24	24	24
204	More disabled/wheelchair friendly nature trails Large open fields for dog walking off leash Conservation/nature trails Public swimming pool that doesn't require membership to a club that's open to town residents only for small fee per use	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
205	Open space	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
206	Open space	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
207		Satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied
208	Free concerts on the common. Open space for walking. Bocce courts. Canoe launches. Light free zones for night sky activities like star planet moon satellite gazing activities. Noise pollution free zones. Tree and plant ID on trails. Guided history walks. More art in the parks as well as open exhibits in library and senior center.	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied
209		Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied
210	Snow shoe/hiking trails, more pickleball courts, kayak launch, scenic trails suitable for baby carriages.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
211	All are good ideas.	Satisfied	Neutral	Satisfied
212	Working to adapt current spaces to be inclusive for those with disability. An outdoor public pool would also be ideal.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
213	public swimming pool, youth center, pickleball courts	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
214	Bike path. Picnic tables at base ball fields.	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
215	More conservation land and undeveloped space	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral
216	Safe options for walking and biking throughout town; conservation land to reduce residential development; prioritize safe routes to school since school bus has a fee within 2 miles	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
217	Walking trails	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
218		Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
219	Pickelball	Satisfied	Satisfied	
220		Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
221	Town beach or pool, community gardens,	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral
222		Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
223	larger community garden plots, community nature education center, pocket park on the triangle	Satisfied		Satisfied
224	Additional conservation area with a focus on removing invasive species/ restoring to native please Consider also converting Franklin to a right to farm town	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
225	Would be nice if beaver pond could be cleaned up and turned into public swimming park. A skateboard park would be welcomed addition to town. More tennis courts.	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
226	Skateboard park	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral
227	Canoe kayak community gardens	Neutral	Satisfied	Dissatisfied
228	Can't have enough green space!	Satisfied	Satisfied	
229	Land designated to preserving wildlife and their habitats	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
230		Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral
231	Conservation areas	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
232	Pocket parks!	Neutral	Neutral	Dissatisfied
233	Bike trails or lanes	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
234	Parks like delcarte	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied
235		Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
236		Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
237		Satisfied	Satisfied	
238	As runners we would love more running/walking trails to help a sound busy roads that don't have sidewalks! It can be very difficult to plan a long run that avoids roads that would be considered dangerous to run on.	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
239	More hunting areas	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
240		Neutral	Satisfied	Satisfied
241	Facilities and open space	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
242	Public Swimming Pool	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
243		Neutral	Neutral	Dissatisfied
244	Mountain bike trails	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
245		Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
246	Community gardening, picnic areas, public swimming pool	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
247		Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
248	Open space Access to Charles river and beaver pond	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied
249	Bike trails, outdoor concert venue, lights for fields, batting cage/driving range, food trucks.	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied
250	I think we need to preserve more open space for passive recreation and community preservation. A public pool would also be really nice!	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
251		Satisfied	Neutral	Satisfied
252	hiking / biking trails	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
253	Bike trails/ jogging paths, indoor courts for open time for different activities	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
254	Additional pickleball courts with lights, update to existing aging facilities at King, Dacey and Fletcher. Splash pad (recycled water) for hot summer months, restroom facilities at Dacey, FHS baseball and softball field.	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied
255	Unsure	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied

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	23	24	24	24	24
256	A youth center would be amazing as well as a skate park	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
257	Mountain bike trails	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
258	public swimming pool; ice skating rinks; town beach	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
259	Open land space/fields for general purpose use such as bring a ball or frisbee to throw around without need for specifically lined fields or courts.	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
260	Garden areas - growth of community garden areas for those that do not have space in their own yards.	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
261	additional track and youth center	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied
262	Additional conservations areas	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
263	Open dpace	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
264	A multi age use park with water feature splash pad etc. with restrooms and possibly bocce court. Public pool and picnic tables area on the common.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
265	Amphitheater, picnic areas, public swimming pool	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
266	Absolutely not the taxes are high enough	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied
267	Open space	Neutral	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
268		Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral	Very dissatisfied
269	Nature trails; conservation areas for wildlife	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
270	Toddler playground	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Neutral	Neutral
271	Conservation areas like hiking trails	Neutral	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
272	Additional conservation areas	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral
273	Areas for nature, improve habitat space for animals	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral	Satisfied
274	Mountain bike trails	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
275	Walking hiking biking trails	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
276	Additional conservation areas and hiking trails.	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
277		Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied
278	Bike trails	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
279	More multi-use biking trails!	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
280	Bike paths/trails (crosswalk light at Grove St); community gardens, walking trails	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
281		Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Neutral
282	More multi use trails on town property for hiking and biking	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
283		Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
284	Trails - for biking, hiking and walking - the ones we have now are nice and being improved SNETT - but can always use more and labeling of trails. When our kids were younger they were all heavily involved in town sports and having solid facilities and fields is really important based on the of children who participate. The SNETT trail and Franklin Forest were life savers during Covid - being out in nature is important - more of that please!	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
285	Multi-use trails for mountain biking would be an excellent and well-utilized addition since most of the trails in Franklin State Forest have been so damaged by motorized vehicles.	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
286		Neutral	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
287	Public golf course, Mountain biking trails, gravel bike trails	Dissatisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
288	Keep the natural habitats for existing wildlife	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral
289	Bike trails, public swimming pool, kayak launch	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
290	More and better maintained trails for hiking and mountain biking	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
291		Neutral	Neutral	Satisfied	Satisfied
292	Running trails; mountain biking trails (non-motorized bikes that don't ruin / erode soil); hiking trails; community swimming pool (miss this dearly when we move from Milton, MA)	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
293	Mountain Biking	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
294		Satisfied		Satisfied	
295	Additional conservation areas, side walks for walking, bike lanes for safe biking, wall to practice hitting tennis or pickle ball	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
296	Pickle ball courts (especially free indoor courts), community gardens, more bike lanes, bike/walking trails separated from the road (see Burlington VT for example), free public kayak launches	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied
297		Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
298	We need to keep open spaces and stop building	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
299	Franklin is a very sports driven town. More turf fields and indoor facilities would be fantastic. A town splash pad would also be great for younger families.	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	
300	Yes, more Pickleball and hiking paths	Satisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
301	Pickleball courts. A place for teenagers to hang out.	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
302		Very satisfied		Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
303	Bike trails	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
304	Nature Conservation land, community gardens, walking/hiking trails, more publicly of and better trail maps of current open spaces	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
305	Need to maintain and improve current facilities. For example, the kayak launch in DeCarte is in disrepair.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
306		Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
307		Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
308	additional conservation areas, connecting the SNETT rail trail to the center of the town,	Satisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
309	Amphitheater, campground	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
310	Walking	Neutral	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	
311		Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied

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	23	24	24	24
312	Any of the above!	Dissatisfied		Very satisfied
313		Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
314	Swimming pool, town beach, golf, bike paths	Satisfied	Neutral	Satisfied
315	Places need to be more walkable/connected. And an adult accessible track lane ie not at the school.	Satisfied	Neutral	Satisfied
316	Hiking trails and biking trails. Bike lanes on busy roads.	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
317	Additional conservation areas, bike trails, hiking trails, community garden areas, bike paths	Satisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied
318	Recreational	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
319	Additional walking/biking trails; better sidewalks	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied
320	Hiking trail, cross country trail, bike path, town pool / beach	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
321	Love all ideas except for hunting.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
322	Canoe kayak access rail trail options to get to rail trail from neighborhoods community gardens	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
323	Bike paths, basketball courts, stocked fishing,fishing derby	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
324	Hiking, bike lanes on roads, pickleball	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral
325		Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral
326		Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
327	Tennis courts, pickleball courts, hiking trails, outdoor swimming and boating, public golf course	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
328	Amphitheater, hiking trails, community barn, indoor roller skating rink	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral
329	Additional conservation areas	Neutral	Satisfied	Dissatisfied
330	Additional conservation area with trails, more pickle ball courts	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
331	Canoe/kayak, cross country trails	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Neutral
332	Pickleball courts!!!	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied
333	Hiking & cross country trails, open space	Neutral	Neutral	Satisfied
334		Satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied
335	Pickleball	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
336	Community garden, hiking trails, more picnic areas, animal conservation & a skateboard park	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied
337	Just ways to get kids away from technology and into nature.	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
338	Public swimming pool would be nice, but honestly, I think Franklin already has SO much to offer, we just need to maintain what we have and make sure we have sufficient water supply for our growing population. Thanks for all you do!	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied
339	Hunting areas and motorized boat launches.	Neutral	Satisfied	Very dissatisfied
340	All of them	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied
341	more programs for limited mobility persons	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral
342	Open space	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied
343	Sidewalks to connect the community, like on Summer Street.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
344	Par 3 golf course	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
345	Park lands with benches for walking and reflection	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral
346	Pool	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Very dissatisfied
347	Amphitheater, public pool, better marked trails in state forest	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
348	Facilities—public swimming pool, bocce courts in decent condition, pocket park, track	Neutral	Neutral	Dissatisfied
349		Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
350	Paved protected bike paths, Fall baseball, sidewalks on Maple and Summer St,	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied
351	More playgrounds appropriate for children under 3. We go to Choate Park in Medway with our toddler because they have a small play structure, toddler swings, and the nice spongey ground. I hesitate to go to any Franklin parks because they're all mulch. My toddler will be gobbling down that mulch quicker than I can pull it out of her mouth.	Very satisfied	Dissatisfied	Very satisfied
352	Hiking and cross trail improvement at del carte and behind Maple street. I would be happy to organize a wood chip day for del carte. Kayak launches would be great.	Very satisfied	Satisfied	
353	Franklin has very little if any public spaces for waterfowl hunting. Need more sidewalks on streets that go places ex. Maple, summer	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
354	Conservation land with unpaved trails	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
355	Open space	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
356	Paddle boarding, youth center, kayaking	Satisfied	Very satisfied	
357	Hiking areas, mountain biking trails, playgrounds, gardens, nature center, bike lanes, sidewalks/overall improved walkability, arboretum	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
358	SAILING ON BEAVER POND. SPRING/ FALL	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied
359	Para course	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied
360	Canoe launch, cross country,	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
361	additional conservation areas, community gardens	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied
362	Hiking, nature preservation and conservation	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied
363		Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
364		Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
365	Additional bike lanes, improved basketball courts, more indoor rec facilities (e.g. basketball) open to the public on a first-come first-served basis, large wild spaces (as many acres as possible for extended hiking etc.), community gardens and pocket parks would also be amazing (less concrete downtown if we can).	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Neutral
366	hiking area, canoe kayak launch, x-country ski trails, outdoor ice rink with lights, community gardens, community barn, trails to connect to SNETT	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral

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	23	24	24	24	24
367	Community garden area with plots available for rent, other than existing raised planters	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
368	NO MORE CONCRETE IN THIS TOWN, we need more GREEN AREAS to go to think, meditate, be calm and peaceful, get away from the noise and choas and CONNECT WITH AND BE IN NATURE. There needs to more and better signage for access to the existing conservation areas. How do you get into Schmidt Farm, Maple Woods, etc.	Very dissatisfied	Very satisfied	Very dissatisfied	Neutral
369	Protected bike lanes, sidewalks on streets lacking them, more/improved hiking trails, bocce courts	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral	Dissatisfied
370	Paved bike trails, canoe/kayak launch, well maintained town beach and adjacent parking areas. hiking trails, seniors' park benches, much less building of ugly housing projects.	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
371	additional consevation areas, walking trails	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
372		Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
373	Franklin needs a network of multiuse paths/separated bike lanes to make noncar mobility possible. It also needs to identify streets like Beech and Pine that are wildly dangerous for pedestrians, and do what it takes to install sidewalks, and also slow cars down.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
374	Performance center, community garden, splash pad, music venue/open mic space, teen center,	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied
	Beaver Pond is under utilized and have opportunities for non motorized devices such as canoes, SUPs, wingsurfing				
	Improvement to hiking trails, such as dedicated marking posts and map kiosks				
	Improve bike lanes to town and resources to safety park, lock bikes to encourage travel into town. (Limited parking for cars)				
375	Ability to inter connect paths, sidewalks to create a network through town and boarder towns	Neutral	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
376	Playgrounds for toddlers/young children.	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied
377	We would love to see some sort of better common hang out area for pre teens and teenagers. Right now everything is fractured and not accessible easily from schools. A pump track for bikes, skate park, with a sport court would be an awesome opportunity for the community that it doest have. It would have a great influence on kids outdoor activities outside of team sports especially if it's in close proximity to the high school and easily accessible. More kids on bikes, boards, and courts !	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
378	Open space - groomed nature trails for walks/runs with picnic areas	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
379	Public swimming pool, off leash dog walking	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Satisfied
380	Pickleball courts	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
381	Open space	Neutral		Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
382	It would be great to have a side walk on Jordan rd. A lot of people walk their dogs, run on the road. Town beach and public golf course would be great as well. I think the town could use more playgrounds too	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
383	Open space	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
384	While facilities would be great, programs that engage youth (ages 4-17) in outdoor activities would be extremely beneficial.	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
385	Hiking trails, campground, public pool, community barn, amphitheater	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied
386	More hiking trails with good parking and picnic areas. Clean up existing trails with signage and new blazes. Add bigger loop to Del Carte. Restrooms would be a luxury.	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	
387	please either fix or remove canoe launch at delcarte. more pickleball courts (out of residential earshot) would get used.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
388	bike paths, composting	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
389	Open space	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
390	Paved Bike paths, update playgrounds, community pool	Satisfied	Neutral		
391		Dissatisfied	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
392	Bike & Walking Trails	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
393	Improved ADA access to existing conservation/nature areas, more or improved kayak launch areas, such as at Delcartes and Populatic Pond.	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied
394	Hiking trails, safer ways to walk to downtown from areas with no sidewalks, like Washington St from King St to 495 overpass. IT would be nice to be able to walk to church or the library.	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
395	Sidewalks on Maple Street, playgrounds for 5-12 year olds	Neutral	Satisfied		
396	We need to connect every part of Franklin by sidewalk to truly make it a walkable city. Specifically, we need a sidewalk down Washington Street. Additionally, it would be great to have more walking trails/circuits around town. And finally, it would be great for Franklin to have a public golf course.	Neutral	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
397	Town pool, walking trails	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
398	My highest priority is acquiring and preserving green space. Hiking trails in that space would be nice, particularly if we can link spaces together.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
399	Kayaking or canoeing	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
400	More bike and hiking trails would be great. I also support active recreation spaces and general use parks. I support it all.	Neutral	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
401	Boat launch and picnic areas, marked maintained trails	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
402	Open space	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
403		Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
404	Community barn off of hiking trails and bike paths with community garden areas. Within this acreage there could also be a pond with a public beach with picnic areas and a boat launch. In the winter there would be cross country trails with ice skating. Beaver pond could be a potential location, it even has a playground and field to add to the activities this property could accommodate.	Neutral	Satisfied	Satisfied	
405	Playgrounds with nearby walking trails, nature book walks	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
406	Would love to see some volleyball courts!	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
407	Far more protection of Open spaces, riverways, native species, wetlands any locations where native species are endangered by habitat loss.	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
408		Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
409	Hiking & biking trails	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
410		Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
411	Trails for non motorized rec, like mountain biking and hiking	Neutral	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
412		Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied

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23		24	24	24	24
413	Paved walking trails	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Neutral
414	Atv trails. Skate park.	Neutral	Very satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
415	Town pool, playgrounds that include play structures for older kids (6-12), town beach	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
416		Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
417		Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Dissatisfied
418		Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
419	Amphitheater, dog park. Pickleball courts. Public pool	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
420		Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
421	More turf fields. More indoor fields . More basketball courts	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
422	Nothing at all	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
423		Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
424	More nature to explore, opportunities to get outside, stretch, walk my dog (on leash of course) preserve the beauty of this town, reduce over development of free space, would love a place to stand up paddle board! a youth center is DESPERATLEY needed so that kids have a safe place to be.	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
425		Satisfied	Neutral	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
426	Hiking trails	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
427	Outdoor ice skating (i.e. -- flood a park like King St. or Fletcher. Example: https://fparksandrec.com/location/west-park-ice-rink). Skate park. Community/rental boating options. Expansion of Dacey Disc Golf or second town location. Pump track and dedicated/maintained mountain bike trails (no motorized). Would love a public golf course but know this is not realistic. Anything to limit development and increase open space.	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Neutral
428		Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
429	I think our parks and conservation areas are amazing, but we desperately need more sidewalks for busy roads. In my area, Beech Street, Partridge, and Maple are very dangerous for pedestrians. These roads have lots of families on them, but the situation is so unsafe we don't let our children walk to a neighbor's house, to school, or even play in the front yard because drivers speed and there are no pedestrian pathways. We would happily provide some of our front yard for the installation of a sidewalk on Beech St.	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
430	Open space	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
431	I am in favor of improving any activity that does not require "man-made" assistance, ie; ball fields, tennis courts, etc	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
432	Bike trails and golf courses	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Neutral
433	public swimming pool, dedicated paved walking loops, improved playground surfaces, splash park, public tennis courts	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
434	Bike trails, walking trails, nature conservancy, garden areas, kayak launch,	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	
435		Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
436	More public art, traffic calming art, temporary installations on construction areas or eyesores	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
437	Conservation areas that are restored back to native	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
438					
439		Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
440	Town swimming pool. Needs to be close to down town, not like the Y where it is out in an industrial park	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
441	Cornhole, bocci ball, pickle ball courts.	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
442	100% open space - acquire land and add resources for resident access and use. We have strong recreational sports spaces. Would consider a more robust recreation building to house arts and other non team sport activities, but municipal Franklin is so team sport focused that it is a disservice to those who are not involved - culturally and resource wise. pavilions and community picnic spaces that can be rented for group gatherings. (Beaver Pond?) paved bike trail, kayak launch, fishing opportunities and maintained hiking trails are attractive. More resources for residents who like to engage in solo activities.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
443	Public swimming pool, tennis courts that are not at a school, safer biking on roads, sidewalk on MAPLE STREET (many sports teams run on maple St, and it's dangerous)	Neutral	Very satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
444	Conservation areas, free swimming lessons or admission to public pools with lifeguards for children during summer, free summer programs at parks for kids to play badminton, do gimp, learn to crochet, kickball, play on jungle gym and just be kids with a student counselor. Too expensive for families and encouragement by hiring summer counselors for 8 kids to hike and just be kids. Bird "clubs" and sanctuaries to help nature. The Gatra program is awesome for getting a ride when needed.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	
445		Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied
446	Bike trails and side walks	Neutral	Satisfied	Very dissatisfied	Satisfied
447	Tennis and pickleball courts outdoor rink, with refrigeration, which can be used for most of winter. Public skating and pick up hockey	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
448	Conservation	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
449	Hiking trails	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Satisfied
450	I am a huge proponent of hiking trails, biking trails (love the SNET), and tennis.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Satisfied
451	easier/safe access to programs, facilities, and Open Spaces, through more sidewalks, interconnected trail systems and bike lanes.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
452	tennis courts, improve town beach, bike trails, sidewalks, continue improving SNETT trail	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
453	Biking/Walking paved trails.	Neutral	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral
454	Open space	Neutral	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
455	Safer and better bike access on main roads	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
456	Boat launch areas. Also believe public property that is of adaquit size be open for town residents to bow hunt whitetail deer. The Deer population has increased to a size that hurts the forests. Bow hunting is safe and is a great management tool that is allowed in state property to control Deer. This should be employed on town property also	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
457	Walking/hiking trails	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
458	I cant say if Franklin needs more recreation areas but I know that when Franklin takes over land the animals living there have a hard time surviving because people are disturbing them.	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
459		Neutral	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
460	Public swimming pool, kayak launch, cross country ski trails, basketball courts, golf course, bocce courts, youth center for teens!	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Neutral
461	picnic areas, bike trails, public swimming pool, cross country ski trails	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied

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23		24	24	24	24
462	Pickleball courts	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
463	Conservation areas	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
464	Yes to all of above.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
465	hiking trails	Very dissatisfied	Very satisfied	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
466	Skateboard park, amphitheater	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
467	Canoe launch	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
468	More soccer fields, more well marked trails, a bigger fenced dog park like Wrentham!!	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
469	Conservation land, playgrounds, youth center	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
470	Golf courses, amphitheater, bocce courts.	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
471	Rail trail enhancements, maintenance (we love the rail trail!)	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
472	Less taxes	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied
473		Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
474	Franklin needs less taxes. If people want all the things listed above, then start charging fees for them to take part in such activities to help pay for them.	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
475		Very satisfied	Very satisfied		
476	Community garden, passive recreation, open space that just "IS" - could be for wildlife, eco-system orbiodiversity preservation, doesn't need to be for recreational purposes.	Neutral	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
477	additional conservation areas, hiking trails, community gardens, and a community barn. We need to add many, many more flowering trees and shrubs that can feed pollinators and birds and be a source of beauty and inspiration for people!	Satisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
478		Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
479	More stuff for toddlers (1-4), paved trails, kayak rentals with a season pass?, turn the old Davis Thayer into a community center with park	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
480	NA	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied
481		Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
482	Open space	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
483		Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
484		Neutral	Very satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
485	A designated basketball vs street hockey site. The Bruins sponsored street hockey court is used mostly for basketball not hockey. Could you designate a time for each or create a separate basketball court?	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
486	conservation areas	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
487		Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
488	More facilities. Splash park and public pool, for an amazing example check out Lafayette, Indiana public splash park, lazy river, aqua fitness classes, etc. residents can buy passes or pay admissions. Additionally every school should have safe bike lanes along major roads leading to the schools. This includes Charter.	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied
489	Playground improvement, trails, improved franklin rec facilities	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied
490	Pave the roads and add sidewalks to Jordan.	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
491	a public pool would be great...more baseball fields and/or lighting for night games at fletcher, update rundown ballpark fields like kennedy parmenter etc. another outdoor track or indoor track, outdoor basketball courts	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
492	Canoe/ kayak launch, golf course	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied
493		Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
494	Hiking trails, Amphitheatre, communal canoe and kayaking areas, picnic tables	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
495		Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
496	Would like del carte water and depth to be addressed. It has great access points for fishing but after about the end of May it's essentially unfishable due to weeds. In addition, it would be great to open Up more public access to the Charles river off of elm st as well as more public access to uncas pond.	Neutral	Satisfied		
497	Basketball courts	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
498	Paved bike trail / soccer fields / turf fields / additional conservation area	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
499	Campground	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
500	Hiking Trails	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
501	It's only getting hotter each summer, a public swimming pool would be outstanding. A municipal golf course of excellent quality could become a national gem drawing the U.S. Open if done right.	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
502	Canoe / kayak launch, youth center, later youth programs in the winter months, open summer park program that could be drop in for those who don't need all day care just councilors with some arts and crafts and general guidance. Bathroom at del carte.	Neutral	Very satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
503		Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
504		Very satisfied	Very satisfied		
505	Too much building, need more open space, more sidewalks	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied
506	Outdoor ice rink	Dissatisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
507	Agree with increasing community gardens, hiking trails and family centered activities. Especially would like sidewalks on Daniels St- traffic has increased so much over the years and concerns about safety	Neutral	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral
508	hiking trails, canoe/paddleboard launch, parks, amphitheater	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
509	Pickleball courts	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
510		Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Neutral
511		Satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
512		Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
513	Public swimming pool, outdoor skating rink, pocket parks	Neutral	Satisfied	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied

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	23	24	24	24
514	Open space, wildlife needs refuge	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
515		Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
516	not sure	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral
517	It would be great to have canoe/kayak rental options on one of the bodies of water! We would definitely pay per use for that type of option.	Satisfied	Very satisfied	
518		Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
519	Enhancing existing infrastructure at Del Carte, Beaver Pond and other bodies of water in the town to be accessible (to residents) for launching private non-gas powered boats. The Beaver Pond boat ramp is a great example of a fantastic recreational opportunity for small boat owners in Franklin to get on the water, but the boat ramp is eroding and dangerous currently, and water at the bottom of the ramp is too shallow to properly launch a trailered boat without backing all the way off the ramp into the water - should be dredged out. The kayak ramp at Del Carte also could be updated, or altered to be a small "cartopper" boat ramp.	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
520		Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
521	Being a senior citizen my uses are for hiking/walking trails and picnic types of areas.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
522	Improve the trails on the maple hill development. Choate park in medway Ma did a great job with walkways in woods around a pond	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
523	Hiking/biking trails	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
524	Hiking and biking trails	Neutral	Very satisfied	Neutral
525	Public pool and/or town beach, youth center	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
526	Establish/continue a sidewalk on Washington St (south side of 495) where the sidewalk ends around Prospect St to the Franklin/Bellingham town line	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
527	conservation areas, hiking trails	Neutral	Very satisfied	Neutral
528	Additional conservation ateas	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
529	Pocket parks, undeveloped green space and wooded trails	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
530	Franklin now has a solid collection of recreational and conservation properties, but better connectivity and effort to connect up our resources into a continuous resource would be invaluable to provide more recreational opportunities that don't require the initial step of driving to use the resource. For example, Dacey has a number of trails which terminate but potentially could connect to adjacent properties through minor easements. The Maple hill property is then similarly adjacent along with an MLT parcel which would allow a large connected area without trying to walk or bike on primary roads. There are a number of other places where better interconnection can help make the resources Franklin have into a network connecting to other resources, such as the already discussed SNETT extension, but also into resources like the extensive trail network that Medway has created with their own open space efforts. Secondarily, better access to its waterways such as Mine Brook, Charles River and Uncas Pond would be beneficial. USACE lands can be used for recreational opportunities, and there are sections of our rivers that are beautiful, but lack ways to access currently, such as the Beech Street bridge crossing of Mine Brook.	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral
531	indoor/outdoor multiuse areas for recreational activities and sports.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
532	Youth Center, picnic areas, hiking trails. We are grandparents of children from surrounding towns. We take them mostly to the playgrounds. Our children grew up here and I am proud that we support town sports very well. I am NOT aware of which sports need bolstering in the way of fields presently, but would encourage improving them or adding as needed. Also, for children who don't participate in team sports, do we have tennis courts, biking trails, etc. for them?	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
533	Paved bike trails	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
534	Add sidewalks to high traffic roads (Maple St, etc) that have none, as pedestrians frequent these roads for walking/running but are at risk due to no sidewalks being present.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
535	More biking paths or safe biking roads, especially for family bike rides to/from parks, schools or other desired community places (town center, town beach.	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral
536		Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
537		Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral
538	hiking/biking trail	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
539	Safe bike paths and lanes	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
540		Satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied
541	Ampitheatrwr	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Very satisfied
542	Adult programs	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Neutral
543	Pocket parks, natural space for walking	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
544		Very satisfied	Neutral	Very satisfied
545	Canoe/kayak launch, Boy/Girl Scout Camp, and LOTS of Benches on trails, sidewalks and playgrounds. Heated sidewalks and parking around handicapped spaces in downtown and playgrounds.	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Dissatisfied
546	Kayak/ ramps for pond picnic area rest rooms or port a potties at high traffic rec areas	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
547		Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
548		Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
549	Playgrounds for younger children	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
550	Paved trails, skate park, and a track	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
551		Neutral	Dissatisfied	Neutral
552	Playgrounds- but also update existing playgrounds especially at out schools, improve local beach	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Neutral
553	Town pool, small child playgrounds	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
554		Neutral	Very satisfied	Neutral
555	Bike trails, hiking trails, public swimming pool, skateboard park	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
556	Disc Golf, open space, kayak launch, town pool	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
557	Additional conservation areas! Save the forests!!	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral

		How satisfied are you with the places available in Franklin for recreational use by..			
	23	24	24	24	24
558	It would be nice to have more multi use space: walking trails with access to picnic areas, and open fields for families to just run around. More community garden space. A true public pool with access for all residents that doesn't require a membership. Parks with shallow man made ponds that freeze over in the winter for free community ice skating (this is common in cities such as Montreal).	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied
559	Pirelli Rink needs an update A small skateboard/box/scooter park and a 'parkour park', an outdoor splash pad More infrastructure for safe biking in town- a lot of kids and teens want to bike, and safety is a concern Other than Parmenter/Fletcher, I don't know of a park that serves the Jordan Road, Cooks Farm area. Kids have to ride bikes through the 140 shopping areas to get to outdoor basketball hoops, etc. It would be nice to have one on the Wrentham side of town Build a small deck by the pond in Cooks Farm. Lots of folks like to fish there, so a place to stand would be good	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
560	Community garden or barn	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
561	SAFE Walking areas for kids and adults.	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
562		Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
563	The town has substantial and sufficient open space. We seem to need more youth sports fields.	Neutral	Very satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
564		Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied
565	Canoe/Kayak launch and split DelCartes for on leash and off leash for dog walking and more pickleball courts	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
566	Community gardens,picnic areas	Very dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral
567		Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
568		Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
569	Volleyball, outdoor spaces that are walkable, Lincoln st sidewalks!	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied
570	Fun ways to cool off in the summer (water slides, splash pad...), more well marked walking trails both paved and unpaved, more focus on conservation - this is so very important for our changing climate and for our kids to grow up healthy	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
571	Additional conservation, sidewalks for walking running, bike paths	Satisfied		Satisfied	Satisfied
572		Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
573	More community gardens/ Bike lane on roads connect to trails /Canoe/Kayak launch	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
574	Tennis courts, community garden areas, bike paths, sidewalks	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
575	More sidewalks for walking and dedicated bike lanes	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
576	Open Space, conservation of natural habitat for Franklin's diverse wildlife	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
577		Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
578	both	Satisfied	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied
579	There's enough demand for another ice rink	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
580	A hiking trail at King St Park	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
581	Open space to protect forest, pasture, wetlands, wildlife and overall biodiversity	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
582		Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral	
583	Hiking/biking trails, golf, pickleball, beer garden or food trucks for community events	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
584	walking/hiking trails, bike trails, lighted soccer field	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
585		Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
586	Events	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	
587	Another turf field that is convertible for baseball. Less focus on soccer.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
588		Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied
589	Open Space - our areas that have open space for playgrounds and trail walks fill up quickly and are often very busy. DelCarte in particular. Providing more areas like this would be ideal.	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
590	Build a bigger ECDC at the old school next to Dean College	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied
591		Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
592		Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied
593	Green areas	Neutral	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
594		Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Very dissatisfied
595	I would do a lot of the above activities that I marked as never if we had the facilities. I'd like to try pickle all. I'd love to go cross country skiing bike lanes would be great because I'm afraid to ride in traffic.	Neutral	Very satisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral
596	Open space that does not require major resources to maintain.	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
597	Open space is important to curb over development. It would also be nice to have more places where you can walk in nature without having to venture into the town forest (similar to Del Carte recreation area).	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
598	Hiking trails, beaches, places that support social gathering, boat launches, conservation/nature appreciation, places that support peace and solitude	Neutral	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
599	Bike paths	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
600	Youth center and a skateboard park for the kids would be nice.	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied
601	Community gardens	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
602	Conservation Areas, Community Gardens, Community Barn	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
603	I agree with all the suggested responses. I especially think it would be nice to add row boat, SUP and kayak rentals at Beaver Pond.	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
604	I wish that our youth (teens-yng adult) could have more activities specific to their age. Have you guys taken any surveys for these young people?	Satisfied	Neutral	Satisfied	Dissatisfied
605	Open space to prevent more building	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	
606		Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
607		Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
608		Satisfied	Very satisfied	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied

How satisfied are you with the places available in Franklin for recreational use by..				
	23	24	24	24
609	Walking trail with mile markers, canoe/kayak rental/launch. Raised platform walkway thru marshes. Wildflower/native species fields	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied
610		Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
611		Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
612		Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
613		Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
614	hiking trails, amphitheater, picnic areas	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
615	Picnic areas		Satisfied	Satisfied
616		Neutral	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
617	Bike lanes on roads	Neutral	Satisfied	Very dissatisfied
618		Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
619	Skate park, community barn/function room, amphitheater	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
620	swimming, bocce,	Satisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied
621	no additional	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
622	Town beach, conservation areas, play grounds	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
623	Amphitheater, kayak launch, golf course, hiking trails, picnic areas, community barn	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
624	IMPROVEMENT TO SCULPTURE PARK, MORE TODDLER FRIENDLY PLAYGROUNDS/AREAS, SWIMMING POOL FOR TOWN USE, COMMUNITY GARDEN	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral
625	none of which that I am aware.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
626	Kayaking golf courses pickle ball courts	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied
627	Pickleball has become a big sport on the rise not just for seniors but the younger generation too . Making more indoor facilities available would be nice .	Neutral	Satisfied	Dissatisfied
628		Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
629		Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
630	Amphitheater, bike trails, hiking trails	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
631		Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied
632	More open spaces for walk-in trails	Neutral	Neutral	Dissatisfied
633	More walking trails that are suitable for seniors. They should be leveled and not have hills or large roots.	Dissatisfied		Very dissatisfied
634		Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
635	Public pool	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
636		Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
637	hiking trails	Neutral	Very satisfied	Dissatisfied
638	Hiking Trails	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
639		Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
640		Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied
641		Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
642	Increase tax base by attracting more businesses	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
643	Walking/hiking trails	Satisfied	Satisfied	
644	conservation/open space; pickleball courts	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
645	Nature playgrounds Fields for free play, indoor gyms	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Satisfied
646	Tennis courts	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
647	Any amenities that will bring in new families and keep existing families did be considered.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
648		Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
649	kayak launch, public swimming pool	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
650	Public golf	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
651	Golf courses, youth center, and more gardening spaces	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
652		Neutral	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
653	Preserved conservation land for habitat, with no recreational use.	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied
654		Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
655	Ice cream parlor, Roller skating rink, a place for teens to hang out. NOT ANOTHER STARBUCKS!!!!!! 3-4 Starbucks in one town is ridiculous.	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Neutral
656	Fix the kayak ramp at delcarte. Clean beaver pond for swimming	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Neutral
657		Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral
658	Pickleball courts	Neutral	Neutral	Dissatisfied
659	More pickle ball courts, bocce courts, hiking	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
660				
661	More conservation areas	Neutral	Neutral	Dissatisfied
662	Golf	Neutral	Very dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
663	Fishing areas, nature walks	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
664	Open space	Neutral	Neutral	Satisfied
665	Canoe/kayak access, youth center, pavilion/community barn, more hiking trails	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
666	Playgrounds, gardens	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral

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23		24	24	24	24
667		Very satisfied	Very satisfied		
668		Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
669	walking/hiking/bike trails, pickleball courts	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
670	Indoor and outdoor pickle ball facilities	Neutral	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Neutral
671		Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
672		Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied
673		Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied
674	Tennis courts, community garden	Neutral	Very satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied
675	Playgrounds and tracks	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
676		Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Dissatisfied
677	more hiking/walking areas without motorized vehicles allowed, community swimming pool, a youth center with planned activities that all students could participate in, open land for conservation that could be walked in	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
678	Lighted pickleball courts and many more. Better bathroom facilities. They are terrible in this town. Better marked trails and benches on trails in del carte. The town would benefit from collaborating with other towns ... millis holliston .. they have great rec programs and facilities for small towns.	Dissatisfied	Very satisfied	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
679	town beach, golf courses, picnic areas, hiking trails	Neutral	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Neutral
680	outdoor ping pong (i.e. Quincy), Free town public swimming pool, outdoor calisthenics areas with equipment (I've seen at beaches in FL).	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
681		Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
682	Preservation of flora, fauna and wild animals	Neutral	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
683		Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Satisfied
684	Hiking or outdoor trails	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
685		Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
686		Satisfied	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral
687	Bike trails	Neutral	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
688		Dissatisfied		Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
689	Community garden, larger, pocket parks, cross country skiing, I've skating!!! Times are so limited to non existent!,	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
690	Conservation areas	Satisfied		Very dissatisfied	
691		Neutral	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
692		Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
693	Additional conservation areas	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Dissatisfied
694	Trail linking downtown with the SNET trail. More safe bike lanes.	Neutral	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
695		Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
696	additional conservation areas	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
697	-pickleball; -accessibility to above mentioned "common answers" (additional conservation areas, amphitheater, picnic areas, hiking trails, tennis courts, canoe/kayak launch, cross country trails, community garden areas, community barn, bridle paths; -senior friendly events (coordinate with senior center) -partnering with Audubon, Trustees of Reservations, etc.	Neutral	Very satisfied	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
698	I think the sculpture park next to the police station should be refurbished and maintained, with gardens added. It could be beautiful.	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
699	Open space	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
700	Hiking trails, town beach	Satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied
701	We should preserve more space for nature and wildlife	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
702	1) additional outdoor and indoor pickleball courts; 2) restrooms and more parking at Del Carte; 3) additional parking at SNETT; 4) restrooms at King Street Memorial Park; 5) more community garden areas; 6) community supported agriculture (CSA); 7) connections between town parks, open spaces, and conservation areas	Very dissatisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
703	Additional conservation land, hiking trails	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
704	Community garden/barns	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral
705	Splash pad	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
706		Satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
707	Amphitheater with picnic areas and food trucks, canoe/kayak launch, trails, sidewalks, benches, community areas with games/campgrounds, tennis areas, community barn, town beach. Centralized rather than completely decentralized activity areas may be a nice draw in the community.	Neutral	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
708	Yes	Very satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
709	Adult playground fitness equipment: monkey bars, etc., for adults and larger kids training for obstacle course racing or ninja warrior. Restrooms and concessions at existing parks. Beginner skate park, beginner mountain bike trails. More rec programs that feature our outdoor spaces: birdwatching, hiking, plein air painting, photography.	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral
710	Hiking or walking paths	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
711	We would love to see more youth center programming for elementary/middle school kids. Chess, robotics, coding, circuitry, etc would be wonderful.	Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral
712	Bike Trails, walking trails	Neutral	Very satisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
713	Public access to water with canoe/kayak rentals	Neutral	Satisfied	Neutral	Neutral

To preserve Open Space in Franklin, would you:

	Yes	No	Not applicable	Maybe
Contribute land(s) to the Town or other organization, such as a Land Trust or 501c3 non-profit?	75	208	239	161
Donate money to the Town to acquire and protect land?	126	202	33	321
Rewrite your deed to limit future development of your land (i.e. estate planning)?	88	244	195	157
Sell land to the Town at a bargain price?	22	327	248	82
Sell land to the Town at a fair market price?	79	231	249	120
Sell or contribute conservation restrictions to protect your land from future development?	99	194	218	160
Vote for Town supported land acquisition if it can be done without raising taxes?	535	32	25	105
Vote for Town supported land acquisition if it meant an increase of 25 cents (increase of approx. 2% from FY23 rate) to 50 cents (increase of approx. 4% from FY23 rate) on the present assessed value of real estate per \$1,000?	265	177	21	232
Approve zoning changes to guide growth in areas that are less suitable for development, but better for habitat protection, biodiversity, and ecosystem services?	483	50	24	138

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1	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth			
2	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Other websites or organizations	Fletcher Field -- it's where my kids play most often so it has a sentimental attachment	It could use a little more maintenance and potentially upgraded play spaces for children.	
3	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	Dacey field because of neighborhood proximity & dog park & SNET trail		
4	I don't, - I just explore!			
5	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	King Street Playground - Pickleball		
6	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	All of them		
7	Town website, Other websites or organizations	DelCarte	Keep the partnership with the library for the book trail walk.	
8	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	King street playground		
9	Town website			
10	Town website, I don't, - I just explore!	King Street playground		
11	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	SNET Trail	Connect SNET to downtown via marked bicycle lanes, increasing access to/from MBTA and downtown businesses.	
12	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	SNET Trail	Improved visibility at the crosswalk	
13	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	DelCarte	Nope its great	
14	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Beaver Pond, King Street	King Street fields can be reorganized for optimum use across sports	
15	Recreation Department newsletter	SNET Trail		
16	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	KING STREET - HAS EVERYTHING	UNLOCKED RESTROOMS	
17	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Jefferson school fields	Clean up the area and improve sidewalks and curbing.	
18	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte	More events	
19	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte - It has something for everyone in our family. Yet the trails arent too difficult or hard for the little ones. And they get to play on the playground when the trail is done!	The only thing that can be difficult can be the parking but at the same time it would seem a bit counteractive to tear down trees and disrupt nature for more parking spaces when we are talking about conserving land	
20	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte- trail and pond!	More places in town like it	
21	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte		
22	Recreation Department newsletter	Delcarte playground and walking the hiking path is a big hit with the kiddos	Bathrooms	
23	Recreation Department newsletter	DelCarte-- connection to nature	Institute neighbors to shovel/clear their sidewalks during winter!!! We have beautiful sidewalks but are forced to the roads during winter making it unsafe to use sidewalks for students, dog walking, elderly, etc.	
24	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Del Carte- updated playground, beautiful water views, nice trails, storywalks		
25	Town website, Friends/word of mouth	King Street Playground	Add more pickleball courts	
26	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte! Between the playground and walking trail and pond it hits everything our family likes to do.		
27	Recreation Department newsletter	Dacey field	Parking is an issue during soccer season	
28	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations	DelCarte- it has something for everyone! We spend a lot of time at fields for baseball and soccer.		
29	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNET Trail, DelCarte and Beaver Pond	I would like to hike Maple Hill, but I do not know where to park or if the trails are marked	

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30	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Del Carte, SNET town and state forest. Hopefully soon Schmidt farm. Looking forward to that space.		
31	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Beaver Street complex		
32	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper, I don't, - I just explore!	DelCarte		
33	Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	SNET trail to ride bikes, the flag football field		
34	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte playground . I have young children and we like to enjoy nature and explore		
35	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte or Beaver Pond--we love to be able to access water.	We wish Beaver Pond was always safe for swimming!	
36	Local newspaper			
37	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte		
38	Recreation Department newsletter	DelCarte because of the story walks, easy hiking trails for varying ages, the water, picnic area, and the playground. We are also very fond of the SNET trail as we live close by and access it often. The new updates are great!		
39	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	DelCarte and Franklin forest	Better trail markings in franklin forest	
40	I don't, - I just explore!	Don't know	NA	
41	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	DelCarte for conservation land and King Street for recreation (because it's close and our satellite garden is there)	Would love to see more creative, tall and interesting playground structures	
42	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte, state forest, SNET, paths at Dacey because lots of trees! And, they're not crowded when I go. Also Beaver Pond because I love the water!!	Posted education about tickborne illnesses	
43	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Delcarte - nice walking trail		
44	Town website, Conservation B(l)og, Friends/word of mouth	snet, maple hill, schmidt when available	longer walking trails, water trails showing wetlands restoration.	
45	Town website			
46	Recreation Department newsletter		making things accessible as possible so everyone can enjoy being outdoors.	
47	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Other websites or organizations	Beaver Pond	More parking for field events	
48	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	Dacey Field	Tennis Courts	
49	Recreation Department newsletter	SNET Trail	Raise the walking path higher so it doesn't get covered with rain water or turn into mud. The improvement is already great but when it rains the water doesn't run off in many sections and it turns it into mud.	
50	Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth	Descarte. Good play ground. Nice walking trails. The story walk	Some shade on the playground would be nice. Maybe a sun shade structure	
51	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	delcarte and town forest		
52	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Dacey Fields Disc Golf - play there often, and it's one of the few courses in our area	Add 18 more holes if there is space since the course can get really busy. Add pickleball courts. Could use more parking as it can be crowded when soccer games are going on same time as disc golf. Yard games area would be cool (cornhole, bocce, badminton, volleyball,etc.) with a shed for access that is somewhat secure to prevent theft - cameras linked to police and a unique code provided to residents only?	
53	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	King st playground, Del Carte and SNET trail -locations	Beaver pond is gross!!!	
54	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte		
55	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth	King. St		

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56	I don't, - I just explore!	Dwlcarte	
57	Town website		
58	Town website	SNET	no
59	Recreation Department newsletter	King Street Playground, Lacey Field	Lacey filed should have tennis, pickelball and other courts created
60	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNET	Add a paved area for road bikes
61	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Delcart	
62	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth	SNET trail — great improvements	
63	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), I don't, - I just explore!	State forest	
64	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Unsure	No
65	Recreation Department newsletter	DelCarte	
66	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Town common	Improved landscaping
67	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte and Dacey frisbee golf (best hiking in town)	no - appreciate regular improvements the town has done over the years
68	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	State Forest and Beaver Pond	Get rid of dirt bikers or at the very least Franklin can make access on their conservation land more difficult by repairing fences, posting signage, encouraging police enforcement. By the land adjacent to the State Forest on Spring and Grove Streets to preserve those lands.
69	Town website	Unsure - no experience with most of them	n/a
70	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte	
71	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Delcarte	Fix park fence
72	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth		
73	Friends/word of mouth	Indian Rock. Close to home	Have students work/ volunteer at these places! Clean up. Improvements. Etc
74	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	As of now we prefer the school playgrounds. Hoping the redo of the park at Beaver will have lots for all ages	
75	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Del Carte because ti is good for both us (seniors) and our grandchildren. It has a playground, great trails, storywalk, a pond with some wildlife, and room to roam.	Better marked trails
76	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter		
77	Recreation Department newsletter	DelCarte	
78	Town website		
79	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Beaver Street	
80	Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	Delcarte and SNET trail	
81	Town website, Friends/word of mouth	Schmidt Farm	Walking trails, possibly community gardens, cross country ski and snow shoe trails. Par three golf course. Overall, a great place to experience nature. Loaded with deer, owls,hawks, coyotes, turtles, fisher cats, rabbits, wood peckers, even pileated wood peckers AKA woody wood pecker can be observed at times.
82	Town website, Local newspaper	Maple Hill. It's adjacent to our neighborhood	Develop more trails, perhaps add some signage
83	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte, Dacey Field	
84	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	Schmidt Farm, SNET Trail	

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85	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	DelCarte (because it is both close and special)	Town/ConCom has done a very good job with trail markers, maps, etc. Parking is limited but not sure I'd recommend any additional spaces due to slope, etc. Glad that the Town replaced the playground equipment and very good to have the crosswalk with light. Some of the trails could be made more accessible or guidance provided as to which ones are recommended.		
86	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Use it all the time to explore, do story time, take pictres, use the playground			
87	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Delcarte and snet trail.	Extend SNET to Union Street if it can be done at a reasonable cost to the town.		
88	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Other websites or organizations	Delcarte , playground with a scenic viece, hiking so fun, and most important fishing! Best space hands down. No competition.	Having opportunity to rent kayaks or similar. Other idea beaver pond sailing lessons on small sale boats like Jmaica Plain does and Hopington		
89	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte - clearly marked trails, beautiful water/scenery...Dacey nature walk is fine too but small and disc golf is usually busy with people to walk there....Maple Hill needs more trail markings...Riverbend needs better trail markings in spots...Town Forest needs better trail markings in some spots and maps....State Forest is good for trails and signage....Beaver Pond - would love to see trails here....SNET trail - hopes it connects to Downtown someday!	noted lots above		
90	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	SNETT!	There are a couple of wet areas that could be fixed, but recent improvements are fantastic!		
91	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte for hiking, it's a nice easy hike, pretty, feel safe and has parking			
92	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Never metioned by the town, but the area between Brandywine and Daniels is made up of severla town owned parcels. A fabulious set of hiking trails have been built that link several neighborhoods together. This type of connected network is great for the community and we see so many people walking the trails daily right from thier homes.	Since the town has shown no interest in this land, the neighborhoods hoods have taking it on themselves to maintain and mark the trails. As a town we really lack a clear point of contact for who is in charge of the trails in town. Even this committee is very vague on if it is part of the charter. I suggest forming a distinct group that handles the creation and maintenance of the trails in town.		
93	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	SNET Trail - beautiful, good for grown-ups and kids in our family, and well maintained.	Some seating options (benches) and a paved section would be so nice		
94	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	SNET			
95	Town website, Friends/word of mouth	Schmidt Farm and SNET trail for walking	Schmidt I'd like to see community farming. King Street as mentioned I'd like to see a dog park. SNET improvements have been great - I'd like to see it extended		
96	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Kids use beaver field all the time, and we love the snett for walking and biking			
97	Town website, Conservation B(l)og, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	I love the SNETT for it's combination of history, accessibility, and tranquility!	Extend it to downtown, expand parking on Grove Street, highlight Wadsworth Village history, improve Grove Street crossing		
98	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	DelCarte - great, scenic nature walk	Create a gravel/year-round paved jogging path. Cannot visit trail after heavy rain.		
99	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Delcarte	Would love to see the sculpture park cleaned up.		
100	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations	Del Carte - close and variety of activities	help trail erosion, build bridge on west side		
101	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Delcarte			
102	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNET trail, king st. Beaver pond	Ensure we can maintain high standards. Meaning don't expand to the point we can't maintain with expense and capital upgrades		
103	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte is beautiful! The King Street playground is a favorite of my kids. We also love Dacey and are there often.			
104	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)				
105	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations	SNETT	Recent improvements are great- few areas need adjustments. Maybe a bench near Spring St. or Prospect St.		

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106	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	SNET			
107	Town website	SNET easy walk and yet no motor bikes allowed	Benches in place so that you can rest while taking a long walk. We usually walk 6 miles and sometimes rest by sitting on rocks.		
108	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Del carte			
109	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte I feel safe alone before woods start.	the path is too narrow leading into woods after bridge There is limited handicap accessibility to the trails		
110	Town website	DelCarte			
111	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth	Franklin High School grounds			
112	Town website, I don't, - I just explore!	Shepherd's Brook, because it's nearby.	Try to fight invasives.		
113	Recreation Department newsletter	Pisani Fields - Softball	N/A		
114	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Speaking through perspective of a parent with young kids and a disabled sister: I'm going to broadly say playgrounds - awesome that we have such a variety. But they all need to be drastically improved! I love the variety of fletcher, intimacy of Nason, adjacency of trails at Del Carte, convenience of Davis Thayer (can it stay/get bigger/improved?), would love to see more offered at all-in-one sites with playgrounds. Can we have walking trails connect amenities? Snett would be the #1 best resource IF paved/accessible and IF it connected to downtown!	Rubberized/accessible surfaces and more shade! Choate park in medway is an amazing example of a wonderful recreation experience with so much to offer in one spot from playground with shade, connection to large trail network and smaller trails on site, connections to hall fields, pond, bathrooms, pavilion, even electric vehicle charging stations! Can we do this in Franklin??		
115	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Conservation B(l)og, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations	SNETT, it's well taken care of and a great environment.	Connect the SNETT trail from Grove to Union.		
116	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Dacey. Soccer fields. Walking trail. Sledding. Disc golf. Delcarte best open space.	Add a basketball court. Leave soccer nets up year round.		
117	Town website, Friends/word of mouth				
118	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	King Street Memorial Park	if the softball/little league field directly in front of you, as you enter the KSM Park isn't being used, that would be an ideal place for some additional pickleball courts.		
119	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	The SNETT Trail. It's a gem!	continued maintenance		
120	Friends/word of mouth		elementary school playground		
121	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth				
122	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper				
123	Recreation Department newsletter	Darcey field because it is good for kids with disabilities	None		
124	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Beaver for fishing.	Clear some more shore line to create space to accommodate more fishing spots.		
125	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Delcarte because it has a beautiful playground and access to walking trails.	I would like to see some paved access trails and better trail markings.		
126	Town website	DelCarte	Keep down the Water Chestnut growth		
127	Town website	SNET Trail & DelCarte			
128	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	SNET trail (I also jog on the FHS track)	Pine Street has become a very busy roadway (that includes 18 wheelers), so sidewalks and/or walking trails are welcome. Also, I watch the various town meetings recorded on YouTube.		
129	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	No particular favorite	Replace invasive plants with native species.		
130		Dacey and king sports fields			
131	I don't, - I just explore!	Dacey Field			
132	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	State forest			
133	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte, King St.			

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134	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Schmidt Farm - farmland is incredibly scarce and needs to be protected/maintained. Once lost, whether through development or change of use, it is gone forever and irreplaceable.	Preserve it as a WORKING farm
135	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Delcarte is our most frequented due to location and offering for my children. We also like the rail trail but not as easy to access.	
136	Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	Del Carte, Dacey Field, SNET trail, Beaver Pond	keep up the great work
137	Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	King Street Playground because it is closest to us.	There is currently no playground equipment for little kids at King Street Playgroung. There used to be at least one little area where little kids aged 2-6 could play, not that is also gone. I think the park could be improved by adding a playground area for these kids. Because often families have kids with different ages, while one enjoys the park the other one gets bored and parents struggle.
138	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte, SNET trail	
139	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte, Snett Trail	
140	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	Snett	
141	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	DelCarte is a beautiful scenic area that is easily accessible for	just keep it maintained as it is.
142	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	SNET trail and DelCarte	Would be an answer addition for extend the SNET trail to central Franklin for easier access.
143	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Conservation B(l)og, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	State Forest	
144	Town website, Conservation B(l)og, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	State Forrest	Clean up and create new trails. Offer activities for kids
145	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Other websites or organizations	SNET	Erosion protections, to limit puddling and run offs. Cinder surface conducive for running or riding
146	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Delcarte, Dacey	
147	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Delcarte for walking, hiking, fishing. Riverbend is close to our house and enjoyed often.	Riverbend is near our house but there are no sidewalks on Lincoln street near it. Although it's within walking distance, it can't be safely walked to. Lack of sidewalks in that area is a major safety issue due to the traffic and speed on Lincoln.
148	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	King St Playground Communiy Garden	seems to be ok as is
149	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Franklin State Forest	Fix trails, mark trails, improve parking. The heart healthy trail parking lot is a very nice but the rest of the State Forest needs a lot of attention.
150	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte. Decent loop-style trail around a body of water that's within 10 min drive of home.	
151	I don't, - I just explore!		
152	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte because it's within walking distance and beautiful year round	
153	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)		Snet
154	Recreation Department newsletter, Other websites or organizations	Del Carte - nice trail to hike	
155	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte -we love the hiking trails, fishing and playground, Dacey for disc golfing, state forest for hiking, SNET, king street -playground and bike paths. Schmidt as it will be close to us, Beaver St, just explored the new ninja course and it is awesome. Too many great things to list!	We are excited to see Schmidt developed, I am sure it will be great!
156	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNET trail	More parking. Gravel more of the trail
157	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Town Forest	No
158	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Maple hill - keeps my neighborhood quiet	
159	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte	

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160	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Delcarte	
161	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNET and DelCarte for hiking- very clean and great for walking dogs	SNET had many improvements already- maybe some smoother trails in delcarte
162	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	Beaver Pond, DelCarte, SNETT,	Open the back of Beaver Pond so we can walk completely around it. Block off the Water Treatment Plant, not the well area, and make a path all the way around it for walkers, not just trail bikes.
163	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Delcarte, Beaver pond and king st. More to do for Teens	
164	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Del Carte Beaver Pond	
165	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Dacey, it has a quick hiking trail, disc golf course, and dog park along with easy and plentiful parking.	Make the dog park bigger.
166	Town website, Conservation B(l)og, Local newspaper	Delcarte	Just maintain trails
167	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	We really love them all	
168	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte	
169	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	King street playground because it is closeTo home , easy to get to, and has a decent play area plus the paved path, garden to see, fields and courts. I'd love to see more. Del carte is second favorite.	Sometimes the zip line breaks, often the bathrooms are locked. A long paved path around the park would provide a great place for kids to bike around instead of going to Bellingham town common.
170	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper		
171	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte, State Forest, SNET Trail	I live close to two of these areas but need to take a car to get there due to no sidewalks leading there. Grove street is very dangerous to walk on due to lack of sidewalks and excessive speeding cars. I wish I could access them without having to drive.
172	Town website, Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte	
173	Other websites or organizations	Delcarte because of trails, boating and playground	Improve playgrounds; Medway's are much better
174	Recreation Department newsletter	SNET and Pickleball courts at king st park	Additional Pickleball courts - there is almost always someone using them which often leads to arguments. SNET is well maintained in Franklin but possible collaboration with the other towns to have consistent trail quality throughout or possible to extend?
175	Other websites or organizations	delcarte; walking and great playground	
176	I don't, - I just explore!	DelCarte. It's close by and I love the water. The damns are interesting.	Just make sure everything stays clean and maintained.
177	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Declarer, sent trail, beaver pond, Dacey fields	
178	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), I don't, - I just explore!	Riverbend	Improve trail conditions
179	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte!	Playground equipment for bigger kids- like a zip line
180	Town website	DelCarte and forests King street Playground	King street playground has no sidewalk access from Forest street.
181	Recreation Department newsletter	We love DelCarte because there's a walking trail, playground, picnic area and the potential for fishing.	No.
182	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations	Indian Rock	Accessibility and signage
183	Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!		
184	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	DelCarte, its near our house, it's been redone and is a terrific place for short hikes with kids, dogs, family.	there are a fair number of dead trees that could pose a fire risk. Perhaps this could be assessed.
185	Town website, Local newspaper	Delcarte Beaver pond	Improve waking at Delcarte
186	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte because it is close to our home. Also really enjoy the SNET trail and some other Forest trails	Forest trails could be better marked...also ATV trails should be clearly marked so that walkers like us know enough to go elsewhere.
187	Town website	This is like asking which is my favorite child! Currently it is Maple Hill because I abut the property and I am trying to learn where all the main and side trails lead.	It needs a group to develop and oversee the trail layout, marking and maintenance. I would be a volunteer for such a group!

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188	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNET trail- wonderful walk and well maintained			
189	Other websites or organizations	Dacey Field, DelCarte, state forest			
190	I don't, - I just explore!				
191	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	SNETT	Extend it!! We'd love to be able to hike all the way into Franklin downtown!!!!		
192	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Dacey, King St., SNET trail & DelCarte	Connected trail systems, pickleball courts and bike lanes. Work on making Franklin easier to use without needing a car.		
193	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Nason Street - Grandchildren	It's currently under improvement. We are anxiously awaiting.		
194	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, I don't, - I just explore!	SNETand Delcarte	Maybe these places could have information about the other town properties so people can learn by exploring.		
195	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, I don't, - I just explore!	I visit them all when I can :)			
196	Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	Del Carte - fishing and light hiking - kayaking when the launch was in better shape	Invasive species management (e.g. oriental bittersweet)		
197	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	King Street	Sidewalks on Forest Street for easier access for kids on the street		
198	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Turf Field at Beaver Pond, Del Carte			
199	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte			
200	Recreation Department newsletter	Pickleball courts at the park	More courts. 2 is not enough. The sport is exploding. Lights during spring summer and fall would be used regularly		
201	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	SNET Trail. Well maintained trail to walk or bike with my family. Also, stroller friendly.			
202		have no idea where inn rock, Schmidt farm or Maple Hill is located.	Communications is poor about openspaxce. I get updates from town. We do not have a town newspaper. Difficult to receive important information. Beaver pond needs to be cleaned up.		
203	Town website	Franklin forest bc I like to hike with my pup. I will look into the other areas: riverbend, indian rock, maple hill, and schmidt farm - i don't know where they are.	It has been improved with a parking lot. Jeff Roy is doing some work on signage to tell if the land's historical use and I think making some of the path handicap friendly.		
204	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNETT and Delcarte - love the improved surface on SNETT for biking walking and the fact it now is suitable for strollers and possibly wheelchairs. Love the mix of woods, trails and pond at Delcarte. I love that both are free and family friendly dog friendly locations.	Increase areas for parking.		
205	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte			
206	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNET trail and DelCarte, especially since the SNET was improved. They're great spaces to get outdoors and get some fresh air and they make me proud of our town	DelCarte trails should be wider and more flatttened		
207	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations	DelCarte / Riverbend they are quiet and scenic with varying views	DelCarte could use some trail maintenance in the form of root and rock mitigation. I believe River Bend has had some clean up done. It was hit bad by some past wind storms.		
208	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	DelCarte sculpture park			
209	Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations, I don't, - I just explore!	snett delcarte town forest	just learned of trails by completing this survey, so please publicize locations better!, host public clean ups/maintenance throughout the year- many are trashed! host or post history of areas		
210	Recreation Department newsletter, Conservation B(l)og, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	DelCarte for kayaking, Dacey Field for snowshoeing			
211	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte	No		
212	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Sculpture Park, because it is paved and accessible, including having handicap parking in the back lot	The Sculpture Park could use some landscaping work, new art/refreshed art/painting of sculptures, repair the bridge railing for safety (it's loose), and add a restroom		
213	Other websites or organizations				

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214	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Dacey- nicely kept fields for baseball	Add concessions at dacey
215	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte and state forest - beautiful treasures	Preserve more like them
216	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Del Carte - natural, walking trails, walking distance to my home	Adopt a park for clean up and improve public awareness for Leave No Trace
217	Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth	King st playground	Walking paths around property
218	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	River Bend- It is in close proximity, and I walk it a lot.	Better trail maintenance
219	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	King st and declarer	
220	Town website	SNET trail	Just normal upkeep
221	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Other websites or organizations	DelCarte	Yes. Please offer to buy the property at the back of 237 Pleasant Street (St. John's). This will allow them to feel good about being stewards of this land and the town can increase trail access to this beautiful town gem (and no wildlife will be disrupted in the process like they would be if building happened here).
222	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)		
223	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, I don't, - I just explore!	they are all special.	
224	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	Riverbend	Clear out the trash and invasive species
225	Town website	DelCarte & Dacey	Add tennis courts to Dacey
226	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte - proximity to our house, options for playground, nature home, biking, fishing. Safe access via sidewalks and signaled crosswalk	Bathrooms!!
227	Town website, Conservation B(l)og, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	DelCarte, State Forest, Snet Trail, Indian Rock due to the the beautiful wild life and nature	Upkeep of the trails and clear dead trees Protect against forest fires
228	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Conservation B(l)og, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	Town Forest -a beautiful, quiet spot	Clearing felled trees from trails
229	Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte	By not allowing any more building upon our abutting the area
230	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	Del Carte. Combination of hiking, water, kids playground, etc	Kayaking dock improvement
231	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)		
232	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Delcarte	
233	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Rail Trail and DeCarte	Clean up the trash
234	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte	Managed downed trees better
235	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Del Carte. It's conveniently located to my home.	
236	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	King street park	Keep up with cleanliness of park and enforce owners keep their Dogs on leash and also enforce owners to pick up their dogs waste, it's unacceptable for owners not to be responsible & for a child to feel unsafe when a dog is off leash !
237	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Del carte	
238	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	SNET trail because it's a long trail that is great for running! I only wish it started closer to my house!	Add on so that it reaches closer to northern Franklin
239	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Franklin State forest	

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240	I don't, - I just explore!			
241	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	State/town Forrest for hiking	Clear and mark trails annually and make town maps printable and legible from town website	
242	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Del Carte -it had a nice playground and hiking and fishing.		
243	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)			
244	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Maple Hill	Addition of walking paths/trail markers and maps	
245	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	SNETT for walking my dog		
246	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte		
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248	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	SNET trail because of easy access, Beaver Pond area	SNET extend to downtown. Access to State Forest. Beaver pond improvements for hiking picnic areas.	
249	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Dacey, variety of activities	Bathrooms	
250	Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	I really love the SNET Trail - you guys did a fantastic job with that!	I wish you didn't allow the solar farm to be built so close to it because it ruins the experience on that stretch. With that in mind, I would prioritize protecting land along this trail so it can maintain its rural wooded charm. I would hate to see that area of town overdeveloped so that it feels like we are using a trail through peoples' backyards	
251	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations	DelCarte - close to my home		
252	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	King Street playground for its diverse activities and surrounding trees	Plow parking lot in the winter. Add a couple street /walkway lights	
253	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNET, beaver pond, Indian rock are most utilized by my family for the activities that we enjoy		
254	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Beaver Pond	Improvements to facilities, restrooms unlocked	
255	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte	Clear walking path	
256	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Love delcarte and dacey trail		
257	Town website, Conservation B(l)og, Friends/word of mouth	Schmidt farm	Mountain bike trails	
258	Town website			
259	Other websites or organizations	SNET Trail, Easy to access but not surrounded by vehicle traffic	Recent improvements to the SNET have been wonderful. Addition of bird or bat houses to attract more wildlife would be fun to see.	
260	Town website	Dacey Field - open fields, playground, and dog park	Add lights	
261	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)			
262	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)			
263	Town website	Delcarte	No	
264	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Delcarte. Good little hike and play space for kids. Dacey field for soccer games. snett for nature trails and hikes , town common for events and picnics.	Restroom facility at park during day hours. Dacey playground improved for post game use.	
265	Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	Dacey Field	Improvements to playground area, especially adding an infant swing, adding equipment appropriate for children 6 and under & blocking high surfaces that may be dangerous for little ones (specifically at the top of the rock climbing wall nearest swings)	
266	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Fletcher field it has served this town for generations with out breaking the bank		
267	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Fletcher Field	Better policing of dog leash law	
268	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Town Forest	More rocks to help with muddy trails. More signage and maps.	
269	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNET and DelCarte		
270	Friends/word of mouth	Snet trail		

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271	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Railtrail nice even walking path in wooded area Delcorte is wonderful as well	
272	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	State/town forest and SNET trails- love nature, hiking, and the space for wild life. Also Beaver pond for the sand and water. Every time I'm there, it feels like a mini vacation.	
273	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), I don't, - I just explore!	Delcorte, the pond by my apartment that my landlord owns	
274	Other websites or organizations	SNET Trail	
275	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Maple Hill, dacey playground, snett, delcorte conservation	More mountain biking trails. More/longer nature walk trails,
276	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations	Del Corte and SNET Trail. Both have parking for easy access. Safe.	
277	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations		
278	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	DelCorte	
279	I don't, - I just explore!		
280	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCorte and SNET trail	Crossing light for Grove St access to SNET- cars don't stop for pedestrians!!
281	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCorte. It is very accessible, any age can enjoy it, protects/conserves wildlife	
282	Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	SNETT, and state forest	SNETT continuation northward from grove street
283	Other websites or organizations	State forest	Enforce off-season dirt bike restrictions
284	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Hard to pick a favorite but DelCorte and Town forest are right up there	DelCorte - "back in the day" I learned to skate on DelCartes - could we look at offering pond skating - was wonderful to be outside skating. Town Forest - more signage please
285	Other websites or organizations	Franklin State Forest	Expansion of trail network for non-motorized bicycles in FSF
286	I don't, - I just explore!		
287	I don't, - I just explore!	SNET trail and state forest for gravel riding and mountain biking	Improve and develop trail system for mountain biking. Many trails are too washed out from mini bikes.
288	Town website, Local newspaper	SNET trail - enjoy walking it	No
289	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	SNET Trail	
290	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Town Forest, good MTB riding where not rutted out by Moto	More trails protected from Moto use
291	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Town forest, snett trail	Expand the snett
292	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCorte and SNETT trail - both offer an opportunity for multi-purpose use and escape into nature.	Not directly answering your question, but I really wish consideration would be given to preventing motor bikes from using the State Forest. The damage they've done is immeasurable, and the lack of consideration given to others is astounding. We stopped using certain trails because of an incident of harassment that occurred (with our children present) behind the YMCA where a motor biking crew almost backed over our children's bicycles, then yelled obscenities at us. It amazes me how much land is dedicated to motor bikes; when we've had pleasant interactions, we've found that every motor bike rider we've encountered is not from Franklin. What are we catering to people who don't live in our town and pay taxes here?
293	Other websites or organizations	DelCorte	
294	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	King street for the pickle ball courts and community gardens	Add more pickle ball courts
295	I don't, - I just explore!	SNET	Prohibit dirt bikes in franklin
296	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	King street park (tennis/pickle ball, bocce, and community gardens)	Paved wide bike paths in and around the park to encourage biking from nearby neighborhood areas and within the park
297	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Other websites or organizations	The recently improved SNET trail is a joy and benefits many, many people young and old.	

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298	Town website	Darcy Field for walking my dog	No		
299	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte; it is very peaceful	Connect trails to the land behind St. John's church		
300	Town website, Friends/word of mouth	Maple Hill! Beautiful Trials, but needs to regrow logging work.	Maple Hill could use a organized group to maintain the existing trail network and maybe improve the main loop for families and seniors by putting down a gravel walkway.		
301	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	King street pickleball courts	Add more courts please		
302		Dacey	Baby swing		
303	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), I don't, - I just explore!	SNET, particularly since it was resurfaced. I can now bring my handicapped daughter in her bike trailer through the beginning half!			
304	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNET is our favorite biking trail and we would love to see it expand. Fletcher field playground is our favorite town playground bc it's right by our house and has plenty of space to play and run	Fletcher playground is aging and needs some repair and power washing. The zip line slider is broken, the saw horse needs oiling, and the white play structure needs a power wash. Small repairs would make a big difference for our community! There also needs to be better trash control near the basketball/hockey area, unfortunately trash (and pet waste) does not always make it into the bins which is a citizen issue but issue nonetheless.		
305	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	DelCarte as it incorporates the reservoir and trails.	Keep up maintenance.		
306	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Tough to decide between DelCarte and Dacey. I'll choose DelCarte for the purposes of this survey-so many things in one place. Playground, water, and trails.	No more building around the area in front of the conservation land that does not benefit the public, I.E. houses, apartments. An expanded parking area would be nice, sometimes it can get crowded.		
307	Friends/word of mouth				
308	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations, I don't, - I just explore!	All of the above (although have not explored the new acquisitions yet)	I am hoping to hear and learn more on Schmidt Farm and Maple Hill trail development/recreational opportunities.		
309	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Pisani fields and Beaver Pond fields. Very nice facilities for my girls to play sports.			
310	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Dacey, schools	No		
311	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	maple. hill			
312	Town website, Local newspaper	SNET trail.	Pave it.		
313	Local newspaper				
314	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Local newspaper	Pickleball - used			
315	Local newspaper	DelCarte because it's a great open space where you can also take dogs on a nice walk. And it has views of the train!	More trails, maybe better visibility for trails.		
316	Town website, Local newspaper	SNETT trail because it allows access to other places and trails	Extend trail from Grove St to downtown Franklin		
317	I don't, - I just explore!	State forest, good for a hike and snow shoeing/cross country skiing in winter.	Improve signage and blazes on trails in the upper section past the Y. Trail blazes should be in both directions, not just one direction. I recently noticed that the bottom part of forest near Grove Street has improved signage. I was lost more than once in this State Forest. The main trail meanders A LOT!		
318	Local newspaper	Dacey field	Trees trees trees		
319	Local newspaper	DelCarte			
320	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	King street park - community gardens, basketball and pickle ball and great playground all in one.	Exercise equipment on a walking route		
			Improve playground. Lights would be great!		
321	Town website, Local newspaper	Dacey's field. Use it for soccer training and has a bit of everything	Misc feedback: would also love an "adult playground" with equipment to work out like pull up bars, etc. great example of this is Brown Street Park in Providence. Has equipment for all ages - infants all the way to adults!		
322	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper				

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323	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Local newspaper	Sculpture park, Delcarte, beaver pond, all the playgrounds	All the playgrounds need more basketball areas, delcarte needs more trails, beaver pond needs clean water, algae mitigation sculpture park needs signage and cleanup		
324	Town website, Local newspaper	I have used all of those spaces. Hard to pick favourite.			
325	Local newspaper	SNET Trail	At the moment, no improvement needed.		
326	Town website	DelCarte	Ensure trails are well labeled		
327	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	SNET trail	Add trash cans for dog poop bags and add dog poop bags. Add some benches along the way. Connect more trails		
328	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Del carte and Dacey field.			
329	Town website, Local newspaper	Town & state forest. SNET trail			
330	Town website	DelCarte and Dacey Field	Allow hours where dogs can be off leash		
331	Local newspaper	I that you can swim at beaver pond. I like the SNETT because it nice for waking. I like that riverbend goes to the Charles river. I like delcarte because I can take my dog.	If there was a boat launch available at river bend.		
332	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Delcarte, great walk, dog friendly, great bird and beaver sightings.	Add pickle ball and basketball courts, some parts of the walking trail are too uneven for older or disabled, bridge over the one area that doesn't have one		
333	Friends/word of mouth	Del Carte, ease of access, it's beautiful	Not at this time		
334	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations, I don't, - I just explore!				
335	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Local newspaper	SNETT BIKING WALKING. DELCARTE			
336	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	SNET Trail & Dacey Field	A sidewalk on prospect street leading to Schmidt Farm		
337	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations	DelCarte	DelCarte is fairly well maintained.		
338	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations, I don't, - I just explore!	DelCarte because it is a fun playground, easily accessible, great trails, and beautiful water and birds and access to the water :)	More parking		
339	Local newspaper	State Forest	Eliminate dirt biking and ATVs.		
340		DelCarte and Dacey Field (dog park)	Small dog section added to dog park		
341	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte, Maple Hill	Please keep Maple Hill natural - just trails for walking/jogging with separate trails for biking.		
342	Local newspaper	Delcart	No		
343	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Most parks. We use most of them.	No.		
344	Town website, Local newspaper	DelCarte. Nice walking trails around the pond.	No		
345	Local newspaper	State forest	Trail development, clean It up		
346	Town website, Other websites or organizations	SNET trail	A few trash containers so folks can discard dog excrement properly rather than leaving in bags on trail		
347	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper				
348	Town website, Local newspaper	King St Playground , dacey field, Nason st playground, fletcher field,			
349	Town website	BeaverPond	No		
350	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Other websites or organizations	Beaver Pond, Pirelli Ice Rink, Franklin Town Forest, Dacey Firld, DelCart, Fletcher field	Clean up highway trash next to 495N at Besver Pond and close gaps in the chain link fence. Pave SNET trail for biking Connect SNET trail to downtown Franklin via sidewalks/bike paths. Additional tennis courts in town.		
351	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth				

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352	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Del Carte	Yes!! Trails need wood chips! Tree roots are in peril, and it is difficult to walk/run on the trails. Happy the place is getting use, but we need to take care of it. Riverbend trails down by the water need help as well.		
353	Friends/word of mouth	Descarte			
354	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Other websites or organizations	Del carte			
355	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	State / Town Forest on Summer St	No		
356	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Delcarte	Not sure - it's such a great space! Love going for walks there!		
357	Town website, Local newspaper	We live near Dacey And love it. We've walked the trails there and the frisbee golf course is fantastic.			
358	Town website	SNETT, BEAVER POND REC AREA	I WOULD LOVE TO SEE A SAILING PROGRAM STARTED.		
359	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Del carte	Not sure		
360	Recreation Department newsletter	Delacarte. Forest walk. Book on trails. Playground. Lovely			
361	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	DelCarte easy access			
362	Town website	Del carte, maple hill, town forest, snet trail dacey beaver	Clear trees off trails in wooded area.		
363	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Beaver pond/SNET and Town forest	I enjoy walking the trails around beaver pond but they're currently not maintained.		
364	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	SNET Trail - close to my home	Pave it for bike-riding		
365	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations	I have to pick just one?! I'd have to go with DelCarte. But I also very much appreciate Fletcher Field with the open field space and really nice basketball courts.	Parking and access at the near end (closest to downtown) of DelCarte could be improved. This would help spread the visitors across both ends of the park.		
366	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	King Street Community Garden	More parking, lights and security cameras, better bathrooms, vending machines		
367	Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Del Carte for its natural setting			
368	Local newspaper, I don't, - I just explore!	How do you get to and access Riverbend, Indian Rock, Maple Hill, Schmidt Farm???????	Better signage, parking, public access		
369	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	SNETT (and Town Common if allowed to name 2!). SNETT provides a great walking experience while also promoting good will and interaction with Bellingham.	Recent improvements (underpass and surface) are great! Next improvement should be to work with Bellingham and Blackstone to improve their sections to at least the Blackstone River Greenway.		
370	Town website, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	Beaver Pond for sunbathing, swimming, use of athletic field for power walking. Use King Street recreation area for dog running, fetch, and pickleball, gardening. the adjacent ball field for walking, also King St. for dog running, fetch, gardening, pickle ball	Is the open space across from Beaver Street Pond available for open conservation trails being developed, also for bird watching, habitat protection?		
371	Town website	Riverbend- maybe less busy than other trails	post boundaries- hunting takes place close by on private land, post approved use i.e., no dirt bikes., buy surrounding land.		
372	Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	Del Carte			
373	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Snnett. Would be state forest if you kicked out the motorized vehicles though.	SNETT extension to Union, and connect some protected bike lanes to access it. See previous comment re: state forest.		
374	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	DelCarte has variety of opportunities in one area.	Improve signage on the trails.		
375	Conservation B(l)og, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNETT DelCarte Dacey	Keep them dog friendly, off leash areas in open field like Boarderlands. Don't give up on making Franklin a green gem and the best open space along the 495 corridor.		
376	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth	Del Carte, Dacey hi	At Dacey, add some water fountains		

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377	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Delcart for its variety of water, trails, and playground although the state forest is great too.		Public restrooms and increased parking. I would like to see mountain bike trails developed with intent in franklin. So much opportunity in the town forest to create a great network of mtb trails for example. It's ok to walk there but having single track for bikes would be great. Beaver pond...pump track/ skate park with sidewalks all the way to it on beaver street from 140. Currently no sidewalks to beaver pond...	
378	Local newspaper	Indian Rock and Dacey		Both are great	
379	I don't, - I just explore!	State Forest because it's right behind my house easy access to walk dogs			
380	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)				
381	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	SNET trail		No , just leave it as is or make it longer	
382	I don't, - I just explore!	We love living near Indian Rock! And we love the Dacey disc golf course		There's no map	
383	Town website, Local newspaper	Del Carte--beautifully		More parking	
384	Local newspaper	Playgrounds		Establish programs that encourage younger folks to participate in outdoor activities at town parks and playgrounds.	
385	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Del carte - great for kids with the story walk and playground and relatively easy walk around.			
386	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Delcarte. Size, trail system; wildlife, good for all ages		Town Forest needs beautifying and signage. Very neglected.	
387	Other websites or organizations, I don't, - I just explore!	town forest		1- i am concerned about impact apartments next to big y will have on well 9. i am hopeful there is a proactive plan to avoid minimize and mitigate before any adverse affects arise. 2- proposed trail at riverbend (upstream from existing trails next to charles river) is ill-advised - it will fragment riverfront habitat and be subject to erosion. there are already loop trails at riverbend. the proposed trails are unnecessary and will directly harm conservation interests. 3- please do something about the canoe launch (?) at delcarte pond#4 (by playground). keep the baitshack tank and foundation. 4- town could improve access to 46.11 acre woodland comprised of 331-034-000, 331-033-00, & 331-046-000 - nice trails past the best stone walls in town imho. same steep ridge as mount st mary and cliff in town forest.	
388	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	DelCarte for hiking and SNETT for biking		finish smoothing out SNETT trail	
389	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations, I don't, - I just explore!	State and town forest		State forest: limit off-road vehicles more	
390	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Delcarte - walking/hiking, story walks, open space, playground			
391	Local newspaper	Snet trail		More stroller friendly trails please	
392	Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	DelCarte			
393	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	DelCarte is a nice mix of playground, open water space, and wooded hiking trails. A wonderful gift to the residents of Franklin!		My only wish for improving DelCarte and other spaces in Franklin would be to make some trails ADA compliant, so that more of our community could enjoy them.	
394	Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	SNET Trail and King St		Yes, the SNET trail has some very unsafe portions where the surface is hazardous to walk on and has very boggy areas that get flooded. Also there are numerous Asiatic Bittersweet vines along the trail just choking out the trees. The vine is also overtaking the King St Park wooded boundaries as well as the areas around the Jefferson Remington Schools.	
395	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte		Restrooms	
396	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	Dacey and DelCarte			
397	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Del Carte, especially the story walk. Nason Street playground		Fix path at del carte from secondary parking lot, rebuild Nason for toddlers	

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398	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Oak Hill (where Klein Innsbruck ski area used to be. The Villages at Oak Hill builder was supposed to create public access, but never did.)	See above		
399	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	DelCarte	I think it is good already.		
400	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Del Carte because of the trails and wildlife. We can walk to it.	Slightly better small craft launch.		
401	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	DelCarte and Maple Hill	Maple Hill needs parking and trail maintenance, marking.		
402	Town website, Friends/word of mouth	Del Carte, proximity to my home, trails are easy to traverse and being near the pond			
403	Local newspaper	DelCarte			
404	Friends/word of mouth	Dacey field, proximity and enjoy the multi use facility			
405	Other websites or organizations	Del carte because of the variety available there	More frequent book changes		
406	Local newspaper	SNET trail! Great for dog walking, running, and biking			
407	Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, I don't, - I just explore!	Delcarte is spectacular. There is wildlife, native plants, the migration of animals is obvious	It's been walked on by so many people that the roots of the trees are now above where they should be. It really needs an entire makeover on the trails to cover those roots to save those trees. A mulching crew, maybe high School volunteerism, could do it. It's pretty critical. That's true of most of the Open spaces that have trails.		
408	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	DelCarte	Not at the moment		
409	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Delcarte	Trail marking in State Forest		
410	Town website				
411	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Town Forest			
412	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), I don't, - I just explore!				
413	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	All of them	Clean up the Sculpture park. Improve playground at Dacey field		
414	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	State forest. Town forest. My family enjoy the trails	Town organized volunteer group to keep paths clear and increase signage on trails		
415	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Dacey Field (we live nearby), Del Carte (kids love it), Beaver Pond (kids love it)	Dacey - new play structure or adding structures for older kids		
416	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	State Forest, Riverbend			
417	I don't, - I just explore!				
418	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)				
419	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	Snet Trail			
420	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Snet trail			
421	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Del carte			
422	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Snet	Asphalt path instead of mud		
423	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNETT			
424	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	We love DelCarte and the trails behind Dacey Field.	I wish people would stop letting their dogs off leash. Its frustrating because I follow the rules and leash mine and have very often been caught off guard with an aggressive dog.		
425	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), I don't, - I just explore!	State Forest, SNET and DelCarte			
426	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)				

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427	Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	Dacey Field Disc Golf followed by DelCarte	
428	Recreation Department newsletter, Local newspaper		
429	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte! For the extensive trails, the beautiful scenes by the water, the rope bridge, the wildlife, the story walk for the kids, and the playground.	Yes, dog owners have become too casual about picking up their dogs' droppings on the trails and this really needs better enforcement. My toddler actually picked up a pile once thinking it was a "cool rock" before I could stop him (hope that provides a laugh)!
430	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Dacey Field and DelCarte	Put in Fitness Stations along the paths in open spaces (e.g. Dacey and DelCarte)
431	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	maple hill, dacey field, del carte	limit non-walking activities
432	Town website, Friends/word of mouth	Delcarte with the reading loop	
433	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte provides beautiful views, a walking trail and a safe playground	change surface of playground from wood chips, shaded picnic tables
434	Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Del Carte, Beaver Pond, State Forest, Upper Charles rail trail,	
435	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Del carte	Adding bathrooms to all Rec areas is important and would improve them greatly
436	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	King Street Playground	Would love to see more activity on the land there. Perhaps the community garden should be larger.
437	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Riverbend	Complete the sidewalk on Lincoln street Clean up all the trash on Lincoln and in Riverbend Remove the invasive species and restore with native plants
438			RIGHT TO FARM PLEASE
439	Friends/word of mouth	State and Town Forest	
440	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	King street playground	Add a splash pad for young kids.
441	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	State forest, because it's my backyard.	Do not allow motorized vehicles.
442	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations	DelCarte, SNETT trail, avoid State Forest due to hunting and motorized vehicles,	
443	Town website, Local newspaper		
444	Town website, Other websites or organizations	DelCarte, Town forest	No - like as is. Franklin does not need to become a town with cement and paved sidewalks everywhere, expanding roads and adding arrows and specifies lanes everywhere. Where needed in middle of town or major roads, yes what makes sense. The conservation and recreation needs to retain lands to protect walking, wildlife and the feel of the country. Simplicity and being able to see forest and farmland even driving by is good. Planting trees and allowing kids access to swim for \$1 for the day with a lifeguard and a ham sandwich. Don't make Franklin Milford. Franklin is more like Norfolk, Medway Concord.
445	Town website	Town Common Music Programs	No
446	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	State forest	
447	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	King Street playground good for grandkids, couldnuse updating , akin to wjat has been done in Wrentham	Could use upgrades as has been done at play are across from Development Center in Wrentham Less Ninja warrior and just solid climber, better swings for younger kids., along with accessible public bathrooms
448	Recreation Department newsletter	DelCarte	Keep the area surrounding it wooded.
449	Friends/word of mouth	King st park, close.	Hiking trails
450	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	The SNET Trail!	Increased sidewalk presence on areas surrounding SNET. Mainly, Prospect Street where it overpasses the SNET. There should be a sidewalk there. Thanks for all you do!
451	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNETT	Drainage needs to be improved in several locations on the SNETT, such as immediately west of Prospect Street
452	Friends/word of mouth	SNET trail is fantastic!	Would love sidewalks on Prospect St so we can access the SNET trail by walking.
453	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Beaver Pond	
454	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte	Leveling of the trails around the pond.

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455	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	DelCarte, it is the prettiest	Crossing pleasant feels very dangerous and should be made safer
456	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Conservation B(l)og	All	Management program to control Deer population. Allowing residents to Bow hunt to reduce deer numbers. Archer hunting is a safe practice the state of Massachusetts and other locals have used to o control a growing deer numbers in the state of Massachusetts.
457	Town website	DelCarte	
458	I don't, - I just explore!	State forest	
459	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Town Forrest walk in there all the time	Better trail markings it's spotty and needs updating and publish maps online
460	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Delcarte, SNET trail, king street playground, dacey field	Basketball courts at Dacey
461	Town website	Dacey Fied, close to home	cross country ski trail, playground, picnic area with benches
462	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Snet Trail- great for walking and riding bikes	no, it's been nicely updated.
463	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	They all are	
464	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Dacey Field for dog walk. DelCarte for beauty.	Purchase land next to Dacey field when goes up for sale. More trails. Community Garden.
465	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNET	
466	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	Del carte is walking distance to my house and I love the hiking!	Nope it's perfect
467	I don't, - I just explore!		
468	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	I use them all and like them all for different reasons	Better signage for trails
469	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte, Dacey, SNET trail	Shade on the playgrounds
470	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Any of the town softball\baseball fields, Dacey when it's not too hot.	DPW and the Rec Departments both do a great job on the fields!
471	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	We love the SNET trail because we get good exercise and see the natural beauty...and we will not get run over by a car speeding down Maple St while we walk!	We love the newest improvement in the trail itself (not so muddy)...maybe look at what Holliston does to get ideas. Their trail is really exceptional!
472	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Conservation B(l)og, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	None	New town council
473	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	Delcarte	
474	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	None	No
475	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Dacey/disc golf/dog park, king st park, SNETT, state forest and town forest	Walkway around the perimeter of king st park
476	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth		
477	Town website, Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte	The roots need to be better covered on the trails and we need to restore the shrubs and wildflowers that were once found in most Eastern woodlands.
478	I don't, - I just explore!		
479	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Del Carte - walking paths, playground, water; nason street tor lot - age appropriate playground; Davis Thayer- walkable park	
480	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Del Carte	NA
481	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter		
482	Town website, Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte	
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484	I don't, - I just explore!	SNETT	
485	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Dacey field	

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486	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	delcarte			
487	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Dacey field because my son plays baseball there			
488	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Beaver playground (not beaver pond it is gross) and SNET	Beaver pond is so gross, could the area not be redeveloped into splash park, Public pool or otherwise cleaned up? Or redevelop into wetland/conservation area and focus resources elsewhere.		
489	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth	Delcarte	Dacey can be improved - it has most parking and fields so please prioritize replacing playground and potentially adding public bathrooms etc		
490	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Fletcher field	Supply basketballs		
491	Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth	town commons #1, fletcher baseball fields, these are the two areas we use the most and see large numbers of franklin residents enjoying	fletcher needs night lighting...would give more options for field time...recreation department needs to be more user-friendly and focus more on customer service—surveys after each season would be helpful to get feedback on strengths and weaknesses of programs and site locations, sculpture park needs updating		
492	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Snet trail.. quiet and clean			
493	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper				
494	I don't, - I just explore!	Delcarte bc it's near water and I love the stories in the trail. I also love snet bc it's sn easier walk with a stroller and little kids			
495	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte and Dacey field	Maintain cleanliness		
496	Friends/word of mouth	Declarte is great for hiking	Enforce dogs on leashes. Improve water quality and/or water flows.		
497	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	SNETT trail, close by. A lot of great improvements over the years	The info panels are really cool, maybe incorporating more. Having a walkway from prospect st to the trail would be cool too		
498	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	King street park	Lights in parking lot at king street		
499	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Other websites or organizations	SNET trail	Make the path from the east end to the Bellingham line wider and less muddy		
500	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Delcarte			
501	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	King Street and Dacey	Dacey could use updated soccer goals and netting to catch any errant shots from going into the woods		
502	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Del carte because we can walk there. Kids love beaver with the exciting playground and sand to dig in.	Bathroom at del carte		
503	Recreation Department newsletter	King street			
504	Town website	DelCarte - story walk, hiking trails, & playground			
505	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	DelCarte - It's peaceful	Bigger parking lot		
506	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Conservation B(l)og, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Dacey, beaver, meadowlark, fletcher.	Continue with the regular upkeep. Love them all.		
507	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNET trail, Dacey Field for walking and enjoying outdoor safely			
508	I don't, - I just explore!	DelCarte, King Street Playground, and Dacey - fun for the whole family.			
509	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	Maple Hill	Keep the trails as is, very natural setting is an oasis within town		
510	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)				
511	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Beaver Pond			
512	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper				
513	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte and SNET trail			

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514	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Dacey Field	Acquire adjacent property	
515	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)			
516	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	SNET and Beaver Pond and DelCarte		
517	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	King Street simply because of the proximity and how many different things there are to do there.		
518	I don't, - I just explore!	DelCarte, SNET trail		
519	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), I don't, - I just explore!	Beaver Pond	The boat ramp needs to be fixed and dredged at the very bottom to make launching of trailered boats and kayaks easier. Keeping access to Franklin Residents during season is extremely helpful in ensuring that fishing pressure remains low and stocks remain high for recreational use. The newly renovated boat ramp at Milford Pond and dredging is a great example of what can be done there.	
520	Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations			
521	Town website	DelCarte It has a good variety of trails and views of nature plus a nice playground and picnic tables.	Some of the trails are getting rough due to more exposed roots. There are also some muddy areas. It would be nice to have either some type of walkway added or to fill in or build up some of those areas for easier access.	
522	Town website	Del carte SNET	It is hard to use a stroller through parts of the trails.	
523	Town website, Friends/word of mouth	River end is my gavotte location because it gives access to the River and it is very peaceful woods.	Make more trails to continue all the way around the second pond	
524	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte because of the trail around the pond	Riverbend can be improved through better storm drainage and more clearly marked signs.	
525	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte; we walk our dogs there everyday. It is peaceful and very well kept.	More trails and better marked	
526	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	Trunkline Trail; King St Playground	Clearing up the downed trees and other debris in the wooded areas.	
527	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Town Forest and SNET Trail for dog walking	Add more public tennis courts ... only available is at high school. Make at least 1-2 of the new courts pickleball dual-use	
528	Town website, Conservation B(l)og, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte		
529	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	SNETT	Improvements made are wonderful!	
530	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Maple Hill	Provide access trails from the northern end, such as off of Hancock Road, formalize the trail network and close off some areas to prevent the proliferation of 'natural' trails that are occurring currently. This property has great potential to be an excellent resource if managed well, especially if it can be connected to Dacey / Helen Keller / the adjacent MLT property and access via Maple Street.	
531	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Conservation B(l)og, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	DelCarte because it is accessible to us.		
532	Town website	DelCarte	No	
533	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)			
534	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	Maple Hill because its size makes it an ideal location for trail running	Add trail kiosks at trail heads with trail maps, blaze trail paths, clear primary paths so that walkers, joggers, and others have access to a well groomed loop.	
535	I don't, - I just explore!	SNET trail- we go on family hikes there regularly, no matter the time of year.		
536	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Dacey field due to its proximity and amount of space.	There needs to be something geared to older kids in grades 5-8	
537	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Dacey Field due to variety of activities		
538	I don't, - I just explore!	Delcarte		
539	Town website	Maple hill	Removing down trees or soon to be falling limbs, mark trails,	

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540	I don't, - I just explore!	DelCarte	None		
541	Town website	DelCarte is my favorite space. It's easy to get to and it provides a peaceful oasis.	no. I enjoy the trails, playground, and seating areas. It's just right!		
542	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	State forest for walks. Fletchers field for nieces.			
543	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Other websites or organizations	Del carte and franklin forest because I enjoy walking in places away from traffic	Better trail markings for franklin state forest. Guided walks		
544	Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	SNET trail	Prevent dirt biking.		
545	Local newspaper, I don't, - I just explore!	Beaver Pond , smaller area, all activities there, but not enough park benches and winter walking access	Park benches to walk and rest , places for turtles to live		
546	Town website, Friends/word of mouth	Del carte - I know where it is and where to park	Trail maintenance needed / more parking		
547	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth				
548	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Dacey Field - close to home and lots of options & DelCarte - playground and walking trails	More shade and better addressing of bees on playground. There tends to be a lot of bee nests at Dacey and it can be dangerous for kids.		
549	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte because of the playground by the pond	No		
550	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations	DelCarte is definitely our go to because it has something for different moods! The playground, the story walks, trails,	Maybe update the docks		
551	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations, I don't, - I just explore!	Del carte			
552	Recreation Department newsletter	Dacey Field- playground (although needs updating), open fields all in one	Update Playground		
553	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)				
554	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Dacey Field	More consistent grooming and landscaping to keep things clean at our parks and walking trails. More organized events at parks with playgrounds.		
555	Other websites or organizations	Dacey field			
556	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Dacey disc golf course	Continued support		
557	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	SNET trail	Just leave it be to preserve the natural beauty. It is amazing right now!		
558	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte. My kids enjoyed the playground when they were younger, love the walking trails and good access to the water for kayaking etc.	Improve access to water.		
559	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	We love walking in the town forest and Delcarte because they are kept clean and are an escape to nature. My son uses Fletcher, king st playground, Dacey, Beaver, and the school basketball courts. because	Please add a trash can at the trail heads of the forest (maybe a big belly solar compactor).		
560	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	DelCarte - I love the walking trails and the diversity of wildlife and plants	Provide wooden pallets on trails where it gets muddy after a rainstorm.		
561	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Del Carte/ king street	More areas to walk		
562	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	DelCarte, Indian Rock	I would use Indian Rock but the access from Concetta Way/Lost Horse is now blocked by a house. There should be an access point on this end of the park to allow easier access.		
563	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	Del carte	Family picnic area. Kayaks?		
564	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Maple hill. End of street	Cut dead trees down to make it safe. Improve the main trail for handicap accessibility		
565	Friends/word of mouth	DelCarte	Yes, split DelCartes for on leash and off leash dog walking.		
566	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Del Carte- my dog loves goes there and so do I. It is a beautiful space and walking path.	Bathrooms!		
567	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Fields for kids to play			
568	Town website				

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569	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	Beaver pond and the trails across from fairmount fruit farm	Seating areas, trash pickup,		
570	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Tied bewteen SNET and Dacey - SNET for its accessibility for my whole famile. Dacey for my kids and I to play, be outside, watch the dogs in the dog park, and do some light hiking	Dacey - More clearly marked trails and an onsight map		
571	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte			
572	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth				
573	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	SNET Trail. Love walking& Biking	Please stop developing spaces and preserve & conserve the open spaces and land		
574	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Fletcher Field	Better patrolling to prevent off leash dogs, move swings closer to remainder of park structures, add more baby bucket swings		
575	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Delcarte and SNET, Dacey Field, Beaver pond	Beaver pond could benefit from building a sound barrier from the highway and increasing walkable trails around the entire pond.		
576	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCarte for birdwatching and Beaver Pond for wild flowers	Stop tearing up the woods for recreation/sports sites that are rarely used.		
577	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)				
578	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Other websites or organizations	Beaver Pond. I've used that property for 60 plus years now. Love what the town has done with it.	It's built up enough... Let's let it breath now.		
579	I don't, - I just explore!	Del Carte, Beaver Pond, Dacey	Would love a skate park		
580	Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Other websites or organizations	King St park. It is near my home and we use it at least 2x a day for walking. Also the Community Garden.	Make a walking trail around the perimeter of the park. Also, make a pass through the parking lot after a snowstorm so that walkers can get in.		
581	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Delcarte, snet,			
582	Recreation Department newsletter				
583	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Del carte, beaver pond	Beaver - incorporating a loop trail around pond would be great for people with dogs and bikes		
584	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	As part of the youth soccer program I spent a LOT of time at King Street Memorial Park and Dacey Fields. As a regular walker I spent a lot of time at DelCarte, the State and Town forests, and the SNET trail. I look forward to seeing what the Schmidt Farm can become. Favorites? Of all the grass soccer fields (King, Dacey, Keller, Remington, FHS grass, Meadowlark), King Street Memorial Park is the best simply because it handles water the best. Whatever was done in the late 80s, early 90s when that field was constructed, the field takes water, drains well, and responds to tender loving care. Although all of the other grass fields came later, none drain well. Remington is very poor, the "new" FHS grass fields on the hill are very poor. Steps have been taken to address Dacey fields, but they are poor. As for Open Spaces, all of Del Carte, SNETT, State Forest, Town Forest are decent in that they have well-warn paths and relatively safe pathways. The SNETT improvements between Grove and Prospect Streets last year were terrific!	If new fields are ever to be built, can we learn from whatever was done at King Street and make sure that drainage is properly constructed for the long-term? As for Open Space improvements, if new trails are to be constructed, I would hope they are well-marked, and, if possible, are laid out in a loop or series of loops (like DelCarte) so that patrons can vary their experience and distance walked/hiked. It would be great if the SNETT could be extended into downtown Franklin and, perhaps, connect to other bike trails that exist (Milford, Holliston, etc.)		
585	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper				
586	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper, Other websites or organizations	Beaver pond			
587	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Franklin High School Athletics fields. They are the most modern facilities in Franklin.	The DPW should be reminded that their purpose is to prepare the fields for USE and not to limit access during the short window spring sports has to utilize the fields.		
588	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)				
589	Town website	DelCarte	Provide more parking. Eliminate the dangerous cross walk. I have watched as way too many people almost get mowed down trying to cross here. Regardless of the safety lights. It can be a blind corner when going speed limit. Cars also park on the street now for overflow making this situation even worse. This space has nice trails, water and a SHADED playground. This is why this one gets more use over larger playgrounds in town that are in direct sunlight.		

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590	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Beaver Pond	Nice turf on that warmup field
591	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), I don't, - I just explore!		
592	Town website	beaver pond-nice animals in area.	
593	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Beaver Pt.	
594	Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Town Forest	Improve parking areas
595	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Beaver pond because you can swim there without the hassle of traveling far and spending \$\$\$\$ on parking fees.	Food trucks or snack at—equipment rentals (canoe kayak, etc) — lessons.
596	Friends/word of mouth	Lacey Field	Provide a landscape plan for casual gathering
597	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCorte	
598	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Beaver Pond, King Street Park, SNET trail - they're all lovely spaces	
599	Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Franklin Rail Trail - SNETT - it's accessible to different fitness abilities which makes it an easy place to to walk and bike with friends or family.	increase parking at Grove St and improve road crossing
600	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCorte. enjoy the playground for the Grandkid's and the walking trails.	Boat Rides
601	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	Dacey	Please get lighting and water supply to the dog park at Dacey.
602	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Other websites or organizations	Delcorte	
603	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	We utilize the baseball and football fields regularly. My favorite open hiking area is Del Corte.	To be clear- my answer or maybe on the question of whether I support a raise to 3% is due to the fact I feel strongly about supporting the open space initiative and improving our recreational availability but I don't support using the money to build low income/affordable housing which is also included in the Conversation Act. If the increase in funds was dedicated to conversation I'd be all for it. Thank you.
604	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	I like ALL of the open space and recreational areas...ALL!	Alpine Row
605	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Other websites or organizations		
606	Other websites or organizations		
607	Town website	NA	
608	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	DelCorte	
609	Town website, I don't, - I just explore!	SNET trail & town forest peaceful trails with nature, kind of self explanatory ;-)	Trail markers & plant IDs. Advertising what we do have would be great too. If you're new to town & don't have kids it's very difficult to know what Franklin offers.
610	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	Dacey	
611	Town website		
612	Recreation Department newsletter	Beaver Pond, my kids love the new park and enjoy swimming there.	Discourage littering and use from people out of town.
613	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Local newspaper	Davey Field disc golf course	Empty trashcans overflowing on the course
614	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	DelCorte - great natural scenery	More events
615	Town website	Beaver pond	
616	Town website		
617	Town website	SNET trail	Improved drainage
618	Town website		
619	Town website, Friends/word of mouth		
620	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter		

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621	Town website	King Street	no
622	Town website	Beaver pond	More access around the pond.
623	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Other websites or organizations	delCarte	
624	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	SCULPTURE PARK AND BEAVER POND - TODDLER FRIENDLY	BETTER UPKEEP, MORE AND/OR CHANGING SCULPTURES/INSTALLATIONS
625	Town website, Friends/word of mouth	King Street playground, for and with our young grandchildren	no, but thanks for letting me/us answer this survey.
626	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	Fletcher Field. Convenience/location	Pickle ball courts.
627	Town website	Delcartes	
628	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Local newspaper	DelCarte	
629	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Snet trail	
630	Town website, Friends/word of mouth, Local newspaper	State forest	
631	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	King Street	
632	Town website		
633	Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!	DelCarte but very difficult to walk if your a senior.	More nature walking trails that are suitable for seniors.
634	Town website		
635	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter	Del Carte	Calming
636	Recreation Department newsletter	SNET	No
637	I don't, - I just explore!	Dacey Field - like to walk in woods with dogs	MAKE THE TRAILS NICER AND LESS MUDDY
638	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	SNET trail	Benches on the trail so seniors can rest for a time before continuing walking
639	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)		
640	Town website	Town Forest. Hiking	No
641	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)		
642	Town website		
643	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Local newspaper	DelCarte,SNET trail	
644	Other websites or organizations	SNET Trail	No additional comments
645	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth	All of the above	
646	Town website	Delcarte and the Snet trail the state forest Fletcher Field i lovethese plces because they always have something to see. They are easily accessible. Usually very well maintained	Would love to see a tennis court at fletcher field.
647	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	SNETT is awesome! We are so lucky to have such an amazing resource in our community.	More parking, lighted crosswalk sign at Grove Street entrance to SNET trail.
648	Town website, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Friends/word of mouth, I don't, - I just explore!		
649	Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.), Other websites or organizations	SNET trail	Do something about the puddles and the mud, add opportunities for people to add bird or bat houses and other things like that
650	Town website		
651	Town website, Recreation Department newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	All listed here. We have utilized and enjoyed all these spaces for town athletics and leisure activities.	
652	Recreation Department newsletter	delcarte	clear a larger area for gathering or picnics
653	Recreation Department newsletter, I don't, - I just explore!	The town forest and state forest and the SNETT trail, and DelCarte, because they are more wilderness and less developed recreational facilities	Keep development to a minimum
654	Town website		
655	I don't, - I just explore!	SNET and DelCarte	Pave the SNET.

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1	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	No	No	No	
2	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
3	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	No	No	
4	Once a month on average	A few times per year	No	No	Yes	No	
5	Never or not applicable	Once a month on average	Yes	No	No	No	
6	Weekly	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
7	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
8	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
9	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	No	No	No	
10	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	Yes	No	No	
11	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
12	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Not sure
13	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Areas around David RD
14	Almost every day	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Beaver pong area could be redeveloped for better pickle ball faciility. King Street field, Kennedy School field could be used for emerging sports like Cricket. If the King Street soccer field could spare Sunday (or Saturday) for Cricket then we can bring revenue to town. It is a large field, Cricket won't need the full space. Just one side
15	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
16	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
17	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
18	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
19	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	I can specifically describe a lot but it does seem that we a lot of area that gets purchased by developers - traffic in town gets worse and worse and the water ban seems to be more often than not. And protecting more land and using for Open Space/Recreation would be a much better investment for current residents and the future of out town and future residents.
20	Almost every day	Once a month on average	No	Yes	Yes	No	
21	Almost every day	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
22	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	No	Yes	No	
23	A few times per year	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	No	But all who use town fields should pay the same fee. Currently Franklin Bulldogs program doesn't pay for fields and are giving priority over booking field space over Franklin town/recreation programs. Similar for Franklin Soccer School. Make a legit Baseball complex (multiple fields/lights) so Franklin can host tourneys bringing revenue into town.
24	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
25	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
26	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
27	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
28	Once a month on average	Almost every day	No	No	Yes	No	
29	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Elm Street
30	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	I support purchasing as much open space as possible.
31	Never or not applicable	Almost every day	No	No	Yes	No	
32	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	No	No	
33	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
34	Weekly	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Open space needs to be kept for open space and not for construction purposes- pause the housing boom that is crippling our towns infrastructure.
35	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
36	Never or not applicable	Weekly	No	No	Yes	No	
37	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	No	Yes	Yes	Unsure of the status of the woods behind our house, but that is an open space
38	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes	No	
39	Weekly	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes		
40	Never or not applicable	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Farm land in Franklin. Stop building apartments and houses!
41	A few times per year	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
42	Weekly	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes		
43	Almost every day	Almost every day	Yes		Yes		
44	Almost every day	Never or not applicable	No	No	Yes	Yes	Calana Farm off Lincoln St. adjacent to Dacey fields, Any parcel larger than 20 acres available.
45	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	No	Yes	
46	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	I think there are some good hiking trails by our house. I would like to see that remain or even just made a little more accessible to walk on. I have bad knees and a bad back but walking helps and id like to go hike through those woods without worrying.
47	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
48	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
49	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
50	Once a month on average	A few times per year	No	No	No	No	
51	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
52	Weekly	Weekly	No	Yes	No	Yes	Prospect St
53	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	No	Yes	No	
54	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
55	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	No	Yes	No	
56	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	No	No	
57	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	No	No	
58	Never or not applicable	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	No	No	
59	Never or not applicable	A few times per year	No	No	No	No	
60	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	Yes	No		
61	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	No	No	Yes	No	
62	Weekly	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
63	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	
64	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	No	No	
65	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
66	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
67	Weekly	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
68	Weekly	Once a month on average	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	The area next to the power line on Grove St. The land has been for sale for a while. Would be nice to preserve that land as it abuts the state forest land (healthy heart side). This land should not be developed!
69	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	No	No	
70	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes		
71	Weekly	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes		
72	Almost every day	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Just stop building. Just stop it.

	Almost every day	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Never or not applicable
How often do you use designated Conservation areas in Franklin?		47	131	161	99	223
How often do you use municipal or school owned Recreation facility, such as a ballfield or park, in Franklin?		76	206	110	55	161
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	Yes	No
In your opinion, are there sufficient sidewalks or walkways in your immediate neighborhood?		
In your opinion, should major roads in Franklin be striped for bike lanes?	469	238
Has anyone in your household ever participated in a Town of Franklin sponsored recreational activity or recreated at a Town Open Space or Conservation Area?	397	308
	545	163

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73	1-2 times per month on average	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	No	
74	A few times per year	Once a month on average	No	No	Yes	Yes	Anywhere with vacant and condemned buildings.
75	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Actually, I'm not sure !
76	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
77	1-2 times per month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	No	
78	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	No	No	
79	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes	No	
80	Once a month on average	Weekly	No	No	Yes	No	
81	Almost every day	A few times per year	Yes	No	No	No	
82	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
83	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
84	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
85	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Field behind Davis-Thayer/Old HS should be kept open.
86	Weekly	Once a month on average	Yes	No	No	No	
87	Once a month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes		
88	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	King street near highway?
89	Almost every day	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
90	Once a month on average	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	No	
91	Once a month on average	Weekly	No	No	Yes	Yes	I don't know of a particular parcel of land but if any other farmland were to become available would love to see it as Open Space or as a farm.
92	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	These are all large parcels that should be protected from development. Most of these are undeveloped. PARCEL ID: 228-002-000-000 and PARCEL ID: 227-015-000-000, PARCEL ID: 233-037-000-000, PARCEL ID: 220-055-000-000, PARCEL ID: 205-026-000-000, PARCEL ID: 208-019-000-000, PARCEL ID: 208-009-000-000, PARCEL ID: 212-026-000-000, PARCEL ID: 212-025-000-000, PARCEL ID: 222-046-000-000, PARCEL ID: 222-047-000-000
93	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
94	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	No	No	
95	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
96	Once a month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No	No	Yes	Yes	There is a large area on Daniels st adjacent to an abandoned home. It "may" have been sold, but there has been no construction in 6-9 months.
97	Once a month on average	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Dellea property on Elm St, Franklin Country Club, Camp Haiastan, back of 454 Lincoln (to complete Franklin Woods trail network), Ranieri property off Maple St (abuts Maple Hills lands), 469 Maple Street (barn can be base for Maple Hills exploration), 137 Mastro Dr, 22 Elm St, Fitzgerald property on Kimberlee, Dean College properties off Lincoln, CSX railbed from Grove to Union (to extend SNETT), 444 E Central St, 7 Penny Lane (to connect Summer neighborhoods with Parmenter school), 4 & 16 Mount St, ROW across tracks between Town's DelCarte and Longobardi properties (to connect DelCarte with Downtown)
98	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
99	Once a month on average	Weekly	No	No	Yes	No	
100	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
101	1-2 times per month on average	Once a month on average	Yes	No	No	No	
102	Once a month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
103	A few times per year	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	No	
104	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	No	No	
105	Weekly	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes		
106	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	No	
107	1-2 times per month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	No	No	
108	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes		
109	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	The farm on Prospect street
110	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
111	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
112	1-2 times per month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	No	No	
113	Once a month on average	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	No	N/A
114	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Wooded zones near Franklin forest on Grove St. - in jeopardy of compromising experience of forest due to proposed "friendly" 40b Should still buy and protect the area destroyed for the flex space garages on Washington Street. Should buy and protect the old railroad track that leads to SNETT.
115	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	
116	1-2 times per month on average	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	No	
117	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
118	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
119	A few times per year	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	The lot proposed for Madelene Village project
120	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
121	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes		
122	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	No	No	
123	Once a month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No	No	Yes	No	
124	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
125	Once a month on average	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	I would like to see the town add more features to the conservation areas that they currently have. Such as paved walkways or better/clearly marked paths.
126	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	NORTH WEST FORESTED AREAS ADJACENT TO POWERLINES
127	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	Yes	No	No	
128	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes	No	
129	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	No	No	
130	A few times per year	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes		
131	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	No	No	
132	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	My family owns an 18 and 16 acre parcel that abutts the state forest
133	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	No	No	No		
134	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	No	
135	Once a month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes		
136	Weekly	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	No	
137	Once a month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	No		
138	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes		No	No	
139	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Need more open space
140	A few times per year	Once a month on average	No	No	Yes	No	
141	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Any large properties, especially if they abut wetlands, and woods for wildlife to flourish
142	Once a month on average	Once a month on average	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Forested area bordering Del Carte. Forested areas bordering Beaver Pond area.
143	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Area near Fletcher Field
144	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
145	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
146	Weekly	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes		
147	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	No	
148	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	
149	Weekly	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes		
150	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	No	Yes	No	No	

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Weekly

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Once a month on average

A few times per year

Never or not applicable

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151	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Madelene Village project add the land to Fletcher Field
152	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
153	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
154	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	I'm sure there's open lots, I just don't know which
155	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
156	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	No	
157	Almost every day	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
158	Never or not applicable	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
159	Once a month on average	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	No	
160	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes		
161	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	No	No	
162	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	It would be nice to walk completely around Beaver Pond.
163	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
164	Weekly	Weekly	No	No	Yes	Yes	Lot behind St John's on Pleasant st
165	Almost every day	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
166	Weekly	Once a month on average	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Davis Thayer
167	Almost every day	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes		
168	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
169	A few times per year	Weekly	No	No	Yes	Yes	Farm land off of Grove, Prospect, across from Townline
170	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
171	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	No		
172	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
173	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	No	No	
174	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
175	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	No	No	
176	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	No	No	
177	Weekly	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes		
178	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
179	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
180	Once a month on average	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	Yes		
181	Weekly	Weekly	No	No	Yes	No	
182	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A house in the neighborhood has extra acreage that abutts current Open Space.
183	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
184	Almost every day	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes		Don't know
185	A few times per year	Almost every day	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	There is still a lot of under delveloped property in Franklin any remaining land near the reservoir...also, other farmland as it becomes available or wooded parcels that could connect to existing trails.
186	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Property within Bridal Path, Metacomet and Keller-Sullivan school. The foot trail from Bridal Path immediately comes to a wooded area (that leads to back of K-S school) that has a no trespassing sign.
187	1-2 times per month on average	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
188	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	No	
189	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
190	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	No	No	
191	Weekly	Almost every day	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	I'd love for the SNETT to be extended into downtown Franklin along the industrial line that goes from Grove to Central. It's very scenic and would increase pedestrian access to the downtown shops.
192	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Parks, playgrounds and like. Depending on size.
193	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	No		
194	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	The areas of maple St that connect to current conservation land (Lily way area and others)
195	Weekly	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
196	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
197	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes	No	
198	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	There's a lot in my neighborhood that borders on wetlands
199	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
200	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Too much building in Franklin. Need to preserve it.
201	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No	No	Yes	No	
202	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Callahan property on Lincoln street that abuts Dacey Field
203	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
204	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Davis Thayer grounds and forested areas throughout the town
205	Once a month on average	Almost every day	No	Yes	Yes	No	
206	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	The previous location of Ficcos which is now a church There is a 26 acre tract off Partridge St that could be purchased and used for open space. That could help reduce traffic the traffic flow increase in the surrounding area.
207	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	No	No	Yes	
208	Weekly	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	No	
209	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes		
210	Once a month on average	Once a month on average	No	No	Yes	No	
211	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	Yes	No	
212	Never or not applicable	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
213	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes		Yes		
214	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	I really don't know
215	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Land for sale off partridge
216	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Part of St Johns property adjacent to Del Carte
217	Almost every day	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
218	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	No	No	
219	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	No		
220	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
221	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	I believe that the town should consider purchasing the land at the back of the St Johns Episcopal Church property to extend the use of Del Carte (instead of them using the land for affordable housing). I agree that we need affordable housing but this is not the appropriate location.
222	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	No	Yes	No	
223	Weekly	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	farm on lincoln street , Calnan property
224	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Town should buy as much open land as possible to keep Franklin from turning into a paved fast food strip mall city There have been a lot of new housing developments built around town. So any open land should be protected to avoid further building. The may be opportunities with some areas, but I'm not sure exactly where.
225	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	
226	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
227	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Prospect Street forests and land behind Brook St
228	Weekly	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Charter school.playing fields
229	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	No	No	
230	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Generally, I'm sure yes but I don't have a specific one to site.
231	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	

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232	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	Yes	No	
233	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
234	Weekly	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
235	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	No	No	
236	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	
237	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes		
238	Once a month on average	A few times per year	No	No	No	No	
239	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	No	No	
240	Once a month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	
241	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
242	Almost every day	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
243	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	No	No	
244	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	No	No	Yes	No	
245	Once a month on average	Once a month on average	No	Yes	Yes	No	
246	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes		
247	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	No	No	
248	Weekly	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	South street and Spring street also any parcel abutting Schmidt's farm
249	Once a month on average	Almost every day	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Property adjacent to the abbey
250	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	There is a large piece of a land that looks agricultural along Washington Street - before South Street if you are coming from the center of town. There is a White House on it and it's a beautiful property. I think the town could protect
251	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
252	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Not sure of any specific locations at this time.
253	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
254	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
255	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	No	No	No	
256	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
257	Weekly	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Different farms
258	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes		
259	A few times per year	Once a month on average	No	No	Yes	No	
260	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	No	No	
261	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	No	No	
262	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	No	Yes	
263	Weekly	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
264	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	No	No	Yes	Yes	
265	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
266	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
267	A few times per year	Weekly	No	No		No	
268	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
269	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	There are many. Houses knocked down to build more needless buildings
270	Weekly	Weekly	No	No	No	Yes	
271	Weekly	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	No	
272	Weekly	A few times per year	Yes	No	No	No	
273	Once a month on average	A few times per year	No	No	No	Yes	There was a great path on Washington Street across from Taft by my apartment that is now turning into a commercial space. I had just moved to Franklin when that decision was finalized. I was very sad to see that happen.
274	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
275	Once a month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
276	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
277	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
278	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
279	Weekly	Once a month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
280	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
281	Weekly	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	No	No	
282	1-2 times per month on average	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
283	Almost every day	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	No	
284	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	With farm land and or big parcels, it would be beneficial to determine whether purchasing for Open Space would make sense -
285	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Land across from Townline road on Washington Street (if still available)
286	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
287	Once a month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
288	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
289	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	I am always in support of protecting open space/conservation land. At this moment, I don't have a particular location in mind but would like to ensure that the open spaces and conservation land that we currently have remain protected.
290	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
291	Weekly	A few times per year	No	Yes	No	No	
292	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	I don't know specifically, but I will share how disappointed we are in the rate of development in Franklin since we moved our family here from Milton, MA nearly 7 years ago. Had we known that so much land would be converted to development, we would have seriously considered moving somewhere else.
293	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Property off of Partridge, between Lincoln and and Maple
294	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
295	A few times per year	Once a month on average	No	Yes	No		
296	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	
297	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
298	Never or not applicable	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	No	No	
299	A few times per year	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	No	
300	Almost every day	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
301	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes		
302	Almost every day	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	No	
303	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
304	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
305	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
306	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	The land around St. John's Church which sits directly in front of Del Carte. I believe it is currently up for sale to be developed into apartments.
307	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
308	Weekly	Almost every day	No	Yes	Yes	No	
309	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
310	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	No	No	No	No	
311	Almost every day	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	
312	Never or not applicable	1-2 times per month on average	No	No	Yes		
313	Almost every day	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	No	No	

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314	A few times per year	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
315	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	No	Yes	No	
316	Once a month on average	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	No	
317	Once a month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
318	1-2 times per month on average	Almost every day	Yes	No	No	Yes	
319	Almost every day	A few times per year	No	No	Yes	No	
320	Almost every day	Almost every day	No	Yes	Yes	No	Don't know of specifics but all for it.
321	A few times per year	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
322	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
323	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	
324	Almost every day	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	No	No	
325	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No specific lot, but open lots should be vetted as open space options before allowing them to be built upon.
326	Weekly	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	No	No	
327	Weekly	Weekly	No	No	Yes	Yes	Lots on prospect street, lots on south st
328	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes		
329	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes		
330	1-2 times per month on average	Once a month on average	No	No	Yes	Yes	Area behind Wyllie Road
331	Weekly	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	585 King St
332	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	No	Yes	No	
333	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	No	
334	Never or not applicable	A few times per year	No	No	Yes	No	
335	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
336	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	
337	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	between Bridle Path and Maple
338	Once a month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
339	A few times per year	Weekly	No	No	Yes	Yes	Prospect street at sharp bend
340	1-2 times per month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	No	No	
341	Once a month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
342	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
343	Once a month on average	Weekly	No	No	Yes	No	
344	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	No	No	Yes	Yes	The Calnan Farm on Lincoln St
345	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
346	Never or not applicable	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
347	Once a month on average	Weekly	No	Yes	No	No	
348	Never or not applicable	A few times per year	No	No	Yes	No	
349	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	No	No	
350	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
351	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	No	No	
352	Almost every day	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes	No	
353	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes	No	
354	Weekly	Weekly	No	No	Yes	Yes	300 grove street and train tracks from union to grove
355	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
356	Once a month on average	Almost every day	No	Yes	Yes	No	
357	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	No	Yes	There are trails off of Cooper Drive that run through the neighborhood that could benefit from formal maintenance and trail development.
358	1-2 times per month on average	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	Yes	No	I would like to see more open space protected from development in general. The open spaces we do have are a huge asset to the Town.
359	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
360	Weekly	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
361	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes		
362	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes		
363	Almost every day	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes		
364	Once a month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	No	No	
365	Weekly	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
366	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	farmland for growing vegetable, flowers, and animals
367	Weekly	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
368	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	No	No	Yes	Yes	1.On RT.140 and/or King/Washington Sts.any open lots or abandoned lots from closed businesses or homes should be converted to green spaces: community garden/dog park 2. The open meadow at the end of Spring St that is right next to the State Forest and next to the solar farm in this area should be left as open space as a "meditation meadow" and not sold to build homes on. 3. The farm? land off of Lincoln St between Dacey Field and the Blueberry Hill? Estates should be bought and preserved and made into a hiking trail.
369	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes		
370	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	The old farm and vegetable stand on Grover Street.
371	Weekly	Weekly	No	No	Yes	No	
372	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
373	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	The Town should buy out Hawthorne Village's recreation area and woodlands w/ trail etc. It would become the only park in this part of town
374	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
375	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Areas that would allow for expansion of the SNETT to enter town center/areas of business. Land in and around the Charles river. Adding public access hiking trails where farm land, forest, open space permits.
376	A few times per year	Once a month on average	No	Yes	Yes	No	
377	Weekly	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
378	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Town needs to purchase private land now
379	A few times per year	Once a month on average	No	No	Yes	Yes	Schmidt's Farm staying as is
380	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
381	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	No	No	
382	Weekly	A few times per year	No	Yes	No	No	
383	1-2 times per month on average	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
384	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	No	
385	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	No	
386	Once a month on average	Never or not applicable	No	No	No	No	
387	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	chapter 61 land off pond st @ mine brook
388	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
389	Weekly	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Near 495 and Washington street
390	Once a month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No	No	Yes		
391	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes		

Almost every day

Weekly

1-2 times per month on average

Once a month on average

A few times per year

Never or not applicable

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392	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	I don't know an exact location, but properties come up for sale all the time and support purchasing if conditions are right.
393	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	There is an undeveloped 2.2 acre lot at 23 Longfellow Drive which borders wetlands and could connect to trails on Franklin-owned property leading to the Josephine Ave area; and which could create town-owned trails around a small, natural body of water which connects to Delcarte's. I believe this lot has been on and off the market a few times in the past several years. It would be a good lot to remain undeveloped due to it's proximity to the adjacent wetlands.
394	A few times per year	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	All the land surrounding the swamp under the power lines off Washington St. That building on the slope of the hill under the power lines is a disgrace. All the winter salt from that parking lot will flow into those waters. That is the type of property we should be buying to protect water sources with the Conservation Preservation money.
395	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes		
396	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	No	Yes	Properties that border Schmidt Farms off of Washington Street have previously expressed interest in selling their property to make way for entry way to Schmidt Farm
397	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	The closed factory downtown, Davis Thayer, closed school next to the common
398	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
399	1-2 times per month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
400	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
401	Weekly	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
402	Once a month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	No	
403	Weekly	Once a month on average	No	Yes	Yes	No	
404	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
405	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
406	Weekly	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	No	No	
407	Almost every day	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	I don't know their names of the streets right off the top of my head, but I do know that there are lots of waterways and wetland spots that could be conserved.
408	1-2 times per month on average	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	No		
409	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	No	No	
410	Once a month on average	Weekly	No	Yes	No	No	
411	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes		
412	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	No	No	
413	Once a month on average	Once a month on average	No	No	Yes	No	
414	1-2 times per month on average	Almost every day	No	Yes	Yes	No	
415	Once a month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
416	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes		
417	Weekly	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	No	
418	1-2 times per month on average	Once a month on average	Yes	No	Yes		
419	Once a month on average	Almost every day	No	No	No	No	
420	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	No	No	
421	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
422	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	No	
423	A few times per year	Never or not applicable		No	No	No	
424	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes		
425	1-2 times per month on average	Never or not applicable	No	No	No	No	
426	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
427	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No specific ideas, but strongly desire a significant decrease in development
428	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
429	1-2 times per month on average	Almost every day	No	Yes	Yes		
430	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	No	No	Yes	Yes	26 Acres off Partridge St.
431	Almost every day	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
432	Once a month on average	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
433	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
434	Almost every day	Weekly	No	No	Yes	No	
435	Weekly	Almost every day	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	The lot behind St John's
436	Weekly	Weekly	No	No	No	No	
437	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	
438							
439	Weekly	Never or not applicable	No	No	No	No	
440	A few times per year	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Always opportunities to conserve land if the timing is right for the landowner and funding is available.
441	Almost every day	Once a month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
442	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Don't have time to pull up the map now, but would love to see the Grove Street property purchased but understand timing and \$\$ may not make it viable.
443	A few times per year	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	Otherwise, love the work with currently large property owners to educate on conservation options
444	Weekly	Once a month on average	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Farms and non built on lots
445	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
446	Almost every day	A few times per year	Yes	No	No	No	
447	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
448	Once a month on average	A few times per year	No	Yes	No	No	
449	Almost every day	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Better walkable access to town parks. Linked together.
450	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	Yes	No	Yes	I have seen "for sale" signs at a vacant lot near the King St / Washington St split
451	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	No	No	n/a
452	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes	No	
453		Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
454	Weekly	A few times per year	No	No	No	No	
455	Almost every day	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
456	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	No	No	Yes	Parcels located next to conservation property and state priptys should be purchased.
457	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
458	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
459	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	I would love the town to purchase as much space as possible to preserve it from being over built.
460	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes		
461	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	No	No	No	No	
462	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	No	No	
463		A few times per year	No	No	Yes	Yes	Any lot should be protected as open space
464	1-2 times per month on average	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Farm land on West Central St/Beaver Street. Two large parcels on Lincoln St (not in chapters?)
465	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
466	Almost every day	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	

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467	Weekly	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	No		
468	Almost every day	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
469	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Blueberry fields on Union if they were ever to be sold
470	Once a month on average	Weekly	No	No	Yes	Yes	Franklin does a great job with their open spaces - the township can only benefit from additional open spaces, regardless of their designation (kids, all ages, etc.).
471	Once a month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	More around DelCarte?
472	Never or not applicable	Almost every day	Yes	No	No	No	
473	1-2 times per month on average	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	Yes	No	
474	Never or not applicable	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	No	No	
475	Once a month on average	Weekly	No	No	Yes	No	
476	A few times per year	Never or not applicable				No	
477	Almost every day	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
478	Once a month on average	Almost every day	No	Yes	No	No	
479	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	No	Yes	Davis Thayer park
480	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	No	
481	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	No	No	
482	Once a month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	No	Yes	Back half of my house lot, if it will reduce my property taxes
483	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes		Yes		
484	Almost every day	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	
485	A few times per year	Weekly	No	No	Yes	Yes	We are building too much around town
486	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	
487	Never or not applicable	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
488	Once a month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
489	Weekly	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
490	Never or not applicable	A few times per year	No	No	Yes	Yes	Davis Thayer should be preserved
491	A few times per year	Almost every day	No	No	No	No	
492	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Area near Jefferson and Area on Lincoln
493	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
494	Weekly	Weekly	No	Yes	No	No	
495			Yes	No	Yes	No	
496							
497	Once a month on average	Once a month on average	No	No	No	No	
498	A few times per year	Almost every day	No	No	No	No	
499	A few times per year	A few times per year		Yes	Yes	No	
500	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	No	No	
501	Once a month on average	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
502	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
503	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	No	Yes	No	
504	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes		
505	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	Yes	No	
506	Weekly	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Land on or off Prospect Street
507	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	No	
508	Weekly	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
509	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
510	Once a month on average	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	No	No	
511	Never or not applicable	A few times per year	Yes	No	No	Yes	Green's Pond, Oliver Pond Home and property needed for rail trail parking
512	1-2 times per month on average	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	Yes	No	
513	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	51 Chestnut St
514	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Hoffman Farm
515	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	No	No	No	
516	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
517	A few times per year	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
518	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes		
519	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	No	No	No	
520	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes		
521	1-2 times per month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	No	No	
522	Almost every day	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
523	1-2 times per month on average	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	No	No	
524	1-2 times per month on average	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
525	Almost every day	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
526	1-2 times per month on average	Almost every day	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	
527	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes		
528	Almost every day	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
529	1-2 times per month on average	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Property on Grove Street. PLEASE, no more condos/ apartments/ high rise buildings!
530	Weekly	Almost every day	No	Yes	No	Yes	Land behind Elm Street which spans to the junction of Mine Brook / Charles River is ecologically significant, overall Franklin has limited waterway access that should be improved. There is an existing potential Charles access point on Plain street but it would require effort to make that lot usable and work with neighboring towns to improve the quality of the Charles along that section of river above the Standford Mill dam, especially since there are conservation properties above the mill dam on both banks.
531	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes		
532	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
533	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
534	Weekly	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
535	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
536	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
537	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
538	Never or not applicable	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	No	
539	Almost every day	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Keeping maple hill protected
540		A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	The town should explore all opportunities
541	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
542	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Yes	No	No	No	
543	Almost every day	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
544	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	603 Old West Central St
545	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Beaver Street between town waste/recycling area and 495 overpass, known as "Turtle Crossing"
546	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes	No	
547	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes		
548	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	Yes		
549	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
550	Once a month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
551	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	No	No	
552	1-2 times per month on average	Almost every day	No	No	Yes	No	

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553	Once a month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
554	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	No	No	
555	Weekly	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
556	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
557	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
558	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
559	Almost every day	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
560	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Not sure exactly what you're asking but I think saving any open space is an opportunity to keep our town from overdeveloping more than it already has
561	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No	Yes	No	No	
562	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	No	No	
563	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
564	Almost every day	A few times per year	No	No	Yes	Yes	4 acre piece at end of Kimberlee that connects to maple hill
565	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
566	Almost every day	Almost every day	Yes	No	No	Yes	Grassy lot behind old Davis Thayer
567	A few times per year	Weekly	No	No	Yes	Yes	Franklin country day camp
568	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
569	Weekly	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
570	1-2 times per month on average	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
571	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	I am sure there are several
572	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
573	Weekly	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
574	A few times per year	Almost every day	No	No	Yes	No	
575	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	No	Yes	No	No	
576	Weekly	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
577	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
578	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Any lot that becomes available should be purchased.
579	A few times per year	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Davis Thayer field
580	A few times per year	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Grove St where they are talking about building apartments.
581	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Any open space available.
582	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	
583	Once a month on average	Once a month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
584	Almost every day	Almost every day	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Lincoln Street farms?
585	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	Yes	No	No	
586	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	No	No	
587	A few times per year	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	No	
588	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	No	No	
589	Weekly	Almost every day	Yes	No	No	No	
590	1-2 times per month on average	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	No	
591	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	No		
592	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	No	No	
593	Once a month on average	A few times per year	No	No	No	Yes	Any suitable property particularly to be used as green areas
594	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	No	No	Yes	Yes	
595	Weekly	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	I'm not sure I understand the question but the school that closed down could be used.
596	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
597	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No		Yes		
598	A few times per year	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	The space next to the Taco Bell has been for sale forever. The space off the King Street exit has had a Land for Sale sign forever. The space at the former Cole's Tavern would be cool for recreation. I'm sure there are more spaces meant for commercial zoning, like on Grove Street, that would be great for recreation
599	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	No	
600	Once a month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
601	Weekly	Weekly	No	Yes	No	Yes	
602	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	No	No	Yes	No	
603	Almost every day	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	The whole wooded area that runs behind Tanglewood Estates to Skyline, Brandywine, and down to Blueberry and Longwalk. Beautiful pathways.
604	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Alpine Row
605	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes		
606	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	No	Yes		
607	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	No	No	
608	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes		
609	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Area along 140 behind the old bowling alley, now church
610	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	No	No	Yes	Yes	
611	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	No	No	No	No	
612	Once a month on average	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
613	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
614	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
615	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	No	No	
616	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	There seem to be a fair amount of wooded areas which are currently undeveloped.
617	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	We use the rail trail, not sure what properties are available for purchase.
618	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	No	No	
619	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
620	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	No	Yes		
621	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	No	No	
622	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	
623	1-2 times per month on average	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Davis Thayer
624	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	No	No	
625	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	Yes	No	
626	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
627	Never or not applicable	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	I wish they had purchased the land adjacent to the State Forest on Grove Street . It would have been great for more athletic fields , a bandstand . Picnic groves , etc that would not create noise for residential neighborhoods.
628	A few times per year	Once a month on average	No	No	No	No	
629	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	No	No	
630	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	Yes	No	No	
631	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
632	Weekly	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	No	No	
633	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	No	Yes	A rail trail would be nice
634	Never or not applicable	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	plenty of areas that could be protected
635	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes		
636	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	No	No	No	
637		A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
638	1-2 times per month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	No	No	

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640	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	No	No	No	Yes	Wadsworth Farm
641	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
642	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	No	Personally think Town has enough open space already no need to purchase more.
643	1-2 times per month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	No	
644	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	No	
645	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
646	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes		
647	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes		
648	A few times per year	Weekly	No	Yes	No	No	
649	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	No	
650	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	No	Yes	
651	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
652	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
653	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	The big undeveloped area that Ranieri is trying to develop by King Street and 495 is full of habitat for wildlife that, when developed, will cause them to move into neighborhoods instead.
654	Never or not applicable	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	No	No	
655	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No			
656	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Former putnam investment property
657	A few times per year	Almost every day	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Washington street
658	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	No	
659	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes		
660	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	No	No	
661	1-2 times per month on average	Once a month on average	No	No	No	No	
662	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Corner of Crescent and Garfield
663	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
664	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	Yes	Yes	No	
665	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
666	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	No	No	
667	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
668	Weekly	Weekly	No	Yes	No	No	
669	A few times per year	Weekly	No	Yes	No	No	
670	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	No	Yes	No	No	
671	1-2 times per month on average	Almost every day	No	Yes	Yes	No	
672	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
673	Once a month on average	A few times per year	Yes	No	Yes	No	
674	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes		
675	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	Yes	No	No	
676	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	No	
677	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
678	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
679	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
680	A few times per year	A few times per year	No	No	Yes	Yes	Land on Coronation that abuts the dirt path to Kennedy School. Not sure if Town or someone on the street owns it as I believe someone has mowed grass there for years that lives on Coronation.
681	A few times per year	Once a month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
682	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Any time open space can be protected is a must
683	Never or not applicable	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	Yes	No	
684	1-2 times per month on average	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
685	A few times per year	Once a month on average	No	No	Yes	No	
686	Almost every day	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes		
687	Weekly	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	No	No	
688	Weekly	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
689	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No	No	Yes		
690	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	No	
691	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	No	Yes	No	
692	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	No	Yes	No	No	
693	Weekly	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Any forested lots abutting the town woods or Franklin forest. There is almost no forest and fields left in town.
694	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Some land on Lincoln and rail trail land between union street and the SNET trail.
695	A few times per year	Never or not applicable	Yes	No	No	No	
696	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
697		A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Connect with abutting towns and open spaces in Norfolk
698	1-2 times per month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	St. Rocco's Fairgrounds area
699	Weekly	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Space between Sunset Dr and the Kennedy School
700	Weekly	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	No	
701	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	No	Yes		
702	Almost every day	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	1) the parcel at the end of Kimberly that would connect it to Maple Hill; 2) 121 Grove Street, would connect nicely with the Franklin State Forest; 3) any land adjacent to existing town parcels like Maple Hill, Schmidt's Farm, Riverbend, Franklin Town Forest, Beaver Pond, Sculpture Park, Dacey, and/or Fletcher Field
703		Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Extend area around DelCartes
704	A few times per year	Weekly	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	
705	Once a month on average	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
706	A few times per year	A few times per year	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
707	1-2 times per month on average	A few times per year	No	Yes	No		
708	1-2 times per month on average	1-2 times per month on average	No	No	Yes	No	
709	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
710	A few times per year	Weekly	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
711	A few times per year	Almost every day	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
712	1-2 times per month on average	Never or not applicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
713	A few times per year	1-2 times per month on average	Yes	Yes	No	No	

Almost every day

Weekly

1-2 times per month on average

Once a month on average

A few times per year

Never or not applicable

APPENDIX B
PUBLIC COMMENTS
MEETING MINUTES
REVIEW LETTERS

PUBLIC COMMENTS



Breeka Li Goodlander <bgoodlander@franklinma.gov>

Draft OSRP Comments

1 message

Robert Kearns <rkearns@crwa.org>

Fri, Jun 16, 2023 at 5:47 PM

To: Breeka Li Goodlander <bgoodlander@franklinma.gov>

Hi Breeka,

Congratulations to yourself and the Commission on an amazing draft OSRP for Franklin.

We have some suggested additions to the OSRP for the Commission's consideration.

1). Although Franklin does not have state-designated environmental justice census blocks, Franklin does have census blocks with higher minority populations and households with language isolation, lower incomes than other parts of town and the state household median income, particularly around downtown Franklin.

The commission could add this information to the plan to inform people about these priority populations.

The following is also some language information in town:

FRANKLIN (02038)

Number of students: 5,333

% households speaking a language other than English: 3.4

Languages spoken in 1% or more of households:

Portuguese: 1.1%

Spanish: 1.2%

Telugu: 1.1%

More information on State EJ GIS: <https://mass-eoea.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapSeries/index.html?appid=535e4419dc0545be980545a0eeaf9b53>

2). 4.E. Fisheries and Wildlife

We suggest the commission add that "Franklin has several [state-designated coldwater fisheries](#), which are rare for Eastern Massachusetts and traditionally have populations of native Eastern Brook Trout. Coldwater Fisheries Resources in Franklin include: Dix Brook, Miscoe Brook and Shepards Brook."

(CRWA has surveyed the stream crossings on the main stem of these three brooks and results from crossings are in the North Atlantic Aquatic Connectivity Collaborative (NAACC) database. The top three worst crossings for wildlife passage on coldwater streams in Franklin include [Dix Brook at Financial Park](#), [Shepard's Brook at Brooks Drive](#) and [Dix Brook at Forest Street](#))

3). 4.F. Wildlife Corridors

Suggestion to add that "stream crossings, especially the town's coldwater fisheries should be upgraded to the [Massachusetts Stream Crossing Standards](#) in order to provide improved passage for fish and wildlife species and greater flood resiliency."

4). Under GOAL 2: We suggest adding an action to "work with the Charles River Watershed Association and Charles River Climate Compact to work on new regional land acquisition preservation projects for flood control and co-benefits."

5). Under GOAL 4: Add an action around "continuing to work on assessing and designing improved stream crossings in town for fish and wildlife passage using NAACC protocols and Massachusetts Stream Crossing Standards."

(Franklin has a great history of doing this great work at multiple town stream crossings including the current project on Miscoe Brook at South Street.)

6). Under GOAL 5: Add language about "continuing to work on implementation of Green Stormwater Infrastructure and nature-based solutions to improve water quality and quantity in town."

(Franklin DPW has been a leader in the region on Green Infrastructure and Nature-based solutions)

Thank you so much for the opportunity to provide these comments.

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Robert Kearns | [he/him/his]

Climate Resilience Specialist

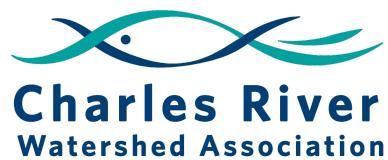
Charles River Watershed Association

Lands of the Massachusett, Nipmuc, and Wampanoag tribes

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Google Form Responses

Timestamp	Please provide your suggestions and feedback below.
1/6/2023 8:55:44	You're doing amazing Breeka-Lil! Best conservation agent in the history of ever (which is a long time)
1/17/2023 14:48:02	<p>I would love to see the following: Additional public pickleball and tennis courts. Another disc golf course. Wind/Solar energy to transfer electric savings to residents Residents-only rec center that promotes activity during the winter when it's hardest to get outside. Sidewalks added throughout town and additional crosswalks in dangerous and popular crossing areas (Chestnut Street for example to Acorn Pl) Access to more scenic areas through trails. Paved bike trails. Additional parking for busy recreation areas that overflow.</p> <p>Thanks! Keep up the great work.</p>
1/18/2023 6:21:25	In regard to conservation areas, we need to put effort into removing invasive plants and replacing them with native species. This has to be an ongoing effort as the invasive plants will simply come back if there is no mechanism to keep them from doing so. Please consider volunteer opportunities to help with this, led by people who are experienced in this process.
1/18/2023 18:53:48	More spaces for sports
1/18/2023 18:54:55	I applaud the town of Franklin for saving this property from development, however, I would strongly suggest that the property (or the majority of it) remain in agricultural production. Massachusetts loses farmland at an alarming rate, and once gone, there is nothing to replace it. Our state has a good number of young farmers that cannot afford to purchase land, by leasing the property it would give the town a return on its investment while making farming more affordable to the next generation. I respectfully ask that you consider this option for the property's future use.
1/18/2023 18:56:54	<p>Franklin Community Garden - where resident can rent plots of land to grow vegetables. Follow link for reference: https://patch.com/massachusetts/medfield/medfield-community-garden-sign-now</p>
1/18/2023 20:00:50	I'm not sure what the plan is for the farm mentioned in the 2023 video, but I would love to be able walk fields/open space similar to that of the Leland Wild piece of conservation land in Norfolk. There are birdhouses lining portions of the path there. The open space is awesome.
1/18/2023 20:19:46	It would be great to have another turf field to alleviate the issue of town and high school teams continually vying over the one field at Beaver.
1/18/2023 22:52:57	<p>I think this is all fantastic! I would love to see the property used for hay (I would be a customer!) and I think it would be excellent to offer more gardening spaces to the community. I think there needs to be more encouragement to self-sustainability, and that would be a great way to support it. Walking trails would also be a wonderful addition!</p> <p>This is so exciting! Great work! As someone who navigates the world with disability, my top awareness is to develop spaces that are inclusive and accessible. There are a few main considerations to make this possible.</p> <p>One: Paved pathways and trails. Surfaces such as stone dust and compacted dirt are not accessible. Someone trying to navigate those surfaces with devices such as a walker or wheelchair face the issue of wheels getting stuck, as well as a very bumpy trek - imagine driving down a street full of potholes and that's what it feels like for someone in a wheelchair to be pushed on stone dust or compacted dirt. In addition, someone with balance challenges would fall over within a few steps due to the uneven surface. Please consider having paved pathways and trails.</p> <p>Two: Accessible entrances. Some locations, such as Del Carte in Franklin, are beautiful, but unfortunately are not inclusive, because it's impossible to get to the trail through the woods, or down/up the hill at the parking area, for someone with physical challenges. I tried accessing it in a wheelchair, and it did not go well. Please consider having paved, properly inclined paths leading from parking to any recreational areas.</p> <p>Three: Bathrooms. This benefits anyone, but especially those who have any challenges neurologically or other, with needing to use a restroom frequently.</p> <p>Four: Playground surfaces and structures. Mulch, rubber pellets, and sand present barriers to those using mobility devices, have balance issues, or physical limitations. Please consider playground surfaces that are something such as the flat rubber type. Please also consider inclusive playground equipment.</p> <p>Five: Seated areas. It's important to consider that many people will enjoy going for a walk around a park, but may need a break occasionally. Whether it's benches, picnic tables, or bleachers at a ball field, it's important to have seating options that are accessible from paved pathways. If there are benches or bleachers on grass, stonedust, compact dirt, etc, they are not accessible for someone with a wheelchair or walker, as well as present a challenge for someone with balance issues. Please consider seating areas that are accessible via paved pathways.</p> <p>*It could be very beneficial for those involved in this exciting project to actually borrow a wheelchair and a walker from the Senior Center and visit various recreational areas in Franklin to try using them themselves and see what it's like.. like research! Try to access DelCarte in a wheelchair (without anyone helping you, and with help). Try to walk across grass while blindfolded and recognize that balance challenge. Try to use a walker and a wheelchair on the SNET trail. Try to move through the Fletcher playground with a walker or in a wheelchair. This will be very beneficial for being able to relate to what individuals such as myself face on a daily basis. I'd be happy to go with you too!</p>
1/19/2023 8:55:32	Pump Track for Bikes (kid friendly)
1/24/2023 13:55:04	<p>I would love to see a dog park on the new property acquired by the Town of Franklin formerly known as Schmidt's Farm at 215 Prospect St. Also some kind of Community Farm, as like the one in Medway, Mass. Hiking trails for nature walks. If you do plan to save the barn, it could be another community center that could offer classes for artist, crafts and assorted workshops. (Kite making to fly in the field). Also when my daughter was younger she would fly model rockets off in the fields. We had a blast doing this.</p>
1/27/2023 8:52:04	<p>Pollinator Pathway - Franklin would benefit from participating in the Pollinator Pathway program. It could be a great opportunity for a conservation-minded volunteer group to concentrate their efforts. There are many ways to participate, from labor intensive removal of invasive plants to basic education efforts. Existing groups that might be interested: Schools, Senior Center, Community Garden, Girl/Boy Scouts, Garden Club</p>
2/3/2023 12:55:51	Pollinator Pathways - this program could dovetail nicely with the rain garden program, especially with the new stormwater utility fees going into effect
2/14/2023 13:41:11	<p>Hi, This is Sathish, a Franklin Resident. I would like to discuss about possibilities of getting a field allocated for the game 'Cricket'. There are number of kids in and around our community (Brookview) who are interested in the game and there are lot of cricket leagues happening in and around Massachusetts. Each town have their own cricket field, which can be used for various format of cricket games. I would like to have an appointment to discuss in person and share our thoughts on how we can expand the knowledge of the game and promote the same. Please let me know the best available time for a discussion. Thanks!</p>
2/21/2023 18:22:36	NEMBA would suggest opening up more recreational land for mountain biking trails, where we are proactive in constructing trails and bridges for use.

Town Administrator Open Space Plan Priorities

- Redo overall open space land use map (Kate, Natalie)
- Reevaluate Chapter 61 inventory, parcels and reorder purchase priorities (Kevin Doyle)
- Increase CPA surcharge to 3% (future ballot)
- Master Plan the Maple Hill parcel
 - Trail plan with Metacomet and Town land around Lincoln Street/Maple Hill area.
 - Find a third party land management requirement of CPA
 - Parking, signage, kiosk, nature education.
- Master Plan the Schmidt Farm Parcel
 - Parking, signage, kiosk, nature education, access points.
 - Minimize parking and pavement (if any).
 - Community Garden - more individual plots (Ryan Jette, Ag Comm)
 - Restore the Barn (no weddings, not enough parking), into a small venue.
 - Education priorities for agriculture.
 - Lease out parcels for the CSA program/Food pantry/Schools.
 - Potential viewing tower
 - Find a third party land management requirement of CPA
 - Acquisition of Daznell Property; Adjacent Thayer property (TBD, active now)
- King Street Memorial Park Renovation (See the latest design from Pare)
- Franklin Greenway Master Plan
 - Develop a comprehensive “Emerald Necklace/Freedom Trail” style map of open spaces, trails, sidewalks, bike lanes, pedestrian-friendly network throughout the community and linking up with the Town Common, Downtown, Franklin Crossing and National Register Historic Districts.
 - A 20-year community vision of Complete Streets, acquisitions, easements, bike lanes, connectivity points.
- Washington Street Ski Hill Park(349-003-000-000 area parcels) park development.
 - Trails and conservation area.
- Riverbend Park (Lincoln Street)
 - Acquire part of Dellea property to add to the Chalres River access.
 - Develop a vision for expanded river access, boat launch, hiking trails, pollinator pastures, and wildlife habitat.
- Expansion of pickleball courts (town needs to be mindful of noise issues, and seasonal issues, possibly an indoor facility)
- Grove Street to Union Street CSX railbed acquisition and development.
- Davis-Thayer Fields and playground.

2/23/23 OSRP Schmidt Farm

- To be able to save the barn for use by the town as a functioning meeting space as well as a learning center.
 - This could be as a rentable space for functions, small rooms for a learning center, storage for equipment for onsite property maintenance.
 - Pollinator beds could be planted and maintained by the agricultural comm. around the base of the barn not only as a learning aspect but also to enhance the beauty of the structure.
 - A pervious parking area with an area to expand it needed.
- A small community garden could be prepared for Franklin residents who want a larger patch of garden than offered at the King St grounds.
- Some of the fields could be hayed by local farmers to preserve the boundaries of such fields.
- Small sections of fields could be rented out to local farmers for crops or start-up farming.
- Several trails could be planned, built, maintained, all with various clubs or residents.
 - Currently the cross country teams are bused to some of their meets to Borderland park in Easton or Franklin Park. If they had a cross country trail at Schmidts farm meets could be held there saving on busing fees.
 - Exercise trails with different stops to exercise.
 - Informative walking trails with info plaques describing plants, wetlands.
- Find a use for the property which would keep it in Agricultural use.
 - Possibly by leasing to a farmer this could be done.
 - Developing a forestry plan and selling some of the logs could help fund projects on this land.
- As stated at previous OSRP meeting someone, (Manager, Director, Department Head) Needs to be created to control new and existing open spaces in town.

~~Letter - DRAFT FOR YOU, CALL RATE IF~~
~~YOU WANT BEFORE THE MEETING~~
**DRAFT FOR POSSIBLE MLT COMMENT ON OPEN SPACE/REC PLAN UPDATE PERTAINING TO
MAPLE HILL: COMMENTS, QUESTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS FOR MAPLE HILL MARCH 22** ~~STAN~~

MLT is a 501-c-3 charitable conservation organization which protects open space, habitat for native animals and plants, and environmental education. We were founded in 1988 by conservation advocates in Franklin, Bellingham and Blackstone and currently own several parcels of open space around town.

Metacomet is also an abutter to the Maple Hill property in three spots – so MLT is very glad the Town was able to purchase this wonderful opportunity to offer a corridor of open space which connects other Town land as well as MLT's property.

There are several key questions which the Town will need to decide when considering the future of this property. These questions can be informed by a wide-ranging public process that will hear from those who live close to the property, residents who already know and use the area for walking, and attention to the natural resources and how to manage passive recreation and simultaneously attend to the forest, soil, and water which support a woodland of nearly 70 acres.

I believe there are three major categories which might be relevant to the OSRP update:

Natural Resources Inventory: it is critical to document existing conditions before plans for improving access and use are decided. This work – commonly referred to as a Baseline Documentation Report -- will also be needed for the eventual Conservation Restriction in the chain of title. The formal CR is a state requirement of the use of CPA funds. The Conservation Commission is a logical body to oversee this work, which could be carried out by town staff or an experienced conservation consultant.

Public Access: where to establish trail heads with street access, small parking areas, kiosks with maps, etc. It will be critical to include the perspective of residents near the current access points “early and often” in the process.

Management of Trails: mapping of history land use, both old and recent informal trails, consideration of potential new trails to connect the access points, trail width and construction standards, and accessibility of some trails. Slope, runoff, and ease of maintenance are some of the issues to be considered, with an eye to future climate impacts. The Town will also want to address how to respond to emergencies and violations of trail use standards.

There are templates for most of these topics. As others have commented in previous focus groups, we believe it will be helpful to have a common trail use policy for the large open space areas the town owns and confirm management responsibilities and response coordinators as our residents begin to enjoy these natural areas.

Last, just a note for the record, that the eventual Conservation Restriction on CPA land does require a third-party conservation entity (not the Commission itself) to hold the permanent deed restriction. Metacomet is qualified to serve in this capacity and currently is responsible for CRs on municipal land in Bellingham, Mendon and Upton. There is no statutory deadline for this document, but it normally takes one to two years to complete the process.



Breeka Li Goodlander <bgoodlander@franklinma.gov>

[franklinma] Dirt Bikes around Beaver Pond Area (Sent by David Kujawski, dkujawski02038@gmail.com)

1 message

Contact form at franklinma <cmsmailer@civicplus.com>

Wed, Mar 8, 2023 at 10:20 AM

Reply-To: dkujawski02038@gmail.com

To: bgoodlander <bgoodlander@franklinma.gov>

Hello bgoodlander,

David Kujawski (dkujawski02038@gmail.com) has sent you a message via your contact form (<https://www.franklinma.gov/user/11596/contact>) at franklinma.

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Message:

Hello,

I was wondering if there is anything that can be done to repair the cut fence between Beaver Pond and 495 to prevent dirt bikers from riding illegally in that area. The hole has been there for quite sometime and the riders then ride along beaver pond near the parking lot and then cross over Beaver Street to access the State Forest that is off limits to them. DCR has installed a guardrail to prevent them from accessing, but based on the tracks it appear that that isn't stopping them. What would stop them is preventing them from accessing the area in the first place by repairing the fence or putting up other methods to deter them, such as, signs, guard rails, stronger fences, boulders...they would all help. Also putting up a guard rail on the other side of Beaver St. adjacent to the new guard rails that DCR just installed would further help limit their access to the area. We have such a great natural resource and it is sad that it gets overrun by illegal activities. Some relatively minor repairs or steps to prevent their riding would make the area more enjoyable and safer for all users.

Thanks for listening,
Dave Kujawski



Breeka Li Goodlander <bgoodlander@franklinma.gov>

[franklinma] Maple Hill Property (Sent by Stephen Dombroski, s.dombroski@comcast.net)

1 message

Contact form at franklinma <cmsmailer@civicplus.com>
Reply-To: s.dombroski@comcast.net
To: bgoodlander <bgoodlander@franklinma.gov>

Thu, Mar 2, 2023 at 10:22 AM

Hello bgoodlander,

Stephen Dombroski (s.dombroski@comcast.net) has sent you a message via your contact form (<https://www.franklinma.gov/user/11596/contact>) at franklinma.If you don't want to receive such e-mails, you can change your settings at <https://www.franklinma.gov/user/11596/edit>.

Message:

Hi Breeka

I live on Kimberlee Ave adjacent to Maple Hill property.

A number of us regularly walk the many trails that have been slowly maintained or rejuvenated since the Town purchased the property last year.

I was wondering if you'd have time to speak regarding a few ideas to keep the space natural, but still accessible to all to enjoy and learn about our environment.

We also have concerns that there are at least 3 Deer Stands on or on the edge of the Towns land.

Thanks

Steve
508-944-1988



Breeka Li Goodlander <bgoodlander@franklinma.gov>

2/21/23 OSRP meeting statement from Rog Trahan

1 message

Roger Trahan <rtra228@gmail.com>

Wed, Feb 22, 2023 at 9:05 AM

To: Breeka Li Goodlander <bgoodlander@franklinma.gov>

Good morning, I wanted to send along what I spoke about last night for your note taking.

- Continue to add signage and trail markings thus opening more conservation lands and trails to the general public. Also add parking to the same areas allowing easy access.
- Continue to build on the current teaching opportunities while at the same time to engage the public on how to not only to use open space but how to enjoy it without damaging the same.
- The 2016 plan calls for protecting the town's drinking water supply, but it is my belief the amount of salt in our drinking water is very high. Perhaps looking at the amount of salt used on our roads needs to be reviewed.
- With the town obtaining over 200 acres this past year alone I feel it is time to look into creating a new department to oversee the planning, building, maintenance of these areas.



Breeka Li Goodlander <bgoodlander@franklinma.gov>

Becoming a right to Farm community

1 message

Melanie Hamblen <mjhamblen@verizon.net>

Fri, Mar 31, 2023 at 6:59 AM

To: Breeka Li Goodlander <bgoodlander@franklinma.gov>

Dear Agent Goodlander,

I would like to add a comment to the OSRP.

It is imperative to protect our family farms. I am writing to support the efforts of the Franklin Agricultural Commission for Franklin to become a Right to Farm community.

The struggle as a nation with food insecurity was intensified by the pandemic. The lessons learned highlight how important local food and our local farmers are in our community's survival. We must protect those that feed us. We should adopt the "Right to farm" bylaw and become a community where farmers feel welcome and appreciated.

Thank you for your time,

Melanie Hamblen
[70 Daniels st](#)
[Franklin Ma](#)

[Sent from the all new AOL app for iOS](#)



Breeka Li Goodlander <bgoodlander@franklinma.gov>

Maple Hill thoughts

1 message

Cobi Frongillo <cfrongillo@franklinma.gov>

Wed, Mar 22, 2023 at 1:54 PM

To: Breeka Li Goodlander <bgoodlander@franklinma.gov>

Cc: PGallagher@goulstonstorr.com, Jamie Hellen <jhellen@franklinma.gov>

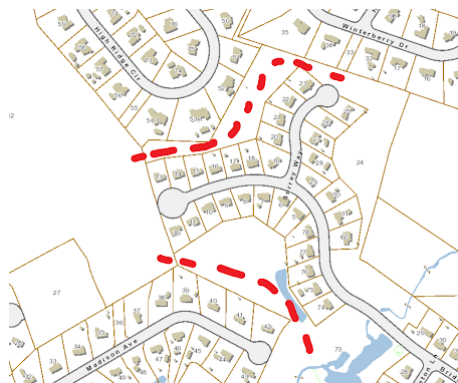
Hi Breeka,

Ran into Pat on the train this morning and found out that the Maple Hill discussion is tonight (not tomorrow). I'll be in our EDC meeting so wanted to pass on my thoughts on Maple Hill! I grew up exploring the property; it's my Franklin happy place :)

- **Connectivity with existing trails.** The trails connect neatly with existing adjacent Metacomet Land Trust and Town-owned trails. However, there's a small stretch of trail that crosses private property which has led the landowners to put up no-trespassing signs and successfully advocate for the removal of the stretch from the posted trail maps.
 - The landowners (Lalliers) biggest concern is liability. I would love to see the Town pursue some agreement/purchase with them to re-introduce the 100-yd stretch of trail. It'll open up easier access to and from Keller/Sullivan.



- There's also an opportunity to connect the new property more directly with Metacomet trails, which would avoid the need to walk down Bridle Path.



- **Opportunities for expansion.**
 - We should continue pursuit of the Fitzgerald property at the end of Kimberlee, which would ensure *legal* trail connectivity to the Kimberlee/Madison neighborhoods.



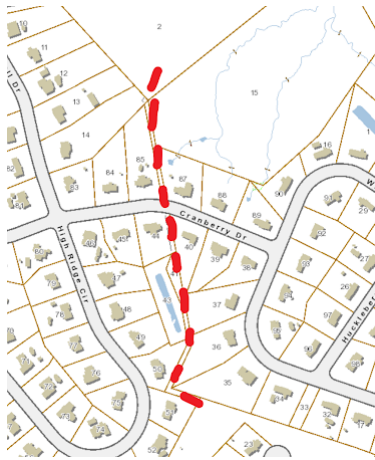
- Dean College leadership has expressed openness to exploring use of their properties between Longley field and the Town trails off Eric Drive. The Town should pursue conversations about extending the trail network in that direction, allowing Longley field to become a new trailhead (with abundant parking).



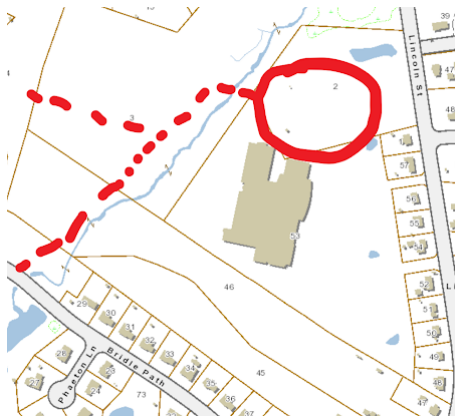
- There's a random abutting Raneiri-owned property off Maple Street that should be pursued to ensure continued open space and avoid trespassing concerns.



- Of lower priority, but the Town-owned right-of-way (across Cranberry) connects the trails to the Dacey Fields property. Expanding the trails in that direction would open safe Dacey access for community families and children. It could also open another trailhead with existing parking.



- **Parking locations.** Frankly, I'm not interested in dramatically expanding parking locations. It's a tight-knit community trail network (running very close to many backyards) that doesn't need to become a major town attraction. But...
 - Keller/Sullivan offers the best current trailhead for advertisement and parking. We'd just need to do a little improvement on trail connectivity.



- The Town should consider pursuit of the remaining Labastie property on Maple Street. The historic barn would be a terrific community space and more public trailhead.



- **The basics.** As with all properties, the trail network could use some maintenance, clear markings, consistent maps, and trail signs.
 - Of special interest, there are two bridges that need urgent maintenance:
 - 1. Off Eric Drive, crossing a stream next to the pond. It has a weird gravel half-bridge thing that is dangerous for dogs, children, and elders.



- 2. To the right from the Madison entrance. It's a wooden bridge constructed by Boy Scouts that is falling apart.



- Let the trees grow! I know it's obvious but the major loss of trees on the old Labastie property has been very sad and makes the space feel much less enclosed.

Perhaps my favorite thing about this trail network is that it is not only recreational, but it's also *useful* in that it allows neighborhood children to safely access the school, connect with friends, and get closer to Dacey without adult supervision. Franklin hosts a few of these pedestrian pathways around town and should continue seeking opportunities for more - especially as they relate to connecting neighborhoods with safe routes to schools.

Ok, I think that's all I have for now. Thanks again for all your hard work on this!!

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Breeka Li Goodlander <bgoodlander@franklinma.gov>

Open Space Meeting

1 message

Stacey Cobb <naturesnursewildlife@gmail.com>

Tue, Feb 21, 2023 at 7:30 PM

To: bgoodlander@franklinma.gov, "rjette@franklinma.gov" <rjette@franklinma.gov>

Hi Breeka & Ryan,

I've spoken to you both before, my name is Stacey Cobb, I run Nature's Nurse Wildlife Rehabilitation & The Wildlife Initiative here in Franklin. I was trying to join the meeting tonight but got a late start, however I did listen in for most of it.

I have a lot of interest in The Open Space Plan for the town. Mainly because I am always looking for releasable land for local wildlife & hope to eventually obtain land through my non-profit for this purpose. I created The Wildlife Initiative for the purpose of environmental cleanups, education & improvements, etc. I have many volunteers signed up for these purposes, along with my daughter belonging to the local Girl Scouts. I would be thrilled to take upon this task in the area and believe I could also facilitate trail maintenance & construction.

Also, Ryan, I still have those dog waste bins for Del Carte that we can install this Spring.

Thanks for your time,
Stacey Cobb

Open space off Parliament

1 message

Cobi Frongillo <cfrongillo@franklinma.gov>
To: Breeka Li Goodlander <bgoodlander@franklinma.gov>

Thu, Apr 27, 2023 at 10:17 AM

Hi Breeka Li,

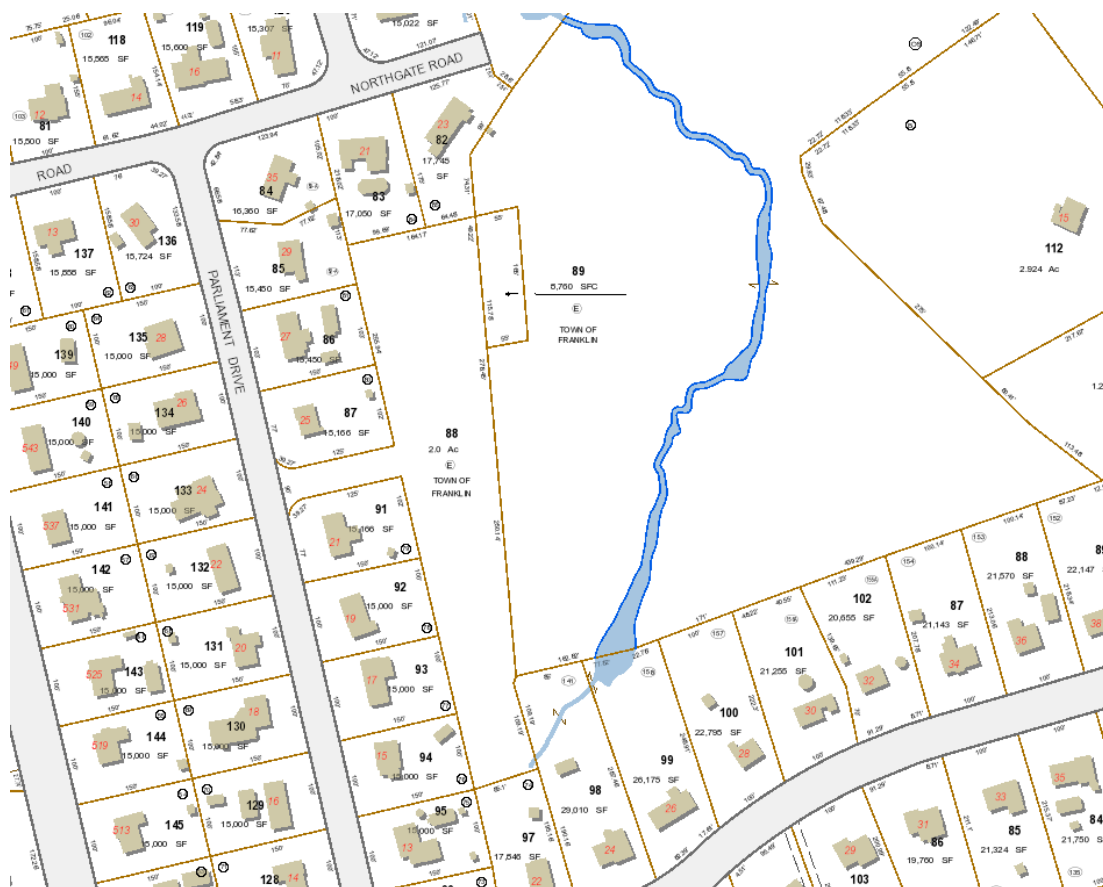
Thanks again for last night's presentation! (Special thank you for pointing out the demographics before getting into the responses.)

As mentioned, the Town acquired the Parliament Drive parcel (236-088-000-000) from the defunct homeowner's association in 2010. It has become long ingrown but once featured a baseball diamond, tennis court, basketball hoop, and even lights for neighborhood children. It also featured makeshift trails through the abutting wetlands, also owned by the Town.

My dad and his siblings grew up in the neighborhood, alongside many other still-involved residents (inc. Paul Vicario), if you're interested in hearing more about what it used to be and maybe tracking down some photos! One local tale: an old baseball player used to go down and play catch with the kids; Hollywood turned his story into [The Natural](#)!

I don't think it needs to become a heavily-trafficked recreation area, but I love the idea of revitalizing it as a neighborhood asset. I also would love to clear up trails for the families of Maple Tree, Tanglewood, Evergreen, Hemlock, Laurel, and Sierra to safely access nearby neighborhoods and the Kennedy School. (More pedestrian connectivity between siloed neighborhoods and safe routes to schools!)

Let me know if you have any questions. Thanks!
Cobi





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Re: Town of Franklin - Schmidt's Farm - 2023 OSRP Update

1 message

Marc Cohen <mdc3327@gmail.com>

To: Breeka Li Goodlander <bgoodlander@franklinma.gov>

Wed, Feb 22, 2023 at 4:44 PM

Thank you so much Breeka! It was a pleasure to meet you and the ConCom last night. I will not be able to attend the Schmidt farm meeting tonight, but wanted to provide some comments.

I met the owner of the property and understand that the farm had historically been a hay field farm. I would like to preserve this tradition, and utilize this land as a valuable resource for growing grass and hay production.

I was told that children love the field for flying kites as a recreational sport. I love the concept of using this field for open space and recreation.

As you know I am a member of NEMBA and would also very interested if feasible, to construct and build mountain bike trails and bridges on thus property.

Otherwise maintaining the property as passive recreation, and active hay production would be desirable.

Thank you again for being so proactive and allowing me to comment on this farm's plan for the future.

Sincerely,

Marc D. Cohen

On Wed, Feb 22, 2023, 4:18 PM Breeka Li Goodlander <bgoodlander@franklinma.gov> wrote:



Happy Peak of the Week Franklin,

We're scheduled for another OSRP focus group meeting - this time about the recently purchased Schmidt's Farm!

As a brief recap, the FCC held the first OSRP public hearing last night, February 21, at Town Hall. Participating residents were able to learn about the OSRP, its process, benefits, and how to get involved. In case you missed the meeting, a recording can be found [here](#). The FCC also held a focus group meeting held on February 9 - School Recreation Facilities and Parks (ADA Compliance Included) - which can be found [here](#). Feel free to watch these recordings at your convenience and provide any comments or questions via this [Google form](#).

I'll keep the rest of this email brief! The next focus group meeting is on **Schmidt's Farm tomorrow February 22 from 6-7p in Council Chambers at Town Hall**. We know this is a big ticket item for the community so start brainstorming ideas now. In the interim, please feel free to utilize this [OSRP map](#) to become familiar with Schmidt's Farm digitally or review the below screenshot. Town property, including Schmidt's Farm, is shown in gray.

Come learn about the history of Schmidt Farm, its potential, and provide input on what you would like to see - the sky's the limit for your ideas!



The next focus group meeting is on the Riverbend Conservation Area on March 9.

FOCUS GROUP MEETINGS		OFFICE HOURS	
THEME	DATE	THEME	DATE
SPORTS & RECREATION PROGRAMS	JAN 12	SPORTS & RECREATION PROGRAMS	JAN 13
MUNICIPAL RECREATION FACILITIES & PARKS	JAN 26	MUNICIPAL RECREATION FACILITIES & PARKS	JAN 27
SCHOOL RECREATION FACILITIES & PARKS	FEB 9	SCHOOL RECREATION FACILITIES & PARKS	FEB 10
SCHMIDT FARM	FEB 23	SCHMIDT FARM	FEB 24
RIVERBEND CONSERVATION AREA	MAR 9	RIVERBEND CONSERVATION AREA	MAR 10
MAPLE HILL	MAR 23	MAPLE HILL	MAR 24
DELICATE AND BEAVER POND	APR 6	DELICATE AND BEAVER POND	APR 7
FORESTS, TREES, GREENSPACE, AND OTHER CONSERVATION LANDS	APR 20	FORESTS, TREES, GREENSPACE, AND OTHER CONSERVATION LANDS	APR 21
HABITAT PROTECTION, ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION, OTHER CONSERVATION LANDS	MAY 4	HABITAT PROTECTION, ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION, OTHER CONSERVATION LANDS	MAY 5
OPEN SPACE ACCESSIBILITY, TRAILS, BIKEPATHS, TOWN CONNECTIVITY	MAY 18	OPEN SPACE ACCESSIBILITY, TRAILS, BIKEPATHS, TOWN CONNECTIVITY	MAY 19
ALL FOCUS GROUP MEETINGS ARE FROM 6-7P IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS OR ON ZOOM		PUBLIC HEARINGS	
ALL OFFICE HOURS ARE FROM 10-11A IN ROOM 200A OR ON ZOOM		THEME	DATE
SEVEN ADDITIONAL MEETINGS AND OFFICE HOURS TO BE DETERMINED PLEASE SEE THE POSTED AGENDA FOR THE ZOOM LINK		2016 OSRP REVIEW AND CURRENT PRIORITIES	FEB 21
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Breeka Li Goodlander <bgoodlander@franklinma.gov>

Smith Farm?

1 message

Mike <mbernier56@gmail.com>
To: bgoodlander@franklinma.gov

Fri, Jan 27, 2023 at 6:00 PM

Saw your video. A few years ago, my veterans group reached out to me with the idea of creating a place to have a coffee at some farm house that was being restored. We should talk!



Breeka Li Goodlander <bgoodlander@franklinma.gov>

Re: [franklinma] Introduction and Inquiry: Helping with Local Open (Sent by Dan Brown, dan@kapitolphotography.com)

1 message

Dan Brown <dan@kapitolphotography.com>
To: Breeka Li Goodlander <bgoodlander@franklinma.gov>

Tue, May 16, 2023 at 10:32 PM

Hi Breeka,

No worries — I totally understand as I'm someone who often responds to emails where a letter via the Pony Express may have arrived at a quicker pace.

I would love to join you all this Thursday but I am actually participating in a [panel discussing the foundation of Boston's Walking City Trail](#). I don't mean to humblebrag, only to explain that part of the discussion is about the accessible outdoors in one's own backyard and it's one of the major reasons why I reached out to you in the first place as I'd love to assist, as noted below, in any way I can with Franklin's Open Space and its multitude of uses.

So while I can't join you all Thursday unfortunately, I'd be happy to meet up at any future group discussions or volunteer projects with either my camera in hand or a trail building tool.

Best,
Dan

On May 16, 2023, at 1:29 PM, Breeka Li Goodlander <bgoodlander@franklinma.gov> wrote:

Afternoon Dan,

My apologies for the late response. I was out of the state.

I am tickled that you reached out with interest in volunteer work. I think it would be worthy to meet in person and discuss your future vision/goals and where the Town could best use some help. What are you doing this Thursday? We will be having our final OSRP focus group meeting and would love to have you join!

Breeka LÍ (Bree-kah Lie)

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On Thu, May 11, 2023 at 4:44 PM Contact form at franklinma <cmsmailer@civicplus.com> wrote:

Hello bgoodlander,

Dan Brown (dan@kapitolphotography.com) has sent you a message via your contact form (<https://www.franklinma.gov/user/11596/contact>) at franklinma.

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Message:

Dear Ms. Goodlander,

I hope this email finds you well. My name is Dan Brown, and I'm a resident of Franklin. I wanted to reach out and introduce myself as someone interested in getting involved with the local efforts surrounding recreation in our town's open spaces, particularly in addressing trail issues in Franklin State Forest.

To give you some background, I've been actively engaged in the outdoor industry as a photographer for over 15 years, primarily capturing winter action sports. However, my passion for outdoor activities has grown in recent years, and I've become an enthusiastic mountain biker. As part of my involvement in the community, I've joined the Blackstone Valley chapter of the New England Mountain Bike Association (NEMBA).

Recently, I had the opportunity to participate in NEMBA's Trail School, where I learned about designing, building, and maintaining sustainable mountain bike trails. This hands-on course covered important aspects such as tool and group safety, trail design, assessment, and bench cutting.

With my background and passion for outdoor recreation, I'd love to contribute to the conservation efforts and sustainable recreation in Franklin — I understand the significance of preserving our natural resources and maintaining the ecological balance while enjoying these spaces responsibly.

I'm reaching out to inquire about any potential volunteer opportunities or projects where I can lend a hand. If you have any suggestions or recommendations, I'm all ears.

Best regards,

Dan Brown
508 989 0931
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@kapitolphoto

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Franklin Greenway

1 message

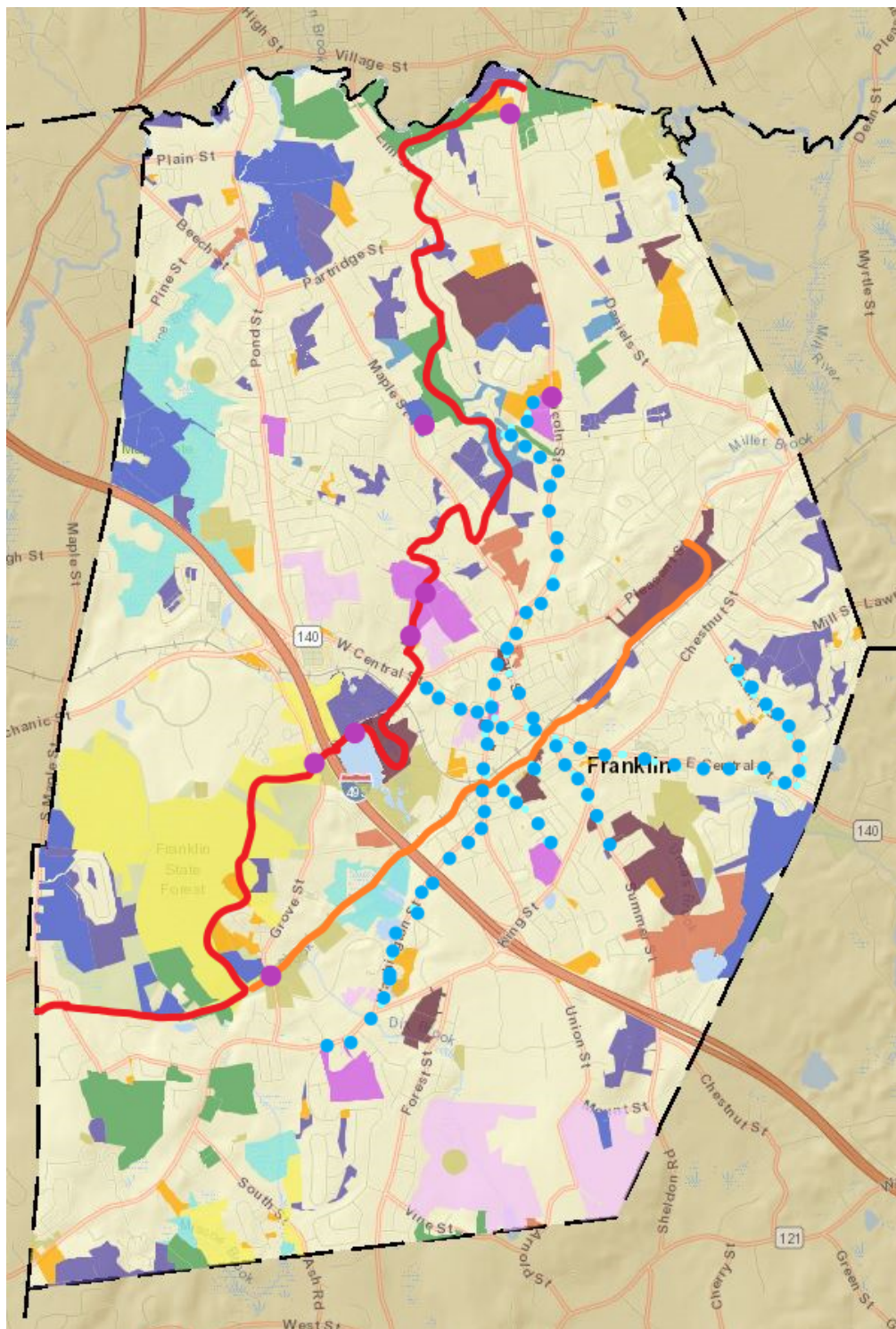
Cobi Frongillo <cfrongillo@franklinma.gov>

Fri, Apr 21, 2023 at 11:49 AM

To: Breeka Li Goodlander <bgoodlander@franklinma.gov>

Hi Breeka,

This is the *rough* sketch I threw together a few years ago of a potential "Franklin Greenway" (**red on the map below**), using the [Open Space](#) map to maximize the amount of trail/public land usage.



Pros:

- connects trails at Riverbend, Maple Hill, Keller-Sullivan, High School, Sculpture Park, Beaver Pond, Franklin Forest, and SNETT
- there are 7 existing town-owned parking lots (**purple dots**) along the route
 - ignore the one at Labastie

Problem areas:

- need to purchase the Dellea property
- need small cut-throughs on property owned by Masto Drive LLC (220-055-000-000) and John Donovan (220-015-000-000)
- need a cut-through under the power lines (294-008-000-000)
- Worst stretches (all under half a mile):

- Dellea property to DPW property on Elm
- Crossing 140 to the start of the Beaver Pond rec area
- end of the Beaver Pond rec area to the Franklin Forest parking lot

Other colors on map:

- **Orange:** ideal would still be to have the option to turn onto a Rail Trail that extended to the Crossing and down Cottage, and then even that connected through the woods from Downtown to Del Carte
- **Blue dots:** other key areas of existing/future connectivity

Other properties that weren't on my mind at the time (blue on attached map):

- Schmidt's Farm (could get off SNETT over to the farm)
- Lincoln St Farm (could avoid neighborhood stretch by going toward Dacey instead of Maple Hill)
- Dean College forest off Lincoln (could avoid neighborhood stretch and add parking by getting closer to Town property on Maple)

Let me know if you have any thoughts or would like to discuss!

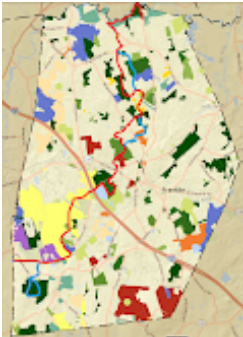
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FW: State Technical Urban Agriculture Meeting Follow Up

1 message

Downey, Michael (DCR) <michael.downey@state.ma.us>
To: Breeka Li Goodlander <bgoodlander@franklinma.gov>

Thu, Feb 16, 2023 at 1:29 PM

Good day,

Although municipalities are not eligible—this may be of use to some in the community, you personally, or if there will be a leaseholder involved in the new town farm.

If you want more details or background—let me know.

[Trails & Walkways Information](#)

Delaware Urban Farm and Food Resources, [here](#) and [here](#).

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From: Loomis, John - NRCS, Amherst, MA <John.Loomis@usda.gov>

Sent: Thursday, February 16, 2023 1:12 PM

To: Loomis, John - NRCS, Amherst, MA <John.Loomis@usda.gov>

Subject: State Technical Urban Agriculture Meeting Follow Up

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Hello all,

Thank you very much for joining earlier. Your feedback is much appreciated! Please join us once more on June 6th, invite to follow (no action required).

Attached, please find the slides with relevant resources embedded.

Also, please find the local working group resources courtesy of Austin (Austin Miles amilesmacd@gmail.com) and Michael (mleffmacd@gmail.com).

Here are the links that were shared in our chat:

[Trails & Walkways Information](#)

Delaware Urban Farm and Food Resources, [here](#) and [here](#).

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Stay in touch and have great days!

Best,

-Jack

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Breeka Li Goodlander <bgoodlander@franklinma.gov>

Re: OSRP Launch Inquiry

1 message

Roy Batchelder <schmidtsfarm@verizon.net>
 To: Breeka Li Goodlander <bgoodlander@franklinma.gov>

Fri, Feb 24, 2023 at 5:41 PM

Hi Breeka Li,

We watched the program last night. Looked like you had some people that are very much interested in helping out in sharing ideas for use of the property.

I really liked the idea of the community farm and giving kids a chance to learn how to grow the nutritious food that we all should be eating. The Food Pantry was another winner too. I also thought about the reference of the Norfolk Aggie, since my father was a 1934 graduate and learned so much about farming. I found some of his books from school back then. There are also records of the poultry and dairy operation also that they raised in the early years. It feels like I am walking in my father's footsteps as I am going through his tax records that I found in the attic.

I liked the idea of the wildlife release program since there are coyotes, deer, wild turkeys and always lots of birds. Like she said, she couldn't release them from her apartment building.

I also thought of another activity for anyone who likes to look at the night sky. It is a good place to check out because of the limited amount of light sources. The shooting stars that they have at all different times of year are amazing.

The photos seemed to go over really well too.

Linda Batchelder

On Thursday, February 23, 2023 at 10:00:36 AM EST, Breeka Li Goodlander <bgoodlander@franklinma.gov> wrote:

Great, thank you! I knew I didn't remember the story right so I'm very glad I reached out for clarification.

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On Thu, Feb 23, 2023 at 9:59 AM Roy Batchelder <schmidtsfarm@verizon.net> wrote:

Hi Breeka Li

Roy said that my dad didn't found it. The Hale Reservation was a project that the Soil Conservation Commission was involved in as part of the WDCC (Westwood/Dover Conservation Commission).

My grandfather and dad were members of the Norfolk Soil Conservation District that was based in Walpole, Mass. They were recognized in by the Commission in 1955 as Outstanding District Cooperators. They were awarded a Certificate of Merit at their Annual Election Meeting.

Hope you have a good turnout at your meeting tonight.

Linda Batchelder

On Thursday, February 23, 2023 at 08:45:41 AM EST, Breeka Li Goodlander <bgoodlander@franklinma.gov> wrote:

Morning Linda,

Thanks so much for the photos! I have them all scanned in so I can return them to you asap.

Quick question - what was the Conservation District that your father founded again? Wrentham Conservation Commission?

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On Wed, Feb 22, 2023 at 4:21 PM Roy Batchelder <schmidtsfarm@verizon.net> wrote:

Hi Breeka,

I would be glad to share our family history with you anytime. My dad passed away in 1992 due to heart trouble and my mom died in 1995 in an accident on Route 140. The property was under the care of the three of us children. We are equal shareholders and in was decided to keep farming until John, who is the oldest would be ready to quit. We have been Schmidt's Farm, Inc. since 1997 and continued to harvest various vegetables which we sold to some customers and sold construction hay to developers. This all was fine until they started to use the tube system for soil erosion and called it quilts in 2016. Since the farm was our only source of income, it was time to look into put it up for sale. After working with three different developers, and waiting six long years with nothing but promises, we decided to take the town's offer which will preserve my grandfather and father's dream of open space and possibly a community farm. There was kite flying and snow tubing in the winter with her cousins. Going way back in time when I was a kid we did use the pond for ice skating in the winter and swimming in the summer.

I have some older pictures of the barn being built in 1945-6 in sequence. I also have some pictures of my dad with his friends playing baseball in the field behind the barn. They had picnics in the field when their Latvian family and friends came to visit from the Boston area. Many of them would come out to buy eggs, apples and other produce several times a year.

I have a lot of family history done on Ancestry which I will be using to create a book of our family history at some point in time. Maybe I can get this done by the end of summer. I have the title in mind already "The Legacy of the Schmidt Family Farm". I have been cleaning out the attic and my father had boxes of old tax returns and books for the hay that was made and books on the chickens and milk that was produced. There were names of people that helped out on the farm too.

Give me a call at 508-528-2718 and we can talk about meeting up again.

Thanks

Linda Batchelder

On Wednesday, February 22, 2023 at 11:10:25 AM EST, Breeka Li Goodlander <bgoodlander@franklinma.gov> wrote:

Morning Linda,

I hope you are doing well! I was wondering if we could talk sometime today about the farm and its history? The Commission has a meeting tomorrow from 6-7p tomorrow and I'd love it if you could attend (perhaps with your father?) to speak to this history of the property and/or if you are unable to attend I was wondering if you could share more of the history with me so I can present the property honorably?

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On Wed, Jan 18, 2023 at 11:47 AM Roy Batchelder <schmidtsfarm@verizon.net> wrote:
Hi Breeka,

We met last week when you were out at Schmidt's Farm. I want to mention that I would love to see a dog park developed on the property.

When will the video that you were recording be shown to the public? I would love to see it.

If you would like to know more about the history of the property, just ask.

Thanks

Linda Batchelder

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Re: OSRP - Schmidt Farm - Thursday, February 23

Susan Speers <susanspeers@gmail.com>
To: Breeka Li Goodlander <bgoodlander@franklinma.gov>

Thu, Feb 23, 2023 at 9:30 AM

Hi. I assume there will be a link on the town's website today... I will log in from home.

I have realized that I will be out of town on March 23, when Maple Hill will come up. I am asking others on our Board to be sure to at least appear virtually and possibly in person for that focus group. And, we are likely to submit a written comment on MH, and perhaps on Schmidt also, but we'll wait to decide about that.

Are you hearing within the building that MLT is still the #1 candidate to eventually hold the CR on Maple Hill? I have not heard from anyone about Schmidt. Also not sure if Con Com itself wants that big a role in future management of either -- which of course is something that came up in general terms in the hearing Tuesday. Any open space property of this size (i.e. both) will need careful planning and management by the Town.

Hope to stay in contact. Your process looks good!

Susan Speers
Board of Directors (one of 13, Breeka, not "THE director"!!)
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On Wed, Feb 22, 2023 at 5:58 PM Breeka Li Goodlander <bgoodlander@franklinma.gov> wrote:
Good Evening Everyone,

It's come to my attention that there is a typo in the email I sent earlier today. My apologies for any confusion! Please note that the OSRP focus group meeting for Schmidt's Farm is **tomorrow February 23**.

See you then,

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Fwd: Open Space and Recreation

1 message

Ryan Jette <rjette@franklinma.gov>

Mon, Nov 28, 2022 at 5:48 PM

To: Breeka Li Goodlander <bgoodlander@franklinma.gov>

Some ideas "wishlist" for capital improvements are: (in no particular order)

- Nason Street Tot Lot- **New playground equipment for 2-5 year olds which is completely ADA compliant with a poured in place surface.**
 - Fletcher Field Playground (front structure and surfacing)- **New playground equipment for 6-12 year olds which is completely ADA compliant with a poured in place surface.**
 - King Street Memorial Park Master Plan- **New concession/restroom building, field lights on soccer field, parking with lighting in lot, new playground equipment, a small splash pad, 4 additional pickleball courts**
 - Dacey Field playground- **New playground equipment for 6-12 year olds which is completely ADA compliant with a poured in place surface.**
 - Horace Mann Fields and track improvements (behind school)- **New field event area with shot put, discus and poured in place javelin run up area, playing field to be leveled, loamed, graded and seeded with irrigation.**
 - Beaver Pond scoreboard and press box- **New Daktronics scoreboard with elevated 20' X 8' container pressbox**
 - Remington basketball courts (post tension concrete)-
 - FHS Baseball/softball restroom facility- **Small pre-fabricated concession/restroom building for the 4 ballfields at FHS**
 - FHS stadium bleachers (visitors side)- **Remove existing and erect new bleachers for 500-1000 seats on visitors side**
 - Dacey Field restroom facility- **Small pre-fabricated concession/restroom building for the fields at Dacey Field**
 - Front turf at FHS resurfaced- **Front turf field at FHS will need to be resurfaced in 2026**
 - FHS Tennis courts resurfaced (post tensioned concrete)- **Courts will need to be resurfaced in 2026**
 - BMX pump track **Dreaming**
- That is all I can think of now. Carlos, Mike or Lucas?

Brian, I'll work on a current list of programs we run at Franklin Rec. It is an extensive list so it may take some time. Thanks, see you all on December 7, at 1:00pm.

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Open Space

General Ideas

- Make short term, mid term, long term goals under schedule?
- Create a website showing what is planned and completed

Idea Ideas

- Expand community garden
- Splash pad – for urban heat island effect
- Green infrastructure internships? Resident volunteer? Adopt a raingarden or CB? For raingarden maintenance issues
- Walking tour of Franklin – history, pictures of what places used to look like (work with historical society or Alan Earls has a book?)
- New “friends” of Franklin group
- Community tree planting events
- Information on local climate change impacts and steps residents can take to prepare, for example how to prepare for more rainfall
- Beer garden in public parks (with igloos in winter), canoe for rent – not a lot to do for adults per last year’s resident survey
- Trail around Beaver Pond – issue with water department?

Land Acquisition Development

- Develop open space acquired by the Town at the end of Bridle Path
- Develop open space acquired by the Town on the Schmidt’s Farm, Inc. parcel off Prospect Street
- (I am not sure if this has been fully acquired yet) Develop open space acquired by the Town at the Dellea Property – off of Elm St

Google Form Responses

Timestamp	Please provide your suggestions and feedback below.
1/6/2023 8:55:44	You're doing amazing Breeka-Lil! Best conservation agent in the history of ever (which is a long time)
1/17/2023 14:48:02	<p>I would love to see the following: Additional public pickleball and tennis courts. Another disc golf course. Wind/Solar energy to transfer electric savings to residents Residents-only rec center that promotes activity during the winter when it's hardest to get outside. Sidewalks added throughout town and additional crosswalks in dangerous and popular crossing areas (Chestnut Street for example to Acorn Pl) Access to more scenic areas through trails. Paved bike trails. Additional parking for busy recreation areas that overflow.</p> <p>Thanks! Keep up the great work.</p>
1/18/2023 6:21:25	In regard to conservation areas, we need to put effort into removing invasive plants and replacing them with native species. This has to be an ongoing effort as the invasive plants will simply come back if there is no mechanism to keep them from doing so. Please consider volunteer opportunities to help with this, led by people who are experienced in this process.
1/18/2023 18:53:48	More spaces for sports
1/18/2023 18:54:55	I applaud the town of Franklin for saving this property from development, however, I would strongly suggest that the property (or the majority of it) remain in agricultural production. Massachusetts loses farmland at an alarming rate, and once gone, there is nothing to replace it. Our state has a good number of young farmers that cannot afford to purchase land, by leasing the property it would give the town a return on its investment while making farming more affordable to the next generation. I respectfully ask that you consider this option for the property's future use.
1/18/2023 18:56:54	Franklin Community Garden - where resident can rent plots of land to grow vegetables. Follow link for reference: https://patch.com/massachusetts/medfield/medfield-community-garden-sign-now
1/18/2023 20:00:50	I'm not sure what the plan is for the farm mentioned in the 2023 video, but I would love to be able walk fields/open space similar to that of the Leland Wild piece of conservation land in Norfolk. There are birdhouses lining portions of the path there. The open space is awesome.
1/18/2023 20:19:46	It would be great to have another turf field to alleviate the issue of town and high school teams continually vying over the one field at Beaver.
1/18/2023 22:52:57	<p>I think this is all fantastic! I would love to see the property used for hay (I would be a customer!) and I think it would be excellent to offer more gardening spaces to the community. I think there needs to be more encouragement to self-sustainability, and that would be a great way to support it. Walking trails would also be a wonderful addition!</p> <p>This is so exciting! Great work! As someone who navigates the world with disability, my top awareness is to develop spaces that are inclusive and accessible. There are a few main considerations to make this possible.</p> <p>One: Paved pathways and trails. Surfaces such as stone dust and compacted dirt are not accessible. Someone trying to navigate those surfaces with devices such as a walker or wheelchair face the issue of wheels getting stuck, as well as a very bumpy trek - imagine driving down a street full of potholes and that's what it feels like for someone in a wheelchair to be pushed on stone dust or compacted dirt. In addition, someone with balance challenges would fall over within a few steps due to the uneven surface. Please consider having paved pathways and trails.</p> <p>Two: Accessible entrances. Some locations, such as Del Carte in Franklin, are beautiful, but unfortunately are not inclusive, because it's impossible to get to the trail through the woods, or down/up the hill at the parking area, for someone with physical challenges. I tried accessing it in a wheelchair, and it did not go well. Please consider having paved, properly inclined paths leading from parking to any recreational areas.</p> <p>Three: Bathrooms. This benefits anyone, but especially those who have any challenges neurologically or other, with needing to use a restroom frequently.</p> <p>Four: Playground surfaces and structures. Mulch, rubber pellets, and sand present barriers to those using mobility devices, have balance issues, or physical limitations. Please consider playground surfaces that are something such as the flat rubber type. Please also consider inclusive playground equipment.</p> <p>Five: Seated areas. It's important to consider that many people will enjoy going for a walk around a park, but may need a break occasionally. Whether it's benches, picnic tables, or bleachers at a ball field, it's important to have seating options that are accessible from paved pathways. If there are benches or bleachers on grass, stonedust, compact dirt, etc, they are not accessible for someone with a wheelchair or walker, as well as present a challenge for someone with balance issues. Please consider seating areas that are accessible via paved pathways.</p> <p>*It could be very beneficial for those involved in this exciting project to actually borrow a wheelchair and a walker from the Senior Center and visit various recreational areas in Franklin to try using them themselves and see what it's like.. like research! Try to access DelCarte in a wheelchair (without anyone helping you, and with help). Try to walk across grass while blindfolded and recognize that balance challenge. Try to use a walker and a wheelchair on the SNET trail. Try to move through the Fletcher playground with a walker or in a wheelchair. This will be very beneficial for being able to relate to what individuals such as myself face on a daily basis. I'd be happy to go with you too!</p>
1/19/2023 8:55:32	Pump Track for Bikes (kid friendly)
1/24/2023 13:55:04	<p>I would love to see a dog park on the new property acquired by the Town of Franklin formerly known as Schmidt's Farm at 215 Prospect St. Also some kind of Community Farm, as like the one in Medway, Mass. Hiking trails for nature walks. If you do plan to save the barn, it could be another community center that could offer classes for artist, crafts and assorted workshops. (Kite making to fly in the field). Also when my daughter was younger she would fly model rockets off in the fields. We had a blast doing this.</p>
1/27/2023 8:52:04	Pollinator Pathway - Franklin would benefit from participating in the Pollinator Pathway program. It could be a great opportunity for a conservation-minded volunteer group to concentrate their efforts. There are many ways to participate, from labor intensive removal of invasive plants to basic education efforts. Existing groups that might be interested: Schools, Senior Center, Community Garden, Girl/Boy Scouts, Garden Club
2/3/2023 12:55:51	Pollinator Pathways - this program could dovetail nicely with the rain garden program, especially with the new stormwater utility fees going into effect
2/14/2023 13:41:11	<p>Hi, This is Sathish, a Franklin Resident. I would like to discuss about possibilities of getting a field allocated for the game 'Cricket'. There are number of kids in and around our community (Brookview) who are interested in the game and there are lot of cricket leagues happening in and around Massachusetts. Each town have their own cricket field, which can be used for various format of cricket games. I would like to have an appointment to discuss in person and share our thoughts on how we can expand the knowledge of the game and promote the same. Please let me know the best available time for a discussion. Thanks!</p>
2/21/2023 18:22:36	NEMBA would suggest opening up more recreational land for mountain biking trails, where we are proactive in constructing trails and bridges for use.

MEETING MINUTES

FRANKLIN CONSERVATION COMMISSION

OSRP MEETING Minutes

JANUARY 12, 2023

6:00 PM – 7:00 PM

TOPIC: SPORTS AND RECREATION PROGRAMS

Due to the concerns regarding the COVID-19 virus, this Open Space and Recreation Plan Meeting was available to be attended in person and via the ZOOM platform. In an effort to ensure citizen engagement, citizens were able to dial into the meeting using the provided phone number (Cell phone or Landline Required) OR citizens could participate by copying the link on the agenda or calling 929-205-6099. For those wishing to attend in person, the meeting is held in the Council Chambers, second floor of the Municipal Building.

Comments from the Public / Answers

Mark LePage (00:15:26) How do you feel the current field availability to support the programs is? There are a lot of programs.

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Ryan Jette (00:15:36) Yes, it is, our population at the elementary level is declining. I can't predict the future, I know Franklin is a busy town and a lot of kids are participating in the programs. I will say that, right now, I think we have adequate fields to support these programs. We don't need a whole new complex. My goal would be to improve our current facilities. We have a lot of great facilities in town, but some of them are aging. King Street Memorial Park, the building is aging, the roofing is starting to deteriorate, the façade is crumbling, and they have had to replace the roof already. We house our summer camp there, so that would be the next big project I see coming down the pipe. We have Community Preservation Funds now in town, I think some of these renovations will tap into those funds to restore some of our existing facilities. I don't think we need to provide a whole new recreation facility; I think improving our existing facilities first, and then maybe thinking about branching out and building a new large facility.

Pat Gallagher (00:17:06) Wondering if there are any particular programs where, in terms of participation, you are seeing a lot of growth, or if you are seeing contraction, or what the next pickle ball is.

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Ryan Jette (00:17:40) Regarding pickle ball, I think you hit the nail on the head. Right now we need to address that quickly. There are a lot of residents who are now into pickle ball. When we offer a class and instructional program, it sells out in minutes. We are constantly trying to create new offerings of pickle ball, but it's so popular that we just can't keep up. If you ask anyone in any other community, finding quality instructors to teach the program is really challenging. We've got two great instructors; Terry Mello and Harold Benson who is starting to help out as well. But really, keeping up with the

courts, we need to build four new courts minimum. You go to King Street Saturday morning, there is a line of people waiting to play. We built this cool little thing where if you're waiting you can put your paddle in a little slot, and you just take them in the order they were placed in, and we will put that up in the spring and see how it goes. We have seen a little bit of surge in our tackle football program. Soccer is always going to be popular; it's a sport you can start when you're young, and you don't need sticks or equipment to buy. Boys' lacrosse is doing good; girls' lacrosse is doing good. Our flag football program is starting to creep back up. Pre-covid we had 575 kids, and then we took a bit of a nosedive into the 400s, and we are starting to see that number come back up. I think the pandemic had a bit to do with participation, but I think the other big thing that's happening now is e-sports (video games) and is one of the fastest growing programs across the country. You are starting to see colleges now giving scholarships to kids to come in and play video games. I think it has now surpassed the NFL in terms of revenue.

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Pat Gallagher (00:20:53) Are you guys doing anything in the e-sport area?

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Ryan Jette (00:20:58) Yes, we have a mobile gaming truck coming to the Rec Department tomorrow (January 13) set up in the parking lot from 12:30 to 2:30 for the kids. So, you will see a large truck parked in our parking lot and pizza and drinks for the kids, we will have 16 kids showing up, it sold out. They will go into the truck, there are monitors throughout the truck, and different games going on and kids playing against each other. It's pretty cool to see.

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Pat Gallagher (00:21:30) Another area I was wondering about, I think there is a lot of focus on the youth side, the e-sports plays into this, compared to middle-high school and adults. Right now, is there enough bandwidth to focus on older kids and adult programming, or is your focus primarily on youth? I know in middle and high school, I hear anecdotally about how travel programs are becoming much more prevalent right now, and the middle and high school programs are much more competitive, so you have a lot of kids left without an opportunity to join a team. It seems like the Rec. Department would be a great place for them if you have the bandwidth, but I think that is the question.

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Ryan Jette (00:22:30) I think every community struggles with, specifically, the high school kids. In Franklin we have a large school, so for instance, I have 160 kids in 7th and 8th grade basketball. Say, 80 of those kids are trying out for the team next year. There are 15 spots on that freshman basketball team, and 65 kids who will be disappointed not to make the team and continue playing. So, we provide an intramural program for basketball, but that's just one sport and because our numbers are so high. Basketball is a 5 on 5 sport, so it is pretty easy to divide 40 kids into teams and have your own league for them, but a lot of other towns don't have those numbers. It is hard, because you can't run a league with small amounts of kids, you need volume. I would love to run a baseball league, but Franklin Youth Baseball is doing that already. I would also love to be able to offer girls softball, because there are a lot of girls who play softball. We have tried to offer adult programs in the past, but for some reason adults just

want to show up and play. They don't want to sign up and register for anything like a league. They just do pickup, so we do pickup leagues where they show up and play at King Street Park, Fletcher Field, we have street hockey league on Saturday and Sunday mornings at Fletcher field at the new rink. Those are all adults, it's not run by us but we make the courts available, the nets available, reserve it for them, and paint the lines for them, but they do not want us to run the program. They would rather just show up, do it themselves, not have to pay a fee and be obligated. So, it is just a challenge to get adults to register. We do have seniors who are playing pickle ball at the Rec. Department, and I know the Senior Center has a whole slough of programs they are running too. The adult programming is very tricky, especially when you don't have a full size facility. We have a small facility-gym at the Rec. Department. I know Adult Education is also doing basketball for adults, and that is a great program that's been run forever. That goes back to my idea that I think if it's already being run, we shouldn't be duplicating services. If people have suggestions about programs they would like to see us run, I am always open to new suggestions and to running things and offering new programs. We love to do that, we have just done it and been denied so many times before by low enrollment. I have been talking with one of our new tax-workoff employees—Steve Scazza—he's still in touch with a lot of parents of kids who went through our programs. He wants to get back the coaches we used to have and start a men's adult basketball league at the Rec. Department in the springtime.

Jeff Milne (00:26:24) Do you have any programs for the seniors or the Senior Center?

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Ryan Jette (00:26:40) We don't run programs for the Senior Center, they run a whole slough of programs on their own. We have worked with them to offer up some of our space that they can use. We do community tennis, we will put the lights on all the way through Halloween of every year that they can use. Once the spring starts you will see the lights on every night until 9:00-9:15pm. I have a small group of people that call me and say they are going to play tennis there and ask if the lights can be left on later, and I work with them. Other than that, the Senior Center does their own programs that I try not to get involved with stepping on their toes on, but we are happy to support them with anything they need from us.

Pat Gallagher (00:28:50) How are you seeing, in terms of demand, how often are people and events needing to reserve field and court space. Are you finding that there is enough availability, or has it become harder to reserve a space for people who might need it or want it for one-off types of events?

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Ryan Jette (00:29:10) Yes, it's a challenge. In the fall and in the spring, Monday through Friday from 5:00 to 9:00, you are not going to find an open field in town. On Saturdays from 8:00 in the morning to 5:00 in the afternoon, you are probably not going to find an open field. Sundays, there might be some availability, but boys lacrosse and girls lacrosse play on Sundays. So I would say seven days a week our fields are being used, so there is always going to be a need. Indoor space I think is the real crunch, in wintertime especially. There's just not enough open gymnasiums, and we use all the school gyms for MetroWest and CYO basketball 6 days a week, and then on Saturdays I am using it

all day for the rec basketball league. So, I think open gym would be something that's needed in town. We tried to offer that during the winter break for high school and college kids at our gymnasium; we got quite a few kids that booked hours at our gym and come into to just shoot hoops. So, I think indoor space is the real need, and then grass and turf fields are being used by our youth sports groups. So, if you're just a dad with a couple of kids and want to go down to play with them, you can always find a patch of grass, but all the premium fields are going to be pretty much booked up with the youth sports groups, so I think that's the tough one. But, in terms of facilities, basketball courts are at a premium, you got Fletcher, and we've got Remington-Jefferson with one court, and King Street has one court, and then there is a bunch of hoops at various schools that are not considered full court basketball, but if you are just going to shoot around you can certainly find hoops at Horace Mann or Keller-Sullivan and even Davis Thayer still has a hoop even though the school is not open. Parmenter has a basketball hoop, so I think finding courts is a little challenging, especially during the summer months when all the kids are home and they are looking to do pickup basketball. I don't think Franklin is any different than any town though; if you go to any town in Massachusetts and ask about weeknight and Saturday times, you are going to struggle to find open fields just because of the youth sports programs.

Meghann Hagen (00:32:12) Circling back to Pat's question, do you foresee yourself having enough bandwidth/manpower in your staff to get through any growing sports that we will have over the next seven years or so?

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Ryan Jette (00:32:32) Yes, I do; we are very lucky because it was just me and one employee before, and so now we have four of us. In the 24 years I have been here, this is the best it's ever been. I'm grateful to Jamie for allowing us to have more staff, and I think the demand really drove that. The numbers of people coming out to play and use facilities has really sparked a lot of interest and brings in a lot of revenue so we are able to support the extra staff. So, I am very confident that our staff can handle the next five years and beyond.

Jeff Milne (00:33:10) There was talk about the town acquiring new facilities, but are you eyeing any space for new programs?

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Ryan Jette (00:33:18) The one large space that I have been looking at, obviously it would take a lot of funding to build, would be behind the Elks Hall by the Country Day Camp, I think the Town has about 80 acres there that would be nice for passive recreation. But, I think improving existing facilities would be my top priority right now rather than going and spending a lot of funding on a new one. I am very conservative by nature, I like to be choosy on how we spend the town's funding. We certainly want to improve the existing facilities before we go and construct a whole new facility, and also I would want to consult with our DPW, because ultimately they are the ones who are going to have to mow the grass and take out the trash and do all the work, so we want to be mindful of that as well so that we don't build something we can't maintain. I think focusing on our existing facilities, that being King Street Memorial Park; we are looking at putting in a brand new playground at Nason Street Tot Lot at the end of March as soon as the weather

breaks. We are going to be adding new grass facilities behind the Beaver Pond area there, putting in a new irrigation system to finish that off. We are going to be looking to put a restroom facility at Dacey Community Field. Right now we are using portable toilets and it doesn't work too well. We are getting a lot more volume of people right now and playing disk golf, using the dog park at all the facilities down there, so we are going to be looking to put a restroom facility there. In addition, the Franklin High School baseball and softball fields don't have restrooms, so we are going to be looking to put a restroom facility there. Again, this is all just improving our existing facilities and not really constructing a whole new complex if you will.

Michael Rein (00:35:38) I know that Franklin Lifelong Learning offers adults some adults sports like volley ball, basketball, yoga, are you affiliated with them at all?

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Ryan Jette (00:35:45) No, that's run by the School Department. They have been doing those programs since I have been here. I would not be looking to try to offer those programs and conflict with them, they do a great job with those programs. I have had many discussions with the directors over the years who run those programs and always supported them. I am happy to support them any way I can.

Mark LePage (00:36:28) Question on Youth Football, if Pop Warner still there?

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Ryan Jette (00:36:35) It is not, it is American Youth Football now. AYF is the new league that all of the hockomock teams have adopted. The reason why is Pop Warner football was more age and weight based, and heavier kids couldn't play and older lighter kids could play down. So, American Youth Football is all done by age, or what grade they are in, so they have a second grade team, third grade team, fourth grade team, a fifth grade team and so on.

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Mark LePage (00:37:12) So do they need help contributing anything to field maintenance or anything like that? They're collecting dues for their organization, are they helping with that?

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Ryan Jette (00:37:24) So none of the youth sports organizations in Franklin pay a user fee. They all contribute in other ways, they pay to do the trash and recycling. If something needs to be done at one of the fields, most of the organizations in our town are very generous. They'll put in fencing, or they'll fix irrigation, or they'll share cost with DPW on our field rehab. So we found it much more effective to work with them and not fee them to death. I know a lot of other towns charge a \$5 or \$10 per player fee, and I feel that the goodwill goes away. I mentioned this at a Town Council meeting, but one of the things I didn't realize is that, when you start charging a fee, you are liable. You are responsible for any injury that occurs. If you are not charging a fee, I don't think you are liable, that's from Mark Cerel anyway. We have always floated the idea of charging youth sports groups a user fee, and I always thought it was a bad idea because they are actually contributing to help with projects. So, if you start charging everyone a fee, then next time that something happens to a field or the area around in, like irrigation or a fence breaks, then those people who are paying a fee will be telling the Rec. Department that

the town bears the full responsibility of fixing it. This way that we have now, it's a lot more effective to work together collaboratively to build the program and make sure we maintain the facilities. I know Carlos feels the same way at the DPW, and they work well with them.

Pat Gallagher (00:39:25) In terms of programming, I don't think you mentioned anything about swimming. Are there any swimming programs that are run either through you guys, or that you help maintain?

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Ryan Jette (00:39:48) Swimming is something that we used to do, but lifeguards are not cheap. They are hard to find, and it's hard to convince college and high school kids to work at some place like Beaver Pond for seven weeks when they could be working in a pool in a temperature controlled environment, and where they might not have to worry about cancellation of their shift due to rain. I'm on board with all the MetroWest Recreation directors, and it is a constant struggle for them to find lifeguards that provide swimming lessons, and the LSO swimming teaching certification is very expensive to get. So, it is a money loser to run a swimming facility, and we have got some great ones in town. You have the YMCA, the Adirondack Club, and I know a lot of people at our last Open Space and Rec Plan suggested to open a town pool. That is something to consider. I think it is a lot of maintenance and, given our water bans and whatnot, might be a drain on our resources a little bit. But, we have done the swimming lessons thing. We open Beaver Pond up to swim, but we don't offer lessons. We had a number of facilities that are offering swimming lessons, and they do a good job of it, so I didn't feel like the town itself should get into that business.

Breeka Li Goodlander (00:41:35) Could you explain how the Open Space Plan actually helps the Recreation Department, facilities, programs, how of is a benefit to your department?

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Ryan Jette (00:41:50) It is a big benefit. I read that from cover to cover and I take all the suggestions and read all the surveys and react to them. I was the one who did the ADA assessment of all our parks and playgrounds and went out there saw what it was like to try to access playgrounds and all the areas of our parks. I use that information every day of my work experience to try to make things better here. I really appreciate feedback from people, I don't think I know everything in terms of recreation in town. I have been here a long time so I know a lot of history, and if there is something we can be doing better or more efficiently I am all ears and I love to hear feedback from the town.

Mark LePage (00:45:10) Do you see a big draw for disc golf/ Frisbee golf?

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Ryan Jette (00:45:16) Absolutely, if you go to Dacey Community Field on Saturdays, you will see a group of them on the fields. We have a pretty good group of volunteers there too that help out with bringing out the trash. It's a big thing right now, and there are a lot of residents there, but there are a lot of non-residents, and I'm sure they are somewhat stimulating our businesses. But, if there was a way that we could somehow charge a fee to those groups who are from out of town. It does not bother me that we

have non-residents, but it bothers me that the volume of non-residents that come into the park that are not taxpayers and do not pay a fee. We have a great group of guys out there though; if there is a blowdown or something dangerous or blocking trails, they will let us know and we will let DPW know and they will address it. It is a real big draw, one of the top three courses in the state, and the fact that it's free attracts a lot of people.

Meghann Hagen (00:47:07) I would love to see the footing and playground at Dacey's be updated. I think the woodchips are really hard for disabled persons in a wheelchair or walker to get around.

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Ryan Jette (00:47:30) Dacey is #4 on my list of capital projects, so Nason Street Tot Lot will be finished this spring, Fletcher Field Playground, we will be going to the Community Preservation Committee this spring to ask for funding to finish it. We just got a state grant for \$50,000 to fix that front structure that is very outdated. We have King Street Memorial Park Master Plan; we are working on the new building, some field lighting, fixing the parking lot and playground there, possibly putting in a splashpad—would all be recycled water—and then pickle ball courts. After that, then we have Dacey Field, so that is on the list of things that's going to be fixed.

FRANKLIN CONSERVATION COMMISSION

OSRP MEETING Minutes

JANUARY 26, 2023

6:00 PM – 7:00 PM

TOPIC: MUNICIPAL RECREATION FACILITIES AND PARKS (ADA COMPLIANCE INCLUDED)

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Comments from the Public / Answers

Jeff Milne (00:16:06) Are we meeting the town's needs. What more do we need to give for the town for planning to build over the next ten years or so?

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Ryan Jette (00:16:14) I feel that we are meeting the needs. I have a list of activities that are currently available throughout the town and it is quite lengthy. I feel like we are meeting the needs with our facilities, it is just maintaining and keeping up to date with all of the parks and playgrounds to make sure we are fixing anything broken or out of compliance. So, that is what we are doing right now, looking around town at our existing facilities to maintain or improve them to make them better.

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Pat Gallagher (00:17:06) It sounds like for current town projects, it is mainly around the King Street Memorial, Fletcher, and Nason Street lots. Are those the ones that are being worked on?

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Ryan Jette (00:17:21) In this order, I would say Nason Street Tot Lot would be the first one you will see done; Fletcher Field Playground will be the second one done (just the front structure, the rear structure is fairly new). We just got a \$50,000 grant from the state to do that, and I am going to be going to the Community Preservation Committee in about a month to ask for an additional \$150,000. We want to put in a rubberized surface and a new playground in front. After that, we are looking at King Street Memorial Park, who as I said before are working on a new master plan to do a new building, splash pad, lights, parking, some additional playground equipment, and new pickleball courts. After that we will be looking to do the Dacey Field Playground over, that one is aging and was built back in 2007. At Horace Mann, behind the school, there is an old abandoned field, which we used as a staging area for building the High School, and when the High School

was done the Horace Mann lot was stripped of the loom and now needs to be redone. We would like to fix it up to make it better for field events. Then, at beaver Pond we are looking to replace the scoreboard and install a press box, so our high school students can use the sports recruiting app Huddle with it. Then, there is Remington Jefferson basketball courts which are going to need to be redone soon. Franklin High School Softball Field has no restrooms there, so we are going to be looking to install some there. Dacey Community Field also does not have restroom facilities, so we will be looking to get some built there. The stadium field at the High School, the bleachers on the visitor's side are falling apart and need to be done over. The front turf at Franklin High School will eventually need to be resurfaced. The tennis courts at the High School are also showing stress cracks in the asphalt and we would be looking to do post-tension concrete.

Meghann Hagen (00:20:54) I know from some answers we have received back so far, one thing that came up was a request for additional tennis courts. Looking at the fact that you are putting in pickleball courts, I have seen courts that are both tennis and pickleball, would that be something we could look at for King Street as a possible solution?

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Ryan Jette (00:21:15) I am not sure where you heard that concern that we don't have enough tennis courts, I have seen them full but I have also seen them empty at many times. So, if there is a need, I would hope that people, when they are filling out their Open Space and Recreation surveys, would include that. If we did, I don't think King Street Park would be the location for it, we don't have enough space there. The little space that we do have between the community garden and the little league baseball field is where we are looking to put the four additional pickleball courts. It is not set in stone yet, and we did hear of one complaint of pickleball in that location, but that would be my choice only because we already have two courts there. Pickleball is like a community event, and we get a lot of people who want to play each other in that one location, so that would be ideal. If there was a need for tennis courts, we could possibly look at Franklin High School behind the tennis courts next to Conservation Land, and see if we could use that location.

Meghann Hagen (00:23:05) Regarding some of the ADA compliance and some of the playgrounds, especially the new playgrounds coming in, and looking at what we are qualifying as ADA compliant vs. really accessible, what plans do we have in place for accessibility and inclusion in the playgrounds going in? For example, Dacey's community playground is technically ADA compliant, but speaking to some of my friends with small children in wheelchairs and walkers, they still can't use that playground. So, what sort of plans are we looking at to be more inclusive with our playgrounds?

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Gus Brown (00:24:00) Starting with what our Architects Access Board needs for playgrounds in Massachusetts, they have specific rules for how you put in a brand new playground. Sometimes the topography may not allow us to put in everything we need to put in. There was some talk years ago about whether or not mulch would allow a wheelchair to traverse over it, and we found it made traversal very difficult without help. I think Ryan's goal over the years is to do the best he could with the facilities, and if we

put in a new facility, it should be 100% accessible to the extent of what a playground requires. That is our goal and our hope. Sometimes the topography makes it difficult to completely do that. Ryan has done a fantastic job with what facilities we have now, but in the future we want to try to get where we need to be, and specifically, you could help out by providing specific locations where it might be a challenge to traverse, and we will look into it. Maybe a grant for pavement will be needed, but you try not to put asphalt at a playground besides access. I don't want to say it is an unfriendly atmosphere there with the asphalt, but if someone is in a wheelchair you want to give them every opportunity to use the facility, and if that involves putting asphalt down we will look into that as well.

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Pat Gallagher (00:26:19) To echo that, from a design and architectural standpoint, playgrounds have come a long way in the past few years. One example in Medway comes to mind where the surface they use is a combination of asphalt and rubberized, things are spaced out more for wheelchairs and strollers even. Do you know if there are any state grants or resources available to upgrade accessibility options?

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Gus Brown (00:27:25) I think that's the goal of this, we are trying to get to that point where we can look at these types of things. I would be all for seeing what they have at the Medway playground.

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Ryan Jette (00:27:55) It is called Poured-In-Place. Any playground that we do in the future is going to use that Poured-In-Place material. The new acceptance is that mulch is not good, but served its purpose when these playgrounds were built years ago. The thing they are doing now is putting in these rubberized mats down so that you have accessibility to the transfer deck, which are where the access point for anyone with mobility issues can enter the playground, and then they keep the rest of the playground mulch. We can certainly look at that, there was a need to do that at existing playgrounds, but I see Dacey, Fletcher, and Nason Street getting completely done over in the next five years with Poured-In-Place so that people with mobility issues will be able to traverse the whole playground.

Emma Martins (00:29:44) I am a resident in Franklin, I have two small children. I was wondering if we could talk a little bit about fencing? The importance of that, Nason was my favorite and that was a small, contained space, and I see the fencing is still up. I was wondering if fencing was considered for Fletcher moving forward? How can we incorporate that for young kids, for kids with developmental disabilities, who maybe can't understand the importance of parking lots, cars, etc.?

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Ryan Jette (00:30:19) Fencing at Nason Street is a definite. You have the busy road right there, and it's a playground for young children so it's a no-brainer. At Fletcher Field we do have a guardrail there. It's not the same as a fence, but the problem with fencing is that it is extremely expensive. A commercial fence in that tiny area of Fletcher is probably going to be \$30,000. It's something that a lot of times takes away from the value that you are putting into the playground, and I'm not trying to minimize the value of having a fence around a playground. The belief is that when you have a guardrail system, it's going to take a lot of effort to get out into that parking lot if their parents are

with them. I am not ruling out putting a fence in there, just giving the reasons why we don't put fencing around that type of location. Dacey Field, we put fencing around that because it's a hill there and a huge playground and you can't be with that child at all times to make sure they are not going to run up that hill away from that playground. We could talk to DPW to see if they would be interested in helping us with the funding on that one, but there isn't a plan to fence Fletcher Field or that playground.

Meghann Hagen (00:32:00) In addition to Emily's comments, part of our parents park group does make decisions in going onto playgrounds based on if there is a fence around it because it is a safety concern, especially if you have children with developmental delays etc. to be able to have a safe big place for them to play without the extra stress of being out and about, so I do appreciate that point Emily.

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Ryan Jette (00:32:46) We do consider it, and any location that we see poses a risk, we will put a fence in; DelCarte, Nason Street, we will do it at locations where we think there will be a risk.

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Pat Gallagher (00:32:44) I would echo for Fletcher Field, my kids have not yet figured out that they need to look for cars that are coming through the parking lot, so kids just aren't paying attention so we need to make sure we are designing for kids primarily, so I appreciate that comment as well.

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Ryan Jette (00:33:10) I think that, just looking at the Fletcher Field layout, it would not be putting a fence right around the playground, it would be putting a fence along with a gate near where the Field meets the parking lot. Right now you have a fence over near where the dumpster is located, so that corner by the DPW straight over to the baseball field concession area. That would be my suggestion to put a fence along that guardrail and put a gate in there at the entrance where they go out to the parking lot at both locations, I think that would solve it.

Ali Rheume (00:34:06) I have a couple points to consider. 1: As someone who has disability myself, so there are times where I use a wheelchair or mobility device at these locations, and I always choose where I am able to go in town according to the accessibility, like the Farmers Market because there are paved pathways. There are a few parks where the paved pathways do not go all the way to the entrances or to a seating area. At the Pisani Fields, there is the parking lot and then the rest is all grass and I am unable to walk or use a wheelchair on grass and unable to get to the bleachers or anywhere else on that field. So, one point to consider in these plans would be how far a paved pathway goes, and ask how far can one go with a paved pathway, because to someone like me, anywhere without a paved pathway would not be accessible. 2: How accessible the entrances themselves are. For example at DelCarte, the top playground is great, but I can't get down to the pond because there is that hill and it is impossible in a wheelchair to get back up, even when trying to have someone assist me. So, I am unable to use that facility unfortunately. You touched on bathrooms, which is great. The sculpture park has no bathroom though, so that could be a place to consider building one. The sculpture park is paved, which is great though. 3: Along with the

playground surface conversation that has taken place, I am unable to walk on uneven surfaces on those. The way I understand ADA compliance is, if you can pick up the material a surface is composed off (mulch, stone dust, rocks) then it is not compliant and wheels don't really work. So, the consideration for rubberized surfaces would be amazing. 4: Last is awareness for seated areas, and any facility that ends up having a longer path should consider having more benches and seating to help those with a disability. One additional thing would be encouraging anyone on the Committee or otherwise involved to try borrowing a wheelchair and touring the facilities to see how accessible they really are, and I think they might find it to be an eye-opening experience.

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Gus (00:39:00) You bring up some great points. I know Ryan and I talked about visiting facilities in the near future and having the disability Chairwoman, Mary O'Neil, go with us so I think if you could maybe write some of these things down, then when we make that trip we can address some of the concerns you brought up tonight.

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Ryan Jette (00:40:00) I just want to point out that back in 2016 we did the self-evaluation and transition for the ADA as part of Open Space and Recreation. We did bring the Chair of the Disability Commission along with us then, and members of that Commission were involved in the process as well. You bring up a good point about Pisani Field, because the parking lot in the back where you access the area behind, I will talk with the DPW to see if we can get a paved walkway to the seating area and restroom facility. The second part of that was that DelCarte hillside was more than a 1 in 12 ratio to go down there. So, I believe there is a handicap accessible parking spot down at the bottom of the hill and a handicap accessible sign, so you can drive down that hill and park down there. I know that hill is pretty steep and you wouldn't be able to get back up, but I thought we had put in a little spot where you could drive down and park, but if not, I will speak with DPW to see if we might be able to add one down there. I don't think we would be able to get that 1:12 ratio otherwise, it would be really tough to navigate that hill. All excellent points, and when you do fill out your surveys make sure that you mention all of these things, because we do take those seriously.

Pat Gallagher (00:42:25) Regarding the inventory, I know that a lot of the properties are part of the school district. When it comes to making changes to them, are those under the school's ownership/stewardship, or is it DPW, or how are those properties managed from the standpoint of making improvements?

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Ryan Jette (00:42:56) Our facilities Director Mike D'Angelo is the one tasked with maintaining the playgrounds and school property.

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Pat Gallagher (00:43:10) From a budget standpoint, if we are making recommendations to address these concerns, I know there is a school budget and a town budget and I just want to make that distinction.

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Gus Brown (00:43:40) It's something that, if you put in a new facility, you have to make it handicap accessible and there is no deviation from those rules.

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Pat Gallagher (00:43:50) The existing facilities, from a legal compliance standpoint, don't need to be brought up to current code necessarily, but if there are any that need to be, should they be brought up to current code or beyond what current code requires?

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Gus Brown (00:44:10) The way I look at it is if you touch it, you own it. If you start to do work at a new facility, sometimes it is impossible to do it with topography, it just will not work, and there are variances given out by the Board as well. But, if something is refigured or remodeled or a new facility goes in, it has to be accessible. The challenges are not a great excuse, but we do our best.

Breeka Li Goodlander (00:45:38) The DelCarte handicap sign is something that can be fixed just like that, so that is something I will coordinate with the grounds superintendent to get that put up. Fixing the substrate on that slope, that is something that will take some time but it is something I can definitely look into, which brings me back to funding. Not so much for ballfields, Bryan is more of the expert for that type of content, but for Conservation-type areas there is MassTrail Grants that help bolster accessibility, the Forest Stewardship Program, so there are opportunities to help make them more accessible through funding of the trails, maintenance, etc. and that helps piggyback on making sure the existing facilities are up to date.

Michael Rein (00:46:47) A few thoughts. Restrooms at the Sculpture Park and DelCarte would benefit both of them. Otherwise, has there been consideration for the need for more parking at DelCarte, as the town has grown?

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Ryan Jette (00:47:10) We knew when we built DelCarte that parking space was going to be an issue, but you are dealing with wetlands as you move beyond the side of the parking lot. I know a lot of people park across the street to use DelCarte. There just is not a lot of space there.

Mark LePage (00:47:40) I think Ryan mentioned when going through the inventory that he has access to a Community Preservation Fund. Is that something that you have access to for these improvements, or does that figure into any or all of this?

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Ryan Jette (00:47:55) Yes, the Community Preservation Fund does, and Recreation is one of just three that can utilize those funds, so we can tap into that to work on some of these improvements.

Michael Rein (00:48:10) Davis Thayer may be repurposed. Do you depend on those facilities as part of the inventory?

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Ryan Jette (00:48:30) We do depend on them, our baseball program uses it. It is also where we do our Challenger Program for kids with mobility issues, they play there on Sunday afternoons. They're coached by some of the Franklin Youth Baseball players. I know families use the playgrounds and surrounding grass space and basketball courts, so it is something that we use.

Ali Rheume (00:49:10) Is the SNET Trail part of this? The stone dust is not accessible.
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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:49:24) The SNET Trail is a state owned property, so it is and isn't part of this. The OSRP is for town-owned properties like Chapter 61, but I will say that DCR will be coming to a few of our Focus Group meetings. I can let you know when they are coming and that is a great question to raise to them. For DelCarte, the question of whether or not there is or can be a handicap spot will be a question that will take some time to answer. The use of a special type of substrate, especially since we are in environmental jurisdictions; change of grade, fill, all sorts of things, but I will get the handicap sign up and we can work from there.

Cobi Frongillo (00:50:26) As Ali Rheume highlighted, any opportunities for certain parks to have full connectivity with paved pathways would really help our wheelchair users around town. Also, I am in a household where the number one thing I hear about around town is when the lighting on King Street will be done, so I would like to place some urgency on that. Third, just in case it hasn't been spoken yet, huge thank you and appreciation for Ryan Jette being responsive in putting a cricket pitch together, so as we are moving along and looking for more feels, they are currently behind Kennedy School where it is a very tight space for cricket. There is a high and growing demand for cricket in town, so as we are looking at opportunities for different parcels of land, opportunities for cricket would be fantastic.

FRANKLIN CONSERVATION COMMISSION

OSRP MEETING Minutes

February 9, 2023

6:00 PM – 7:00 PM

TOPIC: SCHOOL RECREATION FACILITIES AND PARKS (ADA COMPLIANCE INCLUDED)

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Comments from the Public / Answers

Pat Gallagher (00:11:35) I just wanted to highlight if you have any particular priorities, especially in the nature of capital-type work that you are looking at over the next few years?

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Lucas Giguere (00:12:10) I would say our away/visiting bleachers at the Franklin High School Stadium are not ADA compliant as far as allowing people to access those on the visitors' side. We do have compliance on our home bleachers, even up to our press box there is a ramp that allows for that. That is one area that I would point to, the other thing is Facilities has been really dedicated to helping us with our playground equipment to make it more accessible as we continue to evolve. We have been chipping away at this, when you think about our elementary schools where we primarily find our playground equipment, looking to try to create spaces like at Jefferson and the E.C.D.C., and Helen Keller; trying to create the rubberized pads that make it easier for mobility. Some of our spaces in the future I would prioritize would be to try to create more accessibility to the degree that is possible, and that's less about compliance but more about accessibility for the people who want to access those places. Right now they might be woodchipped or rubberized but that is an area, so definitely the away bleachers would be an investment as well in that beautiful stadium that we have. Those bleachers predate the high school that we have built. That would be what I would prioritize most if I was asked that question.

Jeff Milne (00:14:00) Losing Davis Thayer School, how does that affect your facilities, does it create a gap for you?

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Lucas Giguere (00:14:10) Since the closure of Davis Thayer, the students have been moved; most attend Helen Keller now. The facilities themselves, I don't know of an

impact on the playgrounds or the usage, I know that we have made accommodations for the students so that they get their education they need, but as far as the Davis Thayer project there is a nice playground there. I know that, from my own travels, that people still utilize that as a playground, and on the weekends if you drive by you will see people out there. It is not an outdated playground, so I know that it does get some use, so I don't think there's necessarily an impact to us with regard to that equipment.

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Mark LePage (00:15:01) Do you know what they are going to do with that building, because I think they have a gymnasium there too. Does that fall under the Department of Education?

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Lucas Giguere (00:15:10) It falls under the Town at this point. I know that they are going to be making some decisions and studying and exploring what the use may be, but it's under the Town purview, and there is a gym downstairs that exists in the building.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:15:28) There is a subcommittee being formed, I am sure they will meetings the public can attend.

Pat Gallagher (00:15:45) So I know the redistricting is currently going on, studying what makes sense in terms of redistricting particularly based on the closure of Davis Thayer, and I wanted to get your thoughts on in facilities need to be replaced in addition to Davis Thayer. What would that look like, and are there areas that, for example, five; ten; twenty years down the road? If you need to close Kennedy and replace that, would you be looking to do that, and what do you need to think about if there are particular open spaces open for development that the Town control? I just wanted to get your thoughts on that, I think it's one of the things we want to keep in mind as we are looking at all of the available open space right now.

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Lucas Giguere (00:17:10) You are correct, we are in the process of conducting a redistricting analysis. The closure of Davis Thayer lead to us shifting some students around and we're in the process right now of engaging the community, and will be working with families to get some feedback in a forum next month on that. So, we are not yet at that point, and the School Committee will have the final vote on the next stage. I will say, when it comes to school buildings, in concert with us looking at enrollment and seeing where there the numbers climb back up after falling, we are trying to be really thoughtful in this process and not rushing to a decision that ends up hindering us in the future, where you don't account for the growth that you need. I don't have an answer for how that might impact open space with regard to this discussion, but we are in the process of studying that work. This spring will be sharing a recommendation with the School Committee, who ultimately will vote on next steps, but before that we are engaged in this process.

Mark LePage (00:19:55) Are the tennis courts in good shape?

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Lucas Giguere (00:20:00) From my understanding, they are fairly new in the context of spaces, because if you think about when the school was built, the courts were put in right

after. I do need to touch base with Ryan Jette because I am not sure if he brought up that there is some work that needs to be done, but I can find out and report back.

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Michael Rein (00:20:35) I think he may have mentioned some cracks were showing. Would you say that facilities are sufficient for the needs of your school sports and whatever else they are used for?

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Lucas Giguere (00:21:00) Yes, I want to advocate for the spaces we use in the district and say we should continue to look at our playgrounds and find ways to upgrade them over time, and I think we have started to do that in certain areas. Jefferson has a fairly new upgraded playground, with some accessible playground equipment, that's definitely the trend in towns that are mindful of it. It's something I would recommend and support. It doesn't happen overnight. As we are continuing to look at refreshing playgrounds and see not just that they are safe and compliant, but also when is there an opportunity to refresh the playground and is it an opportunity to upgrade them. So, the facilities that we have in each of these buildings in our complexes, short of our basketball court at Remington that I think Ryan Jette was going to talk about, but ultimately I feel that, with maintenance and some of these projects taken care of, the high school is the biggest one. I think if you take a look at the way bleachers are, that would be a glaring area that is not the standard in Franklin for that piece. We do hear about it from visiting fans who come to the stadium, and I understand there is nostalgia with the press box that is there or whatnot. Overall, I think we are fortunate in town to have nice facilities that we can use in open space and share with our community.

Mark LePage (00:22:40) Do you find sports participation by students is pretty stable, or does it grow—I'm sure it varies by student population—or is it static?

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Lucas Giguere (00:22:50) It is (static), we have a pretty healthy sports participation in this town, we are fortunate to be pretty successful in our sports across the board. Just thinking about it from the youth up, and certainly at the high school level we are DALD Award winners, which means we have the highest winning percentage of all varsity sports combined, we've had that award multiple times. We have a phenomenal facility with regard to the high school and the athletic department, and an excellent athletic director who leads that group and we have phenomenal coaches—whether they are new, just high quality, or have been with us for years—we are really fortunate to have people in town who are leading and growing and helping our athletic department. So, I would say in that regard we have a very healthy athletic program in town and we are very fortunate for that.

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Mark LePage (00:23:45) It's good.

Pat Gallagher (00:23:52) One of the things we talked about with Ryan Jette was the number of programs and programs where they were seeing more interest or less, but that focus was just mainly youth sports programs. Are there any areas or new sports where you envision trying to get involved, if the district isn't already?

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Lucas Giguere (00:24:20) We offer a lot of sports, we are a pretty large school so we were fortunate to have that. I know it's been proposed around alpine skiing, but we don't have a facility around town and nothing has been formalized around that, as far as new. As far as existing programs, we offer a variety of fall, winter and spring sports; all the typical ones, certainly. We sustain our own programs, we don't need to co-op necessarily, we have girls and boys varsity hockey, we have really strong swimming programs, and we have a lot of the more traditional sports that you may be familiar with. So, we are fortunate.

Gus Brown *via Breeka Li Goodlander* (00:25:30) After speaking with Mike D'Angelo from Facilities and Ryan Jette from Recreation, Kennedy and Parmenter Schools are the only two schools to have challenges with having mulch in place to get to playgrounds. That was something they identified as an ADA compliance issue, otherwise all other schools aside from the FHS visitor-side bleachers are ADA compliant.

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Lucas Giguere (00:26:00) At ECDC we invested in plastic rollout pieces, and we have put something similar out for the raised beds in the community gardens. Each of our schools has ways of handling it, and that's one way we have had success with that as well. So, I am wondering about looking into those types of ideas that are not necessarily a big investment, but I also recognize the town wants something sustainable and not temporary, but that's the direction we went for that.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:27:31) I think that's a really great idea, especially when bringing it back to our last meeting, where there were concerns about access to some of our conservation areas, which would be difficult to pave next to a wetland or a pond, etc. But, having these other avenues to do that would be actually really helpful, I think. Contractors actually use that to mobilize through our wetland areas.

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Lucas Giguere (00:28:10) I am happy to update that document just to make sure we include the walking trail and the tennis court. I will make sure I check with Breeka Li, and we can go from there, and I am happy to answer questions along the way. If you want to past them through Breeka Li or whatever is more convenient. Once again, I appreciate the time and being involved in this process, and I am excited as a superintendent but also as a resident for the future in Franklin and what ends up becoming of this all this, so thank you.

Denise Spencer (00:29:30) If we can be of any other help answering other questions, or addressing any concerns, please feel free to reach out.

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Pat Gallagher (00:29:45) Same with what Lucas said about if anything comes up, and we would love to have the Committee involved in the process.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:30:00) I did ask Lucas to send me information on the mats, because that would be something, either through our department or a collaboration with Ryan Jette, would be easy to knock out of the park.

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Jeff Milne (00:30:18) Do you think the mats will solve the problem with the parks?

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:30:22) Yes and no. I think it would help with deeper access. I receive, maybe about once a month, letter from residents writing in about the slopes, and I understand and we are doing the forest stewardship plan. But, as we all know too, being a permitting agency, it is really difficult to permit for stabilizing or mowing down those slopes, since they're hills at this point. So, trying to navigate on that, I think this is a good idea. Something I had thought about would either be the Senior Center or Recreation Department, Fish and Wildlife Services have fat-tire wheelchairs so that people can rent them to go out to national parks, things like that. So, it is within the realm of possibility, I like the idea of mats. Going back to what Ali Rheame had mentioned at the last hearing, even just changing out the substrate or keeping up on the substrate at DelCarte so she can even just get down to the water's edge, those are really easy things that can be accomplished. Whether, through the open space plan, through the forest stewardship plan, or just in general.

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Meghann Hagen (00:32:00) Do we know what the mats are made out of?

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:32:04) No, I am assuming that, if they are rolling them out, that they are made of some form of plastic. Using it as an example here, one of our open projects, Franklin Heights, their mats are recycled tires, and they are just stitched together and they just roll them out. So, if they make the in large sizes like those for big cranes and all sorts of other equipment, I am sure there is something smaller.

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Pat Gallagher (00:32:30) Breeka Li, do we have a landscape architect, or anyone who would have more specialized background in things like techniques on the cutting edge that we could have come in and talk? If not, I am happy to try to reach out to folks to get some of those perspectives.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:33:00) I don't know anyone off the top of my head. I am not entirely sure if I can suggest anyone anyways, but I think that's a great idea. I would love to try to find one, and I can talk with Gus brown and look into our network and see who is around and who does what.

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Mark LePage (00:33:17) **[Hard to discern]** Did he say who went Beaver Pond for the sand?

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:33:24) He didn't explicitly say that. I'm assuming though, that it's probably here.

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Michael Rein (00:33:34) There's a boardwalk that goes down a pretty nice way towards the water.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:33:50) All things to think about. I think it would be cool if the Conservation Commission had something. I would love for the Conservation Department

to have programming. Nature photography, nature painting, winter foraging, vernal pool surveys, frog calls, batbox building classes, the list goes on and on.

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Jeff Milne (00:34:13) We had a Commissioner a couple years ago who was going to do a night tour of some cart listed for owls, but that never happened.

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Mark LePage (00:35:00) How does something like the batbox get started?

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:35:06) The batbox, I had already reached out to Mass WildLife, who actually had a batbox program that ended during Covid-19 unfortunately where they would donate batboxes to municipalities and residents, who would then become ‘citizen scientists’ and they would go out, survey and do everything that I do to track species of bats and whitenose syndrome, things of that nature. Unfortunately, they lost the funding, and so those batboxes are not available. I reached out to see if we built our own batboxes here in Franklin, if we could be a part of that program. They said yes, but our boxes would have to be stamped by Mass WildLife, and we would have to travel somewhere here in Massachusetts to get them stamped, so I thought we could just make our own program.

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Meghann Hagen (00:36:29) I wonder if we are having a big enough event, that we could request someone to come out for it to stamp them, if we have enough people coming to make batboxes that it would make it worth their time.

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Meghann Hagen (00:36:39) That’s a really good idea. The State Herpetologist is coming out to DelCorte to look at the turtle-nesting habitat this spring, so Mass WildLife, National Heritage—he owns that line—so I can ask him at the same time.

Michael Rein (00:37:12) I would love to get a natural perspective to do regular walks through DelCorte and even Franklin State Forest.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:37:16) I have asked, prior to Mark and Meg joining, if the Commission wanted guest speakers, talks, things of that nature, and you all seemed very receptive to that. So it’s still in the realm of possibility, I just figured not while we have all this stuff that we have going on right now.

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Meghann Hagen (00:37:40) I would love to see and be part of, after OSRP, a monthly community education program for conservation. I think that would be awesome to put together and get the community, especially the kids, involved and it would be awesome.

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Mark LePage (00:38:04) Mike Downey, from Forestry, he has a lot of cool knowledge.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:38:21) He is actually watching Franklin for the Beaver Deceivers, as he is a Commissioner out in Natick where they are quite inundated with beavers, so he is very excited to see that Franklin is doing something. Also, as we are talking about Open Space, DelCorte, and all the things we have planned, he did approve the Forest Stewardship Plan, so that is in effect as of this week. He is really excited about

all of the things we have going on in Franklin. He even called me this week to see if there is a Forest & Soil Health Conference, if I knew of any such conference. I said I didn't, and he said Schmidt Farm would be a really good place to host it. So, we have people from DCR looking at Franklin as a place to come to learn, to teach, to all of these events. TBD, since it is not official.

FRANKLIN CONSERVATION COMMISSION

OSRP Public Hearing Minutes

February 21, 2023

6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

PUBLIC HEARING 1

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Comments from the Public / Responses

Vince Brotcher (00:26:35) I live in Franklin, have for two and a half years. Love being part of this town and thrilled with everything that's going on with development, especially with a town that cares so much about Open Space. I am actually here tonight as part of the New England Mountain Bike Association (NEMBA), the Blackstone Valley Chapter. We are here because we want to help, there is so much potential for biking in this town and there is already a lot of it. The Dirt Diggers, a youth mountain bike league, was founded in Franklin, there's a lot of history for it, and use going on some of the trails there. So I am here to see what the town's appetite is for development of some of the trails. I know it was part of the presentation, that it was part of the 2016 plan, so to continue to grow upon that, we certainly don't want to come in and be like 'we want to take over this', no, we want to help. We want to help clear out downed trees, we want to be a part of the town to continue to help develop things, open up certain spots, and—I think Pat had mentioned earlier—the idea of linking a lot of the parts out there, a so-called emerald nexus, that a lot of towns have. There is so much potential for it, so I just want to say thank you for letting us be a part of this.

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Meghann Hagen (00:28:07) Where do you guys tend to mostly use as your recreation areas within town?

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Vince Brotcher (00:28:17) I can only speak for myself, but I know the two key spots would be the Franklin Town Forest, and Franklin State Park. Of course the SNETT is a spot that people are going to be riding on a lot, and because of the geographical location of Franklin, a lot of the spots do blend in to other towns, especially the Norfolk side as well.

Mark Minnichelli (00:28:35) I have got a couple of comments for Ryan as you were going through the plans for the fields and so forth. I recalled that the Fletcher Field,

some of the ball stands (bleachers, as clarified by Ryan Jette at 00:29:40) that overlook the Fletcher Field. I noticed some of past couple of years there that some of the railings are pretty wide, and I know that when I was bringing my granddaughter toddler up onto those stands, I was thinking about how dangerous the railings at the very top of those stands are. So, is that something you can look at? I am concerned that a young child could easily slip off the back of some of those stands. And then, I don't know if this fits in with this Committee or not, but I am a cyclist who tends to ride more on the roads than on the trails, and I would like to suggest that Franklin put up a few signs reminding drivers that they should be sharing the road with cyclists. I have seen in other communities there are signs that say there should be 3 feet between the cyclist and the passing car, just some reminders to people to pay attention to the cyclists that are on the road.

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Pat Gallagher (00:30:45) Thanks Mark. I would just add, that Franklin is a town that the P.M.C. (Pan Mass Challenge) runs through, and there is a lot of folks in town who, between mountain biking and road biking and whatnot, think that's a point of interest.

Mark Cohen (00:31:10) I am a former chairman of the Conservation Commission, and I am a member of NEMBA as well. I think you asked where we go mountain biking; I go to Upton, West Hill Dam, and Adams Farm in Walpole, but it would be great if we could integrate some of the trails here in Franklin. We don't necessarily have to connect with these other towns, but it is such an amazing sport. My girlfriend and I have been doing it for about three years now. We became members two years ago with NEMBA, and it's such a voluntary, communal type of operation making trails, I'll be on them building bridges, and it is so much fun. I never thought I was going to get up there and do it, but I am in my 50s now. It was ten years ago that I was up on that Conservation Board, so we appreciate open minds, and if we can help out making some more trails out there, beyond Franklin State Forest, it would be really great. We appreciate it.

Mark LePage (00:32:20) I have a question for Ryan Jette. I don't know if we talked about this, but this was kind of interesting in the notes here from 2016, this 'Developing Access Points for basically boating on the Charles River.' Is that something the Recreation Department gets involved in, or is that independent of that?

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Ryan Jette (00:32:42) Specifically, where on the Charles are you speaking about?

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Mark LePage (00:32:49) Specifically, it was a general goal for the 2016 Plan to develop more access points for canoes and boats on the Charles River. My question is, do we even have an inventory of that somewhere? Is that something we should research and see how we did on it. It just seems like an interesting opportunity, I didn't know if the Recreation Department was involved with that. If not, I will look into it separately.

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Ryan Jette (00:33:04) Recreation Department was not involved with that. I think there was some initial discussions, if I remember correctly way back, about off the end of where Beech Street meets Pyne Street? There was a brick warehouse-type building that was taken down, and we did have a small access point in the back behind it, but at that

time the Conservation Agent didn't think so because there was a steep hill that dropped into the Charles River, and there was a lot of glass that needed to be cleaned up around there. So, there was some talk about that location, and then also there was some talk about the location off of Oak Street Extension, but that land is owned by the Army Corp. of Engineers, so, if there are any other locations that you are familiar with, I'm happy to discuss it.

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Pat Gallagher (00:34:05) Are there kayaks at Beaver Pond now?

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Ryan Jette (00:34:09) We have a boat launch, yeah, to the far right. Right now I'm researching a company, I think it's called Fun-Rentals, and we're looking at potentially putting in a kayak kiosk where you would put in a code and unlock it with a code and be able to rent kayaks.

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Pat Gallagher (00:34:25) Yeah, I think we've talked a little bit about that, and maybe DelCorte as well if there's opportunities to have kayak rentals there, because, to the point of can we increase access, if not to the Charles River, there seems like there are certain areas in town that would be suitable for that.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:34:42) I did receive a comment last week about the kayak launch at DelCorte. So, that right now, is pushed back and is inaccessible, so that would actually be a very easy lift at least to reattach that and bring it in.

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Ryan Jette (00:35:00) Is that because of the receding water, or a maintenance issue?

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:35:05) It's just a maintenance issue. There was a board that was placed at the bank to the kayak launch that has just sunk.

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Ryan Jette (00:35:20) I will bring them out to repair that then, I'll have them come down in the springtime when the weather gets better.

Mark LePage (00:35:45) Do we know what water bodies we will prioritize for ecological studies?

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:35:55) So there was a vulnerability study done—it's actually a pretty comprehensive binder that I have in my office and I have two copies, so if anyone would like to look at it you are welcome to—and it rates vulnerability of water bodies in Franklin. The previous Open Space Plan had on its list a goal to make this Open Space Plan super-comprehensive, so that is where I come in.

Roger Trahan (00:36:45) I did the 2016 Open Space Plan, and it looks like we have been moving forward at a nice pace on it. I did note that Open Space awareness is a lot more **(COULD NOT MAKE OUT WORD)** than it used to be. However, I'm hoping with Maple Street open now, that we could make it so I could know where exactly it is I walk into to access without going on to other peoples properties. That would be one comment I would have. Another one that I have seen roaming recently, especially with the

Conservation Commission, would be just citizens awareness, trying to educate and be more use friendly. I know the Agricultural Committee is also trying to present different opportunities. I did read the water preservation, and I thought I read somewhere that the amount of salt in Franklin's water has gone up dramatically, but I would like to see that continue to be looked at. Lastly, I just think that we are making such strides, we picked up 200+ acres this year alone that seems to be doing more and more with Open Space Plans. I think it's time that we may start to look at possibly including in the budget, almost like the DCR, I think that you are going to get to a point where you are going to need to get someone to overlook the planning, maintenance, and preserving of all the open space in town, so I would hope that could become a part of the Open Space Plan as well.

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Pat Gallagher (00:39:03) To that last point certainly, I think a lot of other towns have a Conservation Trust (or something like it) but a separate municipal or corporate entity that is doing the day-to-day, and I certainly think getting into the plan update and how we are going to address those things, because as a Conservation Commission we have stewardship over DelCorte, but I think it's very different when it's come to these really dynamic areas. Especially Schmidt Farm, I think, because Maple Hill is a little bit of a separate that will be maintained I think as a Forestry-Conservation area, and I don't there's quite as much to that as there could be at Schmidt Farm, and the opportunities that are over there. So, I think certainly figuring out what is the right device to be managing those properties and working through the CPA Committee, and we are going to be mapping out what the vision is for those properties, but that has to be implemented such that.

Michael Rein (00:40:30) Under the third 2016 goal, there is a couple of subgoals: "increase connectivity to and between Conservation areas of open space, and then work with DCR to increase access to SNETT and Forest Trail." That brings to mind, for me, extending the SNETT to the center of town. I'm just wondering if that comes under the purview of this plan, or could it? Is there any work being done in that area?

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:41:10) Yes. So Ryan, I believe you mentioned that a few meetings back if I recall correctly, yes?

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Ryan Jette (00:41:21) That is correct, yes, it is in the works. It's a long process because it involves the rail companies, I think it's CSX that owns the property. So it is in the works, I know that Mr. Hellen has been in communication with that rail company. It just takes a long time, so I think within time that will get done.

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Michael Rein (00:41:40) That would be incredible, thank you.

Mark Minnichelli (00:41:46) I just wanted to take the opportunity, since we are talking about these greenspace acquisitions, to thank all of you who are on this Commission and anybody else who had involvement in those large purchases of greenspace. I have been calling in to some of the Mass Forest webinars recently, and there are not too many municipalities that are ready and able to take advantage of these Chapter 61 opportunities

when they become available, and I think that Franklin and all of you who are involved deserve, so thanks and congratulations for being able to pull off those two purchases over the last couple of years.

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Pat Gallagher (00:42:45) I think that underscores the importance of these plans, that the plan is the roadmap for what you are prioritizing, like what you saw for Maple Hill. It was probably the first time that Franklin had exercised its ability to purchase land through the Chapter 61 read at first offer, and so I think they are not necessarily the same land areas that we are looking at now in terms of 'can these be acquired', certainly not 100 acre tracts that are potentially out there for the town to look at. But I think, now that you have these two incredible opportunities and plenty of smaller opportunities as well, how do we make those accessible? Maple Hill right now is not really publicly accessible, it's an 85-90 acre tract that's behind residential lots, so a big piece of that is find out how do you enable the public to access those trail networks without disturbing the folks own properties and the residences back there. How do you do it in a way that is going to be minimally intrusive, how do we maintain the character of that forest, because I think that is a pretty incredible resource for the town. We are going to try and be balancing the accessibility piece of this, and I think we saw in 2016 that accessibility was a major goal of the 2016 update. I would certainly put that in the ongoing category of areas that we can always do more to increase accessibility, both to playgrounds and fields, and the more developed recreation areas as well as areas like DelCarte and Maple Hill. A lot of that is small things, being able to go out and widen entryways, clear paths of fallen trees and branches, and a lot of that is a community effort to make those accessible to hiking or biking or whatnot, it's getting folks to participate in that effort.

Meghann Hagen (00:45:40) So, Ryan, I am seeing that you and Lucas Giguere are going to be going out to do that ADA self-evaluation, will you be looking at just the school properties, or are you looking at all the recreation areas?

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Ryan Jette (00:45:55) Correct, yes, all of those sites that are public and private on the calendar that you can see there, anything that's at a school, there are 23 site that we will be visiting. We will be looking at every avenue of that, whether it's accessibility, the height of doorways, and bathrooms, and handles, and all of that. It's a pretty extensive self-evaluation, I did it back with Don Netto *(name spelling unclear)* many years ago, and then we did it again with Mike Ferullo, and Gus Brown will be involved. So yeah, we will be doing all the town and school facilities, yeah.

Pat Gallagher (00:47:13) To that point, just to reiterate something that came up a couple weeks ago when we talked about this, when we (and the town) looked at this through the lens of ADA accessibility, I think for our purposes, the plan update can be more aspirational than that, and not only what is required under the ADA, but as a practical matter. Are these areas truly accessible, and what more can be done to address that, so I think the more folks we have participating and giving a voice to that, the better the end product is going to be.

Susan Speers *chat comment read by Breeka Li Goodlander* (00:48:03) Appreciate the attention to maintenance of trails, support for good accessibility by all residents, and staff support. Also - some attention will be helpful to informing trail users of actual trail guidelines... when they become posted?

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:48:20) I think that's something definitely I have heard in my day-to day, and that we've all heard when you have public hearings and we are talking about Conservation areas. Not to double down on the Open Space Plan, but this will definitely help with that trail maintenance, not just with getting the word out or identifying problematic areas/areas that could use more signage or accessibility, but even allowing us to apply for MassTrails grants. Also, Forest Stewardship programs, like for Maple Hill, so that will help with creating a lot of those boundary markers and trail maintenance all the way down to volunteer site visits. The possibilities are there.

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Ryan Jette (00:49:13) If I could add to that, just before Covid I reached out to the Boy Scouts, Girls Scouts, Eagle Scouts, to see if we could form and adopt a trail program in town. One troop could take an entire trail system, like the Indian Rock, and go out a couple times a year and clean trails, remove blown down trees, etc., but we haven't really connected with them since Covid. Now that we're heading out of this, it is something I would like to see the town adopt, maybe reach out to some of these volunteer organizations, a lot of these kids need to get community service hours to earn badges. Susan is right, we do need to do some maintenance in there, and I think it puts a lot of pressure on our DPW to put that work on to them. So I would like to see if we can get volunteers to do that, so if anyone listening has a son or daughter in one of the scout groups, to maybe reach out to us so we can see if we could organize that.

FRANKLIN CONSERVATION COMMISSION

OSRP MEETING Minutes

February 23, 2023

6:00 PM – 7:00 PM

TOPIC: SCHMIDT FARM

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Comments from the Public / Answers

Melanie Hamblen (00:19:48) This is a dream come true for me, just six years of working and hoping to get to this point. I think one of the things I think about a lot is the barn, and how it could be used as a history of Franklin farming, and to keep the Schmidt's stuff there, but also other farms, like CJ's Farm which is a century farm on the other side of Franklin. Also, just to keep some of that hayfield hay by a local farmer, and areas where we can teach the kids in the schools, so they can go to a farm in Franklin and learn about farming. But, I'm sure there is a lot of other things people want to talk about, so I want to thank you for having us tonight.

Susan Spears (00:21:35) I agree with Melanie 100%. I'm a member of the Board of Directors for Metacomet Lane Trust, and I first became aware of the Schmidt Farm many years ago when I served on an Open Space Committee that the town had in 1988. I had a question first. Can you confirm that, when we purchased this land, we purchased it for open space and recreation for the CPA (Community Preservation Act), and we did not purchase it for any other municipal purpose?

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Pat Gallagher (00:22:27) I think that would be a question for Mark Cerel, who unfortunately is not with us tonight, but it was purchased through the CPA using CPA funds. So, to the extent that that restricts usage, those restrictions would apply here as well.

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Susan Spears (00:22:33) Right, I think that's good to remember that when people begin to think about what you do with 260 acres in a town of our size. That being said, I believe it is intended to be open space and passive recreation, I very much hope. I think there are some size constraints, which, although the CPA might allow active recreation—I'm not saying we don't need it as our population grows—but I do think there are a lot of site constraints; and respecting the history, the land, the landscape and the slopes and the

wetlands. I think that it should be preserved primarily as open space and passive recreation, and I would second Melanie Hamblen's comment that I'm very interested in preserving the farm with an agricultural component; and, just to go more into one of the points in the slide presentation: properties like this that have been bought by other communities in Eastern Massachusetts for the purposes of preserving the land and landscape and community character, all of which Schmidt Farm clearly speaks to for all of us that know it, that there are many ways to preserve and agricultural component there so that the town is not trying to actually trying to maintain a pumpkin field or orchard, or grow the pumpkins all year long so that, when the schoolkids come by on a field trip, there are pumpkins for them to take home. You can lease property that is owned by the town, and there are agricultural organizations throughout southeast and central Massachusetts and statewide who will help the town find an interested farmer. We have a lot of farmers in town and we have some people who are still looking for more land to farm. I think the history of that property means the soils are probably pretty good, and it was sustainable for a small family operation for generations, and I think that those two pieces together means we should respect the landscape and the ability of the land to provide for certain things of public benefit and not assume that we are going to convert it to some other use. The town has many many needs, but I believe the Town Council, the Community Preservation Committee, and every other body in town wanted this to be Open Space and Recreation. That does not preclude agriculture, education, etc., it does preclude other things the town needs, and we'll have to fund those in a different way, but we can because now we have CPA (Community Preservation Act). I hope that this project moves through a public process so that what's finally decided has the support of a large number of people including the people who are closest to it.

Roger Trahan (00:26:17) I did put together a few thoughts on Schmidt's Farm. I am a lifelong resident of Franklin and went through the school system with one or two of the Schmidt children from there. We at the Agricultural Committee, a couple of weeks ago, had a couple of members who were present that night put together a couple of ideas and tried to brainstorm so that we could all agree upon our thoughts. So, one of the first things that came up is the importance to preserve that barn, bring it back up to a functioning barn that could be used for a public space, a rental for functions, could have classrooms in it for agricultural or conservation events, with walking paths throughout the property with different placards, if you will, that would identify wetlands, open fields, gardens, and what could be grown there as well. Around the barn, we thought maybe pollinator gardens or vegetable gardens close to it but still try to bring the beauty of that barn out with the plants that were there. We also thought, as far as the parking lot, obviously you want it to be pervious and not impervious out there to try and protect things. We also talked about garden beds, and what came up was that, on King Street there are small rental beds there, but there are people in town that would like slightly larger beds. So, we thought we could start small, turnover maybe an acre, and rent out larger spots to families from town who wanted to grow a garden, with guidelines obviously. Some other fields we thought would be good to be hayed by local farmers. We tried to keep it so that we would give it at least first preference to a local farmer versus someone from out of town. That being said, we are not against a farmer from out of town beginning an incubator farm, but we would like to make it available first to a

local person, maybe with a one year lease but options to reapply and re-rent the same piece because, obviously they would be working this land and trying to make it better. They would not want to work on a piece of land for two or three years and then lose that particular piece, so that is what we thought about that. Then, we started talking about trails through the woods. I believe, currently, the cross country team in Franklin would have to be bussed into several different parks throughout the state for cross country track meets. So, if we could partner with the high school, maybe make a few trails through the woods, then we could not only save on the bussing costs but also make it more available for cross country teams. Then, my wife and I visit a park down in PA every year, and it's similar to this; it's an old farm and a field, wetlands, and there different trails everywhere, and everything is marked off as far as 'this is a wetland' and 'this grows here, these are the flowers that grow here.' When you get up into the woods, there's a century park for the kids, and different drums and different things that they can touch and make noise, basically. It's well-used by the public down there. Whenever I go there, there are three parking lots and they're all full. You could also, obviously, do exercise trails and then there are information trails. Find the use to keep at least part of this land agricultural use, possibly part of it into a forestry plan, where you could log part of it and sell some of that logging to pay for other things on this land. So, those were a few of the thoughts that we had. I said the other night, when you get into this kind of volume in town, sooner or later the town is going to want to put someone over all these lands—a partner or director or whatever—but that's not for Schmidt Farm in particular, but it's something I think should be included in the Master Plan as well.

Stacey Cobb (00:32:07) I live at 11 Eagle Drive, I run Nature's Nurse Wildlife Rehabilitation here in Franklin. I did feel the need to reach out for the Open Space Plan here in Franklin. I agree that the land should be preserved, and I am constantly looking for spaces to release wildlife. The more building that's going on, it's becoming more difficult, so I would like to see more land conserved for wildlife. I am also looking for a plot of land for my non-profit where I can release wildlife. Currently, I live in a residential neighborhood where that is not possible. I run the Wildlife Initiative as well, which, we're a group that works on environmental cleanups, etc. and I would love to help the town out on that as well.

Ed Szymanski of 529 Pleasant Street (00:33:40) I actually participated as a guest in that Agricultural Commission meeting where we talked about those things, and I agree that it would be great to use this property for agricultural purposes, educational purposes, leasing land to local farmers and all too. One of the things that I feel very strongly about is that I do a lot of hiking and nature photography, and there are a number of designated wildlife management areas in the state. I don't know what exactly the guidelines are for that, but along the lines of what Stacey said as far as her rehabilitating wildlife, I had a vision of walking a clearing trails, and planting trees and shrubs and so forth, and birds and pollinators and things like that, and also incorporating that into trails, but sort of a more official wildlife management area, if that fits in the guidelines. But, I think with the wetlands areas that this would be a perfect use for something like that.

Frank Goulet (00:35:18) I've been a resident of Franklin for thirty years or so, served on a few different committees here and there, and my kids have been pretty active in doing some great projects around town. My daughter Hailey built a dog park; my other daughter worked on DelCarte putting up signs and such. I commend all of you for working so hard on this, because this is great. So many good ideas are not necessarily mutually exclusive here; walking trails, farming, using the barn for civic activities, they can all coexist I think to some extent. I think those are all wonderful things, I use the DelCarte property all the time to walk my dog. I think that would be fabulous to have some more trails like that that we could use. But, I would also like to give a plug for this idea of community supported agriculture. I don't know if you have seen the model, but Natick Community Farms is a pretty interesting place. My daughter works there. I don't know much about the organization, I'm certainly no expert of it, but when I see what they do and how they run things, I think 'Man, that is a pretty cool model. Wouldn't it be nice to see something in Franklin like that.' With a really small piece of land, they really managed to have CSA production for flowers, for vegetables, and now for wheat and livestock. You know, I don't think they are particularly profit-driven, part of their mission is to educate, so they keep kids busy with afterschool programs, jobs in the summer, and just—generally speaking—provide a way for people to learn about agriculture. So, you look at a model like that, and again I'm no expert at this, but I think 'boy, that looks pretty attractive to me' when I imagine what this property could be. I see a vibrant farm that is part of the fabric of the community and can educate and produce goods for the town.

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Haley Goulet (00:38:17) I am the livestock manager over at Natick Community Organic Farm right now, and I wanted to tune in to hear the plans, because it is a really interesting model. So Natick Community Farm is owned by the town, and it is a non-profit, so we have town positions and we have non-profit positions, and we do a little bit of everything with only two acres of production space. It was created with the main goal of education, which, me personally, that's huge. Agricultural education is something that we really miss in our communities right now for sure. We provide the community with about 40 CSA shares right now, about 20 meat shares, and 20 flour shares every year on just two acres of production. So the capacity to feed the community is really huge, and do honestly a little bit of everything, educating and providing working opportunities for youth especially.

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Frank Goulet (00:39:57) One thing I forgot to mention is that, from what I know about what it takes to be a farmer every day, we should probably think a lot about whether or not we want to tear the house down, because if you really do need a caretaker for the property, it can be a full time job. Having a living space is something you really want to think about, if someone ends up being the caretaker for the property.

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Pat Gallagher (00:40:24) I appreciate that. I think that particular decision is probably going to be made by the Building Department and Gus Brown, and I think it will be 'what's needed to maintain it' and the cost and all of that. But, point certainly taken that I think that part of this strategic plan and what we'll be looking at for Schmidt Farm in particular – and the Schmidt Farm conversation is going to far outlive this plan update—

but it's going to be looking at comparable organizations and comparable spaces like this, and I think there's going to be a lot of learning about 'what are some models that work' and 'what might be a good fitting', so definitely an ongoing process, so thank you.

CJ Koshivas (00:41:33) I live at 87 Lincoln Street, I'm also a part of the Agriculture Commission. I have also talked to a lot of other farms that are either in Franklin or in close proximity, and I think that this is a great opportunity for a lot of these things to coexist, like walking trails and wildlife rehabilitation spots, gardens and such. Those types of things, I think are absolutely awesome and I think about that amount of land and what we can incorporate within it. Obviously, as the manager and owner of Fairmount Farm, I have a vested interest in the farm aspect and agricultural aspect, so I have talked to other farms in Norfolk, Medway and also in Franklin, and the biggest concern that I hear is community CSA type of ones, is that there is a type of competition. At some places, I know that, like Natalie from Night Owl Farm, she is in very close proximity and then that goes into direct competition with her. That being said, I love the knowledge from the community to go and participate in the garden aspect of it, but I think if you add a portion of an educator type of way to start your own farm, start a small plot, participate in that level. I have known people in the past five years that can't start their own small farms, or small little bird gardens, or essential oil things because they don't have glade here. Maybe that's an avenue, because I know some people who have had to leave Massachusetts in general because space is just too valuable, just too hard to come by. So, that is my only hesitation in that route. Obviously I am one side, I have a different viewpoint, but that was where I was coming from, and I thought because I loved it, I love involving the community, I think that is absolutely the number one goal of this is to include the community in general, in growing, in how to learn, those types of things. But, I don't want to see other farms, especially young farms, farms that just need that room to grow, come into such a force that could be right next to them.

Mark (00:44:41) One model we haven't discussed is preserving it just the way it is, having the hayfields, passive recreation, the barn as a venue, but I would like to see that there has to be some agricultural component to it, and some kind of educational purpose for children to understand how and why it's so important for farming in this community.

Pat Gallagher (00:46:35) CJ and Roger and other Agricultural Commission folks in the room, if in an incubator type model, what is the right amount of land do you think would be the minimum?

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CJ Koshivas (00:46:51) I think, within the small discussions that we had, starting off smaller is better. Little chunks that you can handle, and then seeing how those work and if it is successful, expand that. So we were taking the community garden examples, like you start with the plot, a small section, and if that's doing really well with the demand, then you can break off another chunk. That's what we were thinking, is start small, make sure we do it right, make sure it is well maintained, and then we can always put that amount of acreage, see what the community wants or desires and what we're able to develop at a good pace and have an efficient well-maintained place.

Cobi Frongillo *via comment read by Breeka Li Goodlander* (00:47:55) I would like to echo everything previously said. Community farming, historic agriculture education in the barn, water management education by the wetlands, walking trails, leased ag management. The only piece I'd add would be to leave the center of the barn so it can be flexibly used for various events.

Haley Goulet *via comment read by Breeka Li Goodlander* (00:48:20) I recommend looking to new entry for incubator models.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:48:30) Just one regulatory component to this because it's now a town-owned property. So, previously it's been able to have agriculture exemptions for its use around wetland resource areas, but now that it's a town property we have to be mindful that those agriculture exemptions do not apply, so that means that those buffer-zone requirements are now in place.

Roger Trahan (00:48:53) I believe Night Owl Farms, there is about six acres of land there that she farms and I think that started a couple years ago, and then there's another farm in Wrentham that's about six acres also, and she has quite an operation over there. So, it doesn't have to be big acreage to start up.

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Melanie Hamblen (00:49:41) I think there's this great potential to connect this farm with students at the Norfolk Agricultural School, and I think when we talk about sizes of plots for young persons started, a quarter-acre is pretty big. I have one myself, and it's really a lot of work. So, I think you could lease quarter-acre lots to kids from the Agricultural School, or people like Haley Goulet, or like there's so many people who want to do things but can't afford the land, and that's why—as CJ says—people leave Massachusetts. We need more smaller farms for food security.

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Pat Gallagher (00:50:30) I think that illustrates the planning and long-term component of this, because I think it seems like some of this is going to need to be in small increments of physical space, and making sure we are not going to plan for 100 percent of the area right away. It's going to be a plan for a very small portion of the area, knowing that we want to give it time and let it simmer a little bit.

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Meghann Hagen (00:51:10) Going off of Melanie's comment about food security for our community. I wonder, as we are talking about farming, if looking at how this land could support the Franklin Food Pantry along the way, I think that's some good food for thought. The other thing we've talked about in other weeks on the previous projects is how we can bring accessibility on to our different open spaces within town. So, I think that would be a challenge with a big piece of farming property here, but I think it's worth thinking about how we can make this an inclusive space for people within our community.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:51:53) Ryan Jette and I, right now one of their access trails go through the wetland, one of their exceptions was that. But, Ryan and I talked about how we need to lift that up, as a boardwalk, so it can still connect both of the fields, and we

were talking about having it be wide enough so everybody can go through, so we are on it.

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Meghann Hagen (00:52:10) And I'm thinking about placards, and we're thinking about doing things along the boardwalk, things that are at a height where someone in a wheelchair would be able to use, read, and be educated as well. I think that's a good opportunity to make this inclusive for everybody.

Jeff Milne (00:52:35) One other thought, the number of scouting organizations in this town, and I notice that part of this is a wooded area, and we're not going to be making sure this is a camping training, cooking training, etc.

Stephen Sherlock (00:52:57) As one who uses the Community Garden which was referenced, the Food Pantry has ten to fifteen beds there that provide some of the fresh fruit, vegetables etc. for the food pantry. If that is an option to continue and/or expand into either the plots as we already have, or as mentioned tonight, making some larger plots available, I think the Food Pantry would be looking to expand accordingly. The one caveat with that though is it also takes people to help volunteer, but with the turnout tonight, I expect that would not be a problem once we have the great opportunity to make it happen. So, thank you for the opportunity to make it happen.

Jeff Milne (00:54:08) Got a question for Haley Goulet, just wondering what kind of staff you have there?

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Haley Goulet (00:54:16) We do a lot of education, so we have a lot of education staff. For the production team, it's me, the flower manager, and the veggie manager, and we pretty much run on volunteers.

FRANKLIN CONSERVATION COMMISSION

OSRP MEETING Minutes

March 9, 2023

6:00 PM – 7:00 PM

TOPIC: RIVERBEND

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Jacob Berry (00:05:18) I've used this particular area for years. Just hiking, it's a wonderful area as far as river access—which is pretty rare in Franklin, to have access to the river. A couple comments on it; one, there is a tremendous opportunity with open parcels to add onto this parcel all the way over to Shaw Street, which would be fabulous. A couple of things I see for improving this area; one, there is illegal ATV access in this area, it's been going on for years. It's become very clear that it's coming from one property over on Amy's Way. I don't know how to deal with it or stop it, certainly open to ideas and happy to contribute to those. Another issue is that a lot of the trails have been built by ATV's and there's a serious design issue with the trails that leads to flooding and mud with the trails, it's just getting worse and degrading the trails over time. A lot of the main trails, including the access in from the parking lot, could really use a redesign or some water rerouting, or just ways to get the water off the trails. More of the trails for hiking down towards the river are less prone to those problems with the water, probably because they are designed with it in mind.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:07:12) So I am a previous consultant for NGrid and Eversource, and ATVs are not allowed under the R.O.W. for obvious safety reasons, but if you do see that—it's out of my jurisdiction, for what you can do for a R.O.W.—but you can always call them. So they're pretty responsive and pretty receptive to that. It's hard to police, for example the R.O.W. by the WMCA I get hit the first month I worked here by a dirtbiker, no fault of his own of course, but they installed gates. Obviously not something we can do to Riverbend, since it's open access, but they are responsive so I would suggest you call them. Thank You.

Stephen Sherlock (00:08:40) I'll second the prior comment first. There's a number of folks, at least from a senior center, tend to be part of a walking group and visit there frequently. They tend to avoid it from time to time, because of the water. It tends to impede on the trail, however it's caused. So if it's truly wetlands and that prone to water,

and at some point in time—it would obviously take some money—but some sort of planking/boardwalk etc. to protect both the wetland and allow for access, it would both protect the wetlands and also allow for handicap access to the wetlands, I would think.

*Unnamed Remote Participant *via Tyler Paslaski* (00:10:17) Riverbend is a great piece of land - would love to see more access down to the river, somehow. Also, if the town would ever be willing to look at sidewalks in that area so local people can walk and not use the limited parking, that would be amazing.

Cobi Frongillo (00:10:27) Riverbend, I give it two superlatives; it's both our most underappreciated asset, and—possibly related—our worst-marked trail network. We finally got a sign on the road to at least indicate it was there, which is fantastic and kudos to the town for doing that, but every single time I go, including with people who hike frequently, we have a very difficult time trying to follow the intended marked path. So, I think every trail in Franklin needs a little work, but in particular Riverbend. The other two comments have been said; water issues are certainly a problem, and then there are opportunities to potentially extend the trail network through some open-space resources if people are potentially willing to sell, so we should keep an eye particularly on the Delea property, which extends our ability to have a trail along the river.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:11:50) So, as an update, many folks know I'm sure that we did the forest stewardship plan at DelCorte, so this week I called Mike Downey at DCR to see if we could get a forest stewardship plan in place at Riverbend, which also will help with a lot of grant funding for those trail networks, will help with boundary markers, will help with signage, things of that nature. So, that's definitely something that I'm ruminating on and I actually met with Ryan Jette about it because he was really jazzed about forest stewardship plans, so that's something that I hear about definitely quite a bit. I also had thought how cool it would be to have some signage, so we actually have four tribes which call Franklin home, and to try and connect with them to get their historic utilization of the Charles, and then to do some signage to do a nice homage to historical practices with the Charles. There is a great history component there.

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Patrick Gallagher (00:13:04) I think two things; signage is tied into one of these. I think it's not necessarily apparent from the road that there's parking if you go in, and so I think folks who drive by it and want to stop might not know there's parking down that gravel drive. So, maybe some sort of signage indicating parking is out there, and the other I think is a little more challenging. In addition to being pretty wet, the trails do get steep going down to the river. That's obviously a feature of the land, but I think certainly anyone who has accessibility needs, but even kids, I think, could have a really hard time just getting down to the riverside. I don't know if there are ways that can mitigate that kinda steep slope, because I think getting down to the river is a neat spot there, but to do that is a pretty steep incline.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:14:21) We could look at some wooden rails, that would be nice, or even building in steps, so not truly excavating but putting something in there so

it's a little bit easier to go down.. Ryan Jette and I were talking this weekend about that for DelCorte, for accessibility issues.

Ali Rheume *via Tyler Paslaski* (00:14:46) I've never been there, but I watched a YouTube video tour haha - I don't have any accessibility feedback because it's not a location that is fit for someone with mobility needs and that's okay.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:15:10) So Ali, there is opportunity, if the Town were to acquire adjacent parcels, that we could have a 'top of the slope' sort of trail network. So, that's something that's been discussed and something that's hopefully in the future, but not on the table at the moment, but we're hopeful.

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Ali Rheume *in Zoom chat comment* (00:16:35) Neat!! Thanks!!

Patrick Gallagher (00:15:52) Do you know, since we have some time, the comment came up earlier on extending sidewalks, and right now the sidewalks don't really go much further than Elm and Daniel Street and maybe a couple of other houses. But, do you know if there's any kind of funding or project in the pipeline?

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:16:10) Not that I've heard, no. I think most of it is going on Grove Street right now, and towards the SNETT. I know you picked up my plug for extended parking, so that is something I know is in the works. I have not heard anything on Lincoln, but Brooke will be here later.

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Patrick Gallagher (00:16:38) It might be worth looking into, because depending on how far you can extend the sidewalk, and this gets to be on the Riverbend, if you could bridge it up into Medway, I think there's a lot of walkability options. That's a more ambitious thing that just extending it to a river.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:17:10) I'd probably be more apt to walk it.

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Patrick Gallagher (00:17:13) People drive fast down that road, so it's a tough road to just be walking on.

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Stephen Sherlock (00:17:19) I will second that notion on the sidewalks, there are a number of roads, that one certainly being key, where they are fairly narrow. So, it is rather dangerous for an individual—whether they are walking or running— and I have run many of those roads, to be considered safe. To try and provide both the accessibility as the safety aspects and access to our facilities, I think, would be key. Through this process and ultimately to the master plan, by all means that's where I will continue to help. I do a lot of walking reporting by walking around, and there are some places that I am much more comfortable walking in, particular in day but even in night. In some spots—specifically in nighttime—I will not venture far off.

Breeka Li Goodlander (00:19:55) A question for the residents here, and it's a broad topic, but what would your access to the Charles River be? What do you define that as? Would

it be viewing? Would it be wildlife viewing? Would it be kayaking? What would access to the Charles River be to you?

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Marc in Zoom chat comment responding to Breeka Li Goodlander's 00:19:55 question (00:23:01) Access for kayaking or canoeing!

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Ali Rheume in Zoom chat comment responding to Breeka Li Goodlander's 00:19:55 question (00:23:03) Access for kayaking would be great! I would love to fish there, or even just sit on a bench and view it.

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Jacob Berry (00:20:24) So, as I previously mentioned, I think Riverbend is one of our only shots at public access to the Charles River in town. When I want to access the river for on-water, I go to Norfolk. There is two reasons for that; One, it's easy access, you can dump your kayak or canoe in right there, whether you are going to Populatic or down the right a little. I think, also here, we are dealing with a dam on the river, which limits how much we can use there, and I don't know if there's any talk there ever about removing that dam. I know the state has been actively removing them in some places where they are not needed, but it would be great to have access in Franklin to have on-water sports, whether that's canoeing or kayaking. Even fishing, there is fishing and I do see people fishing in Riverbend if they can make it down that steep trail, which could be redesigned. You could take that trail out and just make a switch back there, which would make it much easier for, of course not people with mobility issues, but for other people to safely access and get down to the river.

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Patrick Gallagher (00:21:51) I think part of what this plan is going to yield, in terms of recommendations, is we might not have a resource we can really tap into in Franklin, and so maybe the answer to that is trying to make folks more aware of where they can access the Charles River. Even if it's not right, I think it's definitely worth investigating as much as we can. The dams is above our paygrade, but as a former rower on the Charles, I'm a big proponent of seeing if we can get more access.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:22:30) Actually, since we are on the Charles River Watershed Association, I am the liaison for that with the Town. So, it is something, but it's a lot of funding, a lot of grant money because that would come from a grant, and a lot of permitting and PR work.

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Stephen Sherlock (00:24:40) I think Breeka Li cover it, because the CRWA had prior meetings looking into the removal of that dam. I don't know if there are future meetings, but if there are I'll certainly share those out through Franklin Matters. Certainly go to the Charles River Watershed Association, and sign up to their alerts. They do have a number of dam removal proposals in the works, and as Breeka Li mentions, they're complicated and going to take time. But there are efforts underway, and at least from what I understood from the first one, there were more naysayers—people who were fearful of the removal of the dam—than folks looking for the possible improvement.

Marc in Zoom chat comment (00:20:35) Are there any wetlands near Dacey field? Just wondering if we can construct any bike/mountain bike trails in that area.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:23:11) So, it's very feasible to have a trail network in there, there would be some minor stream crossing since we can't actually go all the way around those wetland complexes. So, the two wetlands, the north and then this isolated one (to the south) so there's intermittent streams that connect those and then drain offsite. So we would have to have some sort of stream crossing, however we can definitely at least make partial trails throughout there and do singular loops throughout that southwest corner or something like that. If there's need for that, that's something I would absolutely talk to Ryan Jette about. I have no problem with that, I'm sure he would love that too.

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OSRP MEETING Minutes

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TOPIC: Maple Hill

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Comments from the Public / Answers

Stephen Dombroski (00:03:19) I'm on with (unable to hear names) and we all live on Kimberlee Avenue. First of all, we appreciate the Town purchasing the land. We were directly in line to being with the big development that was going to be in there, and were surprised—happy, I don't know—for this to turn out this way. Personally I am a direct beneficiary of what happened, because I get back in the woods once or twice a day to walk my dog and things like that. So, I look forward to seeing what the town would like to do, hopefully keep it natural. If you can kind of get away, get some fresh air and a little exercise, and we have been talking a little bit about just having it be an educational opportunity with the wetlands and vernal pools, maybe we have another vernal pool back there that we got to figure out. There's just a lot of nature going on, and things, it's all going to be very interesting to watch too, because quite a big chunk of it was logged, which you guys were probably aware of, and it's already coming back. My trees are coming back. So, if you want to pick our brains for ideas, I think keeping it as much natural as we can—and we understand we have to have access to it somehow—might be one of the challenging things, because there is only one access point now that I am aware of that's a trail that goes from the public street to a difficult land—otherwise, we have a few private ways. We were talking today a little bit about it, but just knowing the access points, and a few things—there's a lot of dead trees out there that are hazards.

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Patrick Gallagher (00:05:33) I was just about to ask, what's the condition of the trail network? Who brings up things like that?

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Stephen Dombroski (00:05:47) I'm not sure of it, but there's the main loop that's been there for years, and a lot of it is kind of in disrepair, and a lot of rocks and roots that can be troublesome. I think about how it could be graded to make it nicer, to make it easier for the average person. There's also a mishmash of smaller hiking trails back there that have been around for years, but the group that regularly walks back there have been

cleaning them off and getting them in this pretty good condition. So, it would be nice to address it the median in that respect.

Lawrence Rettman (00:06:51) I'm on the Board of Directors for the Metacomet Land Trust, and the Metacomet Land Trust owns some parcels around town. We own, abutting Maple Hill in three spots, we own 43 acres abutting Maple Hill. Natural resources and inventory, it's critical to document existing conditions before plans for improving access for use. This work comes in reference to what's known as a baseline documentation report, that will also be needed for the eventual Conservation restriction in the changing of the title. The formal C.R. is a state requirement for use of CBA funds. The Conservation Commission is a logical body to oversee the work which could be carried out by town staff or experienced conservation consultants. Public access, we're to establish trailheads with street access and small parking areas, kiosks with maps. It will be critical to include the perspective of residents near the current access points early and often; management history, both old and recent of formal trails; consideration of potential new trails to connect the access points trail with construction standards and accessibility of some trails; slopes, runoff and maintenance are some of the issues to be considered with an eye to future climate prospects. The Town will also have to address how to respond to emergencies and violations of trail use standards, and just a note for the record, that the eventual conservation restriction land does require a third party conservation entity—not the Commission itself—to determine the deed restriction. Metacomet Land Trust is qualified to serve in this capacity, and currently is responsible for C.R.s on the municipal land in Bellingham and Upton. There is no statutory deadline for this document, but it would normally take about two years. So, I want to let the Commission know that **I am reading these comments (audio seems to have cut out, not 100% certain this is what he said)**, and I also served on the Conservation Commission here from 1970 until 2000, and I am an original founder of the Metacomet Land Trust which has been around for about 32 years now, and we are in the business of preserving land.

Mark Minnichelli (00:11:16) I am going to probably just be singing the same tune that's already been discussed. My wife and I enjoy the natural trails that already exist around Franklin. We haven't had the chance to see the Maple Hill area yet, and I just want to voice our opinion that the natural beauty of that parcel is maintained, and try to keep it as close to natural as possible. The only other subject that I would like to bring up is ADA accessibility. There are some recreational areas around Franklin that are more suitable probably, or easier to give ADA accessibility to. I'm not sure what the topology of the Maple Hill area is, but if that could be a consideration, we feel that's important as well to give everyone a chance to enjoy the natural beauty of the resources we have.

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Patrick Gallagher (00:13:00) I agree, and I think it's going to be something we are going to need to look at the feasibility of.

Darren Marino (00:13:16) I live on 26 Madison Avenue. I also abut the purchased land. So, I walk these trails all the time also, and does anyone know what the process is for trail development and trail markings? It is a large piece of property, and amazingly no matter

how many times I walk it, with all of the little small trails, it's easy to get "lost". I have gotten wise and bring a flashlight now to see in the dark. So, there are some wonderful trails there, there's a lot of small trails, so I think there's just great opportunity for peaceful type of trails. I also do walk the Metacomet, which is kind of adjacent, and it would be wonderful to keep those connections. What I see is two entry points, there's the one on Kimberlee, which I think was mentioned in the chat. Right now it's a very steep drop to get down there from Bridle Path. I don't know if there's any connection points to Cranberry Street. In that neighborhood, you kind of go along High Ridge and those houses. It would be great if there was also an entry point in that spot. I don't know what the process is for trail development, I don't know if there's the opportunity for committee or citizen committee involvement to help do trail development. There are a lot of existing trails, as was mentioned. There is a main loop, but there is also small trails that I think are enjoyable to walk on and would hate to lose that. I think the neighbors are keeping them up, and the deer are also doing a good job keeping the trails going. Just wanted to see what opportunities there are to be developed in that trail development.

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Patrick Gallagher (00:15:45) I think that's a question we have our selves too, and that also came up at the last meeting in the context of the Riverbend Recreation Area, particularly around making sure trails are clearly marked and having trail maps so folks can find their way around, so I think it's definitely top of mind for how we are approaching the plan.

Erin Letcher *via Breeka Li Goodlander* (00:16:14) I live at 35 Kimberlee Ave, right on the cul de sac. I am hoping that whatever is done with the land, the access from our street is made safer. The curb was broken by the previous potential developers and there is a steep drop down that can be challenging to go up and down safely.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:16:32) I know that Kimberlee Avenue has been brought up a few times. I hate to be the bearer of bad news, but that property is actually private property and is not Town-owned. So, while I agree walking there today that it is definitely not accessible-friendly, unfortunately it is private. So we had talked about the process for the Town acquiring that property and easements of that nature, but in any master plan, it would have to be for Town property.

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Jeff Milne (00:17:05) So you are saying that land immediately adjacent to Kimberlee cul de sac is private, so there's no access to Maple Hill from there?

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Stephen Dombroski (00:17:12) Right, there's four acres there

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:17:17) So it can be in the Open Space process, definitely a parcel of interest to be considered for purchase for rights.

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Jeff Milne (00:17:35) So where is public access today?

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Stephen Dombroski (00:17:36) The only place that I know is in Bridle Path, where there is Town Lands next to Town Road. Everything else goes to private property. The other

exception might be Kimberlee Ave, but there's no trail there. There was years ago, but now it's overgrown, and there's some wetlands near it. I haven't been down there to really have a look at it, but I mean there's a lot that are being used today. People are cutting through private land, most people don't even know they are doing it, I suppose, but I'm hoping we can keep doing it but I don't know what the Town would say.

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Patrick Gallagher (00:18:09) Right, I think from our perspective, as Breeka Li said, we are trying to identify from Town-owned property/Town controlled property how do we provide for access over and through those areas, and are there opportunities for the Town to acquire additional rights and the trying to look at those. I think as far as any private access, that's probably not something the Open Space Plan would get into, except to the extent of 'we think this is an access that is currently private that the Town may have an opportunity to look at.' But, we certainly wouldn't be venturing into the area of someone's private property and people accessing their private property. I think the goal is for the public to really funnel them towards, if there is one specific trailhead in that area, or however many trailheads.

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Stephen Dombroski (00:19:22) There's one opportunity, which is Metacomet Land, which abuts Towns and properties. I'm thinking of the two down Bridle Path, so I don't know if they could access that way, or if there's an actual trail there.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:19:41) So, that would roll back into the master plan process, or grants, off an open space survey, our post cards are over there. So, there's an open-ended question here; are there any open parcels around that residents feel would be great for the Town to purchase.

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Patrick Gallagher (00:20:09) Right, and I think it's balancing. I'm a real estate attorney and in representing property owners, we'll advise property owners to, oftentimes, do things to prevent trespass on their land, because there's all sorts of things that come into play. Trespass is kind of seen as a bad word, and even if it's not any ill intent, but there's liability concerns, there's all sorts of things around that. So, I think we want to, not necessarily prevent trespass—I don't know that that's really our job here—but we want to provide for public access, I think is the key.

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Stephen Dombroski (00:21:00) So there really isn't a way around the residence at this point? People have been doing it for years and years and years, and it's a really interesting question, I don't know.

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Patrick Gallagher (00:31:10) I think, as far as the public is concerned, and talking much more about the folks who live right up against Maple Hill, I think to be able to identify public access, or access points if there are multiple points of access, that that's the ideal. Not to say that you can't keep using it as you have been using it.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:21:32) You can contact whoever owns that property, using GIS you can find out who owns that property and how to contact them. So that's something you can take up on your own as a neighbor.

The Groves *via Breeka Li Goodlander* (00:21:55) It would be nice to have the Maple Hill property connected with other conservation property for a nice continuous trail system.

Karla Boudreau *via Breeka Li Goodlander* (00:22:10) I agree with the last neighbor, keeping the trails natural but improving safety along the main route that was affected by cutting would be great. Any neighbors using the trails for the first time, there are great trails being formed by foot traffic that are enjoyable to discover and hike.

MPD *via Breeka Li Goodlander* (00:22:32) What are the access points again?

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:22:39) The Town access point is off of Bridle Path.

Karla Boudreau (00:22:49) I just had a question about buffers, you know we would love to see more neighbors and members of the community access the woods back there. It is a very special place in Town to discover there. I was just wondering if there was some sort of buffer that is implemented for those who have their houses right along the main trails that are existing right now. Certainly wouldn't need to be changed if it's more neighbors using it; however as more access is made available, just going back to the safety point, how close would those trails be to our backyard?

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Patrick Gallagher (00:23:27) It's a good question, and certainly something we will take a look at, especially in the event that there would be any new trails. But, also for existing trails, one of the solutions we talk about a lot is signage and just identifying where is the trail and where is private property just so folks understand where those boundaries are.

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Jeff Milne (00:23:59) Is there any parking today on Bridle Path at the actual head?

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Stephen Dombroski (00:24:00) No, in fact it's like you have to go over some rocks, and it's not graded out or anything like that. It's pretty natural either way,

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:24:21) So, parking is definitely something for open space. How we get that parking in.

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Stephen Dombroski (00:24:24) One interesting thing since the Town bought the land, we are getting more people parking in Kimberlee, it's becoming more popular. So, these cars will have to go some place, something to think about.

Lawrence Rettman (00:24:50) Just a few comments. We should restrict, no motorized vehicles on this land, they seem to make their own trails. No hunting, no camping, no fires should be some of the rules on the use of this land.

Stephen Dombroski (00:25:26) I have identified three deer stands back there, one clearly done on Town property. I think it's been abandoned, really, but it's padlocked and chained, and would be nice to address that even though it's not a hunting season.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:25:40) That one can be done, but it's the other one that's questionable if it's on private property or not. Which is something, once the master plan process is surveyed out, will say whether or not it's on Town property or private. Regardless, if there's a trailhead that goes right up to your property, they have another setback that they need to need to be mindful of.

Breeka Li Goodlander (00:26:15) For the trail-grading, I would ask just that existing community members stay on the trails that are already there. Folks going off-trail, you can have vegetation and soil erosion, so you can actually do more harm than good, and I know you have been taking care of it. We did talk about the leaves and the trees, and who's going to be maintaining it for the most part. The leaves right now, since it's vernal pool season, just an option for blowing those off of what the existing footpath is. Then we did talk about how he volunteered, if trees fell onto the trails, to move them off. I did ask if they could send me emails, we are in this weird limbo between having a definitive plan, or who's maintaining the property; Conservation or DPW, Land Trust, etc. So, we are in that limbo. If it's in a resource area, that adds a whole nother level of permitting, which I would suggest you let default to the Town.

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Stephen Dombroski (00:27:36) So, there's a lot of precarious trees in there that are clearly dead and are about to crack and fall over the trails, and it gets scary back there when it gets windy, because you can hear stuff cracking.

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Patrick Gallagher (00:27:45) I think it's always safe, just in playing it safe to snap a picture of it, email it to Breeka Li. If you can email it, a picture is great because you can easily see where it is on the trail, Derek Adams at DPW has also been grating a helping manage some of the trails and such.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:28:15) Yeah, he's volunteered his experience to help Conservation, which is good.

Andrew (00:28:24) So I'm appreciating all of the comments that are made, and I live on 2 Hancock Road, which is not directly abutting but is at the end of the neighborhood where some of this property is. I guess my question is, generally speaking for the acquisition of open space by the Town; is it a requirement to have all of these sub-requirements, or is there some notion of preserving open space for a variety of reasons, not the least of which would be global warming and not having everything developed. This may be a naïve question, but I just wanted to pose it and ask the Committee what the thought is on that.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:29:15) There are areas around Town that are open space, that are one acre plots, single plots just around town, they don't have trails. They are, strictly speaking, open space for our 'other neighbors' that are not human. So, that is around, a lot of Conservation areas do have recreational trails. We want to support our community, and that leads into us doing what we do. Additionally, with properties purchased by CPA funds, it is a requirement that they have some sort of human benefit, recreational or passive recreation benefit, of which Maple Hill is a property purchased with CPA funds.

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Patrick Gallagher (00:30:00) So a lot of that depends on who, a household head required, what funds are used, if it comes under Article 97 of the State Constitution, which provides requirements around publicly owned land, including municipal land, and the current use, and proposed change in use. So, there are a lot of requirements around when the Town goes to acquire open space, or Conservation space, how can it be used subsequent to the acquisition.

The Groves (00:30:57) I just have a couple of comments and a couple of questions. I'm on 28 Kimberlee Avenue, and we walk back there and have for years and have really enjoyed the open space. I know that, with the shift of the last cycle of potential development and foresting that they did back there, there are trees that are half-down or blown into other trees and leaning, so there are safety issues back there. There's a lot of trails, besides the main path, and a lot of those trails have to do with the neighbors who do dog-walking and things like that. I know that one of the people on the call mentioned that sometimes it is a little confusing which path or which part of the trail system that you're on. I do know that there's a mobile app that one of my neighbors has logged some of the paths in there, so that there is some documentation of where you can walk. I also know that a lot of the paths that wander on and off the Maple Hill piece onto Conservation land, onto private land that's undeveloped, and it's sort of hard to tell which part's which. So, it's not clear sometimes, I know when I'm done if I'm on somebody else's property, but I don't know if it's okay or not okay to be honest. I know that one person's land that I walked onto today, at the end I stopped by and asked if they mind that I walk on their path that ends out on Lincoln, and it wasn't a problem for that situation. But, it would be nice to know what would be good practices. The other thing is, I would like to help do some improvements back there, but I'm not sure what improvements are acceptable. Some improvements might be trail signage that points (to a) path number 1, or give it a name, that it goes this way and you're on that path, and if you want to branch out to a different path, you're now on that path, because there are different loops that are in there. There's in my mind, really two 1-mile loops that are in there inside the same property that were sort of side-by side loops. One was the main route, and the others were secondary routes. There's also other routes, some I've never been on but they're out there. So, some of the standing practices of 'what's acceptable use' and 'what's acceptable to do'. Right now, we sort of do things because it's out there, and the deer don't bother us and we don't bother them, and we go for our walk and we come back and we have a smile on our face, and we hope that's okay. So, if there's a way to understand how we can help, and what practices are acceptable, and which paths and properties we can go on. The first gentleman talked about the Conservation Land; I don't even know if they like us walking on it or not, it would be nice to know. Those are my thoughts and questions.

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Patrick Gallagher (00:34:42) All good comments. I would just reiterate that, before doing any sort of things you would think of as improvements, to certainly reach out to the Town and make sure, just as we are navigating around different resource areas on the site, and any kind of question around that, it would be best to just reach out before doing anything that you would consider outside the realm of how you would typically walk around and enjoy the trail.

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The Groves (00:35:18) Do you have a technique of how we should reach out? I did actually call one of our Town Councilors with these questions, and was directed to this Committee, but I'm not sure who and how to ask.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:35:31) They directed you right. So, I'm the Conservation Agent, and I will put my email and phone number in the chat for you.

Meghann Hagen (00:36:31) Just a quick comment in response to Karla's comment about concerns for buffers along neighboring properties. From what I have seen along the Holliston Rail Trail, which is where I run a lot, it goes pretty close to people's homes. There is signage out there just to remind people to be respectful of the neighbors and keep their noses down in that specific area. So, maybe while we are assessing things, we could get signs out there just to help the neighboring community and add that in.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:37:05) A good idea for Schmidt.

Darren Marino (00:37:13) Just one comment. I do walk the trails a lot. Most of the trails, luckily, don't really go along property lines, and there are some, but for the most part you are kind of inside the property and you don't really get great views of a lot of the houses. Just the way the property naturally goes and the existing trails doesn't really put you along many houses, on the trails I've walked.

Mark LePage (00:39:02) Just a quick question for Lawrence Rettman. So, would Metacomet be open to a deal where we could build some trails together to gain more access to Maple Hill? Would you guys be open to that?

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Lawrence Rettman (00:39:09) Yeah, I would like to do that. Franklin has about a three or four car space of the Summer Street parcel. But, you're going to contact the neighbors about where the parking spaces are going to be, but the parking space should only be for two-three-four cars at the most.

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Stephen Dombroski (00:39:41) I think the best opportunity for parking would be at the end of Bridle Path, but having a nice gravel road going thirty yards in, and then it gets thick in the woods, and you really cut down on the visibility of having parking out there.

Lawrence Rettman (00:40:08) Right now, on the Metacomet Land is a small pond on the property which is used for ice skating and is a very shallow pond, it's a manmade one only about two or three feet deep. Some winters, we've had as many as fifty days of ice skating on that pond, and the neighbors there were maintaining it and keeping snow off of it and so forth, and that's all accessed off of Bridle Path.

Stephen Dombroski (00:40:48) This is a lot of property between end of Maple and Metacomet and towards the Dean College property. That could all be connected. One other big problem we have is, where we live there is no sidewalks on Maple Street. It's a problem, because people run and walk and stuff, and it would be nice if we could connect

all of these neighborhoods around Maple Hill, and have a nice integrated trail that leads to the Dean College property if they would ever allow that, and then you could put a sidewalk up to the little red schoolhouse. Then it could lead into town. There's wetlands there, but I'm sure you could get around it.

MPD *via Breeka Li Goodlander* (00:41:38) Bridle Path is a long street on which cars can park without having to build a parking lot.

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Patrick Gallagher (00:41:40) I think there's a balance, right? Between providing for access, providing for opportunities for people to park, but it gets back to accessibility. Particularly, we're trying to enable people to have more mobility to get close to the trail, balancing where do you put parking in the path, putting in a parking lot.

Lawrence Rettman (00:42:20) I mentioned some of the things you shouldn't have in there. So, what can you do? Well, walking of course, horseback riding, dog-walking, wildlife viewing, bird-watching, snowshoeing, cross country skiing, things that are all non-invasive activities.

Andrew (00:43:56) I realize you are doing this on a volunteer basis, and I just want to say thank you very much for giving your time to the Open Space Committee.

FRANKLIN CONSERVATION COMMISSION

OSRP MEETING Minutes

April 6, 2023

6:00 PM – 7:00 PM

TOPIC: DelCarte and Beaver Pond

This Open Space and Recreation Plan Meeting was available to be attended in person and via the ZOOM platform. In an effort to ensure citizen engagement, citizens were able to dial into the meeting using the provided phone number (Cell phone or Landline Required) OR citizens could participate by copying the link on the agenda or calling 929-205-6099. For those wishing to attend in person, the meeting is held in the Council Chambers, second floor of the Municipal Building.

Comments from the Public / Answers

Michael Rein (00:10:15) Walking around the ponds sounds awesome. I always thought there might be a problem because of the drinking water wells, but you think that would be okay?

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Ryan Jette (00:10:29) Yeah, the drinking water wells are a little bit closer down near, I think there is a building back there that DPW maintains as well. Right now it goes all the way around, as it is, there is a lot of dirtbikes that ride back there and try to come across the beach as well. But yeah, it goes like three quarters of the way around, and especially this time of year where it's wet, it's real muddy around that area so you can't get through. It would be nice if we could complete it, then people could walk around the whole park.

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Patrick Gallagher (00:11:00) Is all of that area—if we were to think about something like a boardwalk then there would be a lot of wetland and other concerns as well—but is that Town-controlled land, or is some of it Army Corp.?

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Ryan Jette (00:11:17) I'm not a hundred percent sure on that. When I look at an abutters list of Beaver Pond, there seems to be a little bit of National Grid, a lot of Town of Franklin, and Army Corp. of Engineers.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:11:30) And then D.O.T. for I495, so they have their own right of way. I know that because I got a complaint about dirtbikers, and I followed it up the chain with DCR and they sent me to D.O.T.

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Ryan Jette (00:11:43) I mean, you could, if you wanted to put in a boardwalk, they have boardwalks that are pretty gentle with the environment like the one we have down at DelCarte.

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Patrick Gallagher (00:12:00) Well, and I think too that, the boardwalk you'll see all over the place where it almost dead-ends, and you just stop. Even if it wasn't a full circle around the pond, just having something a little bit more structured, I think that would help improve access for folks, especially during wet times of the year.

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Ryan Jette (00:12:22) I mean, there are some trails that are still there from years ago, if you go into the second entrance of Beaver Pond, where some people park, we have a couple of containers over there. There's a trail that actually snakes through the woods, and it links up all the way in the back, almost halfway down the pond, and it's really nice there in the fall, it's a great walk so.

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Michael Rein (00:12:41) Is that where we connected the SNETT Trail to the Town, does it go right through there?

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Ryan Jette (00:12:56) No, the SNETT doesn't quite get that far. If you go all the way out back by Beaver Pond, there's a little dirtbike path that goes up to I495, then it kind of comes back and you can go underneath I495, and that's the SNETT. So, it is further back, though it doesn't as far as Beaver Pond. If you were to park on the Grove Street SNETT parking lot, and walk the opposite direction of where everybody else walks, it goes right to Downtown Franklin, there's a rail there. Right as you get underneath the I495 bridge, if you take a left, there's a steep hill and that connects to Beaver Pond best.

Ed Szmanski, 529 Pleasant Street (00:14:34) I just wanted to say, since you talked about making it accessible to walk all the way around, because I walk down there a lot because I'm a nature photographer. But, you can't walk to the left of the main pond, down the road there where it goes to the end of the paved road at the end. To the left, there's one body of water, if you go to the right, there's a locked gate. So, that's so nobody can drive down there, but it would preclude people from being able to walk around the pond that way. So, I don't know if there would be any plans at least for –and it's got little pieces of fence through the sides so you can't step through it –but maybe if people could go around the side as long as you couldn't drive your car down.

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Ryan Jette (00:15:09) I'm sure that was installed because DPW doesn't want anybody messing around with their building back there. If we got access around the whole pond, we could probably put up some bollards so vehicles couldn't get back there and you could still walk it.

Michael Rein (00:15:28) I know there's nice restrooms there, how often are they open?

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Ryan Jette (00:15:34) Well, that's a touchy subject. I would like to have them open all the time, but right now they're key operated, so we would love to put on timers where they're unlocked in the morning and automatically close at night. We're working on getting some technology in there that can do that. Mike D'Angelo, our Facilities Director, had a conduit brought into the building, and we just need to get it hooked up with our IT people and the Facilities. Once we have that capability, we'll be able to put in some timers to keep the building open. Right now, it's basically whoever permits the

field—if it's used for lacrosse or youth soccer—we get them the code, there's a key right there and we unlock them for events, and a lot of times if I'm driving by I'll just unlock them in the morning in the summer time when people are there, and then just lock it up at night. It really depends on who has the key at the point, but it would be really nice to get them unlocked electronically, all bathrooms in Town really. Fletcher Field, King Street, we'd love to have them all open. A lot of people don't understand that we don't have just a key person who drives around all the fields and unlocks all the bathrooms and locks them up every night, it's really dependent on who's permitting the field.

--DelCarte presentation from Breeka Li Goodlander—

Jeff Milne (00:24:19) Any thoughts on access to the Condominiums that are going to be built next door by the church?

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:14:27) Yeah, so they did come in to Tech Review, and when they came before the Conservation Commission, they mentioned potential trails—237 Pleasant Street, the church—but they haven't officially filed, so they can't yet legally. They are not finished anyways with their entire permitting process with other boards. But, I do think it's still on their radar, so I think that would be great. If you recall, your Chair and all of you wrote a letter highlighting that it would be great if there was trails and public parking.

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Patrick Gallagher (00:25:04) I think, and this is apart from the forestry plan mostly, but I think one of the big challenges with DelCarte is that there is not a lot of parking, so during high volume times or whatever, we don't want to be in a position where people are getting turned away from DelCarte, but there's also the challenge of there not being a readily available place to put in parking. So, I think there would be a good synergy if that's something that the 237 Project would be open to, and that's a little bit of a separate conversation. But, I think, if through the permitting process that's something they are open to, we would love to work with them on providing use of parking spaces and connecting that route's new trails through and into the existing trail network.

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Jeff Milne (00:26:07) There is a second entrance to DelCarte where there's a small parking area. Could that be expanded?

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:26:14) So that parking lot, to me, is easier to permit and expand than the other parking lot. The un-vegetated turnaround spot at DelCarte at the parking lot actually should be just for Town staff, so that parking is so the trash truck can get to it. There is a basin, a rain garden there, there is also a stormwater basin. So, that turnaround spot—and I know a lot of people park in it, if people could avoid parking next to the trash can that would be great—that right behind that turnaround is all wet.

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Mark LePage (00:27:08) Is there signage at that second entrance?

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(Breeka Li Goodlander (00:27:13) There is a sign, but not for overflow parking. I don't think it's called out as well as it could be.

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Patrick Gallagher (00:27:18) I think we could certainly do with more signage at the primary parking lot saying "Overflow parking is 500 feet this way" or something like that.

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Meghann Hagen (00:27:33) Would we have capability to do a crushed gravel sort of path up along the road connecting the two parking lots? I was thinking of families with young children who might not be parking able to park at the other parking lot. I know the path goes that way, but you would not be able to get a stroller down the hill and across the path there. So, that might provide a point of different access for young families.

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Patrick Gallagher (00:28:00) Just looking at it, I think one of the challenges would be the grade. It looks like it slopes away from the road a little bit. There is a sidewalk across the street, I know it's not the same as having it on the same side. There is crosswalk from the overflow parking lot to across the street. It's not a short distance, it's probably a quarter-mile just looking at it, but I think it's something preexisting there that we could work with, as opposed to creating an entirely new parking area.

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Michael Rein (00:29:09) Halfway between the two, there is an access road. Would it be possible to expand that into a parking lot, too?

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:29:22) Possible, but it's an access road to the dams, so it's more closed off for service vehicles to get in to service the dams. It's also what SOLitude Lake Management uses, so it's highly utilized. I know it doesn't seem like it, I know it's probably closed every time someone drives by.

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Michael Rein (00:29:47) I'm not saying to open it, I'm just saying if there's already a turnoff point, so if there is just a way to put a parking lot near there.

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Breeka Li Goodlander *in response to Richard Johnson pointing to a location he suggested could be good for parking on a map of the surrounding DelCorte Area* (00:30:10) I do apologize to any residents across the street, but there is on-street parking across the street. Not on Pleasant, but you have to go Northwest, on the side streets.

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Richard Johnson (00:30:52) That probably won't be popular with the neighborhood.

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Michael Rein *referencing a displayed map of DelCorte* (00:30:56) I know when you park in the overflow parking lot and you go down, the trail basically goes left. You can go right, but the sign says 'don't go right' because that's not a part of the trail, but yet should it be part of the trail? It looks like it is on this picture.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:31:23) So there are actually two signs at that are at that overflow parking lot location, and one of them shows the trail network. That may be an old map. The other one is a 'no littering' sign. Those are the only two signs that are right there. This is something that Natalie just GPS'ed. She went off-parcel, so there is a private trail on there, but that is our current trail network.

--Continued DelCorte presentation from Breeka Li Goodlander--

Patrick Gallagher (00:33:34) Breeka Li, is there any space in your bulletin to put some materials on the Biodiversity Project? I think people would be interested to read about it if they're coming down.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:33:55) That's a really good idea, thanks. So we can do that, and Ryan Jette is usually the leader of all of the Eagle Scout projects. I know that recently we had CIV-E (check for spelling/pronunciation) come in and he did the 'no littering' signage, but I think historically there were batboxes, some trail maintenance, additional signage. The dams are routinely maintained, the Town is actually due for another inspection of the dams, they'll come down and look at the dams. The water levels are maintained, so it is altered for sure. There is a beaver at the Northeast portion that keeps damming everything up, so Derek and I are out there all the time seeing what we can do.

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Mark LePage (00:35:14) Have you thought of putting in a Beaver Deceiver?

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:35:11) Something, I don't know. If you go by there now, there is actually a nesting pair of Mute Swans, so they have some really nice bed and cattails. You approved two cameras as part of the biodiversity project, so those will be purchased and we will put those out. I will take any information. I have never utilized solar cameras, so I'm trying to do some research to find out which solar cameras is the best to put out there. To your point, Michael, I just wanted to let you know that you're right about the current trail map, it cuts off at the right, so it is a very unfortunate discrepancy between public information. I can get it fixed.

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Michael Rein (00:36:24) I think we might need some bridges. You can see (referencing a DelCorte Map) at the top, I don't know if you can get across the water there.

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Michael Rein (00:36:35) Personally, it would be my recommendation to daylight that trail, so to remove it. There is a dam, it's dilapidated, it's broken, so you're right; it's caved in, so it's hard to get across. Derek and I usually jump across, that's what we routinely cross and it's very wet back there. To me, it's a very nice resource area. If people want to access back there, it's fine.

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Michael Rein (00:37:34) On the other end, there's a break, you can't get all the way to the train tracks without getting wet. Something for us to think about.

Meghann Hagen (00:37:45) Where did we land on accessibility at DelCorte? I know that we had looked at the handicap parking space down the hill, and maybe possibly looking at some maps to go down towards the crushed gravel area?

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Ryan Jette (00:38:15) We are actually looking at trying to get an accessibility study done for all of our playgrounds, parks, whatnot. One of the goals I think I would like to see

this Commission focus on is to make at least one of these trails down there accessible. As you get over the dam on the lefthand side, there is a short loop, and it would be great if we could somehow make that accessible for people with mobility issues. Longterm, as a Town, I think we need to do an accessibility study on all of our parks. I'll let you know about that, we've been talking with Jamie about that and it's something that we're going to have to probably have to bid out, but we're working and meeting with a firm next week to get some preliminary estimates.

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Michael Rein (00:38:53) That's a great idea.

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Pat Gallagher (00:39:04) I think too, and this is not the same as ADA accessibility, but even getting a stroller through that gap is difficult. So, I think, given that the Storywalk is over there, and I think that's a great spot, but if you can't get a stroller through, that makes it tricky.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:39:30) Out of curiosity, that trail that hugs the water and is real close, would you keep the trails as is for accessibility? Would you choose one or the other? Or would you cut the middle and create a new trail?

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Richard Johnson (00:40:20) You would destroy a lot of vegetation building a new trail through there.

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Michael Rein (00:40:22) Also, you could just keep on going by the shoreline and it takes you to a dock, and it does not have an official trail to it. So, if we do remove the trail, we are going to need to put up signage that says "too close to the water."

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Richard Johnson (00:40:46) I don't think you are going to want to close it without giving them an alternative, you're not going to make them go out through east overbush over there. It may be nice, but it may not be the way you want to go. Everybody over there goes off their own way, it's well beaten-down and there are tons of roots sticking up from the ground.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:41:20) The trail braiding is extensive over there.

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Michael Rein (00:41:23) It's actually treacherous. You sort of just can't get down without slipping and sliding.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:41:34) Two comments. The boat launch/kayak launch has been fixed. That did happen since the last time we spoke about DelCorte. Second, about the treacherous area, I think they're leftover spoil piles from the MBTA personally, like they excavated. You could install stairs. I was at the golf course the other day for an unrelated project, and they have stairs over there in their hill, just nestled pieces of granite or block over there.

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Richard Johnson (00:42:57) We just inherited the docks?

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:42:58) Ryan, the dock that's next to the boardwalk, did the Town install that?

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Ryan Jette (00:43:14) In 2015, when we did the playground, we marked all the trails, The kayak launches were all provided.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:44:13) I know Pat and I were talking about having a friends group—but if it's a friends group, they can't fundraise, they can't take in money if they are volunteering for the town—but if someone that has a non-profit or has their own organization, then they can just get it moving. But generally, right now, it's maintenance of the trails. It comes from residents, writing in to myself or Ryan—a lot of people write to Ryan—or DPW, and inevitably we just end up all three of us talking, and DPW is the one that does the work.

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Pat Gallagher (00:45:04) It definitely sounds like, just going back to a point that Ryan made, that if it's possible to do an accessibility study, looking at what makes sense and maybe marrying that with the Forestry Plan, and trying to look at what are the different options in terms of enhancing existing trails, creating new trails. I think it would be worthwhile just seeing what the options are, and making a decision based on that. I know that's a little ways down the road, but I think that's the best approach.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:45:55) And we can also identify where we can receive funding under the Forest Stewardship Plan.

Marian Szymanski (00:46:14) I live at 529 Pleasant Street, which abuts the DelCorte property. My husband and I are also beekeepers, we have eleven hives of ours that are kept on the backyard of our property. We see our bees all the time down at DelCorte, we see them on the clethra and the goldenrods and the wildflowers, but we also see them in the water, getting water for themselves, but also on the lilies. Last year, especially during the drought that was a huge source of nectar and pollen for our bees, because all of ours dried up in the gardens and the areas around us. So, I'm a little concerned about some of the treatments that you are doing on the water—also the loosestrife, honeybees love loosestrife, it's a big source of food for them as well—and I'm just concerned that some of the treatments might be used when these plants are flowering. I'm just concerned about the health of our bees, really, so I thought you could answer some questions about that?

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:47:15) Yes. So, as you know, I only started a year ago. When I first started, it was actually the first hearing that this treatment contract, which is year by year, came up. It went through. Now that the contract is due again, and we have had visible success with the eradication of the invasive plants, and this is way ahead of any permit filing, I am planning to do a way deeper dive into those herbicides. I do know that those that are treating, they are certified. Take that for what you will, let's hope they are not spraying when it's windy. To that point, there is one other comment that I wanted to make about your loosestrife. I don't know if you saw recently, but Mass put out a publication that they are now accepting loosestrife. It's still considered invasion and non-

native, but they have changed their metrics for monitoring that as long as it's not the dominant plant in the ecosystem, it's okay to leave it. It's acceptable for ecosystem restoration, or general ecological health to leave it. So, I wanted to let you know that as well. DelCorte is not being treated for the loosestrife, so it's only for the water chestnut and milfoil. I do know, and this is going to be unsettling, that some of those herbicides can impact water lilies. So, they generally tend to attack any plant that has that structure.

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Marian Szymanski (00:49:41) Do you know what herbicides those are?

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:49:44) I can find that out. I don't know off the top of my head, but it's all public information and I can definitely follow up with you and let you know.

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Marian Szymanski (00:49:49) Do they check to see if they are safe for use with water lilies?

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:50:01) They do, they should and have been including sdf sheets as well, and then, additionally they sample and go out twice a year to sample. Again, they focus right on the aquatic ecosystem, so they don't go into the upland and test the insects, but for the aquatic system it's been maintained within normal parameters and levels. I will follow up with you.

Eric Steltzer (00:50:24) I live at 7 Mercer Lane. I had a similar question, because as you were talking about the Forester and their input, I heard that they drew attention to stormwater management at that site. So, I was just thinking if there was other options that the Town was looking at to consider stormwater mitigation methods that might minimize the chemicals that might need to be used on the ponds. Especially thinking about climate change, and the severity of the storms that are going to come, and knowing that the retention ponds that might be put in there with natural vegetation might be able to absorb some of those nutrients to avoid them going into the aquatic environment.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:51:20) That's a good comment.

Marc Cohen (00:51:46) I live at 36 Pearl Street. So I like to fish for largemouth bass at the DelCorte ponds. When I hear water chestnuts, I recall going on canoes on the Charles River, spending eight hours with this whole voluntary crew, and that stuff just grows right back. It was unbelievable how thick those are and strong they are and how much you have to pull to see the root and get them out. I went back to Waltham Coves last year, and it looked like we hadn't done anything, and it was only five years later. So, that gets me a little worried, is that becoming an issue with the water chestnuts, in terms of fishing and having open water for that type of sport?

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:52:42) That's a good comment. So, in the SNE (Southern New England) Region, water chestnut is becoming a really big problem in the Blackstone Watershed. The Blackstone Watershed has been putting out a lot of educational material about water chestnut and outreach to put that information out there to get volunteer

groups like that. So, they recently had an event on the Blackstone River for handpulling. That was a super-neat idea, I would love to do something like that here, but I don't know if I would suggest it if we are already treating, and we don't have a nice fancy kayak rental set up at DelCorte, and there's liability concerns that I would have to work out with Mark Cerel. So that's something that I have thought of, but to Marc Cohen's point, and to my comment earlier, those seeds are lasting for twelve years, so unless you are continuously going and continuously removing those plants, and you would have to make sure you are removing those seeds, and it's fruitless.

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Pat Gallagher (00:54:25) I know every year, when the contract comes up and we are talking through what's the right treatment for DelCorte, I think there's no right answer. I think it's a complicated question on whether to continue treating, or the same regiment of treating, or what the right approach is. I do think every year we have been doing this, we have a little bit more data to work with, so that's certainly helpful too and it takes time to marinate and make sure it's working how it's supposed to be working or is there a better method or whatnot.

FRANKLIN CONSERVATION COMMISSION

OSRP MEETING Minutes

April 20, 2023

6:00 PM – 7:00 PM

TOPIC: Forests, Trees, Green Space, and other Conservation Lands

This Open Space and Recreation Plan Meeting was available to be attended in person and via the ZOOM platform. In an effort to ensure citizen engagement, citizens were able to dial into the meeting using the provided phone number (Cell phone or Landline Required) OR citizens could participate by copying the link on the agenda or calling 929-205-6099. For those wishing to attend in person, the meeting is held in the Council Chambers, second floor of the Municipal Building.

Comments from the Public / Answers

Jeff Milne (00:02:16) Have specific pieces of land been identified that would be part of our 'Emerald Necklace'?

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:02:31) One of them that I received, other than Maple Hill, was actually by DelCorte. ***highlighting parcel addressed at 23 Longobardi Drive*** You will guess pretty quickly why it's undeveloped. It's undeveloped because it's wet, and a resident included in the survey that they thought this would be a great property to buy because it has connectivity to Town Land over here ***highlighting abutting Town owned parcels.*** There is this bit of open space left over here, left as open space as part of the subdivision install. So, lots of subdivisions have open space left on the back end, which is part of the Planning Department permit. So, this property was identified as an access to go through, perhaps purchase this property here ***referencing parcel ID 280-004-001***.

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Michael Rein (00:05:13) So, you're saying the land adjacent to those parcels is already Town-owned land?

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:05:20) ***Corrects Michael Rein on which parcels are Town-owned and which are not using a displayed map*** I just learned today that when is no data linked with this parcel, that usually means there is a property ownership or tax problem. TBD I would have to check with the Assessor's Office for this. Then, this one is privately owned ***referencing 23 Longobardi Drive***. So this is an identified parcel owned by a resident on Longobardi that the Town could purchase. In our survey as well, there is a question posed to all residents if they know of any parcels around Town that could be acquired, and that's open to all ballfields, playgrounds, conservation areas,

things of that nature. So, there is a small easement that abuts Maple Hill that was identified as a possible acquisition to allow access to Maple Hill.

Cobi Frongillo (00:07:27) There's the end of Kimberlee Avenue.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:07:40) That is not the one I am talking about, but that's a really good one Cobi. So, the Kimberlee Avenue one is a really important one, so—if everyone that was here during the Maple Hill Open Space Meeting—we were talking about access, and where is access to Maple Hill, right? Kimberlee Avenue was brought up, but unfortunately or fortunately for the people who own it, this is not owned by the Town ***referencing parcel ID 242-027***, so this would be a great parcel to be wired—if I do say so myself, without speaking out of line for the current property owners—so then we would have access here, we would have access off of Bridle Path to up here.

Displaying an easement (Parcel ID 234-055) previously referenced prior to Cobi Frongillo's comment So this was another easement which I imagine was put in place to protect another access to the proposed subdivision, so there's that. As I said, in the Open Space survey there is a question posed to all participants that can they identify any properties around Town that the Town may acquire, or open space or recreation or otherwise. There was another one near the Charles, which we talked about, near Riverbend, so that was a big one too.

Michael Rein (00:10:40) So, is there an idea of what the Franklin Greenway/wildlife corridor/Emerald Necklace would actually be?

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:10:51) So there are several maps out there. I don't have one in front of me. Natalie and I are working on including one of existing Conservation areas and trails in the Open Space plan, and then trying to tabulate a proposed, or several options of a proposed (plan). I know that it is going to be a topic for the Master Plan for sure, and I know that there are stakeholders involved.

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Michael Rein (00:11:29) I know you can maybe get to Schmidt's Farm from the SNETT Trail, and if you connect the SNETT Trail into Downtown, now you can get to Schmidt's Farm from Downtown, and you can also go along the sidewalks from Downtown to bridle Path and get to Maple Hill. Adjacent to Maple Hill is the Metacomet Land, and then that connects with Dean College Land, so maybe you could get all the way out to Lincoln Street, almost, and the forest.

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Jeff Milne (00:12:21) And by the same token, along Grove Street you can go to DCR property all the way to the WMCA.

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Michael Rein (00:12:31) Yeah, with that new path that's being permitted into the Franklin State Forest.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:12:40) This, what I have here ***referencing a displayed map*** is all Town land, and then I also have all resources turned on, so you could imagine connecting as much as you can, in some manner it's close.

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Cobi Frongillo (00:13:28) I have mapped out a full greenway in my proposal, and the properties that we would need to acquire to get us there, but my thought is SNETT to Riverbend, or SNETT to State Forest, down around Beaver Pond. You can get across West Central—that's probably the worst stretch—but you can get through the Sculpture Park and Town properties. There's a walking path that cuts over to Maple Street and gets you onto the Metacomet and Maple Hill pass. You can follow those all the way down to Partridge Street, where we have some DPW properties that get us to Riverbend if you acquire that one piece off of Elm Street. You can get sort of North-South Franklin with just a few small pieces. I feel like a cross-Franklin Trail would be a pretty cool asset.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:14:40) Did you put that in the survey at all? Like that iteration identifying step 1, step 2, step 3, step 4 with all those streets? If not, could you send me an email and CC appropriate parties with that so I can stick it into the comment section?

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Cobi Frongillo (00:14:58) Yeah definitely. I think all I did in the survey was identify the properties that would need to be acquired, but I probably did not provide the appropriate context. I'll show you the actual map.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:15:16) You actually reminded me of something too. Another property that was brought up is right next to Dacey ***referencing parcels 228-002 and 227-015***.

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Melanie Hamblen (00:16:01) It's got a really nice stream through it. It's got this old rock bridge, a couple of rock bridges in it, it's a really pretty property. It abuts right up to Dacey Solar Field, but also the disc golf area.

Cobi Frongillo (00:17:05) The other one that sort of fell under this was the idea of trees in general, and what I have been thinking about recently is "how do we put regulations around just maximizing the saving of trees, or at least compensating for the removal of trees?" I found some strong bylaws, from Lexington, Concord, Wellesley, they're certainly all regulations that allow you to become an official Tree City USA.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:17:50) Which we are now, by the way, as of last week.

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Cobi Frongillo (00:18:10) So at this point, we know most of where we have lots of opportunities to develop to sort of in-fill places that have already been developed, and very little need/desire to further take down substantial tree coverage, and I would say that's across the Town. It just seems like one of the biggest tools that we have is putting regulations around when you can take down trees and the opportunities to avoid that. I'm sure that you have already looked into this, but I wanted to voice my support for such a move.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:19:16) I am glad that we have that support from you. There are a few things that I can answer for your question. One, MassDEP is coming out with a new iteration of the Wetlands Protection Act, which will likely have regulations around

trees within jurisdiction, so there is that. After talking with the Conservation Commission, and with myself being a new agent to the Town and bylaws and regulations should change, especially when state regulations and handbooks and guidebooks change and things like that. We have Massachusetts soil action plan, we have the 2050 Climate Change Plan, the Decarbonization Action Plan, so that is definitely something on my docket. I'm sure we will be talking about that more once Open Space is done and finished. Moving on, not sure if you know, but I—in conjunction with Derek and Kate from DPW have been trying to get a Legacy Tree program up and running in Franklin. Legacy Trees don't have any legal protections within the State of Massachusetts, nationally they do. Unfortunately, I doubt that Franklin has any nationally-prized trees. However, we have been trying to do grassroots organizing to start people thinking about the trees they have on their property. So, we actually have a Legacy program where we have a running list of entries for people to write in that they have a tree of a certain size. Kate Derek and I will go out, we'll GPS it, we'll take our field notes, and we can submit this data to Massachusetts and we can be on a state database for legacy trees. Franklin is not on there. Franklin has never been on there, so I think it would be really interesting and encouraging to have Franklin on that list. Again, no legal protections, but at least it's something there to get people thinking about it. Lastly, regarding trees, the Conservation Commission and some people here know of the Forest Stewardship Plan put on DelCorte. I have mentioned that I met with other Town staff and I would really like to get forest stewardship plans on all of the conservation properties and recreation properties that qualify. So, Cobi, that is a management plan for managing for habitat climate change, down to T&E species, down to ecological function and timber value. Clearly, we are not going to cut our town-owned properties, but those plans last for ten years and then help us get grant funding to support those ecosystems and support passive recreation, do boundary markers, do trail things, things of that nature. So, it is something worth thinking about for Conservation Commission and Open Space in general. Obviously, we are bound by State jurisdictional areas. I have a bit more leeway, since obviously I am the Natural Resource Protection Manager, so I can push those boundaries a little bit more than what the Conservation Commission can. But I think, in summary, it is something that is on the horizon. It's definitely something we should be thinking about. Timing is very important, especially when we have nesting birds. Northern long-eared bat just became listed as endangered in the State of Massachusetts, they need shreddy bark over a certain DBH (diameter at breast height) for trees. We want to make sure we are leaving our snags, we want to make sure we are leaving our trees. Conservation Commission requires that all rootfals be left in place so that we don't have soil degradation, that soil processes is left. The carbohydrates in treestumps can be left to give back to the soil, all sorts of things, and every time I am on a site visit with someone that wants a tree removal, I always put in a good plug for just topping the tree and putting a batbox on it.

Robert Kearns, CRWA (00:24:18) Thank you for having this meeting. Just wanted to offer ourselves as a resource, and we do have a lot of online tools, a flood model. It could be an opportunity to see which locations are currently flooded, in current day but also in 2070 and future flooding, and that could be a good opportunity for parcels to get for Conservation or flood storage. I know we have natural valley storage area from the Army Corp of Engineers easements in Town, but also thinking about how we can add on

top of that. We're doing more analysis on the flood model, but there's not currently plans to look at which parcels by parcel level are undeveloped and could be developed, but are going to flood in the future but are not necessarily flooding today. That's something that I know, internally, that's what we are interested in looking at and helping towns, so that's a good resource. The other thing, thinking about corridors and real life corridors, thinking about the rivers and the streams, tributaries in town as corridors. I know the Town has done a lot of work upgrading culverts and stream crossing, but adding something to that in the plan could be helpful for getting funding opportunities, potentially in the future to look at upgrading public safety for the roads, but also thinking of these corridors as ways for fish and wildlife to get through. We are a resource, and would love to help the Town in any way to help with Open Space, Recreation. The other thing, anywhere you can put the stormwater, I know the Town's doing a lot of stuff, DPW's very active. But, thinking about if there's any Recreation or Open Space areas to do any raingardens or that could be another thing to add. But, it's probably on the radar already with the Town's great work there.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:26:37) I have been meeting with Derek and Kate routinely every other week. We have been having phosphorous nutrient loading meetings, we have an outside consultant that we have been working with to get stormwater infrastructure up to date and looking at phosphorous removal. I suggested that we incorporate our phosphorous mapping with the NAACC map so we can prioritize culverts that need better aquatic connectivity. NAACC stands for North Atlantic Aquatic Connectivity Connection, so it's a compilation of volunteers that go out, and they rate culverts based on their habitat functionality. I brought up the question to Kate and Derek that, if we are already going to be looking at these stream crossings for phosphorous and we are going to be retrofitting, we could see if there's overlap, so that's a great comment Robert, thank you.

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Robert Kearns (00:27:44) That's great. Just to add off of that, I think other towns are putting that stuff in for their hazard mitigation plans. I don't know if Franklin's put that in their hazard mitigation plan. Not just assessments, but thinking about capital, when you look at culverts—especially because Franklin has Dix Brook and Shepard's Brook—so all of the coldwater fisheries, where there are a potential for trout, are trout. Resources are pretty competitive at the state and federal level for fish passage. Thinking about how we can work with you all, I know other communities out in western Mass and the State are doing partnerships with watershed groups to look at floodmodels and assessing them, but also finding opportunities for the community. I know Franklin has got some funding to do the work to make them larger to let the floodflows come through, but also for the fish and wildlife. But, making sure all these different plans, the Open Space Plan, the Hazard Mitigation Plan, are talking to each other can help you guys be in a good opportunity for that grant funding, so just plug that too.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:29:22) Just a reminder, I am the liaison of the CRWA, so we meet monthly.

Michael Rein (00:29:47) I had a couple thoughts, piggybacking off of what you and Cobi were saying. So, there is a state Legacy Tree Program, but I wonder if we have some trees in Franklin like the one at Schmidt Farms that may not qualify for a state level program, could we have our own Franklin legacy trees?

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:30:10) Yep, that's what I am trying to get off the ground. So, if you come to our Conservation webpage, lefthand side it's "flora and fauna management" and "report a legacy tree." So, there is a Massachusetts Legacy Tree Program, but we would love to have our very own Legacy Tree Program. So, I was brainstorming with Kate and Derek, is it something we could get little placards for people to have on their property? Is it something we could get a gold star or certificate, something from us that says "wow, you have a legacy tree! This is great, this is why it is important." Especially at Schmidt's Farm, because there is the elm tree. There's that area, there's the Carriage House, the beech tree there is a legacy tree.

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Jeff Milne (00:31:19) So what defines a legacy tree?

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:31:20) Age, height, diameter. Sometimes they correlate, sometimes they don't.

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Jeff Milne (00:31:31) So not necessarily the type of tree?

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Breeka LI Goodlander (00:31:32) Correct, so age-height-diameter, and then the second bracket is your biggest maple, your biggest sycamore, or oldest. Which one takes the cake from those initial parameters.

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Michael Rein (00:32:10) Also, I like the idea about protecting trees that Cobi brought up, and having something in the bylaws. But, we might even be able to be stronger about townlands. We could put a very strong rule in; "don't cut down any trees in the town land without talking to the Natural Resource Director" or something like that.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:32:30) We do. In our general duties as ConCom, we ruled our order of conditions for trees already. So, for example in 585 King Street, in those order of conditions for the replication areas, we discussed that, during construction, they would avoid trees of a certain size. They just needed to be identified, so they would come back to me and then through me to you, at the time they are designing those replication areas, so that they can avoid and minimize impacts to trees of a certain size. So we left their design of the replication area open—they still have to get X amount of square feet—they can instead of making it kidney shaped, for example, they can instead move it this way or this way to avoid a tree here and there. So, we do afford protection already, but to Cobi's point, it would be nice to have it in the bylaw. Medway for example, in their wetlands protection bylaw, has "a tree over DBH, I'm sorry but it's protected. You need a variance."

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Michael Rein (00:34:05) Exactly, because we can recommend it, but they don't have to agree to it.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:34:18) Right, there is that. I will say, again though, with the handbook delineating BVW just coming out, we just got a new guideline for replicating in the wetlands. I know the WPA is coming out, it was supposed to come out last year, so it's overdue. So, just before we jump into that, I think it would be smart to wait instead of like Medway, who just updated theirs in 2020. Now, here we are in 2023 and there's already three new regulation handbooks coming out. So, they will have to revisit it, I think it will be best for us to wait and then go a step further that way. And, we have a 2-to-1 replication, and the 25-foot no-touch zone, so that inadvertently allows tree protection.

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Melanie Hamblen (00:35:32) I'm on the Town Council, when we were talking about protection trees, it reminded me I'm also on the Massachusetts Municipal Association Policy Committee for Environment and Energy, and Senator Creem from Newton came and spoke with us, and she has a bill that she's trying to protect the canopy across the State. It's a very interesting bill, and I think she just needs more support, so maybe everyone who's listening could contact their State Senator and Representative in the House, and ask them to join her in supporting this canopy bill that she has.

Robert Kearns, CRWA (00:36:26) We definitely agree with tree protection, and can be a resource there as well. We have some information on some other towns in the Watershed on our website, so we can definitely connect with folks if they have interest in any tree protection best practices, and we're helping other communities. So, we can definitely be a resource with trees as well.

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Melanie Hamblen (00:37:00) It's also really important with climate change, we really need to have our cooling canopy.

FRANKLIN CONSERVATION COMMISSION

OSRP Public Hearing Minutes

April 25, 2023

6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

PUBLIC HEARING 2

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Comments from the Public / Responses

Meghann Hagen (00:07:13) What I've really heard back from the community is our need to look at accessibility going forward, looking at accessibility for our current open space and recreation areas as well as accessibility for any new areas we are looking at, such as Schmidt Farm and Maple Hill, making sure that our areas are accessible for all ages and abilities, so for me I think that's been a big take-home point and that something we hope to keep throughout.

Mark LePage (00:07:51) Just a couple of things I saw, one is what a variety of great Open Space we have throughout the town, with a lot of different options to provide a lot of different types of access and maybe even recreation. I think there's also some really good potential partnerships out there, we had the Metacomet Land Trust at one of our meetings, they have some open space that abuts some properties that's owned by the Town. I think there's some good opportunities to collaborate a bit with them. A lot of good developments so far, a lot of good trail network building has been out there, to Meg's point a lot of good options for improvements and work that could be done. So, good to get the input, a lot of people have showed up at a lot of different stakeholder sessions and provided some really detailed input. The other thing I was going to throw out, in addition to the survey, we do have two more stakeholder sessions. One is a week from this Thursday, next Thursday from the 4th and then two weeks later on May 18th in the Council Chambers. So, anybody who isn't able to make it tonight, there's two other options to come and participate in the process. We would love to hear what you have to say, so thanks a lot.

Jeff Livingstone (00:09:40) So one of the things we talked about is, basically, public awareness, but really that's a big thing. So I mean the point that we have all these different and diverse places that people can go and do things, which is great, but people don't really know about them. We did a really good job back in the day of promoting the enhancements we were doing at Beaver Pond. Ryan's done a great job with Recreation,

an amazing job in terms of public awareness, which is really something to be looked at, I think, like a poster child. You know, perfectly ideal. Then we did DelCorte as well, but other things we haven't really promoted so much, and also what I've run into is people coming up and saying "wow, it's really great that you guys did this project, we didn't know anything like that was happening, we didn't know about it, we just kind of fell upon it by accident, or drove by it" or someone said they just happened to be hiking there, etc. right? So there was a lot of that going on, so I think we as a group are interested in open space and Conservation can do a much better job laying out the public awareness for things before they happen, and getting people excited about how they might be able to use them. I think that's really important.

Jeff Milne (00:11:06) So I think there was a lot of excitement about the future plans for both Maple Hill and Schmidt's Farm, those seem to get the most audience participation and people are really excited for what those two projects could mean and how they could possibly be developed in the future.

Pat Gallagher (00:15:55) So we have a list here of preliminary goals, so I would like to go through them a little bit and have a conversation among the Commission and anyone who's here with us. I think we kind of envision this as a chance to mark up our list a little bit, and to sharpen it up, so I think that might make sense. And, I apologize for those of you who are on Zoom or YouTube, you will be able to watch the first 15 to 20 minutes of our session tonight, the entirety will be posted on YouTube. But, we're also available to answer any questions that you may have. So, I think that would make sense to go through the goals and then we'll take feedback from the Commission, and it can be about our goals, it could be about something that isn't included, you know, we're wide open here for discussion. So I think four top-end goals, and a lot of subheaders under each of them.

(00:17:07) The first is to promote accessibility and connectivity by making individual spaces more accessible to people of all ages and abilities, and underneath that goal we would include things such as improving restroom facilities where they currently exist. For example, by adding electronic unlocking timers instead of needing to have folks manually unlock doors, and by also exploring the addition of new permanent restroom facilities in highly trafficked areas where they do not currently exist. Accessing existing trails, such as at DelCorte, Riverbend, Maple Hill, and the Town Forest, to determine if enhancements can be made to widen entrances, lessen grades, and expand accessibility. Improving signage and trail markings, both at entrances to and within open space and recreation areas, and I would include in that directional signage for where these facilities aren't necessarily off the main road. Reviewing existing parking facilities and exploring opportunities to add parking where little or none is provided: I would look at this as being similar to the recent addition of parking on town-owned land that's located near the SNETT Trailhead. So even opportunities to a space or two spaces or three could be an important resource. Reviewing safety barriers and fencing at parks and playgrounds: One of the things that we've heard, and this is specific to Fletcher Field, is that the playground is not currently fenced in, and so there's some concerns with parents of young children that kids can run out into the parking areas, and so if there are opportunities like that to enhance safety, specifically at parks and playgrounds where we have young children.

And then identifying areas that would be candidates for sidewalk construction or shared use paths, and for which state or matching funds are available. We'll look at this as similar to the work that's currently ongoing on Grove Street, where for more than a year now, there's been a sidewalk expansion and shared use path going in, and that's being accomplished through state funding. So I think if there are more opportunities to do that, that would be a welcome improvement. So I think all of these things fall under that first category of promoting accessibility and connectivity.

(00:19:50) The second category is promoting resilience and sustainability in connection with management of open space and recreation facilities. Under this category, we would include promoting forest management best practices. For example, through the forest stewardship program, which Franklin is participating in and was selected for, by promoting sustainable design of new facilities and improvements to existing facilities. This can include with regard to permitting and construction techniques. So for example, promoting the design of a playground in a way that it was dual purposes of having that active use, but also serving perhaps as infiltration or as a stormwater barrier. A lot of construction and design techniques today are really favoring that dual purpose design, so that it also satisfies and fulfills resilience goals. Identifying opportunities for engagement with existing organizations that promote sustainability efforts, one example that we've talked about is the Metacomet Land Trust and the work they do in Franklin. Also, exploring the creation of a Friends of Franklin Open Space type of organization to help promote trail maintenance, trail cleanup, and really the kind of day-to-day keeping our parks and open space facilities looking in good shape. Identifying opportunities with students to promote educational opportunities, environmental sciences, and Conservation, and this could include scout groups and other organizations that are really trying to promote educational engagement with our youth. Lastly, exploring the adoption and implementation of a tree protection bylaw. This is something I think that would cover the town's open space, but that would also be a goal for perhaps the Conservation Commission and others to be thinking about "how do we focus on resilience and sustainability outside of maybe the scope of the Open Space Plan here. So that's all under the second category of promoting resilience and sustainability.

(00:22:15) Then the third major category is to provide for master plans for Maple Hill and Schmidt's Farm, and this Open Space Plan is in many senses a plan for a plan. When you have such large parcels that have recently been brought into town control, you know, it's just outside of the scope of what we're doing to be able to really specifically provide details for what to do at Maple Hill, and what to do at Schmidt's Farm. But, one of the goals of this Open Space Plan update will be to provide for master planning and provide some parameters around that from Maple Hill and Schmidt Farm. So, for Maple Hill, the master plan could include things such as identifying and constructing appropriate and accessible trailheads and corresponding parking facilities, promoting public awareness including through on-an-off site directional signage, balancing public access with private property rights of adjacent neighborhoods—Maple Hill is obviously in the unique situation of being surrounded by many existing neighborhoods, and so we want to respect the folks who have been using that area for a long time against all the public's rights to use that area—assessing the existing trail network and promoting forest management best practices. Then, with respect to Schmidt's Farm, the master plan could include things such preserving the legacy agricultural use of Schmidt's Farm, including the studying the

implementation of town-managed community gardens, similar to what we have at King Street Memorial Park and/or town-leased agricultural plots. That's something that we talked about, and I think again a lot of detail needs to go into that and a lot of consideration needs to go into that, but this can kind of be the starting point for that conversation. Studying and identifying appropriate public access to Schmidt's Farm, including studying any existing trails or the implementation of additional trails; restoring the existing barn and assessing potential future uses, including as an educational or community engagement facility—for example, in collaboration with Norfolk Aggie—and the restoration of that barn and the property in general should really respect and preserve the Schmidt family legacy. That was something that was important to us that we heard through the process. Lastly, assessing potential partnerships with governmental and non-profit organizations around preservation and wildlife management at Schmidt's Farm, including potentially providing for wildlife resettlement. Then, in conjunction with the master planning process, the town could explore the creation of an independent non-profit land trust to hold Conservation restrictions on Maple Hill and Schmidt's Farm, and to have a role in oversight and the management of those two properties.

(00:25:05) Then lastly, the fourth top-line goal would be promoting and enhancing the Town's existing recreational facilities. These include things like continuing the ongoing and planned capital improvements—such as at Nason Street Tot Lot and King Street Memorial Park—exploring additional indoor recreational facilities, including through the potential expansion or replacement of the Recreation Department gymnasium to accommodate additional larger activities than the existing facility and/or through collaborations with other municipalities and private organizations to assess availability of indoor recreation facilities in the region. This was one of the things that we heard that, you know, among the constraints on recreational space, we are very limited on indoor recreation space that we currently have and that's available. We heard from Ryan and his staff that the priority right now is to really emphasize existing facilities and maintaining and improving existing facilities, but if we can be creative in looking at areas we can get access to or use of additional indoor facilities, we should try and pursue those. Then lastly, to assess opportunities to incorporate and promote additional outdoor activities—including kayaking for example—at DelCorte or Beaver Pond or the Charles River, subject to availability and future acquisition of property rights there; swimming, which could be through partnerships with the Y, Adirondack Club, or others to provide more accessible and affordable options for swimming and swimming lessons; and biking, including mountain biking where appropriate, and that's something that we heard from folks as well, that there's a lot of interest in the Town's trail networks.

(00:26:56) So those are the four areas, and I'll read them again: Promoting accessibility and connectivity; promoting resilience and sustainability; providing for master plans for Maple Hill and Schmidt's Farm; and then promoting and enhancing the Town's existing recreational facilities. Again this is a collaborative process, and we're interested to hear folks' comments, and open it up to you to comments questions from the Commission or public.

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Mark LePage (00:27:32) One thing I was thinking, particularly when we were talking about DelCorte, there is one trail that runs right along the water line, and we talked about does something like that need to be redone. Maybe we need to, as part of the

preservation piece, look at the trails we have, are they the right trails in the right place, I mean that was a trail that I think we all clearly felt is probably not in the right place—roots, right next to the water—so that might be a sub-bullet point there that just popped in my mind, as well as something to think about.

Audience Member 1 (00:28:15) How can the general public be made more aware of where these places are exactly. I have lived in Franklin for years, and I have never heard about the places that you mentioned, and I have no idea where they are or what's there. Is it some sort of a field, or a forest, or is it a lake?

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:28:44) So we actually have trail maps at the Conservation Department, we have all trail maps for all Conservation areas on one single big sheet that we hand out to residents. We also have it all available digitally, so if you wanted to look and see aerials, if you wanted to see if there's water or forest land, I can always manipulate those maps and give you a hardcopy with an aerial image overhead. All that information is also available on our Conservation webpage, so there's actually a booklet available on our webpage that has 'Walking around Franklin' and there are trail maps hand drawn out, and you can look at it just like you would a book and you can go out around town. A goal of the Open Space Plan, internally, is to revamp that book and to make that book more accessible for residents. But, you can walk into my office today and I can hand you all of the trail maps, at the Town Hall.

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Meghann Hagen (00:29:52) Can I pose a question back to you? Where would you look for information? Where for you would be the best place to find information like that?

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Audience Member 1 (00:29:58) Periodically, there's information that comes out in the newspaper, and I forget what it's called, but it's a Franklin publication and I think it comes out once a month. Local Town Pages. If you put the information in that, everybody gets that publication, it's delivered everywhere. So, if there was information in there about where to look and where these offices are, and accessibility online, etc.

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Mark LePage (00:30:38) It's a good idea, thank you.

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Audience Member 2 / Melanie Hamblen (00:30:41) Libraries

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Meghann Hagen (00:30:41) Thanks what I was just thinking too, is libraries. They have a lot of our things as well, so they're routinely on the front counter.

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Audience Member 2 / Melanie Hamblen (00:30:47) Senior Center.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:30:48) Yes, she has our stuff as well.

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Jeff Livingstone (00:30:51) You know, one of the things that other towns do that Franklin does not do—and again this is a price thing—for those interesting vista points or recreational centers, you occasionally have signs in the middle of town or pointing to where that is. Like "Conservation Area/DelCarte Area this/that way" so people don't

know what they are, they'll say—especially new people—“What is that? I'd like to go check that out” Because they don't know what they don't know. They don't know that it exists, right, so they have to go searching to find it and find out more about it. More than likely, they're going about word of mouth from someone else before that happens, to be honest. So it's great to have all these things in the Library and Senior Center, but honestly, it's mostly word of mouth. I mean DelCorte, we have people coming from Rhode Island because of word of mouth, right? But if you just drove through Franklin, then unless you drove by DelCorte, you would never know that it's there, there's no signage anywhere telling people that that's where it is. We put up signs everywhere about the downtown Cultural District, Arts District, Historical District, but we don't have anything for the Conservation sites.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:32:15) You know, bad PSA here, but we don't have a town newspaper, Local Town Pages is not sponsored by the Town. So just for anybody listening, that is the answer to that question that was not asked. There are plenty of freelance free public reporting officials out there that can do it.

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Meghann Hagen (00:32:33) It might be interesting, if we can do it, if we could get something on the Town Common. Like there's other informational pieces that maybe we have a big sign that lists some of our highlights with a few pictures, and like a comment on the bottom of where to get more information. That might be interesting. Like a kiosk or placard of some type?

Melanie Hamblen (00:33:09) I'm on the Town Council, Economic Development Subcommittee, and one of the things we are trying to do on the Economic Development Subcommittee is creating wayfinding signs, and so we're trying to brand the Town. We're trying to get information about the Town out there, and this wraps perfectly within it, so I'm getting really excited about it, because it's definitely one of the things that makes Franklin wonderful and a great place to be, because we have all these places but nobody knows where they are. So, we have to do all the different things so we can find out information, so you guys can help support me too with that wayfinding signs, but that's exactly what you're saying Jeff. We need something somewhere, and even a kiosk, and we talk about a kiosk all the time to let people know “there's food this way”; there's all that economic development stuff, but this is a really important piece, and I'm really glad I'm here.

Len via Breeka Li Goodlander (00:34:24) Please consider low vision/blind accessibility also where possible, thank you. Example, a sensory trail. Facebook is good for some seniors, so that is another option, there is all social for the town.

Ali Rheume (00:34:39) Thank you for all the hard work with this. Listening to the accessibility pieces in particular, I don't recall hearing any summary about consideration for resurfacing playgrounds with something like rubber. Stone dust, mulch and pebbles are not accessible. Is that something on the list still?

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:34:57) I will speak for Ryan Jette and say, yes that is still a part of the ADA compliance portion of the Open Space.

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Jeff Livingstone (00:35:00) One of the things, just speaking of ADA compliance because I actually wrote that down here, accessibility like at DelCorte from the parking lot to the major trails. We had to be very, very careful about the slopes, because there's people like in wheelchairs and stuff basically could not get down, or in some cases, could not get back up. So, I wondered if that was the kind of thing that we would be looking at in terms of accessibility.

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Meghann Hagen (00:35:40) I think that is something that came up when we talked about DelCorte, about how there is actually an accessible parking space down the bottom that we just needed better signage for, and we talked about different platforms and footings that could be used to get down to the pond area to make it more accessible, and I think part of our accessibility platform there—for point number one—in the plan talks about accessibility. I think what we need to add as a subpoint is—because we talked a lot about this—not only being ADA compliant but actually truly being accessible, that sometimes just ADA compliant isn't enough. We really need to look at each site and I know that Ryan is working quite closely on that, and they're doing a whole audit on all of the open spaces and recreation facilities in Franklin to look at what is accessible and what needs to be done. So I'm excited to see what comes out of that audit and what we can do going forward there.

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Jeff Livingstone (00:36:37) One of the things that has come up, and several people have complained to me, is the parking at DelCorte. There just isn't enough of it, especially if in the middle of the day when people are using the playground. We have that upper lot, I'll call it, that at one point we were talking about turning into some sort of Lot 2, and then making some sort of accessible—maybe you couldn't do ADA because it's up higher, but actually making some log/timbers or some railroad ties, that are like basically having steps down to the existing trail that wraps around it. Just something like that, so at least you had an alternate place to park to get into the site.

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Meghann Hagen (00:37:22) And I think, too, it had come up is that we were talking about that lot as well, which is a great idea, and we were talking about a pathway from Lot 2 to Lot , but the grade of the land may not go with that, because it really is quite high up. But, there are crosswalks on both sides, so technically people could park at Lot 2, use the crosswalk to get to the sidewalk on the other side of the street, go down the street and cross over, but I think it then comes back to our signage issue. Like, no one would think to do that unless they know.

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Jeff Livingstone (00:37:50) That's a little awkward, my personal preference would be to actually build something into the lakeside to get down to the trails. Again, I think there's no way you could make that idea, it's just too high, but at least you would have some access, and some alternate parking, right?

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Pat Gallagher (00:38:11) I think too it's a combination of things that we can do to address. So in that area, for example, you could put in better access for the second parking area down to the lake and trails, you could look at whether from an engineering standpoint, it's feasible to do enhanced sidewalk along Pleasant Street. If so, maybe there's an opportunity like with Grove Street to do some work there. You could do additional signage, and I think where DelCarte is located, you could have people walking conceivably from the Town Common. So, having that signage and pointing people in that direction, I think it's kind of a combination of all of those things.

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Jeff Livingstone (00:38:58) Wouldn't it be amazing if we had like a little GASTRA bus that would just go around and drop people off at DelCarte, the Town Forest, stuff like that?

Audience Member / Patricia (00:39:20) I'm a Franklin resident, I've been here for 12 years. This is my first time ever coming to something like this, so kudos for even thinking about open space, because it really is important to me and I think everybody in the Town. I think it's a great job that there's sort of a plan, if somebody can help me after I will try and share on my Facebook and get more people to do the survey because I am on this border between 'I know how to use a computer, but only for what I need it to do for my job at work'. So, my son showed me paths that I had no idea were in Franklin and yes, I know there's a way to Google or find it online or whatever, but I'm one of those people that straddles. I can use the internet, but I don't think all of the information needs to be distributed that way, so if there can be a way to more broadly distribute to all sorts of age groups and accessibility,, because it also makes me crazy to think everybody has the internet and everybody has a computer and knows how to use it. Second, I know you guys have probably already talked about this, but two out of three of my kids went to Tri-County, so when you're talking about Schmidt Farm and the barn, and preserving the barn, I immediately thought to my son did electrical, and his girlfriend did carpentry, and they had this great program. Can that somehow be tied in, and you may have talked about that already, but if you haven't, Tri-County is an amazing resource for that type of thing. So, that's my first suggestion in the master plan. I did hear Boy Scouts, I was very involved with the Boy Scouts in Wrentham. I know one of the Eagle projects was at Birchwood Farm for doing signage on those paths in that, so yay. Make sure that sort of thing is happening, because there's always kids that are looking for Eagle projects or volunteer projects, so I hope that stays in the system. Thirdly, maybe a little controversial, I don't know, so there's a new huge development of condos down off of Pond Street, which is near the area of town where I live. I remember see the developer was keeping paths open as part of that development plan, and I think there was a little tiny sign, and I never actually went to the path, so I'm not really sure if there are paths there or not. So if that was part of the developer plan, can somebody put some pressure back on them for whatever was negotiated for that development?

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Jeff Livingstone (00:42:35) Can I just say, that with information retrieval, there is this concept of push versus pull. So, you can either push the information to the intended recipients, or you can wait for them to essentially pull it, like from online. So it's much, much more effective to do a push strategy instead of a pull. I think for a lot of this, it's

great. When I think back, even five years, of what Conservation as a Department has done to increase the level of information and availability on its site, etc., but you have to go to the Municipal Building to pick it up. You have to go online to grab it as it's not something that's actually pushed to you. So, like local papers, signage, things of this, this is more of a push as opposed to a pull. So I think that we should start thinking about that, like how do people actually get the information? And as you said, not just the kids who live on Google.

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Audience Member / Patricia (00:43:39) Even if they're younger than me, I have the Town paper, and I go through it page by page, and it sticks in my brain better than anything I'm going to see online, and I know I'm older, that's fine, but even friends of mine that are younger, we miss the Gazette. Everybody kind of misses the Gazette.

Audience Member 1 (00:44:20) I heard you mention something about Franklin Town Pages, that you can't use it?

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Breeka LI Goodlander (00:44:36) What I was saying is that Franklin does not have a Town Paper. So all the information is readily available, but on paper, you just have to come to me. I just need help on the other side to be able to get that information to you.

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Meghann Hagen (00:44:50) What newspapers do you get that you prefer to read local news out of?

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Audience Member 1 (00:45:05) Franklin Town Pages.

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Audience Member / Patricia (00:45:05) And see, I would have thought that was a Franklin Town-sponsored paper.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:45:22) On Pond Street, by the way, there is a small easement owned by the Town to get back in there, and should be some public parking for that development. If there's not, you want to contact the Planning Department.

Melanie Hamblen (00:45:45) You know, there is a Town Monthly Newsletter, and I think about how do we get that sent out to everyone. Do we do it in a mailing? We do email because you can sign up for the newsletter online, but it costs money to do that, but it would be great to highlight an open space every month. But how do we get it to people without computers? And that's really difficult because it costs a lot of money to do that.

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Meghann Hagen (00:46:49) I would even say, I love this concept, and we have some good ideas here of what we can look at, but like Conservation isn't on social media, and that's where the younger generations get a lot of their information. So maybe that's something we need to look at, and we could do the same thing, like once a week we highlight something, like a native species, or I think there's a lot we could do on social media for the younger generation as well to pull them within our resources in town.

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Jeff Livingstone (00:47:24) Coincidentally, I recently joined a Board of MACC, and one of the things that we decided to do at the last Board meeting is create a group to study how do we use social media to make MACC more accessible to younger people, so it was interesting.

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Mark LePage (00:47:47) One other thought too, at the other end of the spectrum, I'm thinking if we had something at the trailheads of existing properties, if you go to one, to your point there's others. At first, I was thinking "do we put something in paper?" but that can get expensive to your point, but even if we put the website, a QR code, to check out our other open space—like I didn't know about Riverbend until I started attending these meetings, you know. So you could access the other ones and get indication by going to another one. That might be a way to help.

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Audience Member 1 (00:48:34) Usually, the people in town who have the most time to go to these places are retired people, older people who don't do social media. They don't do computers, they don't do anything like that.

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Meghann Hagen (00:48:49) I would say you're tied with the younger generation of at-home parents, because we actually have a pretty large population of at-home parents who are with their kids and looking for things to do. So I think, I absolutely agree there's a need to look at a generation that's not going to be on social media and what to do, but we also need to look at both ends of the spectrum too.

Len *via Breeka Li Goodlander* (00:49:14) The Senior Center Newsletter is well read.

Shaun Walbridge *via Breeka Li Goodlander* (00:49:20) Something that we could do that would improve knowledge for our open spaces is a well-designed map, which would be at all of the open space locations. This provides a united identity for public spaces, and lets people might know about, say, DelCarte about the many other properties.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:49:43) My comments to that is that we absolutely have those maps available, they are in my office, they are available online, they can go out to these areas. I would need a location to put them, so it's easily done, but I would need to put in a purchase order request to put those kiosks, because not every location has a kiosk. Second, for social media, I have already been kicking around the idea. It would have to be Department-run, so we can talk about it.

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Pat Gallagher (00:50:22) The other thing, we've talked about the idea of having kind of a Friends of Franklin Conservation areas, and I think we've talked about it in the context of trail care and maintenance. But, I think that could also be that they do their own social media, if we had that type of organization, and we could set something up that is not under the official umbrella of the Town of Franklin, but that could be used to help spread awareness among other things. But I also like the idea of having maps and resources at all of our open spaces, because everyone is going to have their one place, and that's their spot and they go there regularly and they might not necessarily know all of the other resources, but to use our open spaces for cross-marketing. To be able to say, if it's

crowded when you get there on a particular day, “here are some other areas that you may want to look into.” Having maps on site may be a way to get around the question of doing a mailing to everyone that would be really expensive.

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Len (00:47:40) Yes, use social media.

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Audience Member 3 / Rahbi (00:51:38) I have been in Franklin for the past four years, I live in Brookview. We have been talking to Breeka, and she’s been very nice on the Open Space Plan, so while Breeka was talking to us about a cricket ground. Cricket is one of the fastest growing sports in the U.S., and there’s a lot of interest coming into cricket, but there’s no cricket ground in the town. So number one, I think we would like Franklin to encourage and promote this sport. You look at the other towns up north and even south, trying to play a similar role, we are helping promote this game, and we have cricket coaches, 75 cricket coaches, who live in the same company as we do. They played international level or below in India, and moved here for studying and things like that. So they are conducting cricket sessions for youth, both girls and boys, in Woburn and international, so they travel out two days every week, and go out and give them the business, and it will be awesome if we can have the space here and promote youth cricket to their friends, where they have two areas to go to once they come out and blossom in the space, right? One is representing USA for the first time, and the other is that there’s a few things like the National Football League, you know, a few cricket leagues that run around as the Indian Premium Caribbean League and there’s some 100 Australian, which produces a lot of energy. So we are basically giving avenues for these kids to go to one of these two areas, and at the same time there’s a lot of investment coming into the country as well. So you know, Franklin being a part of the journey is what we would like to do.

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Pat Gallagher (00:53:39) Thank you, I think that’s something we’ve heard from some others, and I believe Ryan had mentioned maybe at JFK that they have cricket, but I think the sentiment may have been that that’s not an adequate space. I don’t even know, is there a particular season where cricket leagues are starting up, or a time of year?

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Audience Member 3 / Rahbi (00:54:14) Cricket leagues usually start at the end of March, goes about eight months ***Discussion of usual cricket team schedules***

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Jeff Livingston (00:55:01) So much easier than pickleball, and much lower cost.

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Audience Member 3 / Rahbi (00:55:08) The spot would be where King Street, I think there’s a soccer ground there, that would be an amazing spot

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Pat Gallagher (00:55:24) Right, so are other youth leagues or towns running them in the spring-summer-fall throughout? Because if we were trying to coordinate with other towns’ leagues, for example?

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Audience Member 3 / Rahbi (00:55:35) So I think, as with everybody else, ***discussion of Cricket associations in the region***, and there’s something called the Massachusetts

Cricket League, and the New England Cricket Association, which runs Cricket right from April to October. There's a lot of interest and a lot of teams in Massachusetts predominantly.

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Pat Gallagher (00:57:25) Thank you, it's definitely something we'll look at, and I know Ryan has it on his list as well.

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Meghann Hagen (00:57:30) Just a quick question, so I love this idea. I'm from Massachusetts originally, but via Australia I have thoroughly missed being in cricket. What do you see for other towns? How are they putting in their cricket pitches? Are they using local soccer fields, have you seen anything else they have been using?

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Audience Member 3 / Rahbi (00:57:50) The soccer fields are mostly fine, and basically you can have a circular field, and you would have a rectangular pitch, and the radius is going to be somewhere around 80 feet. ***Further details about required dimensions for cricket fields discussed***

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Meghann Hagen (00:58:55) Thank you both for coming.

Breeka Li Goodlander (00:58:59) I remember one school, can't remember which school it was in town, but they set up a league ***detailed what the school set up a league for***

Jeff Livingstone (00:59:35) One of the comments was for Maple Hill and Schmidt's Farm, and basically they were talking about things like using some of the land as an educational community engagement facility, and for example, in collaboration with Norfolk Aggie you had mentioned, and I was just saying what would be really interesting is to go to the Norfolk Community Organic Farm. The reason I'm saying this is because they have a huge agricultural educational program, actually multiple programs, and they've been doing it for about 45 years. I know this because my daughter used to work there, actually spent about five years working there. She didn't work with the educational programs, but she worked conjunctly with them. They're really, really good and they're well done, so that might be something we could learn from.

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Pat Gallagher (01:00:48) One thing I think, in the conversation around awareness, if we're involving Tri-County or involving Norfolk Aggie, getting all these schools and institutions, you get students involved, you get parents involved, people learn more about the area. I think that's a good kind of backdoor way to get people aware and active in these spaces.

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Jeff Livingstone (01:01:16) I don't think we have any Audubon-specific properties in Franklin, correct? I was just wondering if that was another group that would be interesting to partner with.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (01:01:35) Working on it.

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Jeff Livingstone (01:01:45) Again, we talked about this before, and for some reason we couldn't get traction on this and I was shock—this was several years ago—we thought that maybe through the local High School, this was right after the new Franklin High School was built. We approached the science department there and asked them if they do have units on Conservation, which they do on environmental. We wondered if there was some way to work into their units, speaking of field trips, to places like DelCorte or some of the Town Forest, things like that, and we were basically just told like “no, not interested, sorry, go away” and I was shocked by that. Because, here's an incredible resource, and the Conservation group here is one of the best in the State as I'm often told at these annual meetings by the way, so it's really surprising that the local schools don't want to work—at least that's what we were told—with Conservation groups here.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (01:02:41) It's already changing. So right now, I'm working with a junior to get him on an internship this summer. I'm working with an eighth grader to talk about wildlife and habitat loss. Tri-County came out and did a career fair last Thursday, so I'm hoping to get a few interns out of that, and then I do work with a science teacher from the High School at taking water samples at the Sculpture Park. I think it's an accumulation of more people, new people, you do have Lucas now. We have a full-time Agent, so not just me, but my position has more of a presence than what I think it has had in the past, so then that's making the rounds. And Franklin Future Leaders, I forgot about that, it's not really a school but yeah.

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Melanie Hamblen (01:03:30) Before it was part-time, and now with full-time, it makes a big difference.

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Meghann Hagen (01:03:50) I think too, you know, Breeka Li for a different matter go me in touch with the Green Team at the Franklin High School, and I think they seem pretty keen to work on some things in Conservation. So, I think there's some good leads there to do things going forward.

Jeff Livingstone (01:04:04) Just another comment again, one of the things when you talked about access and parking, the trail system behind the Franklin Dog Park is used by the Frisbee golf people, because that's where their course is, but nobody else really knows about it because you have to go all the way to the end by the playground and go down and around, and there's no signage. But, there's a pretty substantial trail system there, and the fellow who used to be here—I don't think he's here anymore but the one that did all the engineering work, he made all those little walkways and things like that, and they're really nice—but nobody knows. So, you're basically in the Dog Park, and you talk to people about them and they look at you like you have three eyes, like they've never even known that there's anything back there. So what I would propose, because we originally talked about the Dog Park—again this is way back when we were using Medway, which was the first Dog Park we ever had access to as the model, and then Franklin came along and said we want one—originally it was going to be much bigger, and then it got carved out. But also, there's was going to be a gate in the back, not just the front but the back, with a little walkway, again kind of like he took timbers or steps or something down to the trail system, and that was done to promote that fact that you had

access, and people would then take the dogs and walk the trails and then come back through. All of that got nixed in the final design, unfortunately, and it's really cut off the trail system. So, my personal opinion is that should be revisited, or at the very least there should be some sort of paving that goes around the side of the dog park, maybe down to an entrance to the trail system, or at the very least some signage over by where they have a vehicle access point for vehicles to get back there and do property management. At least something to tell people there are trails back there, because unless you accidentally run into someone who's coming out of them, or you talk to the Frisbee golf people, or you just happen to find out about it one day because your dogs run back there, you would never know that there's a pretty extensive trail system back there.

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Melanie Hamblen (01:06:40) You know, I talk about outreach, I think it reminds me of Shop Franklin. We did the Shop Franklin Bingo, and so we made it so you had to go to all these different places, and in the middle square there was "go to a new outdoor space" and at the bottom of this Bingo card, I put "this is the website that you can find where all the outdoor spaces are", and so people had to post pictures of where they went to get a point for that square. So on Shop Franklin, when it existed, it could be on anything, right? So that another way, you make it a game, it's fun. That just reminded me of that.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (01:07:30) Natalie, the other day, was at the Sculpture Park taking photos, to be in front of you soon, but she noticed somebody had the Bingo from last fall for DelCorte. So, we have a whole PDF of children's activities on our Conservation page that people can just print off.

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Jeff Livingstone (01:07:52) Melanie, how did the Bingo card play out? What did you do with it, did you give it out at a specific function, and then you would turn it in again?

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Melanie Hamblen (01:08:00) So the Bingo card was actually so that people would go to these different places and fill it out. So, it would be like "go to a place and buy a coffee", didn't matter where, you just had to go there and do it and then you get somebody to sign it, and it was sponsored by all the different stores in town, and nobody had to pay because I developed the Bingo card myself. Then, people actually just donated gifts, so that when people would turn in a Bingo; if you had one Bingo, you got a certain level of a gift; if you got three Bingos, then you would get into the drawing for the three-Bingo gift. But I think people loved that open space free spot. That was the thing that made it, people loved that, and people found different places. So I would go out and be like "I'm here today and guess where I am" and so to get people out, I was down at the park on Acorn Street. People were like "where are you?" and there's trails in there and everything, and I would take Rosie with me because people loved to follow wherever Rosie went. But, that got people excited about going to find new places, and that needs to be done on a regular basis, you know like at DelCorte. Maybe we all need to do it together, or we all need to pitch in and put it on Franklin TV, or talk to Steve Sherlock about it, you know? There's different ways you can get this information out, but they have to make it fun.

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Jeff Livingstone (01:09:45) I'm just thinking, and this might be too big an idea, but let's say you have maybe three or four different Bingo cards, and you had a certain amount of

time—and this could take place over maybe a couple months or so—where people could basically could run around town and open space. Maybe you do a partnership like a student partnership, Downtown Partnership and all the shops and every other place else, right? But at some event, like the Strawberry Festival or something, is when you give out the prizes, like you make a big deal out of it. So, it all culminates on one day, like during a festival, I think that would be like a great idea.

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Melanie Hamblen (01:10:45) Or the Farmers market? There's a big gazebo there, and music now, and all kinds of stuff, and Ryan has his movies there, and the Agricultural Commission has a zucchini race, it's like the coolest thing. You get more people there, you get more people to find out about the events and what you're talking about, because that's when people come up and say "what are you doing? Well, I'm going to do it next year".

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Breeka Li Goodlander (01:12:03) I don't know if the Commission recalls, I got a table for the Commission at the Farmer's Market, I just need volunteers. Lauren was kind enough to give us one of the two tables for Community, so that is whenever the Conservation Commission can attend.

Meghann Hagen (01:13:53) I have one last comment, just as a thank you to all of the Franklin Residents who have shown up, because I have been quite impressed to see the amount of people who are willing to put in work on our trail systems and to actually participate once we have our plan to move forward, and I think looking at our Friends of Franklin Open Spaces will be a great opportunity for an avenue for people to get their hands dirty and help make our Open Spaces great. So, I'm excited for everyone to be able to help.

Len via Breeka Li Goodlander (01:14:24) Yes, partner with Audobon for sensory trail.

Len via Breeka Li Goodlander (01:14:28) I respect the need for public awareness, but I fear some of Franklin's quiet and open spaces will be lost.

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Pat Gallagher (01:14:40) Well I think part of that too, is getting people aware, like how many people could find Maple Hill, for example? I think promoting awareness to all the open spaces is going to spread people out, if anything.

FRANKLIN CONSERVATION COMMISSION

OSRP MEETING Minutes

May 4, 2023

6:00 PM – 7:00 PM

TOPIC: Habitat Protection, Ecosystem Restoration, and Other Conservation Lands

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Comments from the Public / Answers

Breeka Li Goodlander (00:03:28) I know there has been a lot of comments about invasive species removal. A lot of residents wrote into the survey that they would like the invasive species removed/checked. This is my general shoutout to anybody that would like to go and remove invasive species; you have my full backing, please just give me a call and I will guide you in that process and make sure that you are doing it in a manner that does not cause adverse impact. But I think I speak for everyone when I say we would fully support that, and would love the public initiative. And, we have talked about daylighting, but also retrofitting culverts or wildlife crossings, as in stream crossings, Michael that I think you really liked. I think it was you that liked the fisheries and streams?

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Michael Rein (00:04:25) Might have been.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:04:30) So, there's definitely that, that would fall under the umbrella for habitat protection. Ecosystem restoration, being a little bit of a foreshadower here into the rest of the evening, several residents have approached me looking to restore their property, and we don't have an official permit for that. We do and we don't, so planting of native species, conversion of impervious to pervious ground cover, pruning, things of that nature are all exempt under the wetlands protection act, but not necessarily under our local bylaw. Additionally, a lot of our restoration work—which I think you have learned or already knew—does occur within that no-disturb zone, because you want to get right down to that bank/slope/boundary line. So, our permits, specifically the MBZA and our regulations, don't encourage restoration, but it also doesn't discourage it either. So, we do have two residents so far that have approached me that want to restore their property, and I have suggested they file an MBZA but the fee is

waived. That way, that fee can go into actually buying plants, doing the work, since it's positive.

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Jeff Milne (00:06:01) What exactly do they want to do?

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:06:08) So one resident wants to plant native species—which you will hear later tonight—and another who just moved here and is learning about invasive species. She had a very nice, wholesome thought process that she was going to remove all the fragmites in her wetland that she shares with her neighbors, which is a nice thought, but definitely a really, really big burden for one resident to take on.

Especially, because eradication of fragmites isn't as easy as handpulling. Usually, you have to burn it repeatedly, year after year after year.

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Jeff Milne (00:06:50) You could use some interns.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:06:54) That's exactly right. So, in her case we're doing what I have talked to her about anyways—she'll be on the next public hearing—is pulling out what she can on the boundary line, and then replanting with some other aggressive native species to at least curb the fragmites from climbing up her slope. Then, she will plant up that slope going away from the boundary too. So that's something that the Conservation Department is looking to mitigate, probably after the Open Space Plan. We get together with Mark Cerel, especially when we are redoing bylaws and regulations, and things like that.

Robert Kearns, CRWA (00:08:25) Thank you for the opportunity to speak to the Commission about the Open Space Plan. We are very interested in ecological restoration and the culvert work. Actually, we were just in town today doing some assessments by the flood model, looking at some of the coldwater streams, the trout stream, it's called Shepard's Brook by the Town. The culvert replacements by the Town, we definitely want to support the Town in those efforts to help increase aquatic connectivity and habitat connectivity for fish and wildlife. Additionally, any opportunities for restoration of streams, dam removal when feasible, we're definitely interested. And wetlands restoration, I don't think there's any cranberry bogs in town, but that's another option the State does. But, the other thing, speaking of invasive species, we do have a program where we can definitely be a resource, we do a volunteer program for corporate groups and other volunteer groups to remove invasive bittersweet and other invasive plants. So, if there's any places in town that are a priority, you can let me know and we can be a resource there. I know we've done some in other communities, I don't know if Franklin specifically, but we've worked with Conservation Commissions in the south to help facilitate this, because we have groups who like to do some polls. So, just offering to be a resource, and I think that's it, but just very interested in all of the stuff you guys are doing. DelCorte I'm not as familiar with, but I know there's been a lot of talk around there for work. So, save our resources, and thank you for all you guys are doing at the Town, and love to support your guys' work.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:10:47) You actually reminded me, being from CRWA, I don't know if you know this but last year we had a really bad drought. I was at Charles River, just checking on some things, and on the Franklin Medway line, you could just walk it, and there were car batteries, tires, there were a lot of things actually in the river. Not that we can fully make it a positive, when we have a drought, but at the same point that lends us an opportunity to at least pick up our river. So I had that idea last year, and I was tentatively waiting to see if we have another drought, and would love to coordinate with you, Robert, to see if we could get something going for that.

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Robert Kearns, CRWA (00:11:35) Yeah, keep me posted, we normally do cleanups in the springtime. We're getting some new staff for a volunteer coordinator, so could be a good opportunity, so thank you.

Breeka Li Goodlander (00:12:10) *Reading Open Space survey results for Habitat Protection and Ecosystem Restoration until (00:17:08)*

Jeff Milne *commenting on the results of "How often do you use designated Conservation areas of Franklin?"* Answers were 31.6% saying "A few times per year"; 22.9% "1-2 times per month"; 18.6% said "weekly"; 14.1% said "once a month"; 6.7% said "almost every day" (00:17:09) I guess I'm kind of surprised by the weekly and the daily numbers.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:17:15) Yeah, so people tend to go weekly versus daily, and they go two times a month versus one time per month.

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Jeff Milne (00:17:22) I normally drive by DelCarte, a lot of times that parking lot is full.

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Michael Rein (00:17:40) It was half-full today, when it's cold and rainy.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:17:46) I'm still working on getting those signs up. DPW is making signs for our Tree City, because we need to plaster that around town, so I'm on the list.

Breeka Li Goodlander (00:17:58) So those were the questions that directly relate to Habitat Protection or Ecosystem Restoration, sans people identifying actual parcels around town that they would like to see protected.

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Jeff Milne (00:18:15) Have we actually identified parcels?

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Breeka LI Goodlander (00:18:17) Yes, I still have to look through the responses. A lot of responses were properties that were already under contract or have already come in front of Conservation Commission for approval or Planning Board. So, unfortunately we can't consider those ones, but there are plenty that have been vacant lots indefinitely, that are really too wet to develop on, which is why they're undeveloped, which I think we know that is why it becomes Conservation areas, generally.

Robert Kearns, CRWA (00:18:59) The signage thing pops up in my head, I have just an idea—and I don't remember if Franklin has any—but other towns I've seen have signs at the stream crossings. I don't know how many stream crossings there are in Franklin, so it could be potentially a significant expense, but other communities have done signs labeling streams at the road crossings. In my hometown they did it, but it's just another idea that popped up in my head when we're talking about signage, because people don't know all of these little ones.

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Jeff Milne (00:19:50) There's two other streams in town that are so minor, I bet most people probably don't know where they are.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:19:55) Yeah, Shepard's; Mine; Mill; Dix Brook; and then a bunch of unnamed tributaries, we're a floodplain to the Charles River, so it all drains. But Robert, you bring a really good point up. When I met with Stephen Sherlock for the Climate Change Podcast, he brought up how, once he started to talk to me, earlier that day he was driving and started noticing how wet it was on either side of the road, and he had never seen that before. So, I really like that idea, and that sounds like a great P.R. project for DPW to do—they do the signs which is why I'm bringing them up—or an intern, or an Eagle Scout project, or even grant funding through some organization. I like that a lot, and then it will get people thinking about it when they're out and about. I think it's very important for people to have a connection to the land, because then they will start to care about it and foster it. Otherwise, if it's just buildings, well you have other people that take care of that. So, that's a good idea.

FRANKLIN CONSERVATION COMMISSION

OSRP MEETING Minutes

May 18, 2023

6:00 PM – 7:00 PM

TOPIC: OPEN SPACE ACCESSIBILITY, TRAILS, BIKE PATHS, TOWN CONNECTIVITY

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Comments from the Public / Answers

Ryan Jette (00:03:14) I just wanted to give a quick update on the Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan that I have been working on. Myself and Gus Brown, the Building Commissioner, and Mary O'Neil, who is on the Commission for Persons with Disabilities, and Victoria Strand went out last Wednesday. We did our first round at all of the town ballfields and playgrounds, and we'll be finishing up the last three tomorrow, starting with DelCorte, Dacey, and Meadowlark Lane. So, we should be complete by tomorrow. I'll write up the report and get it over to Brecka Li by the end of next week.

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Pat Gallagher (00:04:00) That's great, thanks for the update.

Ali Rheume (00:04:04) Hello everyone, how exciting is it that this is the last one? My goodness, it's been a journey. I've already voiced perspective on accessibility a bunch of times throughout the whole thing. I think the thing for me, the thing that stands out the most as someone who does navigate life with disability here in Franklin, is the playground surfaces, a goal to get them switched over to that resilient rubber surface. Actually, my sister, Jennifer Williams, she was unable to make it to the meeting tonight because of her little kids and has asked me to speak on her behalf as well. She's also a Franklin resident, and she said she also agrees with switching over the playground surfaces, but also even toddlers learning to walk have a hard time on things like mulch, or strollers are hard on mulch, and how toddlers can eat mulch. But, she mentioned how there's a couple surrounding towns that have great examples like Choate Park in Medway, and things like that. I think that would be my number one thing, but there's two, one more. So second to that, actually because of the whole connectivity thing, I know like the SNETT Trail just redid that section, and it's really exciting. I'm really excited for those who can access it, but it can be really frustrating as someone with disability that stonedust is just not accessible. So, if that trail in particular, or any others

in town start to get changed, asking for consideration of pavement instead of stonedust, because again, anything that you can pick up off the ground as a surface isn't really accessible. Wheels get stuck, and it's hard to walk on if you have balance issues and stuff, so I guess my thing is surfaces. But, thank you all so much for your efforts on this, and really appreciate it.

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Patrick Gallagher (00:06:27) Thanks for being such an active participant. I think your perspective and input has been really, really important to us going through and hearing them, so thank you.

Cobi Frongillo (00:06:54) Hi everyone, I've also said many things and sent many emails over the course of this, so I'll restrict my comments to just a few new ones. One of the things I'm always looking for is opportunities to connect neighborhoods with trails. I think we think about trails often as being a place that we can drive to and do on a weekend with your family, but there's a whole bunch of trails that just connect neighborhoods that allow Franklin's kids to connect with other kids in a much safer and really more enjoyable way. We know this was true with Maple Hills—that was true around me—there are a whole bunch of these, and there are a whole bunch of opportunities where we have massive parcels between neighborhoods, and just having little right-of-ways and making sure that the trails connect are really good ways to increase the accessibility and connectivity of town. One such that I just explored recently, and shot over to Brecka Li, is off Parliament Drive. If you didn't know, Parliament's this small residential area that used to have a homeowners association that controlled this; There was a basketball court, a tennis court, and a baseball field that now all have been grown in, and now it has some trails that some kids use for biking. But, it's a potential opportunity to do something cool, and the fun fact about that that I learned recently, is the movie *The Natural* the guy the movie was based off of used to play baseball there and throw the ball around with kids, so that's kind of dope. Other than that, the last one is putting my hat on as the President of the Franklin-Bellingham Rail Trail Committee. We are very, very lucky to have the Southern New England Trunkline Trail start in Franklin, we've made a ton of improvements with the bridge and the surface improvements, and we're still making more. But, keeping that as a radar, and really one of our primary—if not our primary recreational trails asset—is huge. So, some of the big things that we're looking at are the crossing across Grove Street, the parking lot at Grove Street—I think both of those have plans to be addressed, but making sure they remain priorities—further surface improvements as touched upon by Ali, seating options along the way, and then your big ticket item—which I think should really be Franklin's #1 trails priority—is extending that railtrail through to the rest of the mostly-unused rail track, that takes us all the way to downtown. That has the opportunity to really make Franklin a destination for the entire area to come and visit our businesses, and start and end their day in the middle of Franklin, and invite people there, and really just open that trail up to people to be able to walk to and bike to more. So, keeping the SNETT is a top priority. Thank you so much for all that you've done, and all the time you've put into these meetings.

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Pat Gallagher (00:10:47) Just coming off of Cobi's comments, Ryan have you come across any surfacing that –because I think oftentimes for trails especially—there's this wanting to keep the trails pervious. But then, there's the accessibility concerns as well, and what Ali was saying around how that's not accessible for someone who is in a wheelchair or has mobility needs. So, I wonder are there any surfacing materials that you've come across that balance being semi-pervious or get a little beyond what is currently out there?

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Ryan Jette (00:11:32) Well I actually happen to live along the SNETT railroad bed, it's right behind me—like 15 feet—so I'm very familiar with the Rail Trail. I thought that surface was a pretty good balance, quite honestly. I have heard from Victoria that there's a section from the parking lot to get to the actual packed-down material that they currently have that is stonedust and is very cumbersome to get to. But, right outside where I live, I know they had a steamroller, like a two-ton steamroller, that went up and down with vibrations upon it that really, really packed it down, so you could literally drive a truck down these trails. I know there are some areas that are challenging, but I really thought that was a good middle ground. As you said, it's impervious. The next best thing is what we've done at Nason Street Playground, which is poured-in-place rubber. It's super-expensive, but it gives you both that shock absorbency for when children fall on it, but also it gives you a good planarity where you can roll wheelchairs or bikes or strollers down it. I think the SNETT is pretty good. Again, I haven't seen anybody really try to go down there with strollers or wheelchairs, but just seeing what I saw, I know they packed it pretty good.

Victoria Strand (00:13:27) I did have the privilege of going to the self-evaluation, and that was really eye-opening, I loved it, but I do have some other comments. We're talking about the Rail Trail, so Milford and Holliston, to my knowledge, all have asphalt, which we do use. We go visit family nearby, and that is just so much easier. So a little bit about myself, my son has cerebral palsy. He's almost 10, he's in a wheelchair and the wheelchair is about 70 pounds and TJ is 100 pounds. So if you can imagine a little bump, we hit shins, all sorts of things happen. So unfortunately, I understand we want to keep it as natural as possible, but it's inaccessible for TJ, so we do go to other towns to utilize that type of thing. While I have the podium here, I would just like to piggyback off Ali. My comments would be that I think surfaces are a big thing, the mulch is again the same type of issue that we have, and I would also like to compliment Ryan. When we went to this evaluation he was really great, every park bench we saw that was not paved, he said “we need to get a way to it” and I was really impressed, and that really felt great to know that it wasn't me that had to say that. Somebody from the Town sees that, we need this improvement and let's work together and this is good. So I was really happy to be a part of that, and happy to give my input, but we love pavement.

Jake Berry (00:15:00) Everything Cobi said, I want to echo. He took the words right out of my mouth. I think the extension of the SNETT into the center of town, or at least to Union Street, would be really valuable and just extend the accessibility of the Rail Trail to many more people so that they can walk to it from their neighborhoods. Also kids, I'm a giant proponent of getting kids on bikes, getting kids outside, getting kids exercising in

any way that we can provide them with access to that in town I think is important. I think that echoes Cobi's comment about connecting neighborhoods, and connecting neighborhoods with trails, and we've done that really successfully between Brandywine and Daniels with a bunch of trails. You know, short ones that would, if a kid was to ride his bike he would have to go all the way down Skyline and up Daniels, and Daniels is not a great road to ride a bike on. But now they can cut in between those two neighborhoods within 500 feet. It gives them a safe way to transport between neighborhoods, we see this on Bridle Path as well, at the end of Bridle Path. So, I think there are a lot of examples of that in town, and a lot more that we could probably utilize, you know, different town-owned parcels to try and attain that connectivity. Lastly, I would throw out the idea of, dovetailing the kids on bikes, a lot of towns are starting to put in kid pump tracts. You know, those are small areas where they have what I would call little bumps or something, where kids can ride around in a circle and really get joy out of their bikes and get bike-handling skills, and at the same time being outside.

Tom Christensen (00:17:12) I'm honored to be able to join your effort tonight. I'm a former Massachusetts resident, and I'm on the Board of the New Hampshire Rail Trail Coalition, but a member of your Rail Trail group as well. I want to compliment you on all the discussion so far, particularly the aspect of mobility for those who are handicapped, but here's my point: What we're trying to do in New Hampshire is to create what we call knowledge nuggets, because time and time again we have these discussions, and people who are very professional and very articulate—and often in their work use Powerpoint presentations and are very comfortable to create them—speak and a few minutes later, that knowledge is lost. So I encourage you to take the comments that are being made tonight, and put them onto some Youtube video or something, or even just a simple Powerpoint so the ideas don't get lost. Again, I want to compliment you on this effort, it's just been wonderful listening to it, and I'll be quiet just sitting in the background enjoying it. Thanks a lot.

Randy Jay (00:18:58) I've been in Franklin on Country Way for about 33 years now, I'm a member of the Disability Coalition for about 5 years now. I don't know what to expect from this meeting, but I've been told about it at our meeting last week or so. So a friend of mine who is disabled, in case you need to get involved in this group in town here, because it's what he did in North Attleboro until they kicked him off the Committee, because he raised a lot of ruckus and we have persons with disabilities. But what he often spoke of was the importance, and guidelines in place already on playground surfaces and pathways and accessibility. I was just wondering, does the Building Commission or the Town incorporate the guidelines from the Americans with Disabilities Act?

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:20:28) They do, so every new development, they have to be ADA compliant. Town-owned facilities do as well, the evaluation that Ryan was mentioning is led by Recreation Department and the Building Commissioner. So they have been going out. I don't know Ryan how many years, but pretty repetitive, it's rinse and repeat. So every few years, they have to go out and make sure it's all up to code. It tends to fall in line with the Open Space Plan as well, because a component of the Open

Space Plan is ADA compliance. I'm paraphrasing for everyone, but I think what we found is that there's the guidelines and then there's reality. So, that's where this Open Space Plan is really focused on the accessibility and mobility and just being available to everybody.

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Randy Jay (00:21:30) I think it's hard to step back and see the big picture sometimes, where there's accessibility to the parking lot and there's a handicap parking spot, but then how do you get to the spots over there? But it sounds like you've got the right checklists.

Ryan Jette (00:21:56) If I can just chime in real quick, just so people are aware, Massachusetts law on playground surfacing has just recently changed. It's not something that has been 20 years old and we have just ignored it. Mulch surfacing was an accepted form of playground surfacing up until a couple years ago. So all of our new playgrounds, we intend to use this poured-in-place rubber. I want to make sure everybody understands that we're not going to be building new playgrounds with mulch surfacing going forward. So, and also I think everybody that's concerned about ideas coming up and us forgetting about them, I would urge you to read the self-evaluation and transition plan, because the nuts and bolts of all of our parks and playgrounds, we're going around tomorrow with Victoria and Mary and myself and Gus again, to go through every single bathroom facility, concession facility, and playground, and we're looking at everything. We're doing measurements, we're looking at van accessibility, we're looking at how to get to and from every part of that park so it's a very thorough self-evaluation. So I don't want everybody to just think we're going to forget about this tomorrow. This is something that's going to be in writing, it's going to be in the 2024 Open Space and Recreation Plan, and then we're going to make that transition. You know, funds are limited, but we're going to do our best to try to get up to speed but things take time, you know. We have a lot of parks and sites in town, and we will do our best to try to meet that accessibility.

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Pat Gallagher (00:23:27) And Ryan, it might just be helpful, because I know in addition to Nason Street, there are plans over the next few years for a few other playgrounds in town. Would you be able to just refresh, for folks who haven't been involved in those conversations?

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Ryan Jette (00:23:47) Well, Nason Street Tot Lot was recently done, that's going to be opening up on May 31. We have our ribbon cutting at 5:30pm, so everybody's encouraged to come and check out the new playground. We have pictures on our website of it as well, and the surfacing is just great there, we're really happy with it. Fletcher Field will be our next playground improvement. The back playground at Fletcher Field was done in 2016, and the front playground is still 2007 I want to say is when that was done, so we're going to be doing that over. We got a state grant of \$50,000 and I'm going to be going to the Community Preservation Committee for more funding, an extra \$150,000 to bring the swingset closer to the playground and put poured-in-place rubber in that whole front area, and then also provide walkway access to the picnic tables and to the rear playground. So that will be the next one. The following year, we're going to be working on King Street to make improvements to that playground. Then, I believe three

years down the road, Dacey Field will be next on the list. So, we have a plan in place over the next five years to upgrade most of those playgrounds.

Kit Brady (00:25:21) I live on Kimberlee Avenue, I abut the Maple Hill property, and the nice thing about Maple Hill is that it's a blank slate. I think there's some great opportunities, obviously money is always an issue, to build specific purpose-built trails within the Maple Hill parcel. Some that could be more specific for walking, some that could be more specifically built for accessibility, wheelchair accessibility, to help distribute the cost of pavement as a more impervious surface versus another trail for mountain biking. So, with respect to accessibility, I think Maple Hill is yet to be kind of conceptualized as to what it's going to be, and might be a great opportunity to take all of these comments into account when you are designing what you are planning to do with that space. That's all I have to say.

Ali Rheume (00:26:34) Two things have come to mind as we have been talking here. One is when it was mentioned with the SNETT Trail not having seen people with strollers and wheelchairs there. I think that tells us something in of itself, we would see more people with strollers and wheelchairs there if it were more accessible. I wanted to add that perspective in there, but the other thing that I haven't mentioned yet to date, is the thought surrounding—and I know keeping woodsy trails natural is very important, and I'm all for that—I'm just kind of wondering if there's a spot in town that, even if it wasn't a trail that was paved. If maybe there was just sort of like a common area near a woodsy or water-included space where you could just sit and be more in nature. So it may not be a park, or you may not be walking all through the woods, but a little paved area before a trailhead, or near a lake or something, just with a bench, paved from the parking lot to that, and then just everything else kept natural sort of thing. I'd love that, I love just going and sitting and hanging out. So, just another consideration for us.

Fitch Proctor (00:28:21) Good evening, I'm part of the New England Mountain Bike Association here in Franklin. Just on the topic of some of the new trail pieces, just speaking about Maple Hill, if there is a desire to do anything in the woods, obviously NEMBA would be happy to help out with it. What I did want to call out attention to is we were recently contacted by a gentleman who represents some adaptive mountain bikers. For those who don't know what adaptive mountain biking is, you may have seen it before. It's for disabled riders who still want to pursue mountain biking, it's handcranks, four wheels that are very complicated and pretty awesome machines, but we've been working with some of our local trail networks to make sure we're documenting where adaptive riding can take place. Contrary to popular belief, these guys can definitely ride, so they aren't looking necessarily dumbed down places, but I think Franklin does have some great parcels to it. So on the accessibility side of that, I would be happy to go through with some of our adaptive rider friends and note-take on the Town's behalf of where adaptive riding is currently set up. There's currently certain places where obviously there's going to be certain scenarios where simply you can't get past on a four-wheeled vehicle—hand powered of course, not motorized—so it still falls under all the same environmental use friendliness that mountain biking entails. But I

think it's a great opportunity for Franklin too, because everybody's so positive about accessibility and making sure that everyone can enjoy the Town.

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Pat Gallagher (00:29:48) That would be awesome, just to sit down at some point and go through where there might be good opportunities to look at, and I think this is a conversation that has come up in other contexts. Talking about, for example, Riverbend, and some of the other conservation areas where I think, in general, are not so wide or as accessible even to people who do not have accessibility challenges. So, I think generally we'd love to be looking at trails and if there are ways to widen them and make them more accessible to everybody, but that sounds like a really great opportunity.

Breeka Li Goodlander (00:31:05) Ali, I know sometimes you hang out on Zoom and wait for the regularly scheduled Commission Hearing. You may enjoy the Sculpture Park Minor Buffer Zone Activity tonight. We got a long agenda, so I don't blame you if you don't last, but you may enjoy it.

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Ali Rheume (00:31:20) Thank you, I am definitely going to stay then, because that is my favorite spot to go to in town, so I will stay.

Michael Rein (00:31:38) I'll just add one, talking about connectivity and the SNETT. In addition to connecting it to downtown, you know on the other end it's not that far to Schmidt's Farm, so maybe there's something we can do to connect Schmidt's Farm to the SNETT.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:31:57) So for the SNETT, CSX and MBTA have been doing a purchase agreement, so the Town was already seeking approval way back in the 2016 Open Space Plan to extend it, and I know that I'm sure we've all heard this before but just in general. So now that MBTA has finally purchased it, we need to contact MBTA to see if we can purchase it from them. So that's why it's taking a while, it hasn't left the radar, it's just taking a while because that's the way things are.

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Pat Gallagher (00:32:41) Breeka, do you know if it's envisioned that DCR would take that over, or would the Town be interested in trying to acquire that land?

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:32:46) I'm not entirely sure, I know that Mike Maglio, the Town Engineer, he's the point of contact for that. I don't know. I would imagine it could very well be DCR, but even still, even though the SNETT is owned by DCR, the Town is a really big stakeholder in it. Even myself, I dictate what they plant out there. It's a good question, I can ask.

Jake Berry (00:33:32) This discussion about accessible trails, particularly strollers, kind of jogged my memory that, when the Town sold the sewer bed that is now Brookview, I believe there was discussion because there is town property kind of past that right on Mine Brook. I feel like there was discussion about a trail being built just like that and for that purpose, with access from Brookview. Does anyone else remember that? I know that was many years ago.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:34:12) Doesn't ring a bell to me, but I haven't been here very long. But, I can also ask, again I have no problem asking questions.

Ryan Jette (00:34:34) I just want to comment on the connectivity to Schmidt's Farm. I don't believe the SNETT railroad bed goes anywhere close to there. You would have to access it by a small trail that goes off by where Bubbling Brook meets up with Prospect Street, or you could go to the bridge and I believe the Town has a right-of-way kind of driveway that goes up onto Prospect Street. But, there's no sidewalks there, it's very dangerous if anybody was to try to walk down that street. So, I'm not sure if that's something that would require us putting sidewalks or some kind of bike path in, but I do know that there is no direct offshoot of the SNETT to Schmidt's Farm.

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Breeka LI Goodlander (00:35:18) Piggybacking off of you, Ryan, I did want to mention that I'm already talking to Bellingham to see if there's trails and connectivity to Schmidt's Farm. Just FYI, since they have Conservation Land on the other side.

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Ryan Jette (00:35:37) That's great. I knew we didn't own it, but that's great if you are talking to Bellingham.

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Jake Berry (00:35:45) They do actually, between Silver Lake and Prospect, there's a pretty good trail network in there that ends up right across the street from Schmidt's Farm.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:35:55) And we just purchased the two western properties to Schmidt's Farm as well, so there's this whole parcel/property now.

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Meghann Hagen (00:36:13) I love the idea of that, being able to connect it all and getting people easy access to both the SNETT and Schmidt's Farm. That would be amazing.

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Pat Gallagher (00:36:30) Right, I think it's a good thought just to be saying how do we, whether it's there, or it's out by Maple Hill, I think in that area there's a lot of potential to connect between Bridle Path, Maple Hill, Dacey, Keller-Sullivan, the Metacom, like there are a lot of existing trails in that area that you could probably—with a few additional connections—reach even more neighborhoods and folks. So, I think we've had some interest in looking at the map and figuring out where those are and what else would be needed, but all good opportunities to be thinking about.

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Ryan Jette (00:37:20) Pat, the concept art already exists on somebody's computer, and it is actually called the Emerald Necklace, and it was a concept to try to connect all these Open Space plots. It's just there's a lot of difficulty with sidewalks and main roads and whatnot, but I think that if we start small—now that we've acquired some land over in Maple Hill—starting small in that area would be a great goal of ours, so I think that will happen in time.

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Pat Gallagher (00:37:51) I agree, and even if it's to the point of main roads and you have intersections and crossings, and you see more and more of the flashing pedestrian lights and just ways to make intersections a little bit safer. We've thought about that with DelCarte as well, making sure it's easier for folks to get around and get in between neighborhoods that way. So it's definitely something to take a look at.

Meghann Hagen (00:38:25) I just wanted to say thank you to everybody to everyone who's participated for tonight. I think some great ideas have come about from tonight, specifically looking at accessibility around town, and I'm excited to see where we go from here.

Ryan Jette (00:40:55) I just wanted to publicly thank Brecka, she's done an amazing job with this. This is my fourth Open Space and Recreation Plan since being an employee, and by far this is the most thorough. I feel like we've gotten a lot of input, I would've liked more surveys to come in but I'm not going to complain. This has just been a real eye-opener, and we've got a lot of people involved in the Commission. You guys have done a great job, and I'm just really happy with the direction the Town's heading in, so thanks to everyone.

FRANKLIN CONSERVATION COMMISSION

OSRP Public Hearing Minutes

June 20, 2023

6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

PUBLIC HEARING 3

This Open Space and Recreation Plan Meeting was available to be attended in person and via the ZOOM and YouTube platforms. In an effort to ensure citizen engagement, citizens were able to dial into the meeting using the provided phone number (Cell phone or Landline Required) OR citizens could participate by copying the link on the agenda or calling 929-205-6099. For those wishing to attend in person, the meeting was held in the Council Chambers of the Franklin Municipal Building.

Comments from the Public / Responses

Conservation Agent Breeka Li Goodlander reviewed comments sent via email or other means before the Commission.

Ali Rheume (00:09:50) I just wanted to take a moment to say thank you. As someone who lives their daily life navigating disability—not my whole life, disability’s been seven years for me—usually it goes in one ear and out the other with people, and I know people don’t live the life of needing accessibility, it can be hard to understand. So I get that, and I just, clearly since it’s making me emotional, just really appreciate the fact that you all have been so open to listening and receiving comments. Just everything you have been doing month after month after month, and I’m not only seeing it in the actual plan—which I’ve already read the whole thing—I see it there, I see the action steps, I see your heart, and I see it also trickling into other town meetings now. Like, other people are like “oh, accessibility, accessibility”, so thank you. I feel like you have been a catalyst for these conversations, and it just means the world to me and I know it means a lot to those others in town who navigate with disability. So, from the bottom of my heart, thank you so much for everything you’ve been doing.

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Pat Gallagher (00:11:15) Thank you, Ali. I think we rely on people like you to give us this feedback, and that has been really critical in informing how we’re thinking about the plan, and I think for Ryan and others—who are really going to be the ones really implementing a lot of this—I think it’s been really important for him to hear from you directly as well, so thank you.

Conservation Agent Breeka Li Goodlander reviewed the answers from the survey.

Meghann Hagen (00:37:40) Do we know arguments against open lands? Like—thinking about it with an open mind— have you heard any feedback on why people might be against?

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:37:50) I haven't heard anything explicitly, but from what I heard from other staff or have gathered at other meetings is just more congestion.

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Mark LePage (00:38:20) They make good points, there are some tough intersections in town. Pretty rough as it is.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:38:30) That's the only thing I can think of, and I know—for example—two big projects right now that have a component of them to enhance transportation, and for better or for worse the community was not for that. Even though they are striping or putting in walking paths, things like that.

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Pat Gallagher (00:39:00) I think it is interesting, looking at how different communities handle things like that, if it's automatic that—when you're putting in new utilities when you're digging up the road anyway or you're resurfacing—that you're putting it, because all of these roads are designed with current code. There's space built in on most public ways to put in a bike lane on at least one side of the road, and a lot of communities are requiring that as part of any public works projects. Especially if you're looking up the Holliston Rail Trail, the SNETT, the real connection in between them. I don't know, it seems like a real opportunity.

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Mark LePage (00:39:46) Or Downtown to any of those resources, right?

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Pat Gallagher (00:39:48) I think just it seemed like—as far as the sidewalks question—people are generally satisfied with the sidewalks in their neighborhood, but sidewalks and bike paths are pretty handy to have in terms of connecting different parts of town, and making it easier for people to get around without having to hop in a car to do it.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:40:19) Even the Grove Street Shared Use Path, I received calls on in support of and not supporting of too.

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Mark LePage (00:40:36) Any specifics on the props or cons?

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:40:34) Just general work in the area. Inconvenience for the work, or not understanding how it's funded is actually a big one.

Breeka Li Goodlander (00:43:25) Something I did want to do discuss; in 2008 after the Open Space Plan, there was a booklet made to go walking around in Franklin. They were hand-drawn maps, which I think is beautiful but doesn't accurately reflect where you are, combined with a little write-up blurb of each Conservation and Rec. area in town. So, feasibly residents could come and take one, and there's their guidebook—also, not unlike what we have for DelCarte. I would love to make those again, but I will be coming to you guys at a later date.

Pat Gallagher (00:48:51) I think it's helpful just to see how many different data points you are accounting for here. I think this is a really quantitative analysis of Franklin, like

we've got 35 or 40 or so Open Spaces that we're highlighting. And so, taking together all of those spaces and the different uses of each of them and people using them across different demographics, I think it's a lot to bolt together.

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Meghann Hagen (00:49:26) I will say that I'm impressed that there are so many different opinions in there, seeing that we didn't get quite the number of people we were hoping to get for respondents. But, I think we got a wide demographic in general, so I thought that was nice to see.

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Breeka Li Goodlander (00:49:52) I mentioned the statistic before, but even though we only received 714 responses, that was roughly 5% of households.

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Pat Gallagher (00:50:13) For a survey, 5% sample size of your total population is pretty good. I think there's definitely a preference to focus on Open Spaces as Conservation Areas. I think that's one really clear correlation.

Stephen Sherlock, Franklin Matters (01:00:05) Thank you to all your work, and certainly Breeka Li's work. The amount of information that came out in the entire series, it's amazing. Absolutely, and you have been taking the feedback because I have been watching it a ton, because I'm a reporter but also a citizen resident. So, a couple of other data points to put, in regards to some of the conversation tonight. Respectfully, roads in regards to the question of bike lanes, Pond Street—granted—has the width to put a bike lane up. Pleasant Street: no. And there are lots of roads that are like both of those throughout the town. So, you got a question to focus just on should you have. Some of that's going to be practical; some of that's not. Kudos to the accessibility in terms of the overall piece. The best practice we try to do is, if you are going to put out a QR code, also put the link as linkable, and not just the link in the image, because then you can't click within the image to get the link. And, you have done paper, so yes that is also good. One of the feedbacks that we from TV we had coming out the last election was some of us have done interviews with candidates with audio, video, or text, but not necessarily all 3 of them were available for a specific candidate. So, that was feedback that we got from the survey of the voters at the time, and we've been looking to try to do that going forward, and it's a challenge. But, that's something that at least tries to make it accessible, especially to share, because even coming out of Covid you didn't want to do paper-based things, but there are those that still need the paper-based things, and in some cases paper makes much more practical use. In some cases, when you get the smartphone, they're usable and accessible, the QR code works, the website works. So, then using a PDF and then putting it on a page, now you've kind of leveraged that creation and it still makes it accessible. So, couple of quick thoughts coming out of the scrolling and presentation, I appreciate it. Thank you for what you do, it keeps me busy keeping up so everyone else can find out what you're doing, all so I can come back and comment, so thanks.

Mark Manachelli (01:03:00) Regarding the bike lane comments, I'm surprised it sounds like it was against more so than for bike lanes? I'm a cyclist as well. I'd like to recommend an alternative to full bike lanes is better signage. I've been in communities

where an occasional sign on a road just like Pleasant Street, where there might not be enough room for a bike lane, but certainly there's still a lot of cyclists that use that road. A few well-placed signs reminding the motorists to either share the road, or reminding motorists how many feet they should give when passing a cyclist on the road I think can be very helpful. I would like to emphasize a different type of accessibility; I would love to see more access for people with disabilities to more of the Open Spaces. I know we have some already. Myself and my family lived in part of New Jersey, we had a physically handicapped family friend, and it was enormously important to him when we could get him out into the Open Spaces, and it's tough to do that on many of the Franklin Open Spaces. Again, I apologize because maybe it's already well into the plan, but again I would like to emphasize the importance of giving everybody a chance to enjoy the outdoor spaces that we have.

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Pat Gallagher (01:05:00) To that last comment, I would just like to note that Ryan Jette and his staff at the Rec. Department have recently completed their Accessibility Survey of all of the Town's Rec Areas. That is incorporated into the Open Space Study, and I think that is something Ryan is taking a close look at—one of the things we talked about in this process is you are updating playgrounds—just as one example there is new surfacing that is in use that you can see at some playgrounds in the area that show in that way. And so to say, really putting a focus, I think Nason Street was just completed; Fletcher is on the list of the next year or so; King Street Memorial or then Dacey; so I think that's the order that the Rec. Department is currently looking at and really prioritizing as they make those updates anyway, and I think Ryan heard that message loud and clear, to really try and focus on surfacing on walkways and trying to line up entrances. At DelCorte, one of the things we've heard, and whether for wheelchairs or strollers, a lot of the paths are not wide enough and the grades are too steep, things like that. That's definitely something we are going to take a look at.

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Meghann Hagen (01:07:00) I think that, certainly to add to that, it's well right in the Open Space Plan as well, that it's something of a focus for us, and I think that's something that we'll bring into the Master Plan as well. For the Town going forward, looking at accessibility for Open Spaces as well, I know we had at one of our recent meetings a presentation on an update to the Sculpture Park and accessibility there as well as a part of the topic of conversation of what else we can do to increase accessibility as they make some updates there. Thank you so much for coming to stress that as well.

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July 25, 2023

Conservation Commission
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RE: 2023 Open Space and Recreation Plan

The Planning Board reviewed the Open Space & Recreation Plan draft for 2023. At its meeting on July 24, 2023, the Planning Board agreed to recommend, as written, the Open Space & Recreation Plan.

If you have any questions regarding this recommendation, please contact the planning staff or me.

Sincerely,

Gregory Rondeau
Chairman

PLACEHOLDER FOR DCR REVIEW LETTER

PLACEHOLDER FOR MAPC REVIEW LETTER

APPENDIX C
INVENTORY OF LANDS OF
CONSERVATION AND RECREATION INTEREST

Total Area = 1007.27212 Acres

Maps 11 & 12

Parcel ID	Parcel Size (Acres)	Property Name	Address	Property Owner	Manager	Current Use	Condition	Public Access	Accessible	Recreation Potential	Zoning	Level of Protection	Grant Source	Deed Restriction	Land Use Code
204-005-000	20.021543		LINCOLN ST	KOSHIVOS JOHN / KOSHIVOS CATHERINE											714
206-020-000	3.201342		LINCOLN ST	KOSHIVOS CHARLES J / KOSHIVOS ELIZABETH											037
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292-004-000	18.827246		PROSPECT ST	HENO FLOYD V											803
292-006-000	13.759131		PROSPECT ST	HENO FLOYD											803
300-002-000	115.225918		672 EAST CENTRAL ST	FRANKLIN COUNTRY CLUB INC											38
308-076-000	71.477346		PROSPECT ST	HENO FLOYD											0873
311-006-000	17.774454		235 GROVE ST	ROSSETTI STEVEN J & DALE M, TRS / CEDAR HILL FARM REALTY TRUST											018
323-039-001	1.148866		SPRING ST	MORSE PATRICIA											712
323-041-000	25.401569		SPRING ST	MORSE PATRICIA L TR L/E / WADSWORTH FARM REALTY TRUST MORSE, DANIEL W TR											0837
323-046-000	41.7505		SPRING ST	MORSE PATRICIA L											0138
323-049-000	11.275511		11 SPRING ST	HEHN ROBERT S & SUSAN E TRS / 11 SPRING ST FUNDING TRUST											017
326-001-000	42.968214		WASHINGTON ST	COOK MARILYN E											712
326-003-000	7.830283		WASHINGTON ST	COOK MARILYN E											712
326-033-000	6.284157		49 PROSPECT ST	GARBOSKI TIMOTHY J / VALANTINE DARCY J											017
330-012-002	8.426497		4 MOUNT ST	HEARN KERRY B / HEARN ELENA											018
331-028-001	1.485604		MOUNT ST	HEARN KERRY B / HEARN ELENA											803
337-006-000	3.754656		45 SOUTH ST	DEL SIGNORE PETER / HAYES LYNNE M											017
337-007-000	2.466576		41 SOUTH ST	DEL SIGNORE PETER / HAYES LYNNE M											017
343-018-000	4.693695		40 VINE ST	MORSE JONATHAN A&MARGARET W TRS / MORSE FAMILY LIVING TRUST											017
343-022-000	0.810046		VINE ST	MORSE PETER W / MORSE BENJAMIN K											720
343-022-001	6.269393		VINE ST	MORSE PETER W ETAL TRS / BIG APPLE TWO REALTY TRUST											714
348-002-000	5.947157		WASHINGTON ST	COOK WARREN HOWARD											720
348-003-000	15.191037		SOUTH ST	COOK WARREN H / COOK MARILYN E											717

Federal Owned - Public
Total Area = 465.866558 Acres

Map 11

Parcel ID	Parcel Size (Acres)	Property Name	Address	Property Owner	Manager	Current Use	Condition	Public Access	Accessible	Recreation Potential	Zoning	Level of Protection	Grant Source	Deed Restriction	Land Use Code
224-040-000	27.009691		PINE ST	US OF AMERICA ARMY CORP OF ENGINEERS	ARMY CORP OF ENGINEERS						SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			900
224-041-000	0.211767		MINE BROOK	US OF AMERICA & ARMY	US ARMY						SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			900
224-042-000	0.981684		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY	Flood Plain			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			900
224-043-000	5.406414		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / USA	USA	Flood Plain			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			900
224-044-000	0.795923		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / USA	USA	Flood Plain			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			900
224-045-000	2.101279		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY	Flood Plain			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			900
224-046-000	2.551938		PINE ST	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY	Flood Plain			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			900
224-047-000	2.098276		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / USA	USA	Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
224-048-000	14.639542		PINE ST	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY CORP	US ARMY CORP	Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
225-029-000	12.45751		POND ST	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		Flood Plain			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			900
225-039-000	8.422558		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		Flood Plain			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			900
237-023-000	13.006849		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		Flood Plain			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			900
237-024-000	6.320178		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / USA	USA	Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
237-025-000	9.916215		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY	Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
237-026-000	1.114094		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY	Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
237-027-000	6.639163		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY	Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
237-028-000	2.586771		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY	Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
237-030-000	2.995557		RICHARD LN	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY	Flood Plain			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			900
237-033-000	25.693698		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY	Flood Plain			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			900
237-034-000	4.55546		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / USA	USA	Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
237-035-000	2.05404		OAK ST	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY	Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
239-001-000	5.929967		POND ST	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY	Flood Plain			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			900
239-002-000	0.891501		OAK ST	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		Flood Plain			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			900
239-003-000	5.638786		OAK ST	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY	Flood Plain			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			900
239-004-000	1.247633		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY	Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
239-005-000	4.151667		OAK ST	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY	Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
239-006-000	7.240743		OAK ST	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY	Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
239-007-000	5.860631		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY	Flood Plain			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			900
239-008-000	7.664183		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY	Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
240-033-000	0.366353		OAK ST EXT	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY						SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			900
253-011-000	0.295539		POND ST	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY	Flood Plain			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			900
254-001-000	0.441548		POND ST	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY	Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
254-002-000	2.430865		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY CORP	US ARMY CORP	Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
254-003-000	2.487742		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY	Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
254-005-000	5.275115		POND ST	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY CORP ENG	US ARMY CORP ENG	Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
254-006-000	0.011479		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
254-007-000	0.345527		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY CORP	US ARMY CORP	Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
254-010-000	3.226711		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY	Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
254-011-000	1.536769		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY CORP ENG	US ARMY CORP ENG	Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
254-013-000	5.766601		POND ST	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY	Flood Plain			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			900
254-014-000	1.558532		POND ST	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY	Flood Plain			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			900
254-016-000	21.483897		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY	Flood Plain			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			900
254-017-000	5.947669		POND ST	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY	Flood Plain			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			900
254-018-000	5.4589		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
257-001-000	0.789498		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY	Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
257-002-000	14.406845		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY	Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
257-003-000	4.630143		POND ST	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY	Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
257-004-000	16.027558		CONLYN AV	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
257-005-000	16.458051		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY	Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
257-006-000	20.462998		WEST CENTRAL ST	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY	Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
257-090-000	0.665107		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY	Flood Plain			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			900
258-001-000	1.70448		WEST CENTRAL ST	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY	US ARMY	Flood Plain			No		OFFICE	Permanent			900
258-002-000	13.287086		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / US ARMY CORP	US ARMY CORP	Flood Plain			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			900
305-005-000	1.382922		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
305-006-000	16.323258		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
305-008-000	0.778986		GROVE ST	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
305-009-000	3.336937		GROVE ST	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
305-011-000	26.526577		WASHINGTON ST	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
305-012-000	6.697526		MINE BROOK	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
305-015-000	6.187132		GROVE ST	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
305-016-000	4.797269		GROVE ST	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
305-017-000	1.123753		KENWOOD CIR	U S OF AMERICA	U S OF AMERICA						INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
305-018-000	7.11223		GROVE ST	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS	ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS	Flood Plain			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			900
336-009-000	7.035835		SOUTH ST	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		Flood Plain			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			900
336-010-000	27.192071		SOUTH ST	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA / USA ARMY CORP OF ENGINEERS	USA ARMY CORP OF ENGINEERS	Flood Plain			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			900
336-011-000	3.105251		SOUTH ST	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		Flood Plain			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			900
336-012-000	2.594226		SOUTH ST	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		Flood Plain			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			900
340-002-000	2.056504		WASHINGTON ST	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		Flood Plain			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			900
340-007-000	10.03118		WASHINGTON ST	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		Flood Plain			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			900
340-008-000	0.696301		WASHINGTON ST	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		Flood Plain			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			900
341-002-000	3.639869		SOUTH ST	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		Flood Plain			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			900

Metacomet Land Trust - Public Recreation

Total Area = 63.1419 Acres

Map 11

Parcel ID	Parcel Size (Acres)	Property Name	Address	Property Owner	Manager	Current Use	Condition	Public Access	Accessible	Recreation Potential	Zoning	Level of Protection	Grant Source	Deed Restriction	Land Use Code
229-005-000	12.682258		DANIELS ST	METACOMET LAND TRUST INC					No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			950
229-007-000	2.303233		DANIELS ST	METACOMET LAND TRUST INC					No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			950
234-024-000	10.403349	Bridle Path	BRIDLE PTH	METACOMET LAND TRUST INC		Hiking Trails			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			950
235-119-000	10.538559		MAPLE ST	METACOMET LAND TRUST INC		Hiking Trails			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			950
240-155-000	1.770072	Nature Classroom	CORONATION DR	METACOMET LAND TRUST INC		Outdoor Nature Classroom			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			950
242-073-000	25.444429		BRIDLE PTH	METACOMET LAND TRUST INC		Hiking Trails			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			950

Other - Private Parcels of Interest

Total Area = 508.310245 Acres

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Parcel ID	Parcel Size (Acres)	Property Name	Address	Property Owner	Manager	Current Use	Condition	Public Access	Accessible	Recreation Potential	Zoning	Level of Protection	Grant Source	Deed Restriction	Land Use Code
259-004-000	60.145937	Tri-County Reg. Voc	147 POND ST	TRI-COUNTY REG VOCATIONAL	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	ADA accesible playground, playing fields			Yes		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	None			989
269-065-000	11.216727		175 BEAVER ST	ROMAN CATHOLIC / ARCHBISHOP OF BOSTON							RURAL RESIDENTIAL II				963
269-066-000	11.346538		175 BEAVER ST	ROMAN CATHOLIC / ARCHBISHOP OF BOSTON							RURAL RESIDENTIAL II				963
269-095-000	0.287279		DANIEL MCCAILL ST	ROMAN CATHOLIC / ARCHBISHOP OF BOSTON							SINGLE-FAMILY IV				963
269-097-000	0.119348		MCCAILL DR	ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHBISHOP /							SINGLE-FAMILY IV				963
270-017-000	0.155404		OLD WEST CENTRAL ST	TRI-COUNTY REG VOCATIONAL							RURAL RESIDENTIAL II				988
278-010-000	12.127684		150 WEST CENTRAL ST	RAY MEMORIAL CEMETERY / C/O WALTER JACKSON							SINGLE-FAMILY IV				953
279-002-000	0.174673		WEST ST	FIRST METHODIST / EPISCOPAL SOCIETY							GENERAL RESIDENTIAL V				963
279-053-000	0.407337		167 MAIN ST	FRANKLIN FEDERATED CHURCH INC							SINGLE-FAMILY IV				963
314-012-000	0.02533		UNION ST	UNITED PENTECOSTAL / C/O CLYDE THORNHILL							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				963
321-051-000	22.226805	Benjamin Franklin C	500 FINANCIAL PARK	BENJAMIN FRANKLIN ED FDN INC							INDUSTRIAL				941
321-061-000	1.444733		WASHINGTON ST	BENJAMIN FRANKLIN EDUCATION FN							INDUSTRIAL				946
321-062-000	1.47069		WASHINGTON ST	BENJAMIN FRANKLIN EDUCATION FN							INDUSTRIAL				946
333-001-000	142.593628		1061 UPPER UNION ST	CISTERCIAN NUNS / OF STRICT OBSERVANCE				No			RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	None			963
343-003-000	194.122399		UPPER UNION ST	CISTERCIAN NUNS / OF STRICT OBSERVANCE				No			RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	None			963
343-019-000	10.228585		VINE ST	CISTERCIAN NUNS / OF STRICT OBSERVANCE				No			RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	None			963
344-001-001	5.203909		MOUNT HILL ST	CISTERCIAN NUNS / OF STRICT OBSERVANCE							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				963
344-003-000	14.005289		UPPER UNION ST	CISTERCIAN NUNS / OF STRICT OBSERVANCE				No			RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	None			963
344-006-000	21.00795		UPPER UNION ST	CISTERCIAN NUNS / OF STRICT OBSERVANCE				No			RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	None			963

Private Recreation

Total Area = 170.288244 Acres

Maps 11 & 13

Parcel ID	Parcel Size (Acres)	Property Name	Address	Property Owner	Manager	Current Use	Condition	Public Access	Accessible	Recreation Potential	Zoning	Level of Protection	Grant Source	Deed Restriction	Land Use Code
222-021-000	0.465114		BEECH ST	VFW POST 3402							SINGLE-FAMILY III				954
222-022-000	4.459141		BEECH ST	VFW POST 3402							SINGLE-FAMILY III				954
222-043-000	2.730513		POND ST	VFW POST 3402							SINGLE-FAMILY III				954
223-103-000	0.472409		BEECH ST	VFW POST 3402							SINGLE-FAMILY III				954
260-066-000	16.34149	DEAN ACADEMY &	MAPLE ST	DEAN ACADEMY & JUNIOR COLLEGE		Playing fileds			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	None			944
261-004-000	18.405343	DEAN ACADEMY &	69 MAPLE ST	DEAN ACADEMY & JUNIOR COLLEGE		Playing fileds			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	None			944
268-235-000	5.266674	Catholic School	MAIN ST	ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHBISHOP OF BOSTON							SINGLE-FAMILY IV				960
295-009-000	10.906468	Christian Academy	KENWOOD CIR	LMF FRANKLIN CORP							INDUSTRIAL				401
301-004-000	6.33531		EAST CENTRAL ST	CAMP HAIASTAN OF THE ARMENIAN							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				958
315-002-000	98.064171	Camp Hayastan	722 SUMMER ST	CAMP HAIASTAN OF THE ARMENIAN		Family camping			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	None			958
315-063-000	4.155658		SUMMER ST	CAMP HAIASTAN OF THE ARMENIAN							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				958
344-004-000	2.685953		UPPER UNION ST	ST CHRETIENNE EDUCATION INST							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				961

State Owned - Public Recreation

Total Area = 838.03469 Acres

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Parcel ID	Parcel Size (Acres)	Property Name	Address	Property Owner	Manager	Current Use	Condition	Public Access	Accessible	Recreation Potential	Zoning	Level of Protection	Grant Source	Deed Restriction	Land Use Code
271-029-000	0.4995	Southern New Engl	WEST CENTRAL ST	COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS / DIVISION OF S	DIVISION OF STATE PARKS AND RE	Bike path/ trails			No		BUSINESS	Permanent			920
275-022-000	2.516803		1122 WEST CENTRAL S	COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS / HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT							INDUSTRIAL				924
276-005-000	4.184631	State Forest	GROVE ST	COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS / DIVISION OF S	DIVISION OF STATE PARKS AND RE	Hiking, biking trails			No		BUSINESS	Permanent			920
276-006-000	10.94273	State Forest	GROVE ST	COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS / DIVISION OF S	DIVISION OF STATE PARKS AND RE	Hiking, biking trails			No		BUSNESS	Permanent			920
276-008-000	4.656757	State Forest	GROVE ST	COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS / DIVISION OF S	DIVISION OF STATE PARKS AND RE	Hiking, biking trails			No		BUSINESS	Permanent			920
276-025-000	1.061924	State Forest	GROVE ST	COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS / DIVISION OF S	DIVISION OF STATE PARKS AND RE	Hiking, biking trails			No		BUSINESS	Permanent			920
288-008-000	22.296073	State Forest	BEAVER ST	COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS / DIVISION OF S	DIVISION OF STATE PARKS AND RE	Hiking, biking trails			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			920
289-004-000	67.191629	State Forest	GROVE ST	COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS / DIVISION OF S	DIVISION OF STATE PARKS AND RE	Hiking, biking trails			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			920
289-005-000	16.986421	State Forest	FORGE HILL RD	COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS / DIVISION OF S	DIVISION OF STATE PARKS AND RE	Hiking, biking trails			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			920
292-002-000	108.847381	State Forest	FORGE HILL RD	COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS / DIVISION OF S	DIVISION OF STATE PARKS AND RE	Hiking, biking trails			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			920
293-001-000	313.347144	State Forest	FORGE HILL RD	COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS / DIVISION OF S	DIVISION OF STATE PARKS AND RE	Hiking, biking trails			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			920
293-002-000	45.422637		SPRING ST	COMMONWEALTH OF MASS / DEPARTMENT OF CONSER	Department of Conservation						INDUSTRIAL				910
293-003-000	17.330998		SPRING ST	DEPT OF CONSERV AND REC / COMMONWEALTH OF MA	Department of Conservation & Recreation						INDUSTRIAL				920
294-002-000	32.835931	State Forest	GROVE ST	COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS / DIVISION OF S	DIVISION OF STATE PARKS AND RE	Hiking, biking trails			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			920
306-036-000	16.060017	State Forest	GROVE ST	COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS / DIVISION OF S	DIVISION OF STATE PARKS AND RE	Hiking, biking trails			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			920
307-003-000	38.412618	State Forest	SPRING ST	COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS / DIVISION OF S	DIVISION OF STATE PARKS AND RE	Hiking, biking trails			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			920
322-070-000	5.606343	State Forest	GROVE ST	COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS / DIVISION OF S	DIVISION OF STATE PARKS AND RE	Hiking, biking trails			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			920
322-071-000	30.839242	State Forest	GROVE ST	COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS / DIVISION OF S	DIVISION OF STATE PARKS AND RE	Hiking, biking trails			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			920
323-040-000	8.662282	Southern New Engl	PROSPECT ST	COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS / DIVISION OF S	DIVISION OF STATE PARKS AND RE	Bike path/ trails			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			920
323-048-000	4.885149	State Forest	GROVE ST	COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS / DIVISION OF S	DIVISION OF STATE PARKS AND RE	Hiking, biking trails			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			920
324-012-000	2.253434	Southern New Engl	PROSPECT ST	COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS / DIVISION OF S	DIVISION OF STATE PARKS AND RE	Bike path/ trails			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			920
341-001-000	4.309169	State Forest	SOUTH ST	COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS / DIVISION OF S	DIVISION OF STATE PARKS AND RE	Hiking, biking trails			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			920
341-003-000	3.154981	State Forest	SOUTH ST	COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS / DIVISION OF S	DIVISION OF STATE PARKS AND RE	Hiking, biking trails			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			920
341-006-000	9.861306	State Forest	SOUTH ST	COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS / DIVISION OF S	DIVISION OF STATE PARKS AND RE	Hiking, biking trails			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			920
341-014-000	3.081023	State Forest	SOUTH ST	COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS / DIVISION OF S	DIVISION OF STATE PARKS AND RE	Hiking, biking trails			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			920
341-027-000	15.939855	State Forest	SOUTH ST	COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS / DIVISION OF S	DIVISION OF STATE PARKS AND RE	Hiking, biking trails			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			920
347-002-000	0.493452		SOUTH ST	COMMONWEALTH OF MASS / DEPT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MGMT							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				920
347-006-000	46.35526	State Forest	SOUTH ST	COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS / DIVISION OF S	DIVISION OF STATE PARKS AND RE	Hiking, biking trails			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			920

Town Owned - Conservation/Open Space
Total Area = 1075.588178 Acres

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Parcel ID	Parcel Size (Acres)	Property Name	Address	Property Owner	Manager	Current Use	Condition	Public Access	Accessible	Recreation Potential	Zoning	Level of Protection	Grant Source	Deed Restriction	Land Use Code
203-001-000	6.268996		LINCOLN ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
204-001-000	14.512951		LINCOLN ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
206-006-001	19.247461		LINCOLN ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				930
209-020-000	5.574238		POND ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			930
210-008-000	8.310967		PLAIN ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			932
211-016-000	0.973702		PADDOCK LN	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				932
211-043-000	0.521173		PLAIN ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			932
211-127-000	7.991232		BEECH ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
214-082-000	10.384559	Brownstone Estates	BERKELEY DR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
214-122-000	2.359815		BENS WAY	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
216-007-000	0.37852		POPULATIC ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				932
216-049-000	1.985974		CHARLES DR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				930
218-010-000	3.910663	Tanglewood Estates	BERKSHIRE DR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
218-049-000	10.829636		SKYLINE DR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				932
219-174-000	2.005913		LINCOLN ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			932
220-020-000	11.911406		DOVER CIR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			932
221-013-000	19.243914		PARTRIDGE ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF					No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			930
221-023-000	25.181512		BLUE JAY ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
222-008-000	1.845181		BEECH ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			932
225-067-000	13.517257	Partridge Woods I &	EVERGREEN DR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			932
226-028-000	11.399354			FRANKLIN TOWN OF											932
226-061-000	30.78281		HANCOCK RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL II				932
232-001-000	15.026151		DANIELS ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			932
232-013-000	0.68713		DAVID RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			932
232-014-000	0.889152		DAVID RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			932
232-015-000	1.646486		DAVID RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			932
234-012-000	68.307541			FRANKLIN TOWN OF											932
234-012-001	0.739103			FRANKLIN TOWN OF											932
234-041-000	0.201467		HIGH RIDGE CIR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			932
234-042-000	0.273873		HIGH RIDGE CIR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			932
234-043-000	0.854247		HIGH RIDGE CIR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			932
236-028-000	0.733865		DURAND DR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			932
236-029-000	2.040669		DURAND DR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			932
241-015-000	0.936456		BOGASTOW BROOK LN	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			932
242-012-020	0.46506			FRANKLIN TOWN OF											932
242-069-000	6.001909		LILY WAYE	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL II				932
242-071-000	13.293057		MAPLE ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL II				932
242-072-000	1.153595		MAPLE ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL II				932
243-002-000	12.146864		CLARA LOUISE DR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL II				930
243-081-000	0.818967		DAVID RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			932
243-082-000	2.053966		DAVID RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			932
243-083-000	1.081953		DAVID RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			932
243-084-000	1.274938		DAVID RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			932
243-085-000	0.454834		DAVID RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			932
243-086-000	0.49812		DAVID RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			932
243-087-000	0.86924		DAVID RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							SINGLE-FAMILY III				930
244-015-000	0.081869		DAVID RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			932
244-016-000	0.435799		DAVID RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			932
244-017-000	0.251541		DAVID RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			932
244-028-000	0.474533		DAVID RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			932
244-029-000	0.59908		DAVID RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			932
244-030-000	0.74667		DAVID RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			932
244-031-000	0.546029		DAVID RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			932
244-032-000	0.510609		DAVID RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			932
244-033-000	0.497906		DAVID RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			932
244-034-000	0.500926		DAVID RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			932
244-040-000	0.182279			FRANKLIN TOWN OF											932
247-007-000	7.551843	Acorn Woods I & II	42 MEADOWLARK LN	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			931
247-008-000	24.915122	Acorn Woods I & II	MEADOWLARK LN	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
250-009-000	5.314467		LINCOLN ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			932
251-028-000	0.713118		EDMUNDS WAY	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			932
251-029-000	0.947401		EDMUNDS WAY	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			932
251-030-000	0.656942		EDMUNDS WAY	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			932
251-038-000	3.382319		MAPLE ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			932
251-101-000	20.635243		MAPLE ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL II				932
252-062-000	0.940477		OAK ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			932
252-068-000	1.665345		OAK ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			932
252-119-000	12.513048		BOGASTOW BROOK LN	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			932
254-012-000	11.34779		POND ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							INDUSTRIAL				932
257-012-000	7.333446		CONLYN AV	FRANKLIN TOWN OF					No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			930
257-013-000	0.342674		CONLYN AV	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							SINGLE-FAMILY IV				932
257-014-000	0.344508		CONLYN AV	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							SINGLE-FAMILY IV				932
257-015-000	0.342555		CONLYN AV	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							SINGLE-FAMILY IV				932
257-016-000	0.343376		CONLYN AV	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							SINGLE-FAMILY IV				932
257-017-000	0.344116		CONLYN AV	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							SINGLE-FAMILY IV				932
257-018-000	0.335625		CONLYN AV	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							SINGLE-FAMILY IV				932
257-021-000	0.350769		CONLYN AV	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							SINGLE-FAMILY IV				932
257-022-000	0.345208		CONLYN AV	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							SINGLE-FAMILY IV				932

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Parcel ID	Parcel Size (Acres)	Property Name	Address	Property Owner	Manager	Current Use	Condition	Public Access	Accessible	Recreation Potential	Zoning	Level of Protection	Grant Source	Deed Restriction	Land Use Code
257-045-000	0.347865		ANTHONY RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF					No		SINGLE-FAMILY IV	Permanent			932
257-046-000	0.354906		ANTHONY RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF					No		SINGLE-FAMILY IV	Permanent			932
257-047-000	0.338351		ANTHONY RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF					No		SINGLE-FAMILY IV	Permanent			932
257-048-000	0.350322		ANTHONY RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF					No		SINGLE-FAMILY IV	Permanent			932
257-049-000	0.345317		ANTHONY RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF					No		SINGLE-FAMILY IV	Permanent			932
257-050-000	0.34024		ANTHONY RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF					No		SINGLE-FAMILY IV	Permanent			932
257-051-000	0.339398		ANTHONY RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							SINGLE-FAMILY IV				932
260-060-000	6.00163		MAPLE ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			932
262-094-000	104.948792	DelCarte Conservat	459 PLEASANT ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	Conservation/Open Space		Yes	Yes		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			932
265-040-000	10.890999		INDIAN LN	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
265-041-000	24.129537		LOST HORSE TRL	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
266-073-000	7.582417			FRANKLIN TOWN OF											932
266-089-000	9.101806		JORDAN RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
266-090-000	24.945651	Indian Rock Estates	INDIAN LN	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
272-051-000	0.372059		CONLYN AV	FRANKLIN TOWN OF					No		SINGLE-FAMILY IV	Permanent			932
272-052-000	0.345512		CONLYN AV	FRANKLIN TOWN OF					No		SINGLE-FAMILY IV	Permanent			932
272-053-000	0.53195		CONLYN AV	FRANKLIN TOWN OF					No		SINGLE-FAMILY IV	Permanent			932
277-006-000	20.715068	Recycling Center	BEAVER ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	Recycling Center		Yes	Yes		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				931
277-007-000	33.103467		BEAVER ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
278-010-001	1.896129		150 WEST CENTRAL ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							SINGLE-FAMILY IV				930
279-190-000	5.254555		ALPINE PL	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							GENERAL RESIDENTIAL V				932
279-197-000	0.357487		JOSEPHINE ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		GENERAL RESIDENTIAL	Permanent			930
279-198-000	0.886055		JOSEPHINE ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		GENERAL RESIDENTIAL	Permanent			932
280-001-000	2.203792		JOSEPHINE ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		GENERAL RESIDENTIAL	Permanent			932
280-002-000	2.806763		JOSEPHINE ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		GENERAL RESIDENTIAL	Permanent			932
280-003-000	11.291749		LONGOBARDI DR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			932
281-019-000	4.389784		EAST CENTRAL ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
282-027-000	8.114058	Oak Run Estates	LOST HORSE TRL	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
292-007-000	5.157322		PROSPECT ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				932
298-064-000	0.972264	Town Forest	SUMMER ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
299-049-000	5.982535		RUSSET HILL RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				932
301-002-000	4.84176		RUSSET HILL RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
301-006-000	4.247071		UNCAS POND	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
306-041-000	10.580426		GROVE ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			932
308-024-000	46.376609	Prospect Heights	OXFORD DR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
308-027-000	2.71857	Prospect Heights	OXFORD DR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
308-070-000	2.425159	Prospect Heights	OXFORD DR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
308-073-000	4.351583	Prospect Heights	OXFORD DR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
318-033-000	17.848032		SUMMER ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
325-003-000	114.26961	Schmidts Farm	215 PROSPECT STREET	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				0
327-005-000	3.717253		JEFFERSON RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
327-008-000	0.850094		JEFFERSON RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
328-060-000	0.043717		JEFFERSON RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
331-034-000	19.133617	Mount View Estates	UPPER UNION ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
331-046-000	9.11723		SUMMER ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
335-051-000	5.646		PETERS LN	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
335-093-000	5.311094		PETERS LN	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
338-034-000	17.5855		TIA PL	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				0
338-035-000	7.665372		PROSPECT ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
341-023-000	2.001418		JEFFERSON RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
348-001-000	12.191749		WASHINGTON ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				930
349-001-000	20.793589		INNSBRUCK WAY	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			932
349-003-000	19.63212		WASHINGTON ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				930
349-004-000	1.488315		WASHINGTON ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				930
349-005-000	1.276		WASHINGTON ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				930

Town Owned - DPW
Total Area = 366.347093 Acres

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Parcel ID	Parcel Size (Acres)	Property Name	Address	Property Owner	Manager	Current Use	Condition	Public Access	Accessible	Recreation Potential	Zoning	Level of Protection	Grant Source	Deed Restriction	Land Use Code
205-003-000	3.166041		POPULATIC ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				939
205-004-000	13.399467		POPULATIC ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				938
205-005-000	24.106966		POPULATIC ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				938
205-006-000	6.800431		POPULATIC ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				938
205-007-000	5.514191		POPULATIC ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				938
211-091-000	0.073568		PALOMINO DR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				931
213-036-000	0.902485		7 CRYSTAL DR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				938
214-045-000	0.770038		ELM ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			938
214-051-000	4.843024		4 WOODHAVEN DR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			938
216-001-000	0.807952		POPULATIC ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				938
216-045-000	0.501859		POPULATIC ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				938
216-046-000	1.201323		46 POPULATIC ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				938
221-053-000	0.948899		PARTRIDGE ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				938
222-028-008	1.367861		NINA LN	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						SINGLE-FAMILY III				938
223-034-000	1.640292		SUNKEN MEADOW RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			938
230-033-000	7.892929		140 MILLER ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				938
231-053-000	12.685811		105 MILLER ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				938
237-003-000	0.539014		POND ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						SINGLE-FAMILY III				938
237-004-000	0.99104		POND ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						SINGLE-FAMILY III				938
237-005-000	10.669672		POND ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						SINGLE-FAMILY III				938
241-040-000	1.414417		NOANET BROOK LN	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						SINGLE-FAMILY III				938
244-071-000	0.071366		180 LONGHILL RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						SINGLE-FAMILY III				931
244-184-000	0.577524		BROOK ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						SINGLE-FAMILY III				938
251-010-000	0.640553		8 ANGELO WAY	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						RURAL RESIDENTIAL II				938
253-010-000	21.044425		WHITE AV	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						SINGLE-FAMILY III				938
253-012-000	15.58167		POND ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						SINGLE-FAMILY III				938
253-159-000	0.624266		IROQUOIS RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						SINGLE-FAMILY III				938
257-019-000	0.384764		CONLYN AV	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						SINGLE-FAMILY IV				938
257-020-000	0.347111		CONLYN AV	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						SINGLE-FAMILY IV				938
257-044-000	0.364671		ANTHONY RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF					No		SINGLE-FAMILY IV	Permanent			938
262-026-000	1.745998		4 FLINKLOCKE RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						SINGLE-FAMILY III				938
268-126-000	2.432614		PLEASANT ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						SINGLE-FAMILY III				938
268-169-000	0.995871		HILLSIDE RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						SINGLE-FAMILY IV				938
280-005-000	0.72795		27 JOSEPHINE ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						SINGLE-FAMILY IV				938
284-029-000	1.013884		RED GATE LN	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						SINGLE-FAMILY III				931
285-108-000	0.010167		EAST CENTRAL ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						COMMERCIAL II				931
287-109-000	44.728193		269 FISHER ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				938
288-001-000	18.652081		FISHER ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				938
288-003-000	9.165714		100 GROVE ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						INDUSTRIAL				931
290-010-000	4.668071		71 FORGET HILL RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						INDUSTRIAL				938
295-008-000	0.022632		KENWOOD CIR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						INDUSTRIAL				931
296-211-000	1.096324		FISHER ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				938
298-002-000	13.348795		EAST CENTRAL ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				938
298-003-000	13.969044		EAST CENTRAL ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				938
298-004-000	28.285028		EAST CENTRAL ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				938
298-009-000	3.841189		LEWIS ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				938
298-046-001	0.01264			FRANKLIN TOWN OF											939
306-009-000	0.04108		GROVE ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						INDUSTRIAL				931
311-005-000	23.81084		GROVE ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						INDUSTRIAL				938
312-021-000	17.748035		312 GROVE ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						INDUSTRIAL				938
319-022-000	0.198327		855 UPPER UNION ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		INDUSTRIAL	Permanent			939
320-003-000	3.70176		LIBERTY WAY	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						INDUSTRIAL				938
321-041-000	0.133241		JEFFERSON RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				938
322-001-000	8.87967		GROVE ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						INDUSTRIAL				938
322-093-000	4.380991		GROVE ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				938
329-003-000	0.86486		LIBERTY WAY	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						INDUSTRIAL				938
334-013-000	11.526939		VINE ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				938
336-014-004	1.583245		GRACE LN	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				938
338-036-000	2.794555		TIA PL	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			939
339-025-000	4.221909		5 BELL CIR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Conservation/Open Space			No		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			938
339-062-000	0.983226		WASHINGTON ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				938
349-009-000	0.88859		WASHINGTON ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				938

Town Owned - Franklin Public Schools
Total Area = 189.799125 Acres

Maps 11 & 13

Parcel ID	Parcel Size (Acres)	Property Name	Address	Property Owner	Manager	Current Use	Condition	Public Access	Accessible	Recreation Potential	Zoning	Level of Protection	Grant Source	Deed Restriction	Land Use Code
233-002-000	6.417097	Keller-Sullivan Midd	500 LINCOLN ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS			Yes	Yes		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II				933
240-169-000	15.046642	JFK Elementary Sch	551 POND ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	ADA accessible playground		Yes	Yes		SINGLE-FAMILY III	None			934
243-053-000	14.621056	Keller-Sullivan Midd	500 LINCOLN ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	ADA accessible playground		Yes	Yes		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	None			934
260-003-000	49.817862	Franklin High School	218 OAK ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	ADA accessible playground, playing fields		Yes	Yes		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	None			934
268-016-000	0.267456	The Brick School	LINCOLN/MAPLE ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS			Yes	Yes		SINGLE-FAMILY IV				934
269-110-000	35.050774	Horace Mann School	224 OAK ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	ADA accessible playground		Yes	Yes		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	None			934
269-111-000	1.042621	Horace Mann School	OAK ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS			Yes	Yes		SINGLE-FAMILY III				934
297-050-000	20.497686	Parmenter School	235 WACHUSETT ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	ADA accessible playground		Yes	Yes		SINGLE-FAMILY III	None			934
328-037-000	47.037931	Remington Jefferson	628 WASHINGTON ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	ADA accessible playground		Yes	Yes		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	None			934

Town Owned - Possible Future Conservation/Open Space
Total Area = 275.431354 Acres

Map 11

Parcel ID	Parcel Size (Acres)	Property Name	Address	Property Owner	Manager	Current Use	Condition	Public Access	Accessible	Recreation Potential	Zoning	Level of Protection	Grant Source	Deed Restriction	Land Use Code
205-011-000	0.445904		FULLER PL	MEDWAY TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				980
205-030-000	0.161243		FULLER PL	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				930
206-077-000	1.032154		FULLER PL	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				930
211-019-000	0.96769		PALOMINO DR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				930
212-011-000	2.660341		POND ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							SINGLE-FAMILY III				936
212-012-000	2.01546		POND ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							SINGLE-FAMILY III				936
212-014-000	0.175495		POND ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL II				930
212-015-000	0.347187		POND ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL II				930
213-001-000	15.075161		POND ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				930
216-047-000	12.173405		MECHANIC ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				930
220-001-000	14.350177		ELM ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL II				930
220-002-000	5.723672		STEPHEN WAY	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL II				930
220-056-000	0.782013		PARTRIDGE ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				930
226-093-000	0.591429		HEMLOCK LN	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL II				930
226-094-000	0.025004		HEMLOCK LN	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL II				930
229-027-000	18.051162		DANIELS ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				930
229-045-000	30.75582		DANIELS ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				930
233-003-000	21.419944			FRANKLIN TOWN OF											930
233-038-000	3.778207		LINCOLN ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL II				930
234-086-000	0.177183		CRANBERRY DR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL II				930
236-088-000	1.989335	Playground	PARLIAMENT DR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF		Basketball court, playground equipment			No		SINGLE-FAMILY III	None			936
236-089-000	0.201115			FRANKLIN TOWN OF											930
240-165-000	0.296554		CORONATION DR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							SINGLE-FAMILY III				930
241-045-001	0.046638		CHARLES RIVER DR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL II				930
244-173-000	0.428543		OLD FARM RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							SINGLE-FAMILY III				930
245-096-000	1.676716		13 GREEN ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				930
248-056-000	0.457066		GRIFFIN RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							SINGLE-FAMILY III				930
252-063-000	3.418541		MAPLE BROOK LN	FRANKLIN TOWN OF				No			RURAL RESIDENTIAL II	Permanent			930
253-107-000	0.103405		OAK ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							SINGLE-FAMILY III				930
253-121-000	0.216848			FRANKLIN TOWN OF											930
257-033-000	0.159724		CONLYN AV	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							SINGLE-FAMILY IV				930
257-082-000	0.138372		CONLYN AV	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							SINGLE-FAMILY IV				930
258-011-000	9.720035		CROSSFIELD RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							SINGLE-FAMILY III				936
262-048-000	0.532077		MUSKET WAY	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							SINGLE-FAMILY III				930
265-016-000	2.360962		WAMPANOAG DR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				936
265-056-000	2.442906		CONCETTA WAY	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				936
268-064-000	0.370866		SQUIRE ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							SINGLE-FAMILY IV				930
268-065-000	0.162649		WOOD ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							SINGLE-FAMILY IV				930
269-044-000	0.657286		PONTON AV	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							COMMERCIAL II				936
269-045-000	0.337432		PONTON AV	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							COMMERCIAL II				930
270-022-000	1.054756		OLD WEST CENTRAL ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							SINGLE-FAMILY III				930
271-007-000	0.027657			FRANKLIN TOWN OF											930
271-008-000	0.100322		GROVE ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							BUSINESS				930
271-009-000	0.122877			FRANKLIN TOWN OF											930
271-010-000	0.488134			FRANKLIN TOWN OF											930
271-011-000	2.693135		GROVE ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							BUSINESS				930
271-012-000	1.961465		WEST CENTRAL ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							BUSINESS				930
271-013-000	0.047504		WEST CENTRAL ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							BUSINESS				930
271-023-000	0.1929		WEST CENTRAL ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							BUSINESS				930
271-044-000	0.128016		1 POND ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							SINGLE-FAMILY III				930
272-043-000	0.156325		ANTHONY RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							SINGLE-FAMILY IV				930
278-044-000	0.169746		WEST CENTRAL ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							SINGLE-FAMILY IV				930
281-016-000	0.675336		DUTCHESS RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				930
281-018-000	3.137181		DUTCHESS RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				930
286-051-000	1.668331		CROSS ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							SINGLE-FAMILY IV				930
286-154-000	0.317684		PECK ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							SINGLE-FAMILY IV				930
287-105-000	1.126441			FRANKLIN TOWN OF											930
287-106-000	4.423238		FISHER ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							INDUSTRIAL				930
287-107-000	2.973758		SUGAR BEET RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							INDUSTRIAL				930
297-069-000	0.209147		ROOSEVELT ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							SINGLE-FAMILY IV				936
302-005-000	3.707994	Town Forest	SUMMER ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS						RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				930
303-039-000	1.396835		7 LOCKEWOOD DR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				930
303-039-002	0.026352		LOCKEWOOD DR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							SINGLE-FAMILY III				930
306-023-000	9.779119		DOE DR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				936
306-035-003	2.58822		DOE DR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				930
311-018-000	9.448603		OLD GROVE ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				936
311-019-000	0.913025		FAWN LN	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				936
311-020-000	9.111223		FAWN LN	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				936
312-011-000	14.925967	Whistling Woods	WASHINGTON ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF				No			RURAL RESIDENTIAL I	Permanent			930
313-057-000	0.217678		UPPER UNION ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							SINGLE-FAMILY III				930
314-010-000	11.556376		UNION ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				936
314-018-000	0.48357		834 UPPER UNION ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							INDUSTRIAL				936
322-050-001	0.112933		WASHINGTON ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				930
326-049-000	1.830252			FRANKLIN TOWN OF											930
327-006-000	1.184301		17 JEFFERSON RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				930
327-007-000	1.83754		15 JEFFERSON RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				930
328-046-000	0.035034		SKIPPER CIR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				930
328-074-001	1.547986		JEFFERSON RD	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				930
338-028-000	0.043459		TIA PL	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				930
340-004-000	9.026382		888 WASHINGTON ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				930
341-004-001	1.369648		6 RUBY WAY	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				930
341-004-004	1.24306		18 GARNET DR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				930
341-004-009	1.071796		43 OPAL CIR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				930
349-006-000	12.741576			FRANKLIN TOWN OF											930
349-010-000	1.132751		WASHINGTON ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				930

Town Owned - Public Recreation
Total Area = 324.147088 Acres

Maps 11 & 13

Parcel ID	Parcel Size (Acres)	Property Name	Address	Property Owner	Manager	Current Use	Condition	Public Access	Accessible	Recreation Potential	Zoning	Level of Protection	Grant Source	Deed Restriction	Land Use Code
218-025-000	18.242455		LENOX DR	FRANKLIN TOWN OF							RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				936
219-002-000	95.705994	Dacey Community R	700 LINCOLN ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	ADA compliant playground equipment 2-12 year old, baseball field, softball field		Yes	Yes		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II				931
262-093-000	1.518561	DelCarte Conservat	459 PLEASANT ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	Playground		Yes	Yes		SINGLE-FAMILY III				930
269-001-000	4.103574	Franklin Town Com	200 MAIN ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	Gazebo, benches		Yes	Yes		SINGLE-FAMILY IV	Permanent			931
270-051-000	3.031696	Veteran's Memorial	WEST CENTRAL ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	Indoor ice skating/hockey		Yes	Yes		RURAL RESIDENTIAL II				931
278-213-000	3.48001	Davis Thayer Schoo	137 WEST CENTRAL ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	ADA accesible playground		Yes	Yes		SINGLE-FAMILY IV	None			934
286-101-000	3.665592	Pisani Field	19 SUMMER ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	Small lighted softball field, senior lighted softball field		Yes	Yes		SINGLE-FAMILY IV				931
286-153-000	13.119392	Fletcher Field	51 PECK ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	2 small baseball fields, senior baseball fields, basketball courts, ADA compliant		Yes	Yes		SINGLE-FAMILY IV				937
287-021-000	0.541191	Faenza Park (Nasor	NASON ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	ADA compliant playground (2-5 years), picnic area		Yes	Yes		SINGLE-FAMILY IV				934
287-114-000	24.110799	Beaver Pond Recre	HAYWARD ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS			Yes	Yes		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				938
288-002-000	28.91701	Beaver Pond Recre	380 BEAVER ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	Artificial grass turf field soccer/ football/ lacrosse, bleachers		Yes	Yes		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				938
297-014-000	2.896693	Town Forest	SUMMER ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	Conservation/Open Space		Yes	Yes		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			932
298-037-000	11.95576	Town Forest	SUMMER ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	Conservation/Open Space		Yes	Yes		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			932
298-038-000	2.025107	Town Forest	SUMMER ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	Conservation/Open Space		Yes	Yes		SINGLE-FAMILY III	Permanent			932
302-002-000	81.493809	Town Forest	SUMMER ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS			Yes	Yes		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				932
320-042-000	2.548232	King Street Memoria	FOREST ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS			Yes	Yes		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				937
320-044-000	1.24422	King Street Memoria	FOREST ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS			Yes	Yes		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				937
320-056-000	11.22202	King Street Memoria	740 KING ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	Baseball fields, soccer fields, football fields, basketball courts, ADA compliant		Yes	Yes		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				931
320-057-000	14.324973	King Street Memoria	740 KING ST	FRANKLIN TOWN OF	FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	exercise stations, 2 bocce courts, bathroom and concessions facilities		Yes	Yes		RURAL RESIDENTIAL I				930

APPENDIX D

ADA ACCESS SELF EVALUATION

Memorandum

To: Breeka Li Goodlander, Conservation Agent
CC: Bryan Taberner, Director of Community Planning
From: Ryan Jette, Director of Recreation
Date: June 2, 2023
Re: Town of Franklin ADA Self Transition Plan

1. Attached is a copy of the updated Town of Franklin Americans with Disabilities Act Self Evaluation and Transition Plan for all Town recreation areas. This document was prepared to serve as a supplement to the regional Open Space & Recreation Plan for 2024. This document was produced to exemplify the continuing progress toward handicapped accessibility for all town fields and playgrounds.
2. Gus Brown, Disability Coordinator and Building Commissioner, along with Mary O'Neill and Victoria Strand from the Franklin Commission for Persons with Disabilities was instrumental in helping set the guidelines for this self-evaluation and transition plan. Their participation and input were vital in determining the immediate needs of the disabled people within the community. During our self-evaluation, the group used AAB (Architectural Access Board) guidelines to determine compliance. The Architectural Access Board develops and enforces regulations designed to make public facilities accessible to, functional for, and safe for use by persons with disabilities.
3. A copy of this document will be forwarded to Town Administrator, Jamie Hellen, Franklin Public Schools Superintendent, Lucas Giguere, and Chairperson Mary O'Neill from the Franklin Commission for Persons with Disabilities.

Site to be evaluated	Actual size	Required	Pass/Fail	Recommendations	Code
*See Parks & Recreation Facilities					
Chilson Beach					
Parking Lot	5	4	Pass	Parking lot has 175 spaces; therefore 4 HP parking spots are required. 5 Exist and are marked with adequate signage and 2 spots are van accessible. Need to check if every spot needs a sign or 2 spots on the end with arrows facing each other is adequate. Currently 7 ½' to the middle.	1
Pathway to Water	59" wide	34" wide	Pass	Walkway is 54" wide with a handrail half way down upper beach area. Lower beach area is accessible by portable walkway to the water edge. Lower walkway has no handrails.	1
Shoreline Accessibility		Accessible	Pass		1
Women's Bathroom					
			Fail	HP restrooms exist with access to and from. Sinks and stalls are all HP compliant but will require protection for hot water on pipes. Need grab bars in stalls.	1
Men's Bathroom					
			Fail	HP restrooms exist with access to and from. Sinks and stalls are all HP compliant but will require protection for hot water on pipes. Need grab bars in stalls.	1
Playground					
Entrance	48" wide		Pass	Gate is sufficient	
Equipment	Accessible		Pass	Need adaptive seat on Vendetti playground	
Picnic Area	5 tables		Fail	Surface around one picnic tables is accessible. Two others are satisfactory, but two are not accessible. Need international symbol of access logo on accessible bench	
Boat Ramp	10' wide		Pass		

Questions for Gus

-Do we need a sign @ every handicapped parking spot?

-6' or 7' wide van accessible stripping?

-Toilet paper holder in women's room, seems high (check height) Suggestion for motion sensor dispensers instead, like the soap dispenser

-Paint international symbol of access logo on concrete near accessible bench seat.

<u>Site to be evaluated</u>	<u>Actual size</u>	<u>Required</u>	<u>Pass/Fail</u>	<u>Recommendations</u>	<u>Code</u>
Fletcher Field					
Parking Area	76-100 spots	Need 4	Fail	Required signage needed at playground spots and entrance near restrooms. No van accessible spots marked, add one near playground and one near restrooms, add signage too.	2
<i>Spaces (83 spaces)</i>	2 accessible	See note	Fail	Recommendation is to add one van accessible space near restrooms and add ISA, one near playground with striping no parking in front of entrance to playground.	
Entrance	52'		Fail	Required accessible entrance to play area should have a gate.	
Playground Area	Equipment is accessible		Pass	Back playground was built in 2016 and is perfectly compliant, however the surface is wood fiber. Front playground is compliant but out of date and needs to be replaced.	2
<i>Surfacing</i>	Surface is non-compliant Wood fiber	Unitary	Fail	Currently wood fiber surface. Surfacing must include access to transfer deck, front playground is not compliant, 4-6" drop off onto surfacing.	
<i>Swing set</i>	Surfacing area is not large enough	Twice the height to and fro	Fail	Recommendation are to remove swing set and erect new set closer to the playground and provide handicap access to the swing set.	2
Picnic Area			Fail	2 picnic tables have paved access. Recommendation is to pave walkway to the back transfer deck passing by all picnic tables. Remove one seat on the bench closest to the transfer deck.	2
Ball Field Gate	37"	>32"	Pass	No changes needed	
Men's Bathroom					
<i>Door Entrance</i>	36"	34"	Fail	No men's sign exists	1
<i>Toilet</i>	19"	17-19"	Pass		
<i>Sink</i>			Fail	Hot water exists, need to provide protection for hot water pipes	1
<i>Soap Dispenser</i>			Fail	Needs to be mounted to the wall at proper height	1
<i>Towel Dispenser</i>			Pass	Should be automated soap and towel dispensers	1
<i>Mirror</i>	1 exists	1 needed	Pass	Added in 2020	1
<i>Grab Bars</i>	Yes	Yes	Pass		1
Women's Bathroom					
<i>Door Entrance</i>	36"	34"	Fail	No women's sign exists	1
<i>Toilet</i>	19"	17-19"	Pass		
<i>Sink</i>			Fail	Hot water exists, need to provide protection for hot water pipes	1
<i>Soap Dispenser</i>			Fail	Needs to be mounted to the wall at proper height	1
<i>Towel Dispenser</i>			Pass	Should be automated soap and towel dispensers	1
<i>Mirror</i>	1 exists	1 needed	Pass	Added in 2020	1
<i>Grab Bars</i>	Yes	Yes	Pass		1
Snack Bar	Counter height	28-34"	Pass		3
Play Area's	Assessible		Fail	Path from restroom/concession area to the bleachers, and to playground needs to be installed.	1
Wachusett St. Entrance	24+ car lot with 1 HP spot	1 HP van spot	Fail	Van accessible spot needs to be closest to entrance by painting ISA van access with signage at the front of space. Must read, "van accessible". Should add an additional HP spot next to it.	2
Pathway from Parking Area			Pass	Walkway is provided to field 3, but bleachers were recently moved, so paving needs to be extended.	2
Restrooms on Wachusett Street			Pass	HP port-a-potty exists on Wachusett Street side during spring.	

<u>Site to be evaluated</u>	<u>Actual size</u>	<u>Required</u>	<u>Pass/Fail</u>	<u>Recommendations</u>	<u>Code</u>
King Street Park					
Walkway Gate	53"		Pass		
Parking Area	4 Spaces		Fail	Designated handicapped parking is required. At least 4 spaces are needed. Proper signage is required. Need van accessible near fields.	1
Field Area			Pass	Accessible to all fields and playgrounds	2
Playground surfacing			Pass	Wood fiber	2
Playground Equipment			Pass	2 Adaptive swings are provided and play structure is accessible	1
Men's bathroom			Fail	Restroom is not large enough, fix sheetrock under sink	
Doorway	34"	32"	Pass		
Light switch	46"	<48"	Pass		3
Toilet	18 ½	17-19"	Pass		
Handrails	None exist	33-36"	Fail	Handrails need to be installed	1
Paper Towels	46"	No>48"	Pass	Recommend motion activated	
Soap Dispenser	46"	No>48"	Pass	Recommend motion activated	
Sinks	Hardware		Pass	Are usable with a closed fist.	1
Women's bathroom			Fail	Restroom is not large enough	
Doorway	34"	32"	Pass		
Light switch	46"	<48"	Pass		3
Toilet	18 ½	17-19"	Pass		
Handrails	None exist	33-36"	Fail	Handrails need to be installed	1
Paper Towels	46"	No>48"	Pass	Recommend motion activated	
Soap Dispenser	46"	No>48"	Pass	Recommend motion activated	
Sinks	Hardware		Pass	Are usable with a closed fist.	1

DelCarte Recreation Site					
<u>Site to be evaluated</u>	<u>Actual size</u>	<u>Required</u>	<u>Pass/Fail</u>	<u>Recommendations</u>	<u>Code</u>
Entrance	35"	32"	Fail	Entrance to playground is not accessible. Possibly mobi-mat to transfer deck.	
Picnic Area			Pass	6 accessible picnic tables exist.	2
Canoe/Kayak Launch			Fail	No accessibility to the launch from the parking area. Should install a permanent HP parking spot near the launch with accessible path.	2
Playground Equipment			Pass	Apparatus is accessible.	1
Swing Area			Pass	An adaptive swing was added and chains were lowered	1
Trails			Fail	Not accessible to any trails	1
Playground Surfacing			Pass	Wood fiber	2

Nason Street Tot Lot					
<u>Site to be evaluated</u>	<u>Actual size</u>	<u>Required</u>	<u>Pass/Fail</u>	<u>Recommendations</u>	<u>Code</u>
Entrance	35"	32"	Pass		
Picnic Area			Pass	Accessible picnic tables exist.	2
On-street Parking			Fail	At least one handicapped parking area is required with signage on street.	2
Playground Equipment			Pass	Apparatus is accessible.	1
Swing Area			Pass	An adaptive swing was added and chains were lowered	1
Walkway			Pass	Firm ground serves as accessible pathway.	1
Playground Surfacing			Pass	Wood fiber	2

Pisani Field –Formally Theron Metcalf Field					
<u>Site to be evaluated</u>	<u>Actual size</u>	<u>Required</u>	<u>Pass/Fail</u>	<u>Recommendations</u>	<u>Code</u>
Entrance			Pass	Handicapped accessibility to the ball park is provided.	1
Sidewalks			Fail	New sidewalks exist. None exist to the bleacher area.	1
Peck Street	44"	42"	Fail	Curb cuts are present at the crosswalk. On street parking. Recommend off street Handicap Parking space be provided behind backstop.	1
Entrance			Fail	Handicapped accessibility to the field is blocked by parking spot, need to move spots to left and stripe 5' wide in front of curb cut.	2
Parking	1	2	Fail	Signage should say van accessible, not "only"	
Concession stand			Pass	Accessible walkway exists, recommend to paint yellow on edge, significant drop off with no railings.	
Rest Rooms	2		Fail	Both are fully accessible. Knee protection for hot water. Dispensers need to be motion activated.	

Dacey Field					
<u>Site to be evaluated</u>	<u>Actual size</u>	<u>Required</u>	<u>Pass/Fail</u>	<u>Recommendations</u>	<u>Code</u>
Parking	140 spots exist	Need 5	Pass	Need van accessible signs for 5 parking spaces. 2 @ little league field, 1 @ playground, 1 @ multi purpose field, 1 @ upper soccer field.	
Picnic Tables	3	0	Pass	Need to be moved to the playground designated area	
Playground			Pass	Accessible playground with 2 adaptive swings.	
Port-a-potty	4	0	Pass	HP port-a-potty supplied during spring and fall.	
Fields			Fail	All fields and playgrounds are accessible besides lower soccer field. Should pave walkway to corner near disc golf entrance with bleachers.	

Meadowlark Lane Recreation Complex					
<u>Site to be evaluated</u>	<u>Actual size</u>	<u>Required</u>	<u>Pass/Fail</u>	<u>Recommendations</u>	<u>Code</u>
Parking	32 spots	2	Fail	Need one additional spot for van accessible with signage for 26-50 spots	
Picnic Area/Playground	Grass	Paved	Fail	Playground and picnic area require hard packed surface for access	
Restroom/Concession Stand					
Men's bathroom				Need signage outside restrooms	
Doorway	35"	32"	Fail	Need ramp level with threshold to access restroom	
Light switch	35"	<48"	Pass		3
Toilet		17-19"	Pass		
Handrails		33-36"	Fail	Handrails need to be installed less than 6" off back corner	1
Paper Towels	50	No>42"	Fail		
Soap Dispenser		No>42"	Fail		
Sinks			Pass		1
Women's bathroom				Need signage outside restrooms	
Doorway	35"	32"	Fail	Need ramp level with threshold to access restroom	
Light switch	35"	<48"	Pass		3
Toilet		17-19"	Pass		
Handrails		33-36"	Fail	Handrails need to be installed less than 6" off back corner	1
Paper Towels	50"	No>42"	Fail		
Soap Dispenser	46"	No>42"	Fail		
Sinks	Hardware		Pass	Are usable with a closed fist.	1

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Tri County Regional Vocational Technical High School					
<u>Site to be evaluated</u>	<u>Actual size</u>	<u>Required</u>	<u>Pass/Fail</u>	<u>Recommendations</u>	<u>Code</u>
Picnic Facilities	Tables/Benches			Locate adjacent to the accessible paths. Allow access to open spaces. Back and Arm rests should be present. Adequate number of accessible seating.	
	Grills			Height of cooking surface should be adjusted	
	Trash Cans			Located adjacent to accessible paths	
	Picnic Shelter			Located adjacent to accessible paths. Located near accessible water fountains, trash can, restrooms	
Trails				Surface material should be accessible. Dimensions should be wider, railings should be in place where needed. Signage (for visually impaired)	
Swimming Facilities	Pools			Entrance, location from accessible parking	






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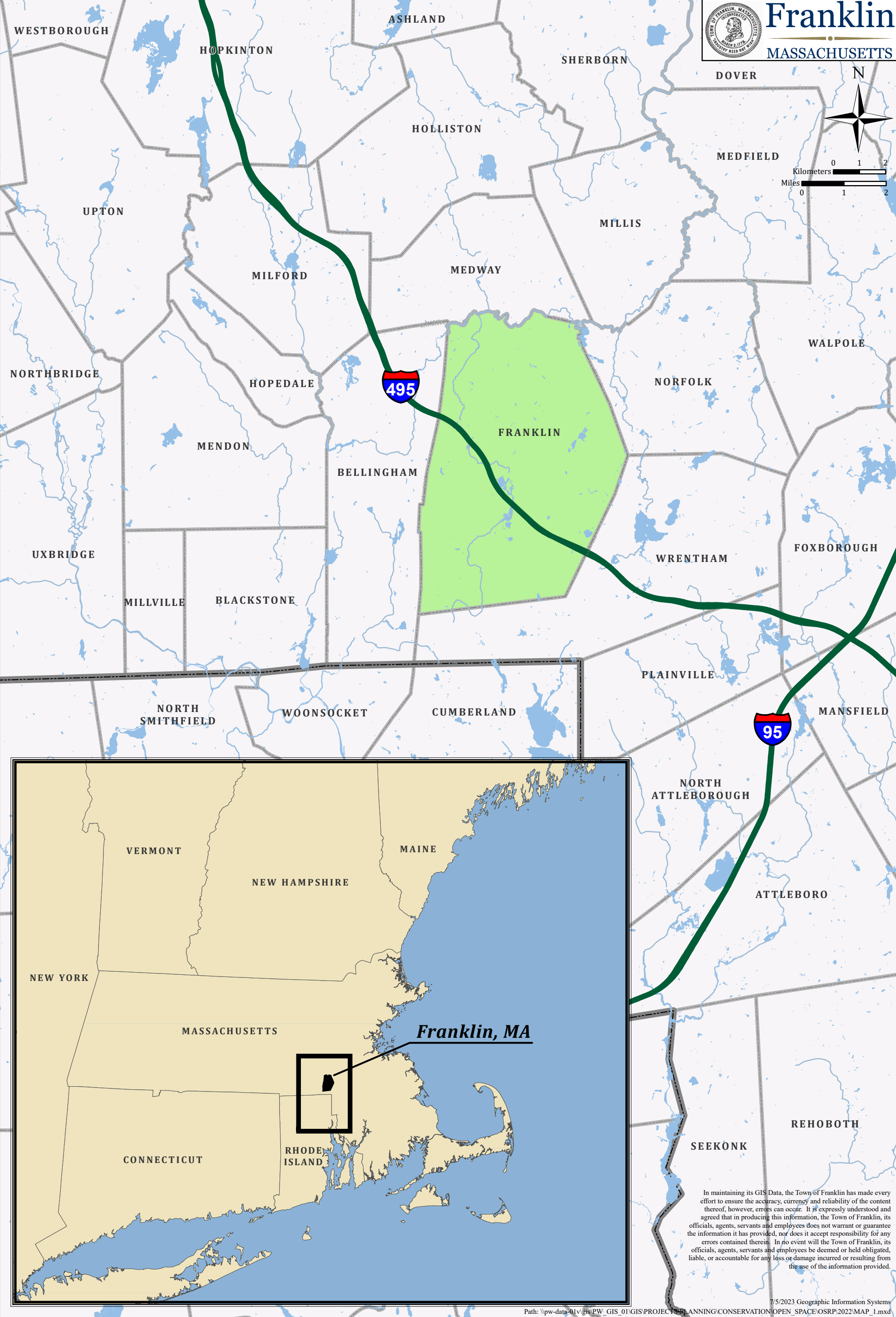
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MAP 1

OPEN SPACE
REGIONAL CONTEXT

-  Town of Franklin
-  City/Town
-  State Boundary
-  Interstate Highway
-  Water

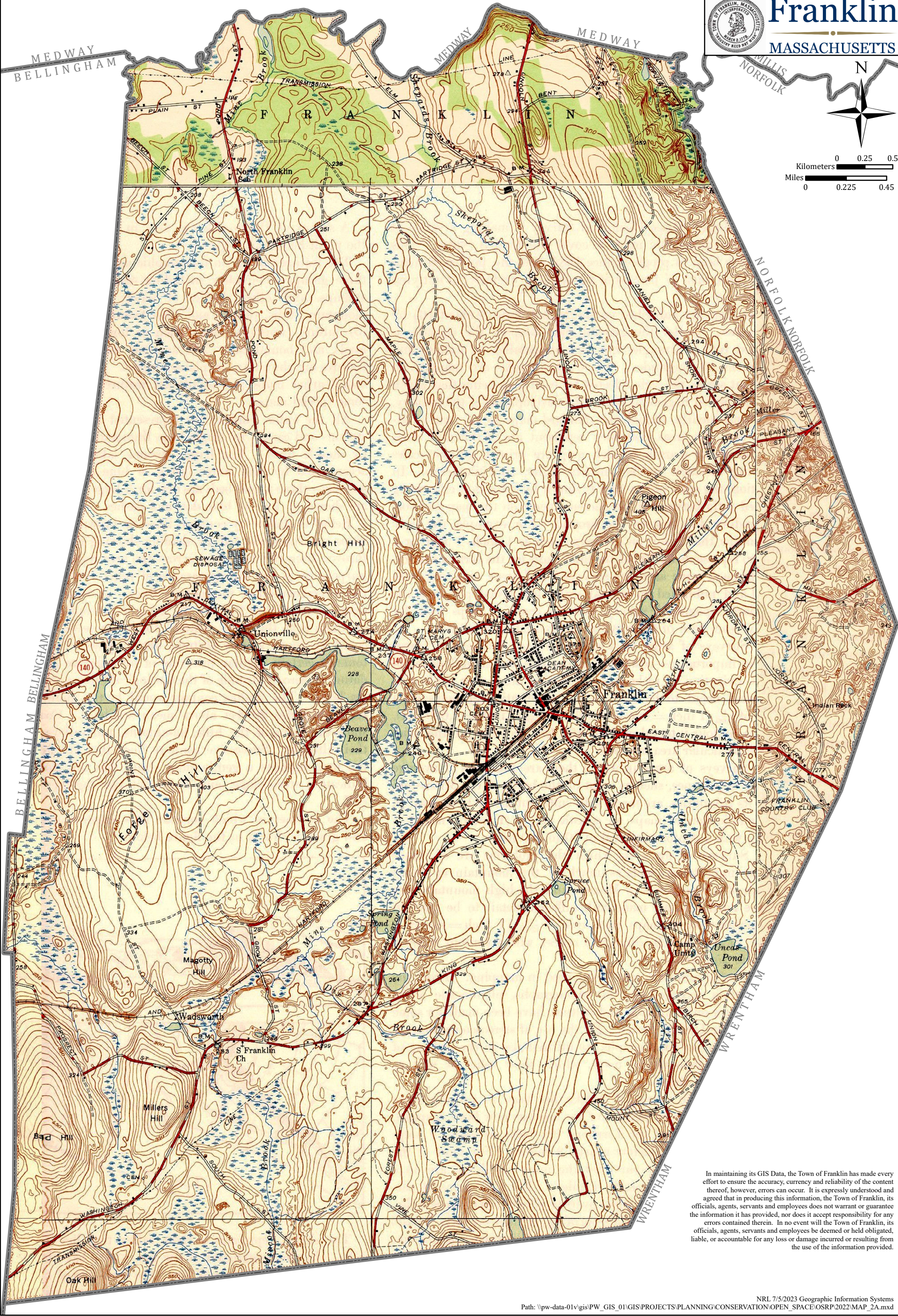
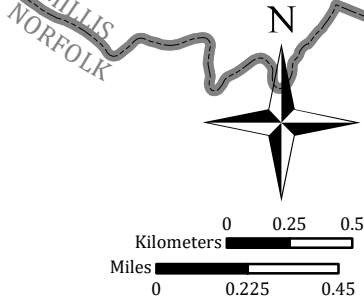


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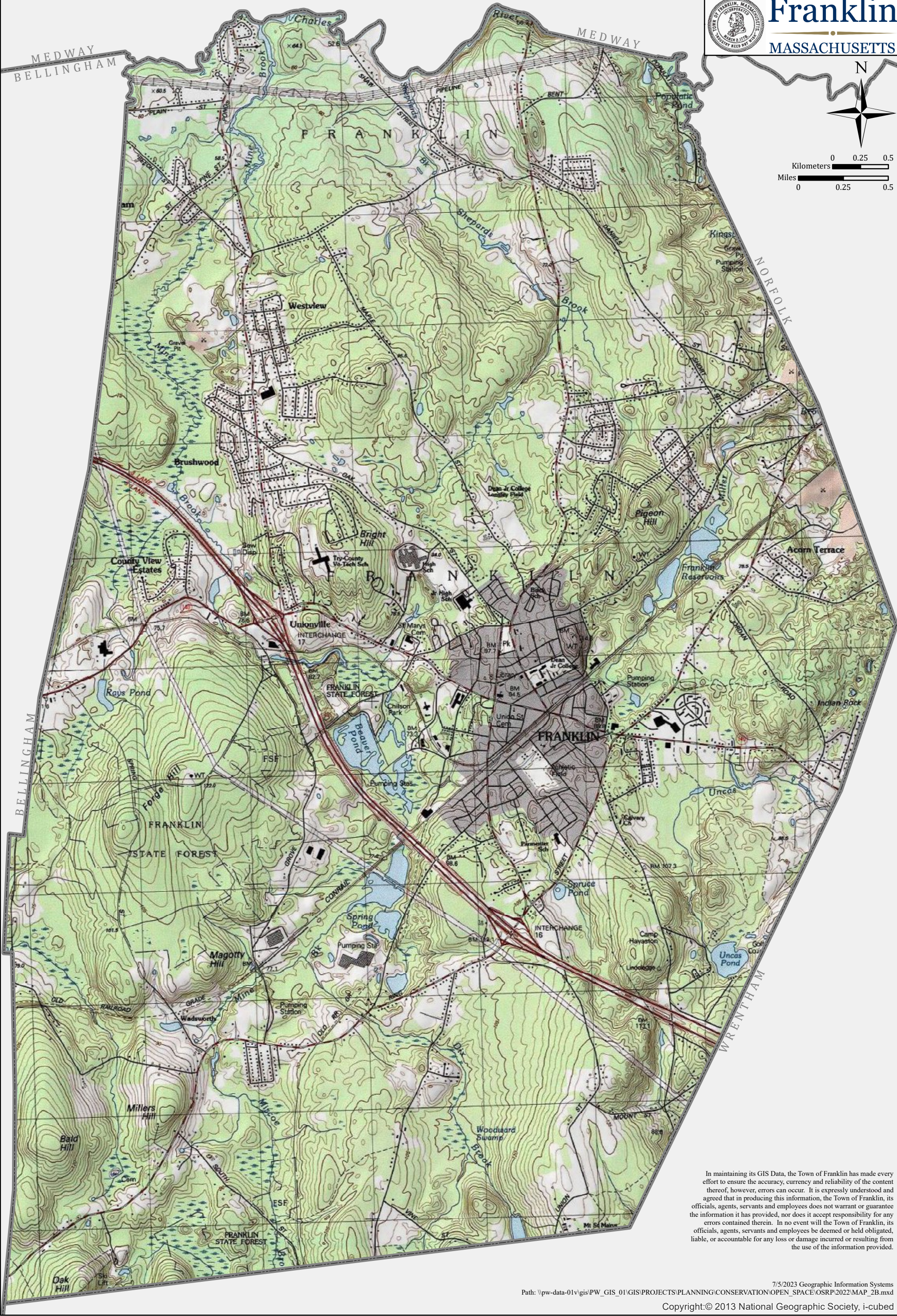
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MAP3


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2022 POPULATION PERCENT

AGE 65+ (by block group)

2022 Age 65+ (%) by Block Groups*

- 15.12% to 20.00%
- 13.32% to 15.11%
- 9.83% to 13.31%
- 6.00% to 9.82%

 Street

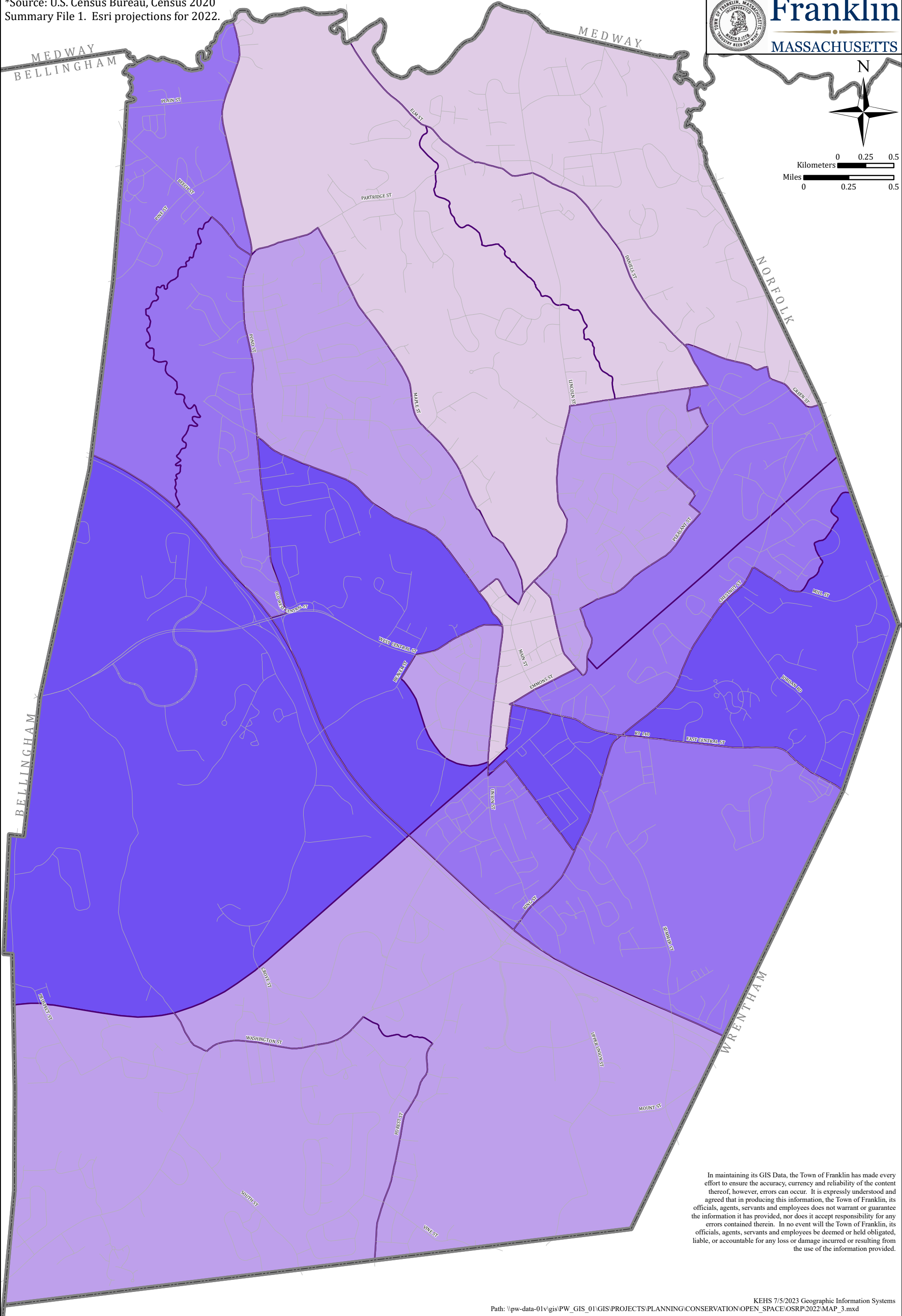
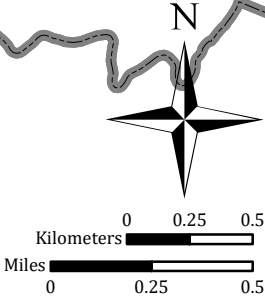
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*Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2020
Summary File 1. Esri projections for 2022.



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2027 POPULATION PERCENT

AGE 65+ (by block group)

2027 Age 65+ (%) by Block Groups*

- 18.86% to 22.00%
- 15.45% to 18.85%
- 10.61% to 15.44%
- 7.00% to 10.61%

Street

Municipal Boundary



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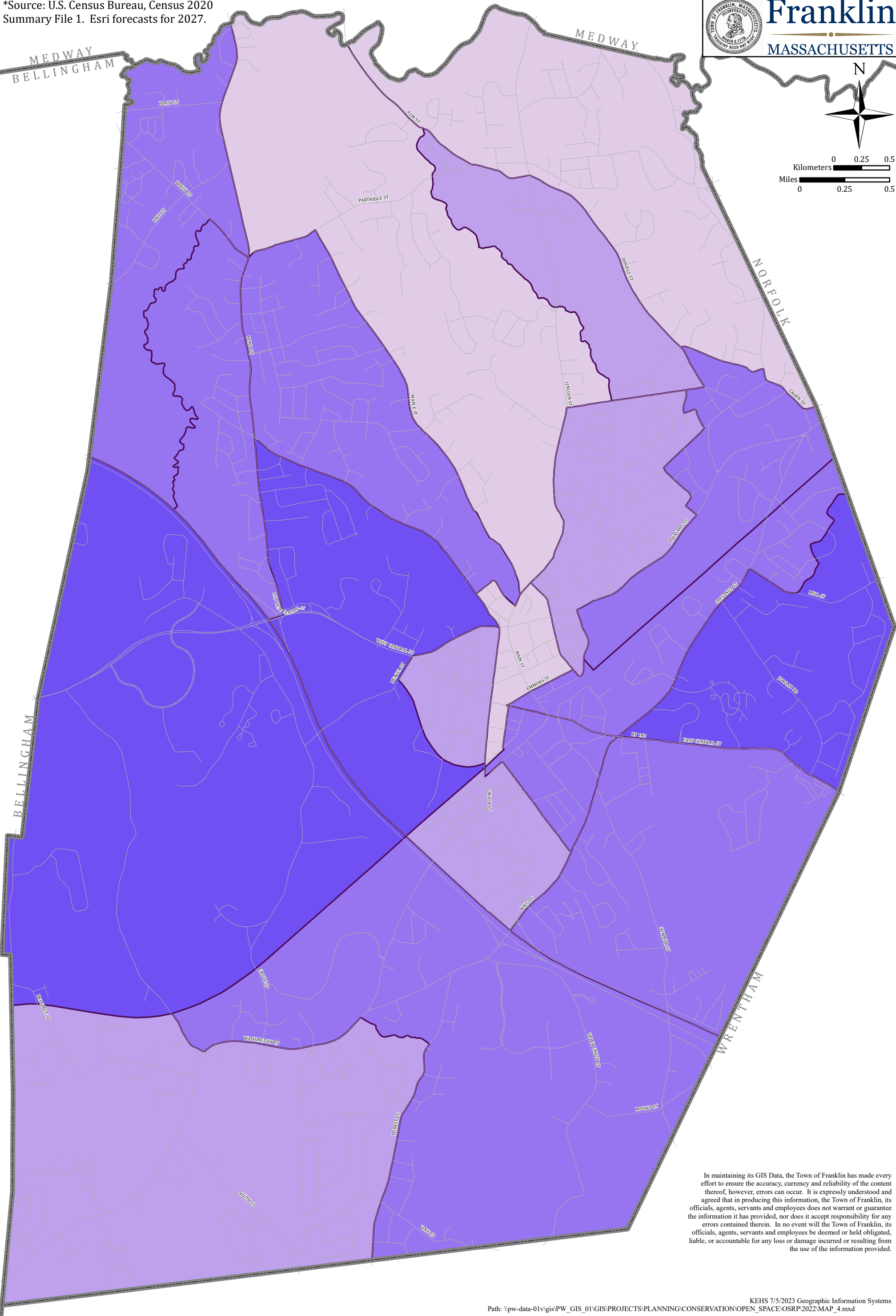


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OPEN SPACE ZONING DISTRICTS

- Business

Commercial I

Commercial II

Downtown Commercial District

General Residential V
- Industrial

Mixed Business Innovation

Office

Residential VI


Residential VII
- Rural Business

Rural Residential I

Rural Residential II

Single-Family III


Single-Family IV



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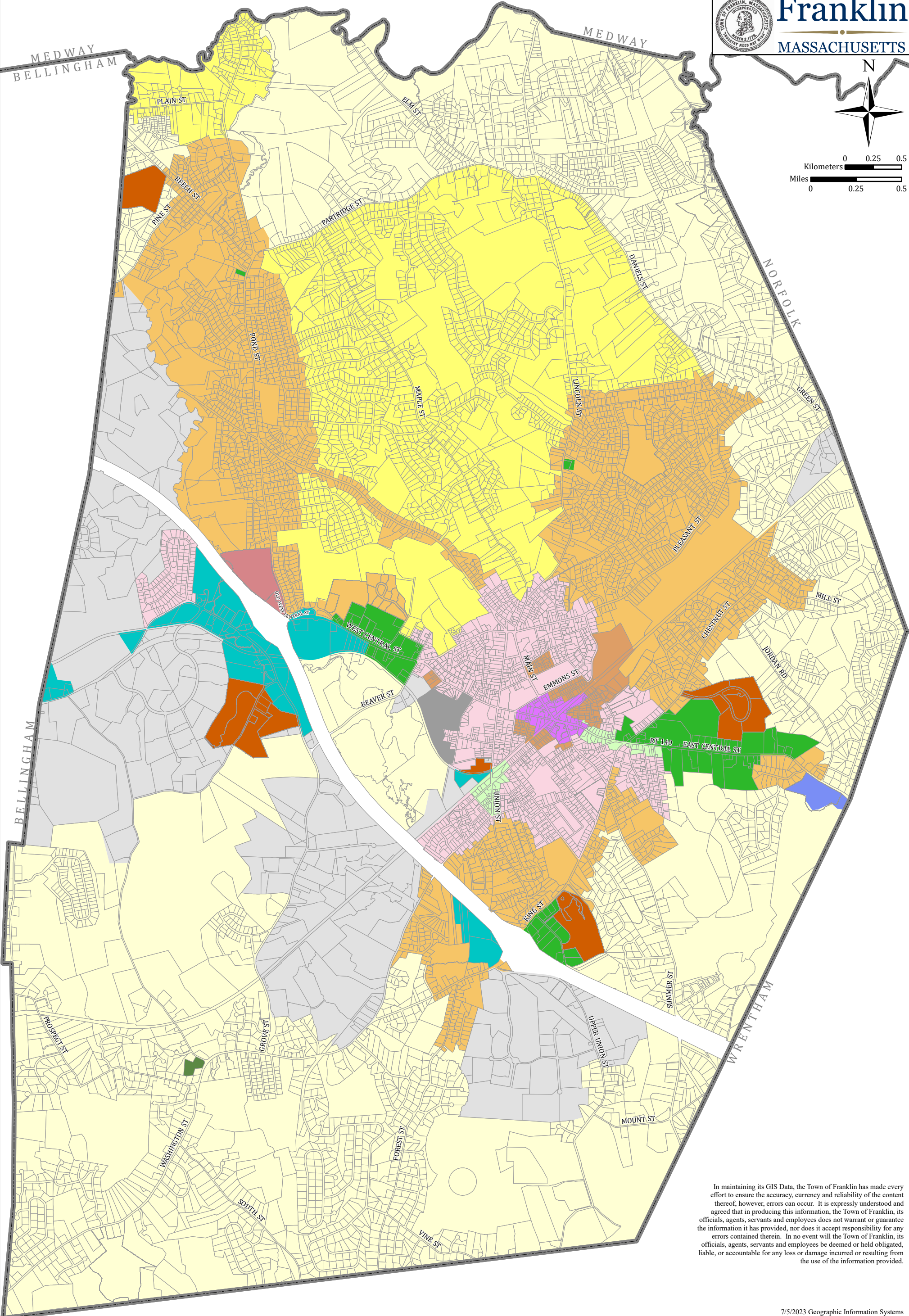


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OPEN SPACE SOILS & GEOLOGIC FEATURES

Water or No Slope

0-3%

3-8%

8-15%

15-25%

Wet Spot

Very Stony Spot

Stony Spot

Spoil Area

Sandy Spot

Rock Outcrop

Marsh or Swamp

Gravel Pit

Dry Spot

Municipal Boundary

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NRCS Code	NRCS Soil Code Description	Total Acreage
W	Water	7245
Sb	Scarboro and Birdsall soils, 0 to 3 percent slopes	25353
ChB	Charlton-Hollis-Rock outcrop complex, 3 to 8 percent slopes	27810
ChC	Charlton-Hollis-Rock outcrop complex, 8 to 15 percent slopes	40356
ChD	Charlton-Hollis-Rock outcrop complex, 15 to 25 percent slopes	14514
HrC	Hollis-Rock outcrop-Charlton complex, 3 to 15 percent slopes	18860
HrD	Hollis-Rock outcrop-Charlton complex, 15 to 35 percent slopes	3796
RoD	Rock outcrop-Hollis complex, 3 to 25 percent slopes	1204
SeB	Scio very fine sandy loam, 2 to 5 percent slopes	1547
HfB	Hinckley sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes	11896
HfC	Hinckley sandy loam, 8 to 15 percent slopes	26259
HaA	Haven silt loam, 0 to 3 percent slopes	932
HaB	Haven silt loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes	267
HfD	Hinckley loamy sand, 15 to 35 percent slopes	27943
MmA	Merrimac fin sandy loam, 0 to 3 percent slopes	7625
MmB	Merrimac fin sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes	35479
MmC	Merrimac fin sandy loam, 8 to 15 percent slopes	818
WnA	Windsor loamy sand, 0 to 3 percent slopes	2344
WnB	Windsor loamy sand, 3 to 8 percent slopes	7217
WnC	Windsor loamy sand, 8 to 15 percent slopes	8151
DeA	Deerfield loamy sand, 0 to 3 percent slopes	819
DeB	Deerfield loamy sand, 3 to 8 percent slopes	316
SuB	Sudbury fine sandy loam, 2 to 8 percent slopes	11344
Ra	Raynham silt loam, 0 to 3 percent slopes	1462
MoB	Montauk fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes	17981
MoC	Montauk fine sandy loam, 8 to 15 percent slopes	7765
MsB	Montauk fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes, extremely stony	25650
MsC	Montauk fine sandy loam, 8 to 15 percent slopes, extremely stony	17874
PaB	Paxton fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes	7552
PaC	Paxton fine sandy loam, 8 to 15 percent slopes	7103
PaD	Paxton fine sandy loam, 15 to 25 percent slopes	996
PbB	Paxton fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes, extremely stony	7181
PbC	Paxton fine sandy loam, 8 to 15 percent slopes, extremely stony	1705
PbD	Paxton fine sandy loam, 15 to 25 percent slopes, extremely stony	2902
WvA	Woodbridge fine sandy loam, 2 to 8 percent slopes	858
WvB	Woodbridge fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes	29709
WvS	Woodbridge fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes, extremely stony	33085
SeB	Scituate fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes	5553
StB	Scituate fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes, extremely stony	5848
WaA	Walpole sandy loam, 0 to 5 percent slopes	4305
Rn	Rippowam silt loam, 0 to 3 percent slopes	2645
CaB	Canton fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes	17492
CaC	Canton fine sandy loam, 8 to 15 percent slopes	8151
CaD	Canton fine sandy loam, 15 to 35 percent slopes	3229
CbB	Canton fine sandy loam, 3 to 8 percent slopes, extremely stony	35002
ChC	Canton fine sandy loam, 8 to 15 percent slopes, extremely stony	16410
ChD	Canton fine sandy loam, 15 to 25 percent slopes, extremely stony	8281
Sa	Saco silt loam, 0 to 3 percent slopes	9031
Sw	Swansea muck, 0 to 1 percent slopes	17007
Fm	Freetown muck, 0 to 1 percent slopes	16573
Fp	Freetown muck, ponded, 0 to 1 percent slopes	7078
Ps	Pits, sand and gravel	2419
Ur	Urban land, 0 to 15 percent slopes	10431
WuC	Woodbridge-Urban land complex, 3 to 15 percent slopes	723
MnB	Merrimac-Urban land complex, 0 to 8 percent slopes	15690
Uf	Udorthents, refuse substratum	592
Ua	Udorthents, sandy	15477
Ud	Udorthents, loamy	17520
Ue	Udorthents, wet substratum	811
RdA	Ridgebury fine sandy loam, 0 to 5 percent slopes	492
RgB	Ridgebury fine sandy loam, 2 to 8 percent slopes, extremely stony	25733
WhA	Whitman fine sandy loam, 0 to 5 percent slopes, extremely stony	8424

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MAP 7

OPEN SPACE
WATER RESOURCES

- P

Public Water Supply Wellhead Location

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DEP Approved Zone I Wellhead Protection Area

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DEP Approved Zone II Wellhead Protection Area

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DEP Approved Interim Wellhead Protection Area (IWPA)

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Aquifer
- +

Lakes and Ponds

+

Rivers and Streams

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DEP Wetlands

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Potential_Vernal_Pools

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Certified Vernal Pools
- +

Major Watershed Basin

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Minor Watershed Basin

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FEMA Flood Zones A & AE

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Streets

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Municipal Boundary

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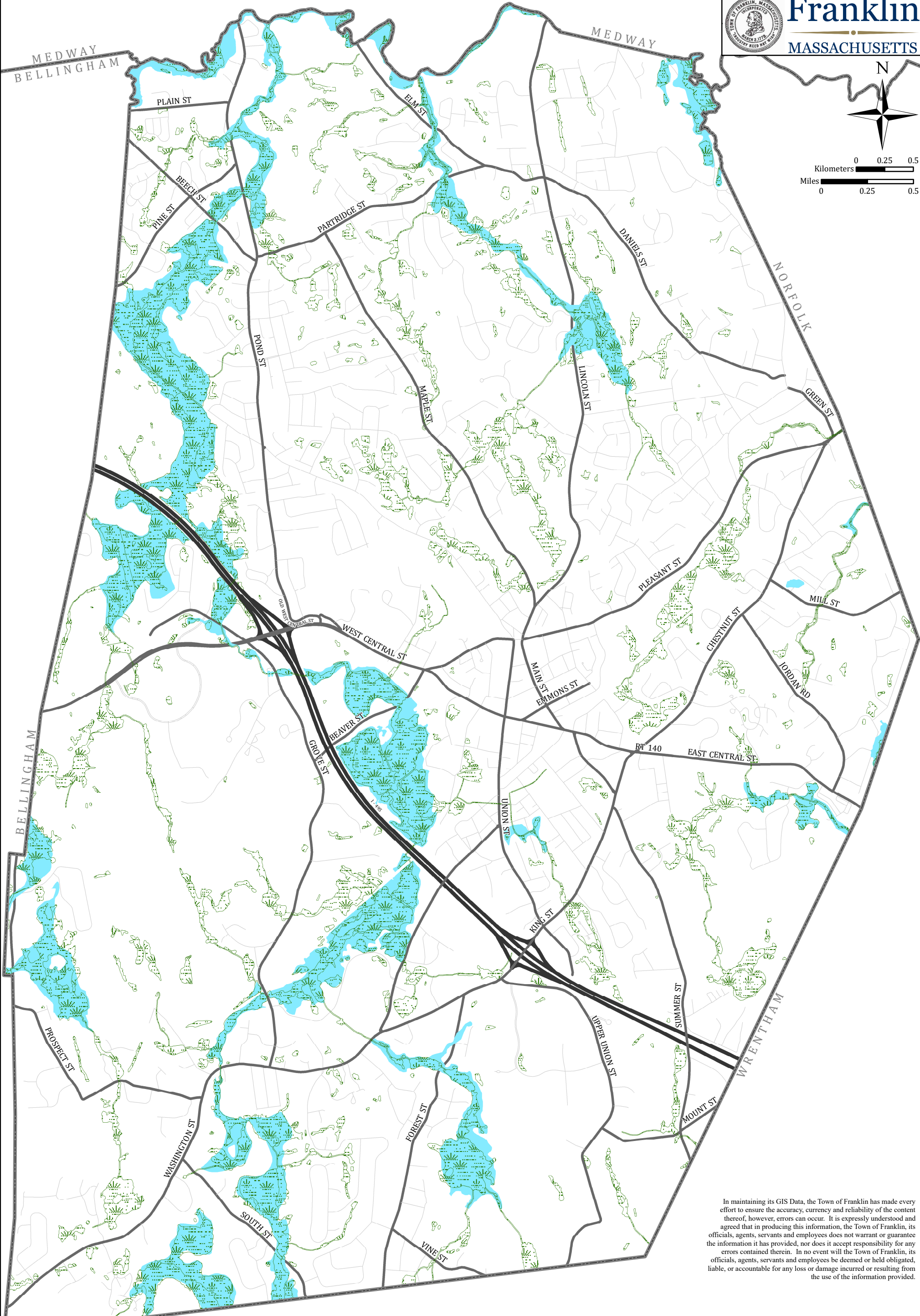
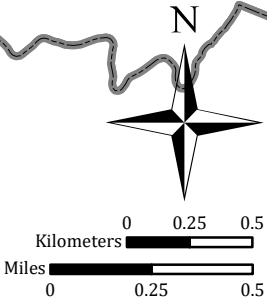
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MAP8

OPEN SPACE
FEMA FLOOD ZONES
& DEP WETLANDS

-  FEMA Flood Zone (A & AE)
-  DEP Wetlands
-  Municipal Boundary
-  Interstate Highway
-  Main Road
-  Secondary Road



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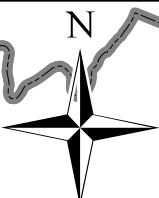
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SHADE TREES WITHIN PUBLIC ROW & TOWN LAND

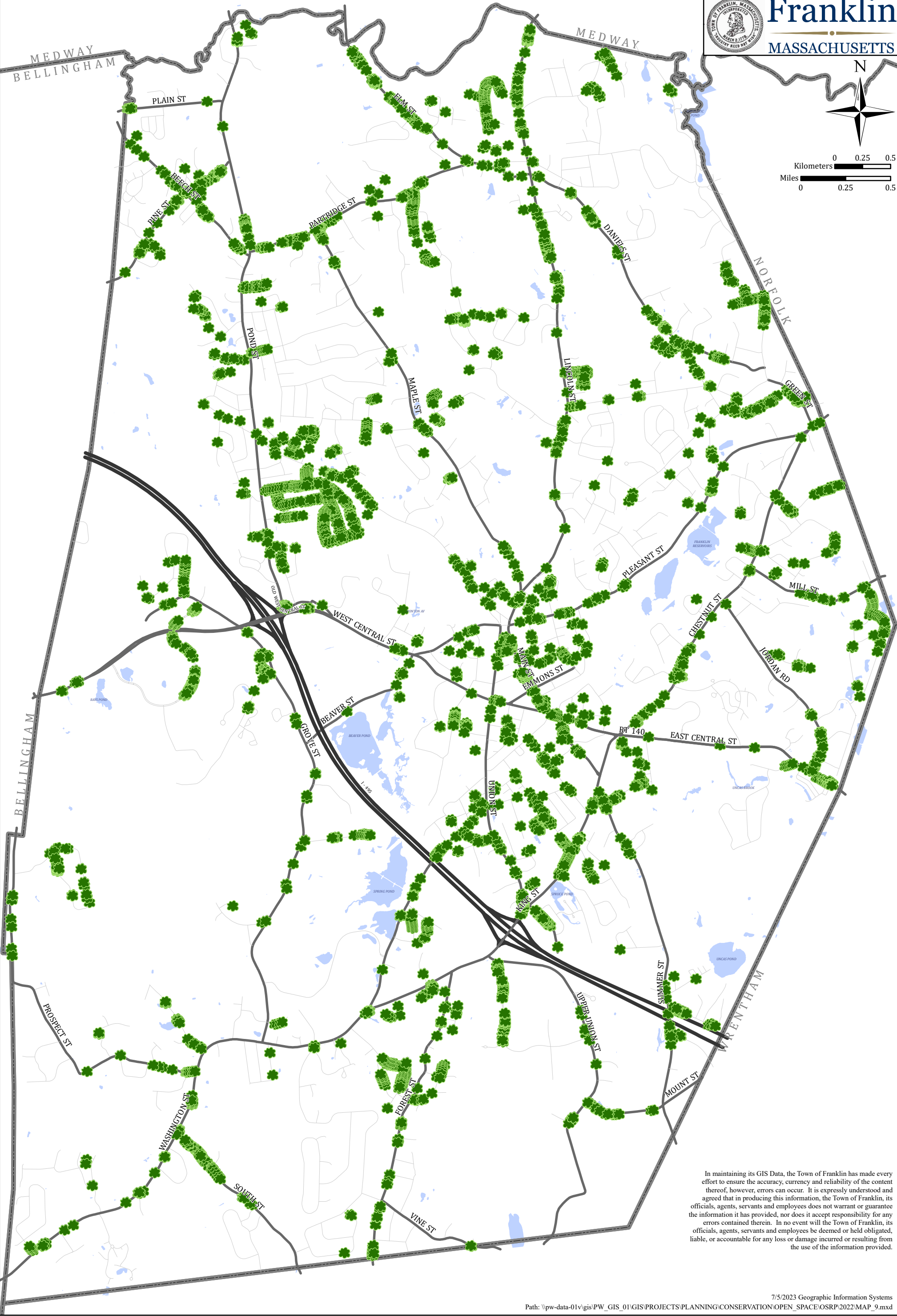
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-  Water
-  Municipal Boundary
-  Interstate Highway
-  Main Road
-  Secondary Road



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
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

MAP10


OPEN SPACE
UNIQUE FEATURES


-  Trails



 Scenic Road


 Street


 Municipal Boundary
-  Unique & Open Space


 Franklin State Forest

 Town Park

 Playground
-  Private Recreation Area

 Golf Course

 Cropland

 Water



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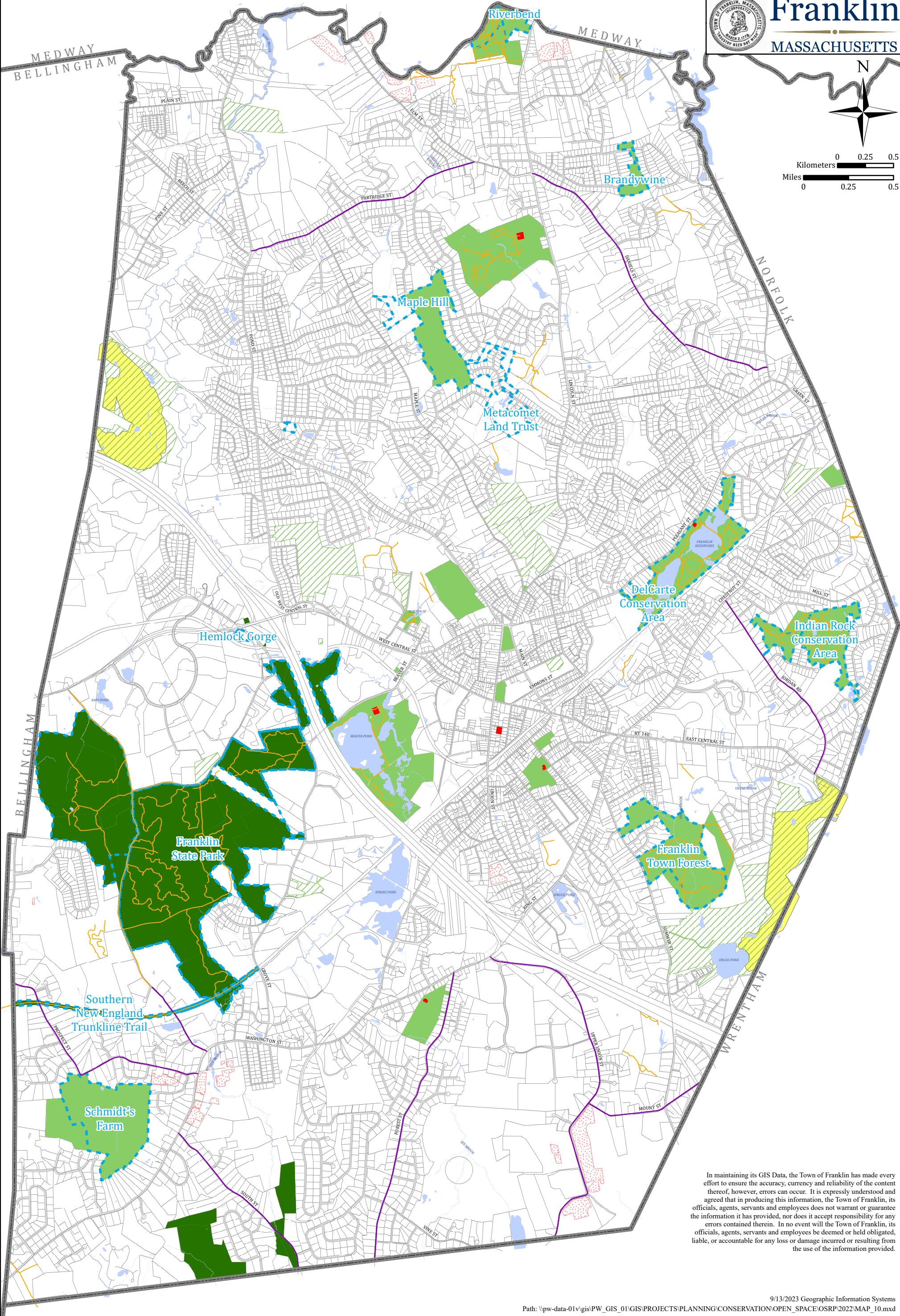


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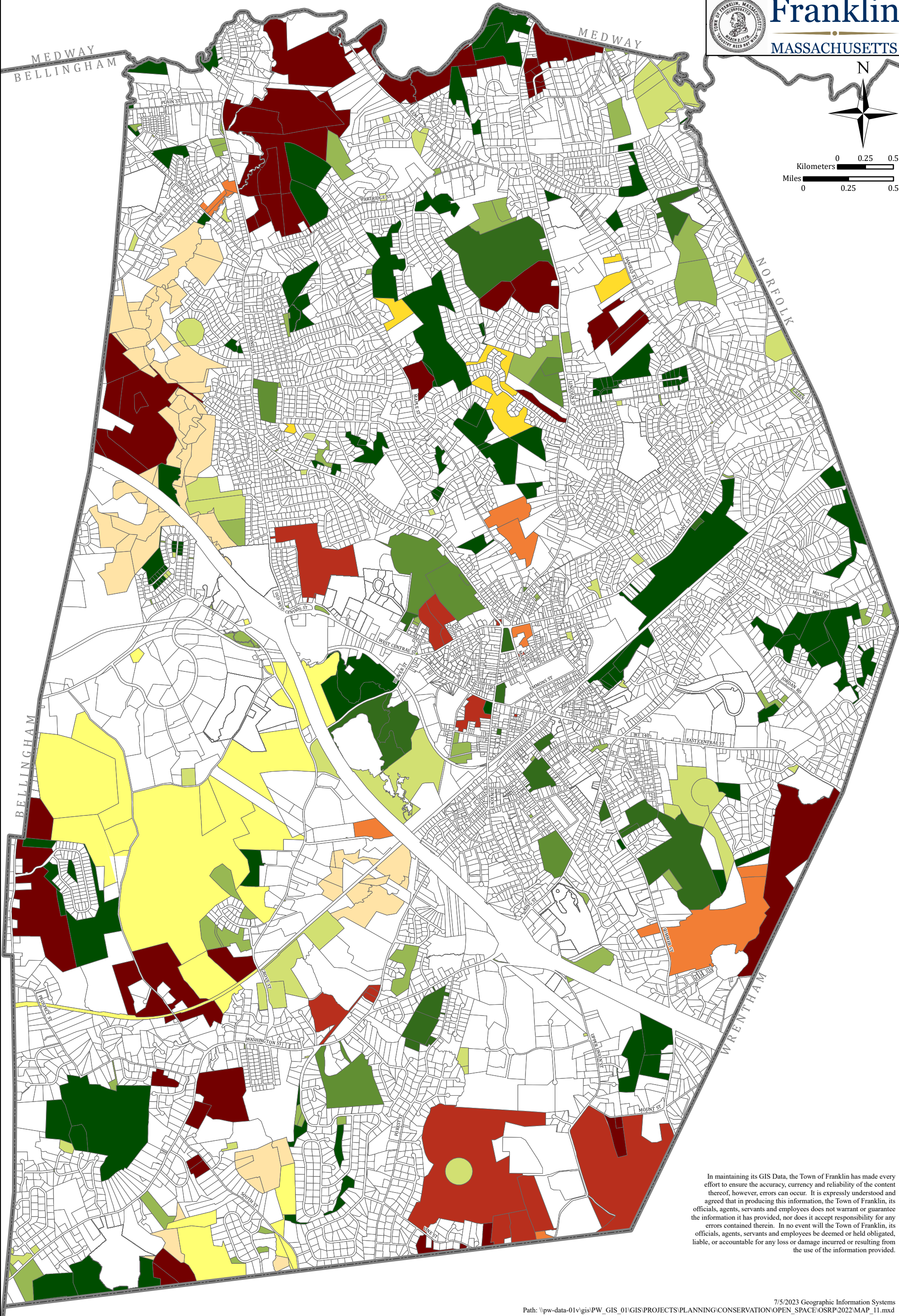
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- Other - Private Parcels of Interest
- Private Recreation
- Federal Owned - Public
- Metacomet Land Trust - Public Recreation
- State Owned - Public Recreation
- Town Owned - Conservation/Open Space
- Town Owned - Public Recreation
- Town Owned - Franklin Public Schools
- Town Owned - Possible Future Conservation/Open Space
- Town Owned - DPW
- Chapter 61 Lands



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Kilometers
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MAP12


OPEN SPACE
OPEN SPACE & CHAPTER
61, 61A & 61B LAND


-  Open Space Parcels

 Town Owned Parcels
Acquired Since 2016
-  Chapter 61

 Chapter 61A

 Chapter 61B
-  Agricultural Restrictions

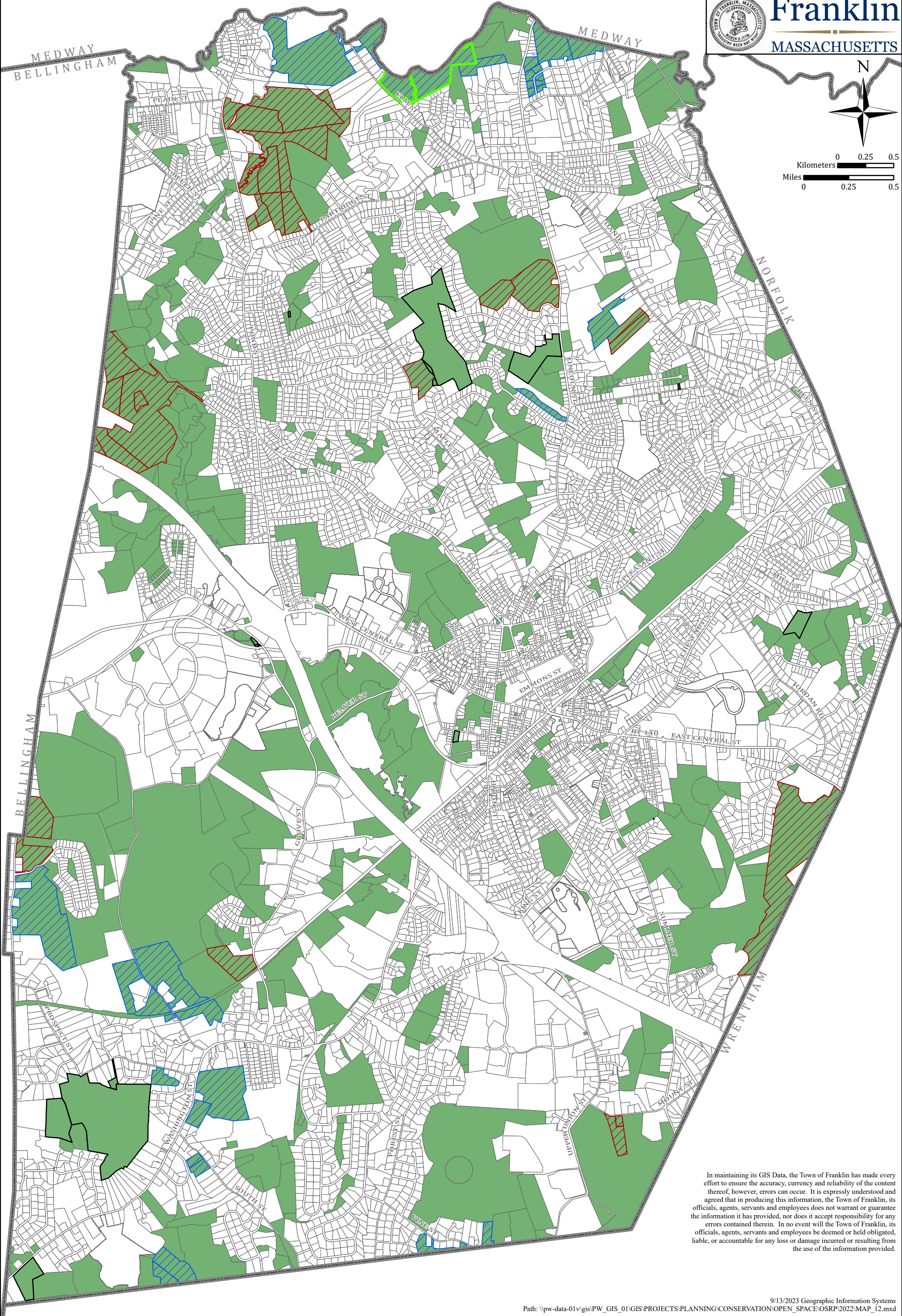
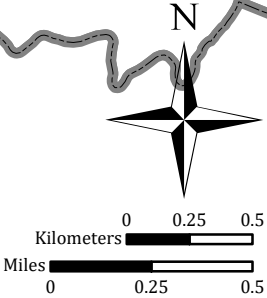
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 Municipal Boundary



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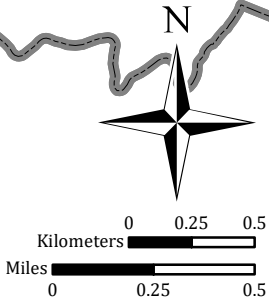
OPEN SPACE RECREATION FACILITIES

- Town Owned Recreation Area*
- Other Public Recreation*
- Private/Other Recreation Area*

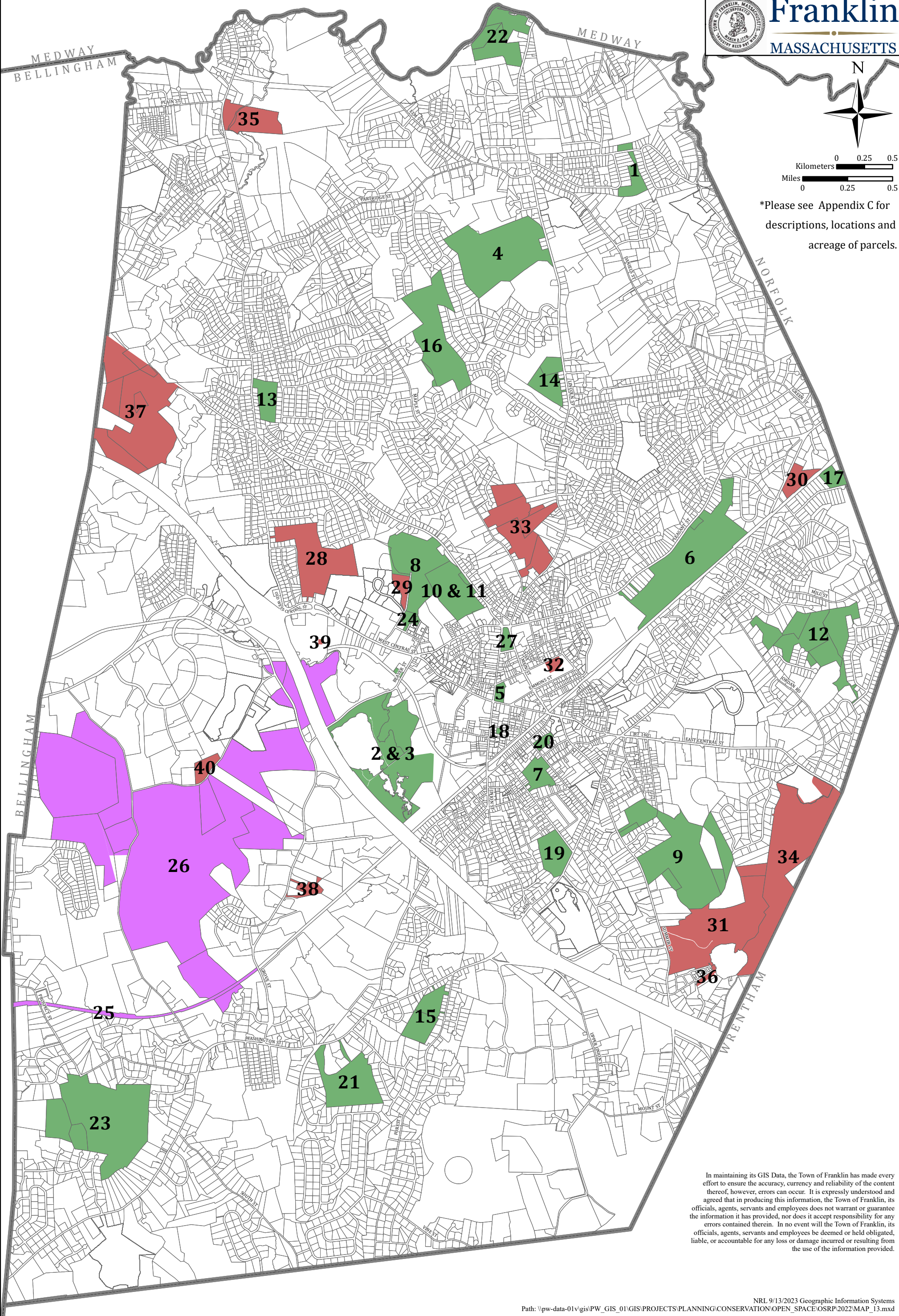
- Municipal Boundary
- Parcel Line



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*Please see Appendix C for descriptions, locations and acreage of parcels.



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MAP14

OPEN SPACE OBJECTIVES

- Objective 2.1

Objective 2.2

Objective 2.4

Objective 2.3
- Objective 3.3

Objective 3.5

Objective 4.1

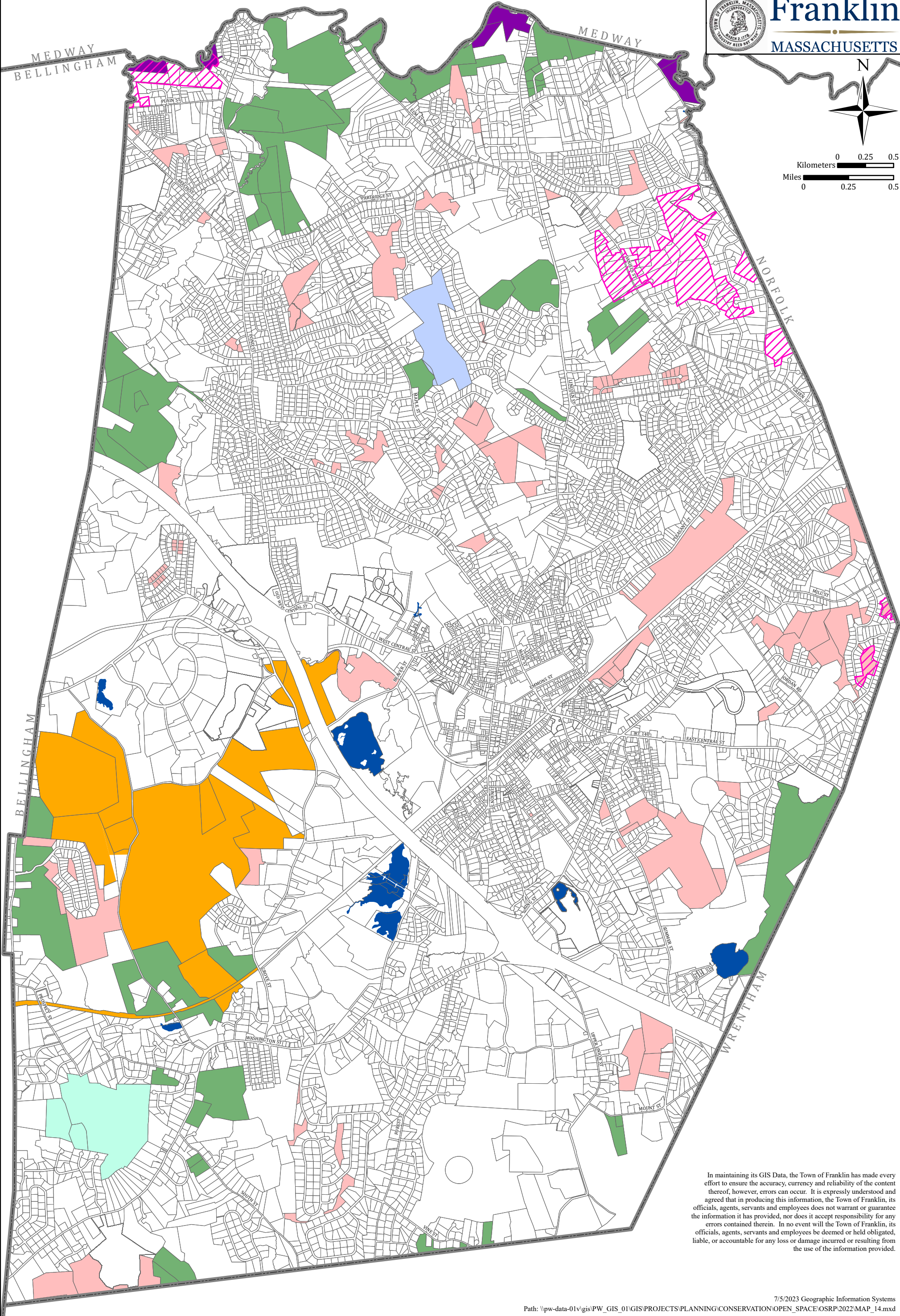
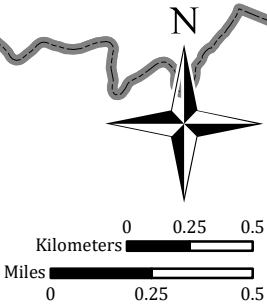
Objective 5.1
- Parcel Line

Municipal Boundary



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MAP15

OPEN SPACE
AREAS IDENTIFIED via
PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

- Open Space Parcels
- Town Owned - Conservation/Open Space

Public Recreation

Town Owned - Other

Other - Private Parcels of Interest

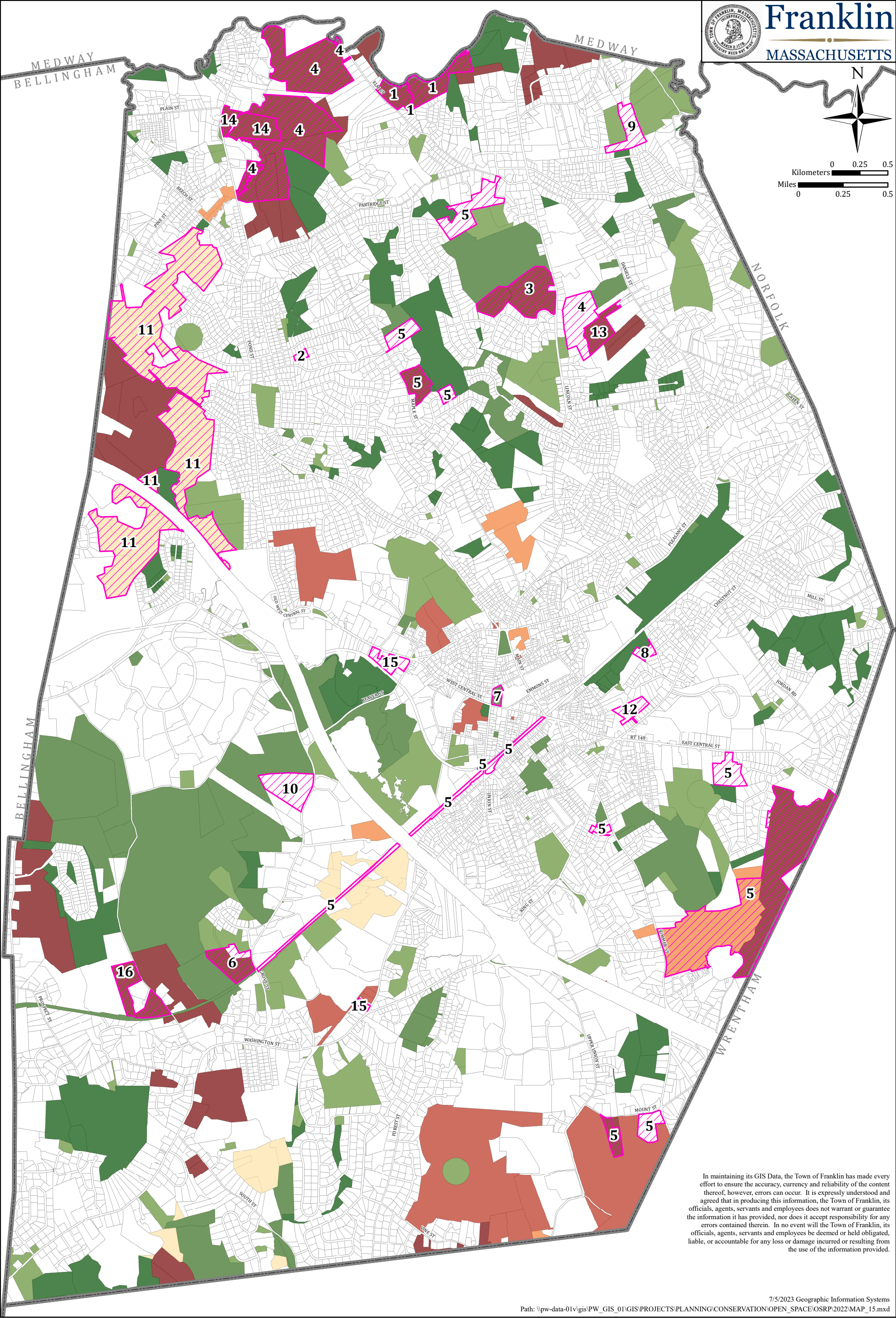
Private Recreation

Federal Owned - Public

Chapter 61 Lands

Survey Comments

Parcel Line



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APPENDIX F
STAKEHOLDER GROUP LIST
CIVIC ENGAGEMENT MATERIALS

STAKEHOLDER GROUP LIST

Public Stakeholders Identified
Agricultural Commission
Annie Sullivan PCC
Ben Franklin PCC
Board of Assessor's
Board of Health
Boy Scouts Troop 126
Boy Scouts Troop 29
Boy Scouts Troop 99
Charles River Pollution Control District
Charles River Watershed Association
Commission on Persons with Disabilities
Community Garden Committee
Community Preservation Committee
Council on Aging
Cub Scouts Pack 29
Cub Scouts Pack 126
Cub Scouts Pack 17
Cub Scouts Pack 92
Cub Scouts Pack 99
Cultural Council
Cultural District Committee
Darby Soccer
Design Review Commission
Dean College
Department of Conservation and Recreation
Downtown Sports
Farmer's Market
Finance Committee
Franklin Area Moms
Franklin Art Association
Franklin Bellingham Rail Trail Committee
Franklin Boy's Youth Lacrosse
Franklin Girl's Youth Lacrosse
Franklin Chargers Football
Franklin Cultural Council
Franklin Downtown Partnership
Franklin Garden Club
Franklin High School PCC
Franklin Men's Baseball
Franklin Metrowest Basketball
Franklin Newcomers & Friends
Franklin Panthers Youth Football
Franklin Rod & Gun
Franklin Rotary Club
Franklin Track Boosters
Franklin Youth Baseball
Franklin Girls Ice Hockey
Franklin Panthers Boys Ice Hockey
Franklin Youth Hockey
Franklin Youth Soccer
Girl Scout Pack 92
Helen Keller PCC
Historical Commission
Horace Mann PCC
Jefferson PCC
Franklin SEPAC
John Kennedy PCC
Jr. Girl Scout Troop 861
Metacomet Land Trust
Moms Club of Franklin
Norfolk County Pacers
Oak Street PCC
Parmenter PCC
Recreation Commission
Remington School PCC
Tri-County Athletic Director
Franklin High School Athletic Director
Amego School
Girl Scout Troop 64036
Girl Scout Troop 77229
Girl Scout Troop 67231
Franklin July 4th Coalition
Charles River Meadowlands
St Johns Climate Change Group
Franklin HS Girl Soccer Booster
Franklin HS Track and Field
American Legion Post 75
Franklin Dog Park
Franklin Elks Lodge
Franklin Freedom Team
Franklin Housing Authority
Franklin LGBTQ Alliance
Franklin Lions
Franklin Neighbor Brigade
Franklin Odd Fellows
YMCA
Adirondack Club
Franklin Life Long Learning Institute
Sunrise Montessori School
Random Smile
SAFE Coalition
Temple Etz Chaim
Working Mom Social Club
Early Childhood Development Center
Cowasuck Band of the Pennacook - Abenaki People
Franklin High School - Green Team
Nipmuc Nation
Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe
Massachusetts Tribe at Ponkapoag
Pokanoket Tribe

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT MATERIALS



Open Space and Recreation Plan

Town of Franklin



Take this survey to help craft the vision for the future of our Open Space and Recreation areas!

Hardcopies available upon request from the Conservation Department



Get involved!

Public Hearing 1: February 21

Public Hearing 2: April 25

Public Hearing 3: June 20

OSRP Comment Period: June - July

"Open Space and Recreation Plans allow a municipality to maintain and enhance all of the benefits of open space that together make up much of the character of the community and protect the "green infrastructure" of the community. Planning this "green infrastructure" of water supply, land, working farms and forests, viable wildlife habitats, parks, recreation areas, trails, and greenways is as important to the economic future of a community as planning for schools, roads, water, and wastewater infrastructure."(OSRP Workbook, 2008)



Open Space and Recreation Plan

Town of Franklin

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FOCUS GROUP MEETINGS

THEME	DATE
SPORTS & RECREATION PROGRAMS	JAN 12
MUNICIPAL RECREATION FACILITIES & PARKS	JAN 26
SCHOOL RECREATION FACILITIES & PARKS	FEB 9
SCHMIDT FARM	FEB 23
RIVERBEND CONSERVATION AREA	MAR 9
MAPLE HILL	MAR 22
DELCARTE AND BEAVER POND	APR 6
FORESTS, TREES, GREENSPACE, AND OTHER CONSERVATION LANDS	APR 20
HABITAT PROTECTION, ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION, OTHER CONSERVATION LANDS	MAY 4
OPEN SPACE ACCESSIBILITY, TRAILS, BIKEPATHS, TOWN CONNECTIVITY	MAY 18

ALL FOCUS GROUP MEETINGS ARE FROM 6-7P IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS OR ON ZOOM.

ALL OFFICE HOURS ARE FROM 10-11A IN ROOM 326A OR ON ZOOM.

SEVEN ADDITIONAL MEETINGS AND OFFICE HOURS TO BE DETERMINED

PLEASE SEE THE POSTED AGENDA FOR THE ZOOM LINK.

OFFICE HOURS

THEME	DATE
SPORTS & RECREATION PROGRAMS	JAN 13
MUNICIPAL RECREATION FACILITIES & PARKS	JAN 27
SCHOOL RECREATION FACILITIES & PARKS	FEB 10
SCHMIDT FARM	FEB 24
RIVERBEND CONSERVATION AREA	MAR 10
MAPLE HILL	MAR 24
DELCARTE AND BEAVER POND	APR 7
FORESTS, TREES, GREENSPACE, AND OTHER CONSERVATION LANDS	APR 21
HABITAT PROTECTION, ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION, OTHER CONSERVATION LANDS	MAY 5
OPEN SPACE ACCESSIBILITY, TRAILS, BIKEPATHS, TOWN CONNECTIVITY	MAY 19

PUBLIC HEARINGS

THEME	DATE
2016 OSRP REVIEW AND CURRENT PRIORTIES	FEB 21
GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR 2023 OSRP	APR 25
DRAFT 2023 OSRP REVIEW	JUN 20

PUBLIC HEARING TIME AND LOCATIONS TO BE DETERMINED.

DATES, TIMES, AND THEMES FOR ALL MEETINGS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. PLEASE SUBSCRIBE TO [FRANKLINMA.GOV/CONSERVATION](https://franklinma.gov/conservation) FOR THE LATEST INFORMATION.