# Demonstration Project Application

11 Ashmont Park

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# INTERPRETATION AND TRANSLATION



# Available Interpretation Languages:

- English
- Vietnamese



### Translated Slides Link:

English



Vietnamese



# MEETING ETIQUETTE

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- Be respectful of everyone's time
- Use kind language
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**AGENDA** 



**OBJECTIVE** 

Review the Demonstration Project Application in order to acquire the property at 11 Ashmont Park

- 1 CONTEXT
- WHAT IS A DEMONSTRATION PROJECT AND OUTREACH
- <sup>3</sup> THE NEXT STEPS



# 1. CONTEXT

- The Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) will acquire the 11 Ashmont Pk property, by way of a Demonstration Project Plan, in order to assist with the future capital improvement project of the Boston Fire Department Engine 18 Firehouse
- While an Engine 18 capital improvement project is not currently scheduled, as it is incorporated into the City's capital plan in the future, the BPDA will work with the City of Boston Operations Cabinet and Boston Fire Department to realize the project. Acquiring the parcel is the first step.

Parcel ID: 1603091000 Approx. Size: 3,900 Sq. Ft.



- A Demonstration Project is a process the BPDA uses, under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 121B, Section 46(f), to create a development plan for a specific property outside of an urban renewal area. This process also allows the BPDA to acquire properties.
- The BPDA demonstration project plan process for acquisitions includes community involvement.

# Outreach

- Notify Dorchester Liaison
- Post Demonstration Project
  Application Letter on project website
- Hold public meeting
  - Advertised via email, social media and local and city-wide newspapers in English and Vietnamese
- Distributed flyers
- Briefed Councilor FitzGerald

Action	Timeline
Community Meeting	November 2025
Public Comment Period	Late October 2025 - Early December 2025
Board action to pursue a Demonstration Project Plan	December 2025

# THANK YOU



# **HAVE QUESTIONS?**

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PROJECT WEBSITE <a href="http://bosplans.org/11AshmontPkDemonstration">http://bosplans.org/11AshmontPkDemonstration</a>

Public Comments close 12/02/2025