Forest Hill Improvement Initiative – Working Group

A Partnership for Building a Better Community

Third Working Group Meeting September 27, 2006, 6:30 to 8 PM

MEETING SUMMARY

- 1. Reviewed Third Draft of Work Plan
 - Consider drafting a list of Frequently Asked Questions
 - Recommend strengthen consensus decision making statement and mechanics. The City feels the process will work and has successful experience in other communities.
- 2. Planning Survey
 - Distributed and discussed in draft survey
 - Include more information on survey takers
 - Discuss dissemination of surveys
- 3. Study Focus Area
 - Focus area is demarks boundary for sites and areas to be investigated in detail. Existing conditions, transportation and related analysis will extend well beyond the focus area
 - The CPCAY has discussed and recommends including the Arborway Yard surplus parcel in the Forest Hill study. Comments recognized that for the study to be truly comprehensive, the parcel should be included and that the complexity of the AY situation risked introducing an open end item to the discussion.
 - The MBTA noted the likely timeline for disposition of the AY parcel is 2 to 4 years.
- 4. Public Notification and Community Outreach
 - The BRA will place advertisements in the local paper for the Community Meeting, place notices at local businesses and distribute by notices by email.
 - Meeting notices will be available in both English and Spanish.
 - The Working Group will be responsible for distributing notices to local residents. The BRA will provide flyers
 - The MBTA place posters in the station.
- 5. Logistics
 - The BRA will post all Forest Hills II documents on the BRA's web site for public viewing.

For additional information, maps and related documents, please visit the BRA Web site: <u>http://www.cityofboston.gov/bra</u>, select "Planning Initiatives", and select "Forest Hills Improvement Initiatives".