

Climate change will impact neighborhoods differently depending on local conditions.





Some Impact to Glover's Corner

Boston currently has an average of 11 days over 90 degrees, which could increase to 90 days by 2070. More Impact to Glover's Corner

By 2060 heavy rain events could regularly drop over 6 inches of rain in a 24 hour period; which is 20% more than what we see now. of sea level rise

Less Impact to Glover's Corner

Sea levels in Boston Harbor have risen 9 inches in the past 100 years and are expected to rise another 40" by 2070.



Stormwater Flooding from future heavy rain





Urban Heat Islands are concentrated in areas with lots of pavement, like parking lots. Parks and tree canopy mitigate them.



Dorchester



Mattapan





Sea Level Rise is anticipated to have less impact than expected on Glover's Corner because of existing infrastructure berms along the Red Line.



Conceptual section demonstrating how Red Line berm protects Glover's Corner from storm surges



Co-benefits of Green Infrastructure & Resiliency Strategies







Direct Stormwater to Underground Retention Tanks and Use Permeable Surfaces and Swales to Increase Absorption.

A stormwater detention vault under the linear park system would be designed to manage excess stormwater runoff that open space alone cannot handle. Swales and rain gardens are low-lying small landscape features that also manage water runoff and increase rainwater infiltration. Mitigates these climate risks





Create Multi-purpose Open Spaces

Open space reduces the amount of heat absorbed and can also hold excess rainwater to slowly drain like in this naturalistic park in Portland.

Mitigates these climate risks





Increase Shade and Tree Canopy

Street trees and awnings can provide a canopy that shades the street and sidewalks below.

Mitigates these climate risks



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Install Cool or Green Roofs

Green roofs or white, reflective roofs reduce the amount of heat absorbed by buildings.

Case Study: Malmo, Sweden

BO01 Plan

- Similar extended network of parks and green space passages.
- On-site surface storm water management through courtyard ponds and open canals.
- Active recreational open space.







This Open Space concept will connect Glover's Corner to existing open spaces and create additional green space.





36% Open Space (14% streets; 50% buildings) 24 acres of Open Space

Open Space Network New Connection to McConnell Park

Open Spaces will be activated through both passive and active types of programming.













Multi-use Court



Water-Retention

Public Art

Playground



Open Lawn







Civic Gathering

Outdoor Market

Fitness

More Passive

More Active



Conceptual illustrations of potential linear open spaces in Glover's Corner.

Open spaces can transform to serve different purposes at different times.





East-West Linear Open Space Concept

This linear park creates new green connections between the existing neighborhood and Glover's Corner and the T station.

Smaller Open Space Connections

Between new buildings, there might be pedestrian-only connections to cut across blocks. This improves connectivity for pedestrians and bikers.



Floodable Open Spaces

Multi-function parks and swales can hold water during storms and release water after storms.



North-South Linear Park Concept

This wider linear open space creates a pedestrian and bike-friendly connection that parallels Dorchester Avenue. Playgrounds and small, programmed spaces would be dispersed along a park with natural features that help to mitigate storm water.



Weekend Outdoor Market Concept

On some weekends in the summer, parts of the street next to the north-south linear park can be closed down to host street fairs, farmers markets, and other community events.



What are your thoughts, ideas, or questions about

climate resiliency and open space in Glover's Corner?

