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00:32:33 Marie Szaniszlo: No one recd this Link!!!!

00:32:59 Linda Freeman: no globe for interpretation

00:35:07 Jose Lopez: agenda on screen?

00:35:42 Marie Szaniszlo: a lot of people are calling and texting me that they are unable to get on AFTER registering

00:36:44 Farah Dakkak:Hi Marie, the link to join is here:
https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUrcuGhqjItE9V_u0BECwlrkq9WRRP5nCJn

00:36:47 Marie Szaniszlo: Yes Marie! This is my story too

00:36:48 Jose Lopez: good to see you here Councilor

00:37:23 linden jenkins: Could the speaker introduce themself please?

00:40:52 Mela Bush Miles: please change your name if I shared a link @Pamela Bush Miles

00:41:32 Jose Lopez: is the arborist here from Weston?

00:41:36 Luis Pagan: I need to know if we are going to have the Baseball & Softball diamond, Because should have a voz on those parks. 🍷🍷🍷

00:42:41 Luis Pagan: We have a voz has a League committee

00:42:50 Samantha Bennett: Hi All-Samantha Bennett from Councilor Flaherty's office is here as well. Please email michael.flaherty@boston.gov or call our office at 617-635-4205 if we can be helpful in any way at all. Thank you.

00:44:18 Rev. Mariama White-Hammond: @ Luis - tonight's agenda is focused on trees and disability accessibility. Neither of those things affect the field so it can remain with the same design that we agreed on last year.

00:45:50 Jose Lopez: Kristen, please be specific and mention the date of the first meeting and what the scope of the work was.

00:46:04 linden jenkins: Would also like know if an arborist is here this time?

00:46:43 Marie Szaniszlo: How are TREES a program and Hills? How is the Earth a Building

00:46:59 Cathy Baker-Eclipse (BPRD):@Linden Jenkins, I don't see a name that matches the arborist from the community.

00:47:39 Jose Lopez: Arborist from Weston is here, right @Easler

00:47:54 linden jenkins: Thank you. Is there an arborist here from the city?

00:48:12 Jose Lopez: Please let us know when we can engage with Ms. McCosh

00:48:35 Marie Szaniszlo: With all due respect Ms. Kristen destroying the trees on a hill makes it accessible to NO ONE

00:48:56 Christine Brandao: We will allow questions once we get through our presentation

00:49:14 Jose Lopez: Thank you @Christine

00:49:38 Marie Szaniszlo: That is NOT a question it is a statement of fact

00:50:21 johanna hynes: Do the green patches on this map represent what the City wants to CUT down? Or what will be saved?

00:50:35 Shamaine Darden: Will there be new trees planted as ones are removed (in the case they are in fact dead)?

00:51:12 Jose Lopez: can you go to the slide with these updates fromCathy please?

00:51:32 Jose Lopez: this is a lot to hear and not see on a screen

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00:51:34 Mela Bush Miles: can you repeat what you said about the hill

00:51:41 Marie Szaniszlo: Mature Trees!

00:52:00 Mela Bush Miles: hill trees since no one can unmute themselves

00:52:16 Cathy Baker-Eclipse (BPRD):@Mela, the hillside will be included in the construction when the project resumes work.

00:52:22 linden jenkins: What is Michael Easler's job here?

00:52:35 Marie Szaniszlo: This should have been done LAST DECEMBER WITH the community

00:53:13 Cathy Baker-Eclipse (BPRD):@Linden, Michael Easler is a Landscape Architect from Weston & Sampson.

00:53:14 Farah Dakkak:@Linden Mike Easler is the Landscape Architect on the project

00:53:37 Christine Brandao: If the link was shared with you please change your name so we know who you are. You can hover over your name and select rename

00:53:54 Marie Szaniszlo: That comment was not from me. I don't know why several people are identified as me.

00:54:34 Shamaine Darden: Will there be an increased investment in landscaping to save trees in the future?

00:54:40 Marie Szaniszlo: How many mitigation, care and upkeep \$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$ are set aside for the trees that will die from cement/concrete that is planned for ADA?

00:54:46 Dianne Wilkerson: Should be standard operating procedure for presenters to introduce themselves before they speak. Who are you and what is your role here?

00:55:10 Marie Szaniszlo: Ditto Senator

00:55:32 Cathy Baker-Eclipse (BPRD):@Dianne Wilkerson, Michael Easler is the Landscape Architect from Weston & Sampson, the designer for the project.

00:55:44 linden jenkins: Thank you Farah

00:56:03 Mela Bush Miles: cherry trees near parking lot do not need to be killed and cut down

00:56:37 Mela Bush Miles: a design modification should be done to preserve those trees

00:56:39 linden jenkins: Why does no one walkabout the city's prioritization of maintaining mature tree canopy and the criteria used for how they do that?

00:57:12 linden jenkins: Sorry I meant talk about the stated priority of maintaining mature tree canopy

00:57:49 Sofia Owen: was the 23 trees a total number that are being saved?

00:58:13 Marie Szaniszlo: Excellent question Sofia

00:58:29 Mela Bush Miles: urban forest plan states preserving mature tree canopy in Boston

00:58:34 Christine Brandao: Hi everyone just a reminder to rename yourself if the link was shared with you as we may not know who your are because of the multiple similar names. Simply hover over your name and select rename.

00:59:06 Anne Gripenburg (she/her): Pruning is important to prolong tree life - I'm glad that is included

00:59:55 Marie Szaniszlo: How will you mitigate the flooding that will occur after you put the plastic tarp on the ground known as asstroturf ?

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01:00:03 Rev. Mariama White-Hammond: @Sofia - We are going to do a poll to talk about some of these suggestions because some of the changes would require adding things to the plan or taking things away so we want to get input on those things before finalizing the decision. For instance, we can save one tree by eliminating the amphitheater/ outdoor classroom. We need to get clear if folks are okay with eliminating that element that was promised in the design.

01:00:36 Derek: OUR community goal for 2 PLUS YEARS of community "participation" was to "improve" OUR park and community — NOT to harm or destroy either and NOT to merely "improve" YOUR "standard practice" in future projects

01:00:38 Dianne Wilkerson: Thanks Cathy and would he be the person who did the actual tree assessments, or is there a different arborist? We've been asking for the city's arborist to walk with the community arborist.

01:00:45 Marie Szaniszlo: The promise was to put the amphitheater elsewhere

01:01:16 Marie Szaniszlo: Is there an Arborist report that assigns value\$\$\$\$ to the trees?

01:01:20 linden jenkins: Yes pruning can be important along with feeding and regular inspections for protection from insects & disease & drought etc

01:01:26 Pamela Bush Miles: Have you looked into the path "rails" that Mass Audubon uses called "Accessibility Trails?"

01:01:54 Pamela Bush Miles:

<https://www.massaudubon.org/get-outdoors/our-wildlife-sanctuaries/trails/accessible-trails>

01:02:14 Cathy Baker-Eclipse (BPRD):@Dianne, the tree assessment was done by a landscape architect and arborist who has since left the company and unfortunately isn't available.

01:02:32 Mela Bush Miles: the school has an outdoor classroom and amphitheater city of boston funded under schoolyard initiative

01:02:39 linden jenkins: How can we access that tree assessment?

01:02:46 Christine Brandao: We will allow questions after the presentation

01:03:02 Rev. Mariama White-Hammond: Mela - There are rails proposed in at least one place. There are limits to how much railing you can put on a path because they take more physical exertion so you can do it for a certain amount but not the entire way.

01:03:05 Marie Szaniszlo: Is there an Arborist Report and why wasn't this meeting notice place on the City's website with the link?

01:04:12 linden jenkins: Please take the questions already in the chat

01:04:28 Cathy Baker-Eclipse (BPRD):@Mela, trails and pathways have different standards, as evidenced by the condition of the pathway in the photo you've shared.

01:04:46 Farah Dakkak:@Mela the amphitheater program addition and support of the school.

01:04:54 Tania Fernandes-Anderson: Can we hear for Roxbury Constituents first?

01:05:03 Tania Fernandes-Anderson: *from

01:05:39 Shamaine Darden: ^Yes, I'm a Roxbury resident!

01:05:42 Spanish Interpreter - Erika Perez: For English speakers, please click on the " language Interpretation" icon at the bottom of your screen and choose English. If you are

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connecting to Zoom with your phone, please tap the 3 dots at the bottom right corner where it says more, and choose "language Interpretation" after that, choose English, then tap done.

- 01:06:05 johanna hynes: This is a Boston park. Pls do not divide us
- 01:06:14 Marie Szaniszlo: What adherence has/will be done to the original Olmstead Design?
- 01:06:18 Shamaine Darden: What about the investment in maintaining and up keeping trees, it was a two park question.
- 01:06:22 Spanish Interpreter - Erika Perez: ¡Bienvenidos! Para activar la interpretación de Zoom, por favor haga clic en el globo que dice "Interpretación" en la parte inferior a la derecha de su pantalla y elija el idioma en el que desea participar. Si se está conectando a Zoom con su teléfono, por favor toque los tres puntos en la esquina inferior a la derecha donde dice "más", y elija "Interpretación de Idiomas", elija su idioma de español y luego toque "hecho".
- 01:06:28 Derek: The POLLING Questions, like this AGENDA, are LOADED. No one from the community contributed to or asked for tonight's AGENDA or tonights QUESTIONS. Just like the City's so-called community ENGAGEMENT and PARTICIPATION activities for 2 plus YEARS
- 01:06:49 laquisa burke: re post poll
- 01:07:06 Spanish Interpreter - Erika Perez: icono
- 01:07:42 Donna Bivens:I didn't hear a translation when Spanish was spoken
- 01:08:03 johanna hynes: The Poll is NOT mandatory and it does NOT serve the community to fill it out
- 01:08:03 Farah Dakkak:@Laquisa we will get back to the polling questions after the questions portion of the call.
- 01:08:04 Mela Bush Miles: if some one is logged in under my name please change it so that responses are not directed at me when I did not ask a question or make a statement
- 01:08:08 Christine Brandao: @Donna there is a Spanish channel
- 01:09:17 Marie Szaniszlo: Will this recording and requisite chat notes be posted on the city website?
- 01:09:44 johanna hynes: What is the assessed value of the park? Was the value of the tree canopy part of this assessment? Because trees have a monetary VALUE
- 01:09:51 Derek: You all should consider ABSTAINING from responding to the POLL QUESTIONS if you are sick and tired of being railroaded and having the City call it "engagement"
- 01:10:12 Marie Szaniszlo: Commissioner McCosh can you please post links to the laws that you are citing?
- 01:11:43 Rhonda Watts: All of this money is being spend on the park, new trees what happens in the winter? no one has address the safety of the park. If the parks dept, has not taken care of pruning the trees in the past what's going to change
- 01:13:18 Andrea Patton:
<https://www.mass.gov/doc/521-cmr-500-definitions-2006-pdf/download>
- 01:13:26 Derek: Commissioner McCosh. Are people with ASTHMA or other such respiratory conditions protected under ADA laws and Boston's implementation and enforcement of ADA???

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- 01:14:12 Pamela Bush Miles: There are parts of the Arboretum that are not ADA accessible...
- 01:14:56 Zara Zsido: responding to poll questions is impossible. the presentation is too hard to follow, too small. face-to-face meetings with blow-ups of slides are needed. not this limited format. in-person accessible meetings.
- 01:15:04 Cathy Baker-Eclipse (BPRD):@Rhonda Watts, all trees to remain along the pathways will be pruned. The park improvement project includes pedestrian lighting and security cameras.
- 01:15:39 linden jenkins: A question that the city needs to be aware of and to address going forward is why the trees are not explicitly addressed from the beginning of this and every project proposed by the city in BIPOC communities? Why do citizens in these communities need to challenge the city in project after project where the city fails to initiate discussion of the proposed project's impact on the the mature trees.
- 01:16:26 Olivia Richard:If they didn't make Honeysuckle hill ADA or MAAB compliant people with disabilities who cannot physically access the area can sue the city in court to force the changes with legal enforcement. It costs significantly more to not follow the law during construction and be forced to make change retroactively.
- 01:17:40 Marie Szaniszlo: There have been waivers on Beacon Hill, the back bay, Franklin Park and other areas
- 01:18:06 Donald Brown: Why they mute her ????? They cut her off...
- 01:18:36 Olivia Richard:There's no reason for the AAB to issue a variance in this case.
- 01:18:38 Marie Szaniszlo: Are there any Designs that show benches, lights and other fixtures?
- 01:18:53 Marie Szaniszlo: Why was this NEVER discussed?
- 01:19:02 Jose Lopez: On definition of value: from what I see the definition does not contemplate land. It speaks to buildings on the land. There is no definition that includes land in the link you posted. unless I missed it.
- 01:19:21 laquisa burke: are they going to replace with mature trees
- 01:19:29 Marie Szaniszlo: What is the VALUE OF TREES?
- 01:19:30 Pamela Bush Miles: Solar lights can be placed across the park.
- 01:19:58 Marie Szaniszlo: Assessed or otherwise VALUE for Trees?
- 01:20:12 Dorothea Jones: Great question Rhonda!
- 01:20:21 Derek: Chief Hammond, why are these very important concerns and considerations re ADA and its potentially major implications re the community's very clear and established "character of the park" concerns only being raised NOW after 2 plus years, and 2 months into the "construction phase"?
- 01:20:36 Pamela Bush Miles: The VALUE for trees MUST include their value for decarbonization, oxygen production and water.
- 01:21:14 Pamela Bush Miles: As well as their value for Health = mental health, air quality and asthma reduction.
- 01:21:34 Marie Szaniszlo: That's not correct. The PRIMARY paths in Franklin Park are cleaned /shoveled because it is a means of access and safety
- 01:22:01 laquisa burke: trees also help with insect and birds
- 01:22:34 Pamela Bush Miles: Absolutely! As well as animal habitat for small mammals.

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01:23:46 Mela Bush Miles: the proposed plastic turf on the field needs to be removed from the project plan it is destructive to the environment and unnecessary.

01:23:50 Pamela Bush Miles: Try pushing a wheelchair around the Arboretum...

01:24:15 Catherine LeBlanc: Artificial turf has PFAS the forever chemicals.

01:24:25 Shamaine Darden: ^

01:25:04 Pamela Bush Miles: The question is whether every park should be fully accessible. Beacon Hill is not easy to go up yet our State House is up on top...

01:25:14 Shamaine Darden: ^

01:25:16 Catherine LeBlanc: One mature tree = ~ 4,000 of the small diameter trees

01:25:42 Julian Rossello-Cornier: That was more of a rant. I heard no question.

01:25:51 Rev. Mariama White-Hammond: @Derek - I agree that we should at the beginning of every park design be very clear about the things that we are prioritizing across every park in the city. Those things include - Accessibility, Water Access, Flood Management and others. Coming out of this process we can use this learning to say these things up front at the beginning of every park renovation process. Some of what happened here is already being incorporated into better process at Mother's Rest in Dorchester. I completely agree that we have to be more transparent and make this clear upfront.

01:25:57 Shamaine Darden: Great point, Beacon Hill is very steep..

01:26:01 johanna hynes: Presenters should be asked to keep their comments to under one minute as well.

01:26:03 Pamela Bush Miles: The power of one tree:
<https://www.usda.gov/media/blog/2015/03/17/power-one-tree-very-air-we-breathe#:~:text=According%20to%20the%20Arbor%20Day,and%20release%20oxygen%20in%20exchange.>

01:26:08 Andrea Patton: Regarding the 521 CMR regulations — chapter 3 covers the scope of the MAAB's authority, which includes all facilities. The definition of a Facility and a Site (both included in the previous link) includes a park.

01:26:15 Andrea Patton: <https://www.mass.gov/doc/521-cmr-3-jurisdiction/download>

01:26:23 Anne Gripenburg (she/her): I have to drop for another meeting but thank you for continued conversation. I have 3 comments:

01:26:44 Michael Easler: To answer the previous question about lights- there are currently 52 pedestrian lights included the project renovations along all of the accessible paths

01:26:54 Anne Gripenburg (she/her): 1) I am concerned that the delays in the work may stretch this project to multiple years. It would be horrible if the park were shut for MORE than 1 year to improve it.

01:27:42 johanna hynes: Total breach of open public meeting law

01:27:44 Linda Freeman: Thank you ... hafta leave for another mtg. Best to all

01:28:15 Anne Gripenburg (she/her): 2) We are building the park for the future. If some trees do need to be taken down we should focus on landscaping and protecting new trees that will be growing for future generations. The trees we see today as grown were once small

01:29:09 H. Parker James: Is there a reason why we cannot copy or save the chat?

01:29:19 Anne Gripenburg (she/her): 3) Everyone is very rightly concerned about the beauty and health benefits of trees in the park but we should have more trees on ALL the streets of Roxbury (I am a Roxbury resident). Can we start getting more of Mayor Wu's green tree planting projects beyond just the parks?

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01:29:41 Catherine LeBlanc: It will take 50 years for the new trees to have the functionality that is so necessary with climate ESPECIALLY in EJ communities. The entire area needs to have more trees everywhere.

01:29:55 Farah Dakkak:H. Parker, I am able to copy items from the chat on my laptop.

01:30:00 Marie Szaniszlo: Saplings Do Not Have the Benefits of Mature Trees

01:30:16 Farah Dakkak:H. Parker, it might be a zoom limitation.

01:30:51 Marie Szaniszlo: Please post the chat on the Boston.gov website

01:31:36 Luis Pagan: I have a question on the Baseball & Softball field, which is a player field for the community to be use for.

01:31:48 Jane Patrick: Beacon Hill, the Boston Common, the Arnold Arboretum, and Franklin Park all have steep grades. Would you completely overhaul the topography of the Emerald Necklace to make every inch of it ADA-compliant?

01:31:50 johanna hynes: The removal of Mature trees from a park environmental justice neighborhood is yet another example of climate inequity. Boston must demand mature tree equity for all its neighborhoods.

01:32:11 Shamaine Darden: Everything feels premature and incomplete, regarding preparation for meetings and the project as a whole. It's totally unprofessional!

01:32:30 Luis Pagan: It is not being mentioned at all, And as a league committee we have a voz.

01:32:31 Rhonda Watts: the wall that surrounded the water park/sprinkler by the kids playground there was a wall that had hand painted porcelain squares the kids hand painted will those squares be part of the new kids playground

01:32:34 johanna hynes: Steepness of Slope should allow for ADA exemptions

01:32:39 Pamela Bush Miles: Thank you, Jane!

01:32:50 H. Parker James: Excellent, Farah. If you can copy/save could you please share it? hpjames423@gmail.com. I will share with with the FMCB people and they can share it with others.

01:32:58 Rhonda Watts: I totally agree

01:33:41 Shamaine Darden: There should also be someone designated to take meeting minutes, this topic is too important to miss anything!

01:33:57 Marie Szaniszlo: Now it is ADA being pitted against Environmental Justice, it should NOT be Either/Or is should be ALL - which do you choose to visit a park ONCE or not being able to BREATHE for decades?

01:34:46 Sarah Freeman: Parker & Farah: I can't copy the chat in the usual way.

01:34:54 Jose Lopez: Is this a community member speaking with questions? I can't see and they didn't introduce themselves.

01:35:09 Frannie: its cathy baker-eclipse

01:35:12 Jose Lopez: TY

01:35:21 Born Bi-Kim.: No Cathy baker eclipse ismspeakingj

01:35:24 Rev. Mariama White-Hammond: @Jane - The Boston Common is actually in the middle of a master plan process. That process is not finished but so far there will be a new ramp across the street from the State House and one of the main hills is also slated to get an accessible route. So I agree that we needed to talk more about this at the beginning but the commitment to accessibility is not just at Malcolm X Park but a citywide commitment.

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01:35:47 Marie Szaniszlo: Out is 100 capitol cities in the United States, Boston is #18 for Asthma

01:35:50 Rhonda Watts: is the recording of this meeting available to the public

01:36:15 Christine Brandao: Yes it is being recorded and will be posted on the website

01:36:38 Dianne Wilkerson: I'm sorry I thought City stated this was the 1st....

01:36:46 Frannie: @Christine Brandao, people have also asked multiple times about why the chat cannot be copied. Please provide clarity or directions on how to save the chate

01:36:55 Marie Szaniszlo: As a landscape or land use designer that is environmentally conscious your goal should be to cause the least damage to the environmental damage as possible.

01:36:59 Marie Szaniszlo: @Christine Brandao What about the Chat?

01:37:32 Marie Szaniszlo: This is a HISTORIC PARK, a reason WHY people come to this PARK

01:37:35 Christine Brandao: I will work with the project team to compile all the questions and responses to post on the website also

01:37:45 Marie Szaniszlo: In which parks are you destroying this number of MATURE TREES?

01:37:50 Dianne Wilkerson: Thank you Chief! For acknowledging that.

01:37:55 linden jenkins: Thank you Christine

01:38:00 Christine Brandao: There is 3 dots should be able to save it that way also

01:38:22 Marie Szaniszlo: @Chief are Martin's, Children's, Seaport deemed Olmstead Parks?

01:38:23 Born Bi-Kim.: I was quoting the city speaker who said that the Malcolm X had more touch points incorporated in a sustainable way

01:38:33 Jose Lopez: It is not clear to me whether you know that the AAB is triggered by this project because you are unclear whether assessed value is based on Boston's tax assessment or on fair market value. That is an important question given what is at stake. The definitions you sent define value using "buildings" for which we have none on this project.

01:38:37 laquisa burke: why turf instead of helping the water collection issues in the field.

01:38:48 Marie Szaniszlo: In which parks are you adding hazardous materials that can cause harm to individuals health?

01:39:03 Born Bi-Kim.: I wa quoting Ms Baker Eclipse specifically

01:39:10 johanna hynes: Currently, the Boston esplanade - also an ousted design - is undergoing renovations on its East corner. Does this mean the enire bike path will need be brought up to ADA? The trees along the path would most certainly be destroyed - are you saying the City is going to chop down all those trees down too? Can't imagine that EVER happening - the trees in Malcolm x are just as special as the ones along the esplanade- only difference is that the City values the ones on the epslanade.

01:39:11 H. Parker James: I don't have the usual 3 dots to save the chat. Maybe that feature was disabled?

01:39:15 Frannie: @Christine Brandao, thank you, that option is not there. Please check the meeting settings to allow participants to save the chat. Questions are not the only relevant parts of this chat. The comments are extremely important as well

01:39:15 Pamela Bush Miles: Can't copy the chat - will it be added to the website?

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01:39:20 Cori Champagne: 11 trees are dead or problematic, but if 29 trees are still slated for removal, that is still 18 mature trees being removed? Is this in order to do grading?

01:39:43 Christine Brandao: @Frannie I will look into it Thank you

01:39:58 Frannie: Thank you

01:39:58 Cathy Baker-Eclipse (BPRD):@Born Bi-Kim, the process at Malcolm X Park is one we want to inform how we engage the community. We want to figure out how we can respond to the question of tree removals at the right time in the project.

01:40:08 H. Parker James: The chat is full of important and valuable information and opinion. Please preserve it.

01:40:10 Cathy Baker-Eclipse (BPRD):@Derek - thank you. It was the process.

01:40:26 Dorothea Jones: Will Franklin Park also be leveled for accessibility? Does this mean that trees along the Riverway will be cut down that are obviously a hazard to public safety be removed for younger saplings?

01:40:27 Marie Szaniszlo: what park is BPRD making this depth of changes without the specific input of the abutting community?

01:42:29 Born Bi-Kim.: Regular cleaning of catch basins and correcting run off and path design that lead water to ground and said catch basins. Which will circumvent flooding.

01:44:57 Jose Lopez: Who is speaking?

01:45:16 Marie Szaniszlo: So because we are slaves to the process, then we should just follow orders and kill Trees?

01:45:19 Derek: ASTHMATICS AND ADA????????

01:45:21 Zara Zsido: no survey

01:45:29 Zara Zsido: no survey

01:45:35 Zara Zsido: more questions

01:45:42 Zara Zsido: no survey

01:45:45 Shamaine Darden: Not an answer in sight, totally unprofessional!

01:45:45 Andrea Patton: Hi @Jose, the state's building code (521 CMR) does apply to all facilities in the City, including parks. The entire 521 CMR code can be found here: <https://www.mass.gov/lists/521-cmr-2006-edition> and the inclusion of parks as a "Recreational Facility" are covered here: <https://www.mass.gov/doc/521-cmr-1900-recreational-facilities-2006-pdf/download>

01:45:50 Zara Zsido: premature

01:45:51 Marie Szaniszlo: No Survey - false choices

01:45:57 Catherine LeBlanc: what options are there if you don't want the poll choices?

01:46:03 MArgaret Pokorny: I did not make the cut for the comments, but I would like to suggest a strategy for saving some of the mature trees that will be compromised by the new ADA paths.

01:46:08 quentin davis: no survey

01:46:33 Jose Lopez: @Andrea I don't think I asked you a question or anyone else about that particular point. You may have sent that to the wrong person.

01:46:37 Zara Zsido: extend questions
no survey

01:47:19 Donna Bivens:Will whoever is doing tech on this call please enable the chat to be saved?

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01:47:24 Jane Patrick: NO SURVEY!!

01:47:45 Cathy Baker-Eclipse (BPRD):We will save the chat at the end of the meeting.

01:47:46 MArgaret Pokorny: These mature trees have extensive root systems. It is entirely likely that root pruning of some of these roots would not compromise the life of these trees. i would like to suggest that these trees be root pruned but not removed and given a chance to survive. It is very likely that they will.

01:48:01 johanna hynes: I have had my hand raised from the start and I have the right to participate. Excluding a member of the public is unacceptable and NOT a good look for the City. I will issue a formal complaint if I am not permitted to participate fully in this process.

01:48:22 Andrea Patton: Hi Jose, sorry I should have introduced myself. I work for the City of Boston Disabilities Commission and wanted to answer your question about assessed value and land.

01:49:54 Jose Lopez: Thank you @Andrea. Is that link speaking to the definition? I need some more context, my apologies.

01:49:56 Born Bi-Kim.: As well if you remove the existing root structure of elder trees you will definitely see flooding like you won't believe. Young trees don't have the roots structure to stop overall soil erosion, run off and flooding. If we get heavy enough rain young trees may potentially be swept away too. We need our elder trees more than ever. Especially with them holding the entire structure of the TOP OF THE HILL DOWN INTO THE REST OF THE PARK!

01:50:10 Shamaine Darden: What is the difference between Franklin Park slop wise? in comparison to that of Malcom X Park?

01:50:33 Shamaine Darden: ^ Please answer that question!

01:51:28 Shamaine Darden: What is the difference between Beacon Hill slop wise? In comparison to that of Malcom X Park?

01:51:28 Cathy Baker-Eclipse (BPRD):@Shamaine, I don't have the survey of Franklin Park available so it would take some time to provide a complete comparison.

01:51:30 Marie Szaniszlo: @Carl Richardson - We Want ADA access! We do NOT want Dead or removed Trees

01:52:22 johanna hynes: His the 60 sec rule only for those who are advocating for trees

01:52:36 johanna hynes: Be consistant

01:54:40 Dianne Wilkerson: Carl your concerns are understood. However, the questions should not be interpreted as not caring about folks with disabilities. This can be and should be an educational process as well. One lesson is that there are many different kinds of disabilities and what we won't allow is a move to accommodate one sector, disadvantaging another group with a different disability. We'll learn together, fight together and end up with a project and a park that works for everyone. We can do this!

01:55:07 H. Parker James: Please do not silence community members who want to speak.

01:55:19 Luis Pagan: Hi everyone I would like to say for today zoom meeting on my question on the both Baseball & Softball fields that keep repeating to get a answer on that, And keep getting ignored on this subject, Its not right for people to be treated this way, We as a league committee leader who been playing in this Malcolm X Park for over 50 years.

01:55:27 Marie Szaniszlo: Absolutely Mela!

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01:56:45 Marie Szaniszlo: There are still a considerable number of PEOPLE who were EXCLUDED from this meeting!

01:57:33 quentin davis: no survey

01:57:40 Andrea Patton: Hi Jose, there are many chapters of the state building code (also known as 521 CMR). All of them can be found here: <https://www.mass.gov/doc/521-cmr-1900-recreational-facilities-2006-pdf/download> I've also shared the specific links for a few relevant chapters. First was the general definitions chapter. In addition, the requirements for parks which are "Recreational Facilities" are included here <https://www.mass.gov/doc/521-cmr-1900-recreational-facilities-2006-pdf/download>

01:57:45 Marie Szaniszlo: No survey

01:59:16 Rhonda Watts: Will the recording of this meeting available to the public?

02:00:06 Christine Brandao: Yes Rhonda it will be added to the website

02:00:28 Marie Szaniszlo: Will the Chat be included?

02:00:35 Farah Dakkak: @Luis, We hear your concern, we're trying to focus the conversation on the trees tonight. Softball is part of the program. Can you reach out to Lauren to ask field specific questions on softball: Lauren.Bryant@boston.gov

02:00:49 Rev. Mariama White-Hammond: A number of people have asked about the type of turf. I checked and the kind of turf we use is PFAS-free virgin crumb rubber.

02:02:02 Rhonda Watts: thank you, what about the hand painted porcelain squares the kids did that were on the wall where the kids play ground was

02:02:02 Derek: THANK YOU JOHANNA. We appreciate your sincere, informed and steadfast support for OUR community and Park!

02:02:44 Rev. Mariama White-Hammond: @Luis - I answered your question at the beginning but the chat has been moving so fast you might not have seen it because others typed in. I said - tonight's agenda is focused on trees and disability accessibility. Neither of those things affect the field so it can remain with the same design that we agreed on last year.

02:03:18 Dorothea Jones: What % of the work at the park covers the City of Boston diversity and Inclusion, Vendor and Supplier diversity and Boston Job Residency Requirements? Including the tree sustainability and maintenance?

02:04:07 linden jenkins: Yes. This is what I was asking earlier. This conversation was started by us being given a list of criteria used to justify tree-removal without any mention of criteria for preserving trees.

02:04:09 Tania Fernandes-Anderson: D7 City Councilor Tania Fernandes Anderson tania.anderson@boston.gov

02:04:47 Marie Szaniszlo: @Chief There are other toxins in that plastic besides PFAS

Imagine wearing a plastic suit 24-7-365 without being allowed to take it off, under the sun, in the cold. Earth breathes. Plastic doesn't.

The chemicals in Plastic Turf will morph over time and enter the bloodstream of the earth

02:05:01 Olivia Richard: Yes. It would need to be upgraded.

02:05:31 Kristine she, her, ella: funny how long the white people get to speak

02:05:41 Kristine she, her, ella: 🙄

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02:05:44 Derek: "WE" did NOT agree last year to install the Toxic, ADA non-compliant turf that Chief Hammond wants us all to sweep under the rug and swallow for some righteous, just, and resilient but incomprehensible reason.

02:06:10 Luis Pagan: Mariama we need our fields meaning our two fields in this project

02:06:51 Marie Szaniszlo: Funny how no one is allowed to speak during the "community planning process"

02:07:05 Derek: where is the ADA compliance for the community's inordinately high number of ASTHMATICS?

02:07:15 Mela Bush Miles: asthmatics need to preserve oxygen producing trees for respiratory health

02:07:19 Born Bi-Kim.: You're right too Luis its just disgusting all around. We need all the sports venues open for the summer and fall. We need all the aspects of the park taken care of.... The sports fields can be done without the rest of the park done. It has been suggested that the park be done in sections

02:07:21 Marie Szaniszlo: We need to examine the Law - slavery was the Law at one point.

02:07:26 johanna hynes: Please feel free to answer my questions- about tree value, and the cost of turf

02:07:57 Frannie: I believe in a previous meeting about the park and the turf, it was mentioned that there was a major donation and pressures to make sure that it was used and so we had to implement the turf. Does anyone else recall the details?

02:08:45 johanna hynes: If the turf is paid for by a private investor is it considered part of the 30%

02:09:03 Cathy Baker-Eclipse (BPRD):@Linden, I mentioned the reasons we take down trees at Malcolm X if they are dead/hazardous, invasives, prevention of future hazards like structural or trees growing into fences, and where necessary, to accommodate accessibility.

02:09:22 Derek: TURF is ADA non-compliant and will be costly to remove post-construction. Answer this question re asthmatics? the COMMUNITY IS ASKING the disability commissioner and chief Hammond to address this TONIGHT

02:09:28 Kristen McCosh: These are laws. Building codes cover plumbing, electric, accessibility and other areas of buildings and facilities

02:09:38 Marie Szaniszlo: The purpose of design is to MINIMIZE THE impact on the environment and society . We can meet the 30%compliance without DESTROYING the Trees. If the firm cannot design around the trees to reach compliance then they should be removed and a more competent firm hired

02:09:40 Frannie: Please @Christine Brandao any updates on how to save the chat? Not to make assumptions about your time, but it has been 30 minutes since you said you would look into it

02:09:42 Marie Szaniszlo: Carlos it matters to US the people

02:09:47 Donna Bivens:Yes! No turf!

02:09:59 Jose Lopez: Hold on.

02:10:03 Jose Lopez: That was NOT Jose

02:10:18 Jose Lopez: Please use Carlos' name

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02:10:21 linden jenkins: Yes exactly Cathy. And there was no mention of the city's criteria for pursuing the prioritization of maintaining and expanding the mature tree canopy throughout the city.

02:10:50 Marie Szaniszlo: If you do not follow or adhere to the recommendation of the community why should we participate?

02:10:56 Marie Szaniszlo: Jose, Carlos - tomato 🍅 what's the difference

02:11:22 Marie Szaniszlo: Exactly! The reason for apathy, distrust and lack of trust

02:11:29 Born Bi-Kim.: No but the details of every zoom meeting should be shared by the city as its recording the meetings

02:11:33 Derek: YOUR questions are not OUR questions. Please don't condescend and patronize. Answer OUR questions please

02:11:40 Tania Fernandes-Anderson: Carlos Perdoname, I was reading Jose's comment.

02:11:46 Marie Szaniszlo: Let us have a meeting that ONLY examines ADA

02:11:49 Mela Bush Miles: we as community are requesting that you not install toxic turf in our community park it is unsustainable and will contribute to introduction of toxins to our environmental.

02:11:57 Catherine LeBlanc: How will you know which poll is local resident or others?

02:12:09 Marie Szaniszlo: Another Meeting that ONLY examines Plastic Turf

02:12:14 quentin davis: no survey

02:12:36 Cathy Baker-Eclipse (BPRD): @Dorothea, some info about the Equitable procurement pilot can be found here: <https://www.boston.gov/news/first-construction-contract-under-under-citys-new-supplier-diversity-program-released> Happy to answer any follow up questions via email.

02:12:40 Marie Szaniszlo: why not show some respect for the community and meet with them to work out more acceptable designs and actions???

02:12:41 Catherine LeBlanc: MA Sierra Club Toxins team has a LOT of info on turf.

02:12:43 johanna hynes: NO SURVEY

02:12:45 Shamaine Darden: Put the poll back up!

02:12:53 Marie Szaniszlo: Keeping Trees + Life in mind during ALL discussions

02:12:54 Derek: SKIP the BUNK survey. Answer our questions

02:13:06 Marie Szaniszlo: No POLL FALSE CHOICE

02:13:19 quentin davis: no phony choices

02:13:24 Derek: 3. NO COMMENT

02:13:28 Jane Patrick: False choices

02:13:47 linden jenkins: I guess I'm not comfortable participating in this random poll without knowing what use will be made of it. And it is so random. No comment.

02:13:51 Marie Szaniszlo: I prefer NOT to engage with this POLL it is False Vote don't respond

02:14:06 johanna hynes: Surveys serve the City not the people. RESIST

02:14:06 Dianne Wilkerson: The poll questions are really almost insulting. You've not answered so many of the questions in the chat. Now you ask, how do you like it vs. this ? Wrong, wrong, wrong. You're setting yourself up.

02:14:15 Catherine LeBlanc: As a Cambridge resident I don't feel appropriate to be in a poll.

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02:14:21 Marie Szaniszlo: This is RIDICULOUS!

02:14:27 quentin davis: RESIST

02:14:48 Marie Szaniszlo: Do you prefer oxygen or drowning?

02:15:02 Marie Szaniszlo: Do you prefer access or food?

02:15:03 Marie Szaniszlo: These polls are a mockery because your designs and actions ignored all/all the polls and recommendations which were made back in 2020. This whole process is bogus

02:15:06 H. Parker James: Please save the chat and make it accessible to the community.

02:15:12 Frannie: Question to be answered with all others in this chat and posted to the website: Why are we unable to save the chat for this meeting? Why have we not received an update in now 35 minutes about the status of how to save the chat when people have been asking throughout the entire meeting?

02:15:14 Derek: City can't/won't see the proverbial forest (which is the community and its concerns) for the dang tree

02:15:47 linden jenkins: Will the audience comments please be included whenever this opinion poll is used b the city?

02:15:57 Sarah Freeman: Can the amphitheater be slightly smaller?

02:16:07 Marie Szaniszlo: How about we remove the Poll?

02:16:16 Dovi Abbey: Why did it take so long to come up with these proposals? Save the trees is what the community has beeb asking for!!!

02:16:30 quentin davis: do not use the phony survey as representing the concerns of the community. false choices.

02:16:50 Derek: Poll Dancing 101

02:17:02 Marie Szaniszlo: False Choices 50% of WHAT?

02:17:07 Rev. Mariama White-Hammond: @Dianne - I have been trying to answer questions as they popped up. Could you help me by pointing out questions I have missed. I have been trying to keep up where there were questions that were not answered either in the meeting or the chat?

02:17:15 Born Bi-Kim.: There is a need for a better design in general

02:17:19 Sofia Owen (she/they) ACE: from a process perspective, can the city team share how the poll results will be evaluated and whether the poll will be shared more broadly to community who are not present?

02:17:20 Dovi Abbey: The question was not clear

02:17:28 quentin davis: abstain

02:17:29 Derek: Turf and ADA

02:17:30 Sarah Freeman: Maybe the path could be closer to the bottom of the map.

02:17:31 Marie Szaniszlo: The amphitheater can be achieved withstand redesign and that is NOT the best location. There are design solutions which you are not considering.

02:17:46 Derek: Turf and ADA?

02:17:55 Derek: Turf and ADA?

02:17:57 Marie Szaniszlo: STOP this process NOW go back to the drawing board with a Landscape Designer that can respect Life

02:18:07 Derek: Turf and ADA?

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02:18:34 Derek: @Chief Hammond
02:18:38 quentin davis: "natural feel" vs Nature!
02:19:24 Derek: Turf and ADA re Asthmatics???
02:19:28 Mela Bush Miles: this is nonsense we asked you to relocate the amphitheater to impact 0 trees
02:19:30 Born Bi-Kim.: There are no right answers you don't force people to make choices based on a inadequate design to begin with.
02:19:34 Sarah Freeman: It would help to have visuals of the options.
02:19:46 quentin davis: Is This survey supposed to be community participation in the planning process? What do you take us for?
02:19:50 linden jenkins: This process feels manipulative and dishonest - actually extractive.
02:19:53 Donna Bivens: These polls are terrible. Please don't take this as an accurate decision making process
02:20:08 Born Bi-Kim.: This process isn really poor
02:20:39 Frannie: Christine is unable to change the chat settings as the meeting has already started. if you choose to do so, send your email to her or in the chat so she can send the chat to you as well
02:21:15 H. Parker James: Please send the chat: hpjames423@gmail.com/
02:21:41 linden jenkins: And to lindajenkins177@yahoo.com
02:21:48 Derek: Whole project and process is still racially and environmentally as well as ADA unjust
02:21:56 Born Bi-Kim.: born@tao1life.com
02:21:58 Dovi Abbey: How many trees are slated to be removed?
02:22:10 Marie Szaniszlo: This is unfair to the community as there is no opportunity for folk to actually analyze what you are proposing.

How many people are still on the call and where are they from?

02:22:13 Mela Bush Miles: this park "improvement" design is flawed decisions are not being made with professional arborists .
02:22:14 Frannie: Not sure why this feature would ever be disabled especially in a meeting like this. Thank you for finally addressing it and it should be noted that moving forward this should always be ENABLED
02:22:43 Derek: City is throwing ADA-protected asthmatics under the BUS
02:22:59 Christine Brandao: @Frannie thank you for pointing it and will be corrected for future meetings
02:23:06 Christine Brandao: out*
02:23:07 Mela Bush Miles: my email is mela@ace-ej.org please send chat thanks
02:23:17 Marie Szaniszlo: I guess my vote for Mayor Wu was wasted
02:23:43 quentin davis: "to achieve a common understanding" is bunkum.
02:23:52 Yvonne Quinama: How many people voted?
02:23:55 Dorothea Jones: Obviously there is much more communication that needs to take place in order for the community to feel they are not be railroaded!
02:24:16 Dorothea Jones: Not being railroaded!

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02:24:20 Michael Miles: Will there be any branding of field (New England Revelotion??

02:24:23 Marie Szaniszlo: Who are the FRIENDS making these decisions?

02:24:25 Marie Szaniszlo: Ridiculous UTTERLY!

02:24:44 Farah Dakkak:@Yvonne, you can check that in poll area. Poll 4 - 27 people participated

02:24:55 Rev. Mariama White-Hammond: @Rhonda - I think yours is the first that I hadn't caught. I need to be transparent that up to now the Parks Department has not been able to prune in any parks except when we do renovations. We have asked for more resources in this years budget but not yet enough to cover all of the work that needs to be done in the city. We are trying to do a better job with street trees first and then park trees. So we will probably still have pruning issues even if we get what we have asked in this year's budget.

02:24:59 Donna Bivens:This is crazy. I know there is one beautiful big tree that was not included for removal. How do we have this conversation AFTER you mark them trees for removal?!

02:25:03 Marie Szaniszlo: What did you expect RAILROADING, Lies and foolishness

02:25:15 Marie Szaniszlo: We will be there to meet the contractor as this process is not respectful of our community

02:25:15 Mela Bush Miles: I abstained from polls because questions were unfairly framed

02:25:16 Donna Bivens:One DEAD tree, I mean.

02:25:20 Dovi Abbey: Has the community agreed to the resumption of work on the site?

02:25:35 linden jenkins: I also abstained from the poll for a variety of reason.

02:25:54 Mela Bush Miles: community did not agree to resumption of work on park.

02:26:03 Dovi Abbey: Why not?

02:26:18 Sofia Owen (she/they) ACE: please let folks speak who haven't already

02:26:25 Sofia Owen (she/they) ACE: I will follow up with you Chief White-Hammond

02:27:16 Marie Szaniszlo: Given the lack of transparency we cannot accept this process as being anywhere near fair or clear.

02:28:31 linden jenkins: Yes and the community has been asking to have an arborist present repeatedly.

02:28:40 Derek: I abstained as well from participating in the BUNK poll

02:28:53 linden jenkins: Thank you Dianne Wilkerson.

02:28:56 Donna Bivens:Preach!

02:28:57 Allison Onken:Well said!!!

02:29:08 Born Bi-Kim.: This process is just wholly wrong! This is just more of the same foolishness in Roxbury

02:30:27 Donna Bivens:The power of Zoom.

02:30:42 Derek: THIS meeting tonight has been just as nonsensical and disrespectful as SO MANY others in the course of this project. Respectfully speaking, It effin SUCKED

02:30:43 Born Bi-Kim.: The city has failed Roxbury and the crime rates and the amount of disadvantages will just eclipse past rates at the hand of the city

02:31:20 Born Bi-Kim.: Totally disrespectful and just wrong

02:32:16 Shamaine Darden: ^

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02:32:43 Marie Szaniszlo: YOU SHOULD LISTEN TO WHAT YOU ARE BEING TOLD... This meeting Lacks Creditability

02:32:54 Rev. Mariama White-Hammond: @Mike - There is no plan to name the field. We can't brand a field through a renovation process. Naming of a park or a parks element go through the Parks Commission.

02:33:08 Frannie: So...is it not possible to delay construction further? why is it picking up back again Monday with so much unresolved?

02:33:23 Zara Zsido: it is not progress to state the construction is going to continue next week

02:33:24 Dorothea Jones: Has anyone seen the result of the original survey, taken by residents when this process first began a couple of years ago. Can we have that survey emailed to all participants on this call?

02:34:20 Dorothea Jones: The survey results!

02:34:34 Cathy Baker-Eclipse (BPRD):@Dorothea, there are previous online meetings on the website
<https://www.boston.gov/departments/parks-and-recreation/improvements-malcolm-x-park>

02:34:43 Shamaine Darden: A clear and complete plan need to be outlined before construction commences.

02:34:57 linden jenkins: The City does not post minutes or other relevant data on the city website unfortunately. Like the tree assessment, the original survey you mention Dorothea, minutes of the meetings, the original plans and the modifications made etc.

02:35:34 Cathy Baker-Eclipse (BPRD):We will be posting the slides from tonight's meeting on the website, along with the recording.

02:35:43 Marie Szaniszlo: A waste of 2+ hours AGAIN! Maybe Carlos has the right idea

02:35:47 Marie Szaniszlo: I have seen all surveys and this face of an event is just racism at its best as it would NEVER take place like this in any white neighborhood in this city.

02:35:51 Christine Brandao: Boston.gov/malcolm-x-park

02:35:55 quentin davis: No artificial turf

02:35:58 H. Parker James: Will the chat be posted as part of the recording?

02:36:02 Frannie: no artificial turf

02:36:22 Shamaine Darden: Meeting minutes should be mandatory, not just recordings but meeting minutes.

02:36:39 Marie Szaniszlo: Name the task force and those making decisions on behalf of our community.

02:36:44 Marie Szaniszlo: Absolutely Sharmaine I got you!

02:36:51 Christine Brandao: Yes we will included it also

02:36:53 Frannie: Meeting Minutes are literally part of all professional and business meetings. It makes no sense that they are not taken during these meetings

02:37:46 Marie Szaniszlo: They are Lying because other tree experts say that 29 number is not correct!

02:37:54 Mela Bush Miles: the City must not say we will NOT talk about environmental toxins on overheated plastic turf field cover and take it off the table.

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02:38:05 Marie Szaniszlo: Ridiculous removal of trees! Are you an Arborist? What are Passive Program Goals for Honeysuckle Hill?

02:38:10 Derek: I suggest naming the field after the City's highest ranking misguided advocate, defender and conversation-avoider re toxic and ADA non-compliant (for black and brown asthmatics) turf — whomever that is.

02:38:11 Shamaine Darden: I'm just so confused on how we broke ground on an incomplete project, its completely mind boogling!

02:38:18 Donna Bivens: Yes. Let's talk about the field. No turf! respect the people that use that field.

02:38:43 Marie Szaniszlo: Councillor, I voted for you. Where is the chat going to be posted?

02:38:45 Dorothea Jones: There can be no transparency when the community does not have historical data that they can refer to. We are put in the position of believing what the City says is the truth? That is not transparency!

02:39:11 Mela Bush Miles: what is the chemical composition of astro turf

02:39:34 Frannie: Can you post the chat on the website as well?

02:39:42 Frannie: So everyone has access?

02:39:51 Marie Szaniszlo: Based on Environmental laws we need to file and injunction to stop the health hazards which have been identified

02:39:58 Marie Szaniszlo: POST IT ON THE WEBSITE BOSTON.gov. Thank you

02:40:01 Mela Bush Miles: please state safety data on turf fields

02:40:21 Christine Brandao: It will be posted on Boston.gov/malcolm-x-park

02:40:40 Shamaine Darden: Ramadan Mubarak Tania, please go break your fast.

02:40:41 Born Bi-Kim.: Im fasting too ramadan is no excuse to not address the situation

02:40:46 Derek: Thanks! Meet us in the park, councilor!

02:40:51 linden jenkins: Lots of suggestions and requests in the chat!

02:40:54 Shamaine Darden: Same brother Born.

02:41:00 Margaret Gosmon: Are you going to move forward on tree removal before a new or 2nd arborist comes on board? Please don't ruin/destroy our park in our community & not listen to our opinions & voices

02:41:17 Mela Bush Miles: salaams brother Born

02:41:35 Shamaine Darden: We must stay respectful, consistence and transparent.

02:41:54 Christine Brandao: Boston.gov/malcolm-x-park

02:42:08 Frannie: Please make that a practice for all meetings regarding this project and others (recording, slides, chat should all be posted)

02:42:10 Marie Szaniszlo: To go ahead is a crime! Simple. Against Life of ourselves, our children and generations to come

02:42:10 Born Bi-Kim.: So we have to create a physical line of bodies to stop this from happening or you just bulldoze over the park otherwise

02:42:21 Frannie: Thank you Christine for getting that going <3

02:42:23 Born Bi-Kim.: Sad very sad

02:42:40 Marie Szaniszlo: Disgusting

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02:42:46 Luis Pagan: This meeting is all about to benefit to our middle class and mightily people that we suppose to not have a say in this community, That's being a hypocrite if you ask me, My opinion.

02:43:12 Zara Zsido: repair HH and re open

02:43:25 Tania Fernandes-Anderson: tania.anderson@boston.gov

02:43:44 Dorothea Jones: Going forward is problematic without community agreement or resolution of significant disagreement!

02:44:40 Marie Szaniszlo: councilor this is not how public process should've worked

02:44:53 quentin davis: STOP THE PROCESS and come up with a better design with community approval or veto power

02:44:53 Marie Szaniszlo: You need to speed up the compliance with FOIA BEFORE you resume destruction.

02:45:50 Marie Szaniszlo: Good point Donald - how many walk and talks does it take though???

Who is an Olmstead expert here?

02:45:54 Catherine LeBlanc: It is very devastating for community when trees are cut. With the comments this evening, best to wait before you cut trees.

02:46:18 Marie Szaniszlo: Who approved this Mis-Design?

02:46:24 Dorothea Jones: What % of the work scheduled to be done will meet the BJRP for this community?

02:46:34 Marie Szaniszlo: Who signed the contractors with the contractors?

02:46:48 Marie Szaniszlo: Are they based in Roxbury or even Boston?

02:47:01 Zara Zsido: a challenge ? sure. and it's your job. no?

02:47:26 Marie Szaniszlo: You are ALL being paid to accept the challenge, we are fighting for our LIVES.

02:47:49 Marie Szaniszlo: You're pushing for a confrontation which could be avoided

02:48:08 Marie Szaniszlo: I have a poll - Life or being paid

02:48:22 Frannie: Perhaps a cameraperson can be at those tours to record the tour so it can be available to the public via the website for those who cannot make it.

02:48:47 Marie Szaniszlo: Great suggestion Frannie

02:49:13 Olivia Richard: Or those who physically can't access the walkthrough because of lack of access.

02:49:36 Shamaine Darden: We must remain transparent and consistent, this process has been the complete opposite.

02:49:52 Cathy Baker-Eclipse (BPRD): @Frannie - there were some community members recording or live-streaming when we met on site.

02:50:01 Marie Szaniszlo: Who is in the Task Force?

02:50:15 Frannie: Amazing! Where can I access those recordings?

02:50:26 H. Parker James: "Pitting the community against itself.

02:50:31 Frannie: can that be better advertised moving forward?

02:51:12 Catherine LeBlanc: Civil disobedience didn't stop the Lateral pipeline in Roxbury.

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02:51:23 Cathy Baker-Eclipse (BPRD):

<https://www.boston.gov/departments/parks-and-recreation/improvements-malcolm-x-park>

02:52:36 Marie Szaniszlo: Councillor are you saying Give Up and hold your breathe until Policy is put forward?

02:52:38 Marie Szaniszlo: The bully tactics to push an idea that has. even deemed inappropriate by the majority of residents in the immediate area. Why are you...BPRD PUSHING for this confrontation?

We are asking you to STOP ● so WE can get it correct...STOP ●●●!!!

02:52:51 Shamaine Darden: It feels that way because it is with all due respect, these things needed to be spoken on prior to break ground.

02:53:39 Rev. Mariama White-Hammond: @Dorothea - We will check to see where they are with BRJP. Right now the ordinance only requires to show that they "tried" to hire people. So they could be in technical compliance and still not be hiring in the ways that the policy was intended to move. The way things are now there are no real teeth to hold contractors accountable. So I can check on their compliance paperwork but I have seen projects in "compliance" that don't achieve what is just.

02:53:54 Shamaine Darden: Things have changes rapidly, from the overall plan to areas of the park that will/will not be touch (i.e the baseball field).

02:54:39 Bill Singleton: Just stop this process and save 8 Million dollars and the trees

02:55:08 Shamaine Darden: I truly want this to work, I do but this project has been extremely dysfunctional.

02:56:01 Marie Szaniszlo: Derrick it's only your LEFT arm, don't you have another one???

02:56:12 Frannie: @Cathy Baker-Eclipse, please provide a direct link to the recording of the park tour that you mentioned. The videos on the site you linked are only of zoom meetings. Additionally, a cameraperson specifically hired to record the tours would be best so those videos can be posted directly to the city of Boston page

02:56:34 Dorothea Jones: The expectation is the BJRP will include certain %'s . Isn't that the City of Boston Policy? Yes or no?

02:56:57 Marie Szaniszlo: Melnea Cass was an 11 year fight for \$25M contracts that was stopped COLD - FMBC is building a Greenway now

02:57:13 Marie Szaniszlo: What WE the Community Have been given is this piss poor tool for communications. We cannot be asked to accept a process that was deliberately broken to alter our lifestyle for years without pushing back.

THE COMMUNITY FUD NOT SCREW UP THIS PROCESS, the BPRD DID!!!

02:57:14 Cathy Baker-Eclipse (BPRD):@Dorothea - yes, BRJP goals apply to this project.

02:57:15 Tania Fernandes-Anderson: Yes @Mrs. Dorothea

02:58:19 Dorothea Jones: Will the weekly manning tables be provided? Who is the prime contractor for the project?

02:58:44 Shamaine Darden: This is very personal!

02:58:51 Shamaine Darden: I agree Derek!

02:58:54 Pamela Bush Miles: the environmental cost of removing trees and installing water toxifyng turf is immeasurable. Sod is surely affordable for people planet.and the city

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02:59:02 Shamaine Darden: ^

02:59:15 Cathy Baker-Eclipse (BPRD): @Dorothea, Fleming Brothers is the GC. Submissions can be requested through the BRJP Office.

02:59:21 Rev. Mariama White-Hammond: @Dorothea - I know the original intention was to make sure that the hiring actually happened, but right now the way it is enforced is that people have to show that they "tried" but they are not required to achieve the goals that were set out.

02:59:21 quentin davis: It isn't over

02:59:28 Marie Szaniszlo: Thank you Derek

02:59:36 Marie Szaniszlo: Can i call late at night?

02:59:56 Dorothea Jones: They will have to show documentation that they tried!!!

02:59:59 Marie Szaniszlo: Hurry up with the FOIA Parks Department

03:00:07 Marie Szaniszlo: Do NOT start

03:00:08 Shamaine Darden: Thank you Tania!

03:00:09 Rev. Mariama White-Hammond: @Dorothea - We will check their paperwork that they tried.