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HELP PLAN FOR DUXBURY'S FUTURE!

Phase 1 master plan draft elements released

DUXBURY – For the past year, Duxbury has been engaged in a conversation about its future as part of the process to update its town-wide master plan. During the course of the “Envision Duxbury” process, residents of all ages, business owners, elected and appointed representatives, and others in town have been invited to weigh in on important issues facing Duxbury, including housing, arts and culture, open space, recreation, sustainability, development, transportation, infrastructure, and zoning. Envision Duxbury is a comprehensive master plan being developed to guide the future growth and economic development of the town, using goals and ideas generated by local community members.

The Duxbury Planning Board, Planning Director, and a group of dedicated local “Master Plan Ambassadors” are working with the Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC) in Boston to produce this plan. MAPC is the regional planning agency representing Duxbury and the 100 other cities and towns across Greater Boston. The process has included a web-based survey that received over 1,200 responses from community members, a community forum that was held at the Free Library last November, and several presentations and discussions with the Planning Board.

Phase 1 of the Master Plan process has focused on the topics of housing, historic and cultural resources, and open space and recreation. Drafts of the chapters that will be a part of the master plan document are now available. The drafts have been posted on the project website at <http://envisionduxbury.mapc.org/news/>. You are invited to download the drafts and submit feedback to the contacts listed below. The Phase 1 documents will remain in draft form while attention shifts to drafting the Phase 2 elements. All input received will be considered as the Phase 1 elements are refined and finalized in the spring of 2019.

Phase 2 of the Master Plan is now underway with research and analysis occurring this summer and a Community Forum to discuss these topics planned for October. Phase 2 elements will include public facilities and services, transportation and circulation, economic development, sustainability, land use and zoning, and implementation. More information will be provided for the community forum at the end of the summer.

More information is available at envisionduxbury.mapc.org, or by contacting Duxbury Planning Director Valerie Massard at massard@town.duxbury.ma.us and 781-934-1100 x5476, or MAPC Project Manager Josh Fiala at jfiala@mapc.org or 617-933-0760.

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