

Nov 17, 2023 | 📅 BUFF meeting

Attendees:

Notes

- 12 attendees
- Community Updates:
 - **Sarah Freeman:**
 - Location, size, model of Shattuck Hospital for recovery center.
 - Residents seem to be in opposition
 - Not all residents are on the same page for what next steps
 - Return to parkland?
 - Smaller centers throughout the city?
 - Developers have not changed their proposal Shattuck Hospital/Franklin Park Update, 11/17/23:
 - Response from Neighborhoods around Franklin Park:
 - Website: CORES – Coalition for Region-wide Services – Stopping Shattuck Hospital Plan (wordpress.com)
 - Brief video:
 - Whose Park? - YouTube <https://youtu.be/0Fcy19ODGrS>
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 - Bostonheatmap.com website - photos, videos, data & more: bostonheatmap.com
 - Facebook page: (6) CORES: COalition for REgion-wide Services beyond Franklin Park | Facebook
 - Petition: PLEASE NOTE: DO NOT DONATE \$ ON THE PETITION SITE. ALL FUNDS DONATED THERE WOULD GO TO IPETITION AND NOT CORES.:
<https://www.ipetitions.com/petition/the-future-of-franklin-park-is-in-your-hands?fbclid=IwAR1e9yLpZGMkosFCJhof5a2tI5VKR9b5x7T7VvWc0x9NLouMShN7kMILBJ0>
 - IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO DONATE, PLEASE EMAIL THE GROUP AT whoseparkfp@gmail.com Petition THE FUTURE OF FRANKLIN PARK IS IN YOUR HANDS! Halt the BMC's Shattuck Proposal! (ipetitions.com)
 - PS: CORES Email list If you'd like to get email updates & meeting notices from CORES, send an email to [<whoseparkfp@gmail.com>](mailto:whoseparkfp@gmail.com)
 - Article 80 revision to streamline development process and survey open through November and also "Streets and Squares" survey
 - Article 80 modernization survey: Share your ideas and experiences by completing this survey by November 30: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BXW3B6T>

- <https://www.bostonplans.org/planning/planning-initiatives/squares-streets> and direct survey link: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfjndFL3Emv0TJcG4Ru4Egxs1rACD6i1BXkC4UqQJJXKYZFA/viewform>
- **Bill Masterson**
 - Tree East just planted its 300th tree in East Boston and has put away its shovels
 - Begun planting in school playgrounds through principals and school playgrounds
 - Given away 57 yard trees (6-8' trees and TreeEastie does the planting) by planting on private property
 - Neighborhood education through door hangers - adopt a tree, 311 requests, door to door outreach to streets (petitions of 3-7 trees on a street in East Boston)
- **Melissa Ludtke** (Cambridge) - Miyawaki Forest
 - First private Miyawaki Forest on private yard - about 4 parking spots large on yard of 80 year old woman's property
- **Lisa Beatman**
 - Thanks to SFTT for planting trees
 - Thanked Dira and others for supporting the Nature Based Solution group
 - Follow Up with Mariama coming up
- **Jessie Scott**
 - Update on the Boston Urban Connections and sharing of resources from local and national partners
- **Dira Johanif**
 - Charles River Watershed put out RFR for consultants for tree preservation plan - <https://www.crwa.org/employment/#tree-rfr>
- **Amara Chittenden** (Community Engagement Coordinator for Tree Alliance)
 - Started meeting in subcommittees as part of the Alliance
 - Planted 3 trees with Habitat for Humanity
 - bostontreealliance@massaudubon.org
- **Celeste Walker**
 - Arroyo was defeated - he led the efforts for the ordinance, but was only on public land
 - Group was disappointed with feedback from the city
 - Group is pausing and will take stock of where things are
 - Need a councilor or two to sponsor an ordinance - who will prioritize it?
 - Will Pepin (Arroyo's district) take this on?
 - Will past staff from Arroyo's office stay on?
 - Time is of the essence
- Move into more intentional space where people can discuss ideas and ways forward for 2024

- Survey <https://forms.gle/f1tmxVmGV35LfbVt9>
- Discussion
 - Ordinance working group? (Celeste and Sarah)
 - Community Representation
 - Species selection for urban
 - Salting for winter
 - Depaving: changing surface parking to have more greenspace and trees
 - Transportation safety and urban forestry
 - Everyday behavior patterns (community engagement and education) - eg, dogs, decoration of tree pits
 - Gas leaks

Action items

