



**Dudley Vision Advisory Task Force
General Working Session ~ June 26, 2008
Hibernian Hall @ 6:30pm – 8:00pm**

Meeting Purpose:

- *Provide general overview of Dudley Vision Advisory Task Force role and scope*
- *Review Advisory Task Force operational procedures & structure*
- *Review General Schedule and logistics*

MEETING NOTES:

In Attendance:

Advisory Task Force

J. Smith; D. Walker; S. Shaw; A. Hurley; J. Stanley; F. Fairfield; R. Garry, Jr.;
N. Stenbridge; C. Nelson; and C. Hardaway

City of Boston

S. Duran; D. Whiteside

AGENDA ITEMS

I. Role of Advisory Task Force

Scope of Work

Coordination with Dudley Working Group & City Agencies

Coordination with Deputy Directors

Leadership of the Task Force

- Presentation of Ron Garry, Jr. and Catherine Hardaway as Co-Chairs of the Mayoral Advisory Task Force
- Distribution of Advisory Task Force “Roles, Scope & Responsibility” document.
- Relative to the “life span” of the advisory task force and its ultimate objective, it will be to provide community perspective and input relative to the overall Dudley Vision Projects (e.g. Police Station) as well as a proposed Dudley Vision Strategic Action Plan which will include programmatic elements such as Retail, Transportation and Environmental/Quality of Life.
- Advisory Task Force will have what are called “general working sessions” which will be open to the public. These will also be supplemented by general quarterly community meetings.
- These may be organized and managed similar to general City of Boston/BRA Planning initiative meetings and State “Listening Sessions” with a clear agenda and organized order with “sign-in” for those who wish to speak regarding topic.

II. Advisory Task Force Operations

Communications

Meeting Notes/Minutes and Materials

Outreach

Task Force Membership and Participation

Project Coordination

- Managing Advisory Task Force Member participation and absences through outreach. City Staff responsibility
- Policy for Meeting Note to be available at subsequent Advisory Task Force Working Sessions and on BRA website.
- Institute practice of providing appropriate briefing materials prior to meetings to the extent possible.
- Institute practice of having Advisory Task Force Working Session notes on website and library (at designated spot) after each meeting.
- Potential to place notices using community vehicles. Important to utilize things like TV, Radio, Newspaper
- Consistently share information on Bay State Banner. Perhaps develop a one page “Update Notice” for placement in area institutions (e.g. Churches, Barbershops, Businesses, Non-Profits, etc.)

General Discussion Items

- Timeframe for the Guscott demolition
- Public notification of the public about the Advisory Task Force working sessions
- Communications: Possible to link information to Main Streets. Use of Boston Banner’s blog.
- Listing of all parties/contact information by next meeting.
- Concerned about the placement of the B2 Police Station. Too close to Hurley Wire
- Importance of retaining businesses. Needs to be part of proposed Dudley Vision Retail Strategy.
- Crime, Public Safety should be considered as part of the Quality of Life, Public Health Strategy.
- Design Competition for New Municipal Building: Question as to the effect on completion schedule: The competition will enable the City of Boston to choose the best possible pool of design candidates who can become applicants for final design contract.
- Question regarding RFP creation and role of Advisory Task Force
- Potential for Co-Chairs to devise means of managing turn of speakers (among Advisory Task Force Members) during Working Sessions