

# PLAN: South Boston Dot. Ave

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## Vision Statements for Previous Planning Studies

### ① Brighton - Guest Street

*2040 Vision: A Creative District*

The Brighton Guest Street Area Planning Study establishes the framework and urban design guidelines that will shape future development and a coherent vision for an innovative and vibrant mixed use urban destination in Brighton, Boston's western "front door." The underutilized 100-acre district will become a destination in the heart of the Allston Brighton community with a unique identity and an attractive blend of pedestrian scaled streets, public parks and plazas, and neighborhood amenities.

### ② Harrison-Albany Corridor

**Backstreets Sub-Area**

*The Backstreets sub-area should continue to preserve the light industrial uses while encouraging complementary commercial and research uses that create new jobs. The architectural character of future development should reinforce the existing scale, incorporate new green technologies, and set an example for quality contemporary design in a historic context. The sub-area should welcome a new streetscape that improves the aesthetics and safety for pedestrians and vehicles.*

### ③ Newmarket

The Newmarket Industrial-Commercial Neighborhood District ("NIC" District) is the region's economic engine for production and distribution of essential goods and services. Historically, the NIC District has been Boston's established epicenter for food processing, distribution, other light manufacturing industries, and non-industrial compatible uses which support these industries. More recently, it has also become home to core public/private services; professional, scientific and technical businesses; and healthcare facilities. Moving forward the NIC district seeks to integrate innovative and environmentally friendly businesses, and create a diverse and expanding workforce.

### ④ Forest Hills

The Forest Hills Improvement Initiative envisions growth that supports the neighborhood in five key ways:

- **Improved Traffic Patterns:** Improvements will reduce car dependency, minimize any additional automobile traffic to and through Forest Hills and result in smoother, safer flow for cars, pedestrians, and bicycles.
- **Vibrant Mixed Use District:** Improvements will increase the number and range of local retail and service businesses and community uses. New residential development should add to the existing mix of rental and ownership housing in the area.
- **Community Orientation:** Improvements should provide opportunity for community ownership and interaction by creating spaces for public gatherings and markets, artist exhibits, and locally owned retail and service businesses.
- **Green / Sustainable Development:** Forest Hills should be a model for green / sustainable development including healthy, energy efficient buildings and transit-oriented, neighborhood-scaled development.
- **Green Space Assets:** Access to Forest Hill's numerous green space assets should be increased by better connections and improved with new landscaping.

### ⑤ Hyde Park

Hyde Park should be an attractive, vibrant, and safe neighborhood that:

- Celebrates its unique cultural and urban diversity, and natural and historic resources;
- Provides housing, jobs, commercial and recreational opportunities for a diverse population;
- Supports and encourages the expanding creative economy; and
- Is innovative in the reuse/redevelopment of underutilized buildings and parcels.

### ⑥ Fairmount Indigo Corridor

*The Fairmount Indigo Corridor is a unique collection of neighborhoods and urban centers within Boston that provide new opportunities to link culturally rich residential areas with mixed-use amenities in a setting that is accessible and affordable, reinforcing the idea that "the entire world is at home here."*

### ⑦ Columbia Point

The Columbia Point Master Plan establishes a vision for a vibrant and sustainable new community on Columbia Point, transforming an automobile-oriented neighborhood into a transit-oriented community. A mix of land uses — homes, offices, shops, restaurants, hotels — will line ample, treelined streets, inviting people to live, work, and shop in close proximity. Pedestrians and bicyclists alike will be able to navigate Columbia Point on new multi-modal paths, providing improved connections to the adjacent Dorchester and South Boston neighborhoods, as well as the waterfront. New parks and recreational facilities, along with a diversity of housing types, will attract individuals, couples and families. Development will meet more stringent requirements for energy and resource conservation, including on-site renewable energy.

