### RUGGLES STREET RECONSTRUCTION

TREMONT STREET TO WASHINGTON STREET

**DECEMBER 9, 2019** 

# WELCOME TO THE RUGGLES STREET OPEN HOUSE

Open House 6:00 – 6:30

Presentation 6:30



#### RUGGLES PROJECT UPDATE MEETING AGENDA

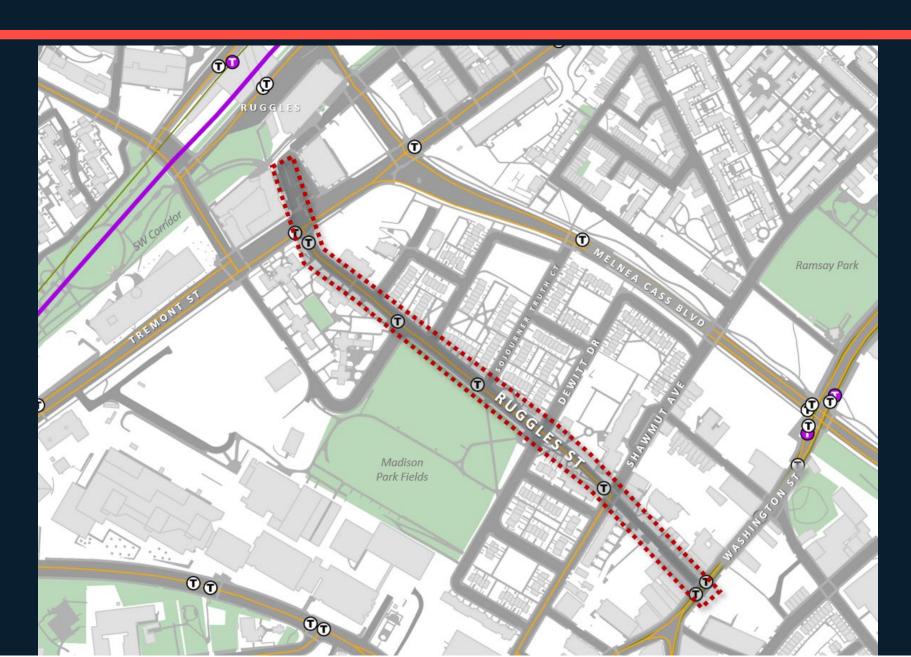
December 9, 2019 6:00 PM

Open House 30 Minutes

Presentation 25 Minutes

Discussion and Open House

### **RUGGLES STREET PROJECT LIMITS**



## **RUGGLES STREET REDESIGN: Public Meetings**



May 16, 2018

**Open House #1** 

August 23, 2018

**Open House #2** 



October 15, 2018

**Walking Tour** 

November 15, 2018 Open House #3

September 4, 2019

**Project Update** 

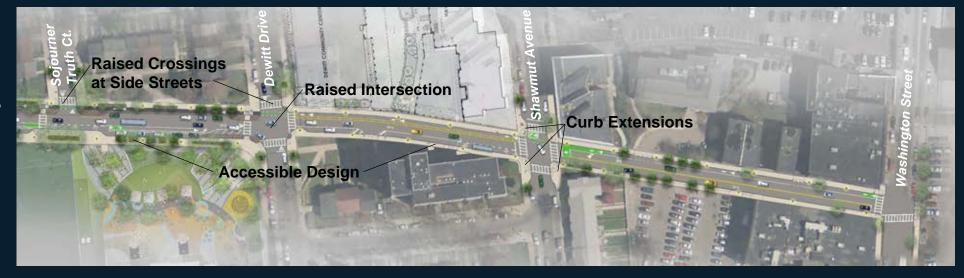
### **RUGGLES STREET DESIGN: Concerns We Heard**

- Pedestrian Safety and Accessibility
- Traffic Calming
- Lighting
- Tree Preservation
- Bicycle Accommodations
- Parking
- Traffic Flow
- Beautification and Public Art

### PEDESTRIAN SAFETY AND ACCESSIBILITY

- Wider Sidewalks
- Additional Marked Crosswalks
- Raised Crossings at Side Streets
- Raised Intersections
- Narrowed Travel Lanes and Roadway
- Bus Bulb-Outs
- Accessible Design
  - Cross slopes
  - Surface
  - Width
  - Pedestrian Ramps





### PEDESTRIAN SAFETY AND ACCESSIBILITY

Ruggles Street and Dewitt Drive



### TRAFFIC CALMING

- Narrowed Roadway
- Raised Crossings at Side Streets
- Raised Intersections
- Tighter Curb Radii
- Curb Extensions





# LIGHTING

New Ornamental Lighting







# TREE PRESERVATION, STEWARDSHIP, GREENING

- Design Developed to Accommodate Preservation of Mature Trees
- Extensive Tree
   Protection Methods
   During Construction
- New Tree Planting
- Improved TreePlanting Conditions
- Green Infrastructure
  - Permeable Pavers
  - Porous Asphalt in Cycle Tracks





# TREE PRESERVATION, STEWARDSHIP, GREENING

- Site walk with Boston Parks and Recreation staff in October 2019
- Identified trees for possible removal due to health and design reasons
- Removal of 6 Trees
   Recommended
- Tree Board Hearing December 5, 2019 – Contact Parks with Concerns

#### STREET TREE COUNT

Existing 46

Removed 6

New 36

Total 76

Net New 30





### **BICYCLE ACCOMMODATIONS**

- Two-Way Bicycle Accommodations
- Raised Cycle Track where Possible
- Connection to Ruggles Station and Southwest Corridor Park





# **Parking**

- Ample Resident Parking (<50% Occupied)
- Two-thirds of Cars in Unrestricted Zones are from Outside of Roxbury Zip Codes
- Maintain Critical
   Parking (adjacent to Park and Haynes
   House)
- Reallocate Parking Regulations to Accommodate Residents and Visitors and Not Long-Term Parking for those Going Elsewhere





# **Traffic Flow**

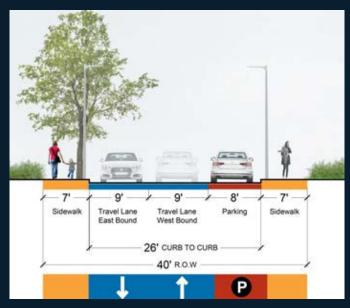
# Community Concerns with one-way flow:

- Difficulty making a left from Williams to Shawmut
- Concern about travel time
- Concern about circuitous travel route

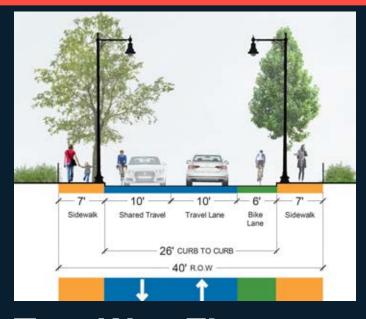




# RECOMMENDATION: Keep Two –Way Flow



**Existing** 



**Two-Way Flow** 



### **Beautification and Public Art**

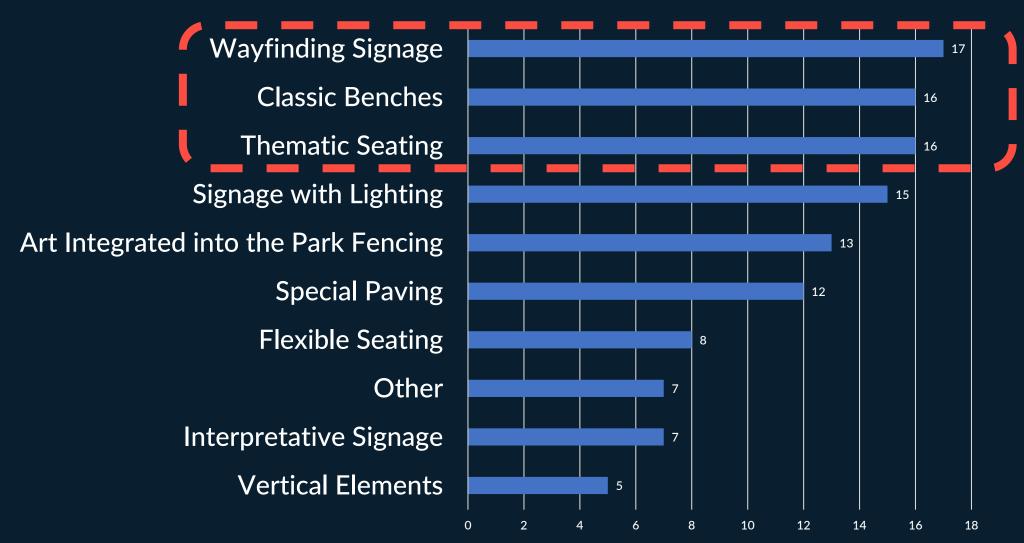
- Street Trees
- New Ornamental Lighting Fixtures
- Public Art



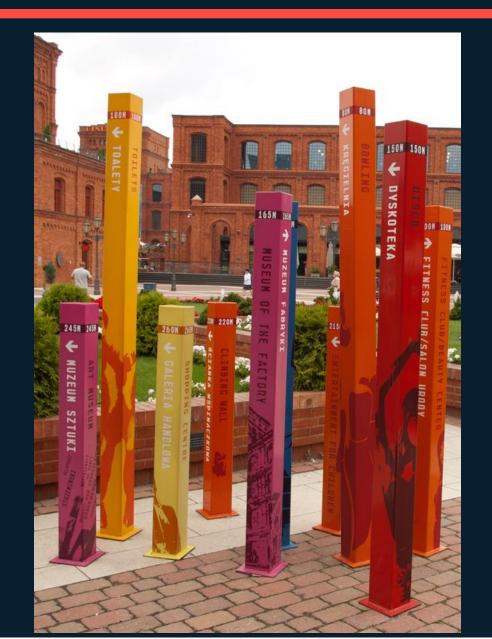


### **PUBLIC ART UPDATE: Streetscape Public Art Preferences**

#### **What Art Elements Do You Prefer?**



## **PUBLIC ART UPDATE: Streetscape Public Art**



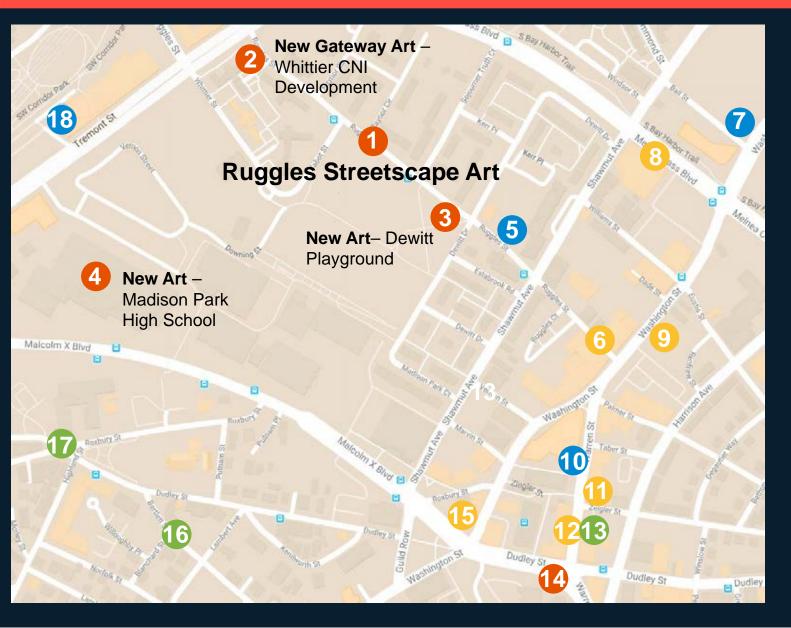


### **PUBLIC ART UPDATE: Streetscape Public Art Preferences**

#### THEMATIC SUGGESTIONS FOR STREETSCAPE ART

- Local History
- People of the Community
- Local Culture

### PUBLIC ART UPDATE: Ruggles Area Public Art Installations



- 5 Sculpture Helion Madison Square
- 6 Mural Ruggles at Washington
- 7 Sculpture 'Airfoil' Ramsay Park
- 8 Mural Tropical Foods
- 9 Mural Hamill Gallery of African Art
- 10 Sculpture Criss-Cross Signal Spire
- 11 Mural Ziegler and Warren Street
- Mural Boston Community Capital
- 13 Historic Marker Palladio Hall
- **14** New Art Boston Public Library Dudley Branch
- 15 Mural Washington at Malcolm X Blvd.
- 16 Historic Marker Spooner Lambert House
- 17 Memorial Korey Grant and Charles Copney
- **18** Sculpture Boston Police Headquarters

### **DESIGN UPDATE: Tentative Schedule**













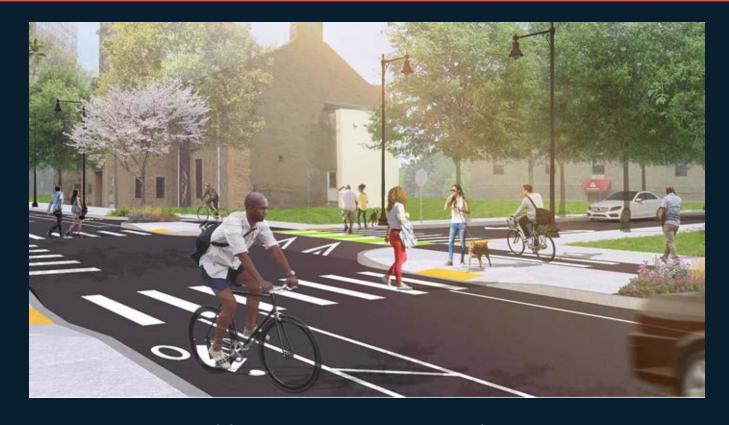
----- FINAL PLANS -----

RUGGLES STREET RECONSTRUCTION

Artist Selection Community
Meetings with
Design Team

Final Design Construction
Coordinated
with Street
Reconstruction

## DISCUSSION



Project Website: <a href="https://www.boston.gov/ruggles-street-project">https://www.boston.gov/ruggles-street-project</a>

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