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# **NEW YEAR, NEW DECADE**

As 2020 begins, we look forward to keeping you updated on BID news and projects – the Parcel 2 spruce up, funding the Greenway Conservancy's development of an asset management system, and the lighting study for the Chinatown Park – already in progress as well as the impactful enhancements we hope to deliver in the year ahead under the guidance of our Enhancements Committee and BID Board.

As always, we sincerely appreciate your support and dedication to The Greenway and The Greenway BID. If you have any questions or feedback on this newsletter, please contact Tom Ryan at tryan@abettercity.org.

## LATEST NEWS Parcel 2 Update

Progress continues around the public process that will ultimately lead to the creation of a new Greenway park in the North End, in a space currently referred to as Parcel 2. The Greenway BID providing funding to spruce up the area in the interim.



The latest meeting, the 4th in a series of 5 planned public meetings, featured a **presentation** from the **project team** on the preferred park design that incorporated changes based on the last round of public feedback.

The fifth and final public meeting will occur in Spring 2020. We will share the meeting information with BID members when it becomes available.

### **Enhancements Framework for 2020**

2020 will be a year where we continue to move forward on BID enhancement dollars towards visible, impactful, and engaging projects in each and every region of The Greenway. The Enhancements Committee, co-chaired by Ron Druker and Peter See, will meet during the first quarter to identify potential projects for that are worthy of support. Meanwhile, the Conservancy is working to implement a state of good repair asset management system for the entire Greenway. A proper assessment of existing assets will help to ensure BID enhancement dollars are used effectively and strategically.

## **GREENWAY CONSERVANCY NEWS** Celebrating 10 Years of The Greenway

As the Greenway Conservancy wraps up its tenth season maintaining and operating The Greenway, the Conservancy took a moment to look back at some highlights of the last year. From ever-changing public art installations to free public programming, sustainably maintained lawns and gardens to unmatched food truck selection, the Conservancy is proud of all 2019 had to offer and excited for what's coming next. Read more on the **Greenway Conservancy Blog**.

### Inside Year of the Pig: Greenway Conservancy Blog

The Chinese Zodiac's Year of the Pig is coming to a close and so too is the installation of eight ceramic pigs by artist Elliott Kayser on The Greenway. To celebrate this year of fortune and good luck, the Conservancy shared details of how each unique pig was made by hand. Read more on the <u>Greenway Conservancy Blog</u>.

# **GREENWAY CONSERVANCY EVENTS**

Public Art Community Listening Session: Chinatown Lightworks Project



Thursday, February 6, 2020 4:30 PM – 7:30 PM | Pao Arts Center 99 Albany Street, Boston, MA 02111 We invite you to join the Conservancy for a community listening session with artist Yu-Wen Wu on her Chinatown Lightworks project. Translation services and light snacks will be provided.

Local artist Yu-Wen Wu was selected by a

Chinatown community jury for the creation of a temporary, site-specific, light-based artwork for Chin Park on The Greenway. The artwork will be installed in early August 2020 and will remain on display for 3-6 months.

#### Calendar Event Facebook Event

Chin Park Lighting Study: Community Feedback Session Wednesday, February 12, 2020 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Asian Community Development Corporation | Metropolitan Room

Please join the Greenway Conservancy and engineering team AECOM for a community meeting to provide your input on possible lighting upgrades on The Greenway in Chinatown. Translation services and light snacks will be provided.

The slideshow presented at the meeting will be made available following our meeting on the Greenway Conservancy website. The Conservancy will also ask community members for feedback through a written survey as well as through direct participation at the community meeting.

### Greenway Volunteer Winter Pruning

The Conservancy's pruning projects offer an opportunity to learn how to prune plant material and work side by side with Conservancy staff to care for The Greenway's trees and shrubs. Hand warmers and gloves are provided. Training is required and will be done onsite.

These volunteer opportunities occur on a routine basis. Please check out the Conservancy's <u>event page</u> or <u>contact</u> the Conservancy's Volunteer Coordinator with any questions or to sign up!



### Annual Reconfiguration of the Abstract Sculpture

Sunday, April 19, 2020 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM Armenian Heritage Park 115 Atlantic Avenue and Cross Street, Boston Rain date: Sunday, April 26, 2020 SAVE THE DATE!



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