# **Envisioning Wayland Center**





Wayland, Massachusetts

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#### Introduction

#### Project Intent:

To create an economically and socially vibrant 'New England village' town center that reduces Route 20's dividing impact and provides increased pedestrian and bicyclist connectivity safely throughout the area.

#### Suggested strategies:

- Invest in infrastructure and streetscaping to enhance the whole of Wayland Center as a pedestrian friendly economic hub.
- Installing high visibility crosswalks on Rte. 20.
- Encouraging connections across and to the 'Mass Central Rail Trail'.
- Evaluate the possibility of relocating front yard parking to the rear of existing buildings to increase continuous building frontage, sidewalk connectivity, street landscaping, and bike lanes.









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- Evaluate and recommend streetscape improvements for a New England village quality.
- Evaluate zoning to encourage creating spaces for accessible sidewalks, landscaping and pedestrian gathering spaces.
- Use consistent streetscape treatments to provide harmony within the whole of Wayland Center.
- Review local traffic patterns and recommend alternate connections.
- From ideas gleaned from Public Forums and Staff meetings, develop Masterplan to help implement the creation of a cohesive Town Center.







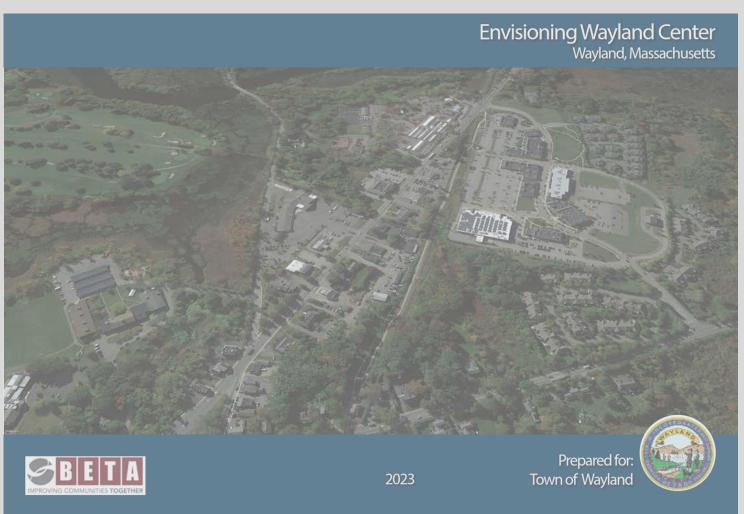
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evaluation of the existing conditions.

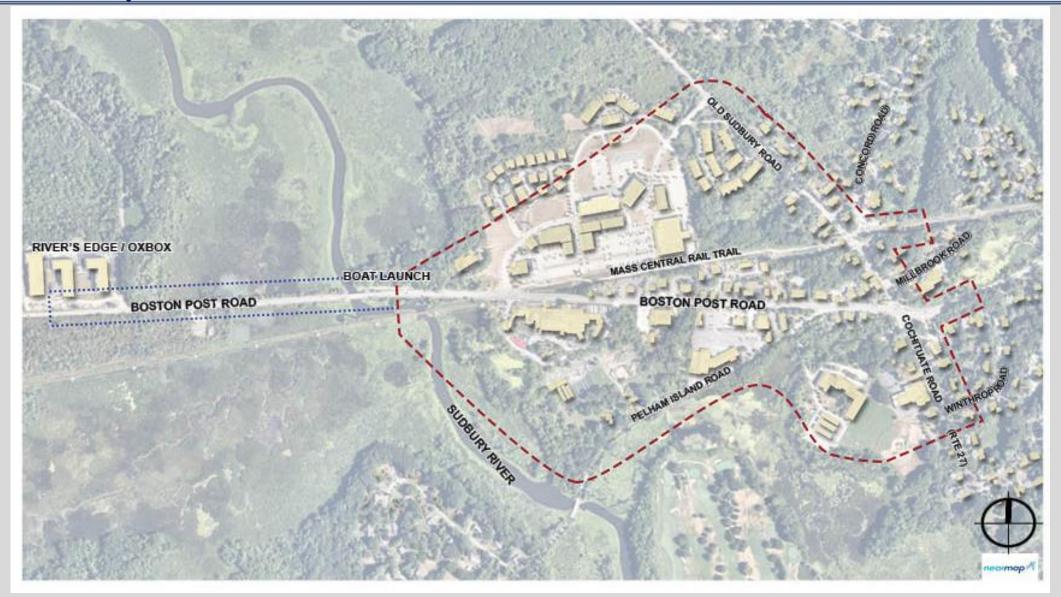
#### It includes:

- Zoning Review and Land Uses
  - Commercial & Residential
- Areas of Flooding and Wetlands
- Sidewalks and Crosswalks types
- Parking Inventory & Occupancy
- Traffic Circulation Data
- Traffic Accident Data
- Landscape Evaluation
  - Planting
  - Lighting
  - Street Furniture





## Project Area



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**Zoning and Land Use** 



#### **Business A**

• Minimum Lot Size 20,000 sf (198-705.2) Retail & Offices, between 30,000 and 2 Acres for Automotive

Maximum Lot Coverage 75% Retail & Offices, 25% Automotive

Minimum Lot Frontage
120' (198-705.2) Retail, 125' or 200' Automotive

Minimum Setback

No buildings in this district are currently permissible to be built fronting the bike path without frontage on Rte. 20

#### **Business B**

•	Minimum Lot Size	None
•	Maximum Lot Coverage	25%
•	Minimum Lot Frontage	None
•	Minimum Front Setback	60 <b>′</b>

#### **Limited Commercial (nonresidential)**

•	Minimum Lot Size	None
•	Maximum Lot Coverage	20%
•	Minimum Lot Frontage	None

Buildings in this district are currently permissible to be built fronting the bike path without frontage on Rte. 20

#### **Light Manufacturing**

•	Minimum Lot Size	None
•	Maximum Lot Coverage	75%
•	Minimum Lot Frontage	None

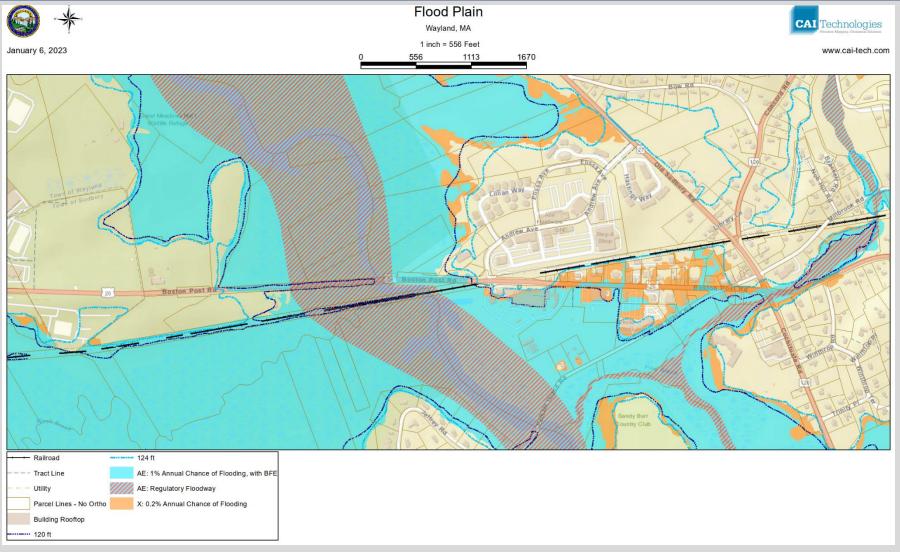
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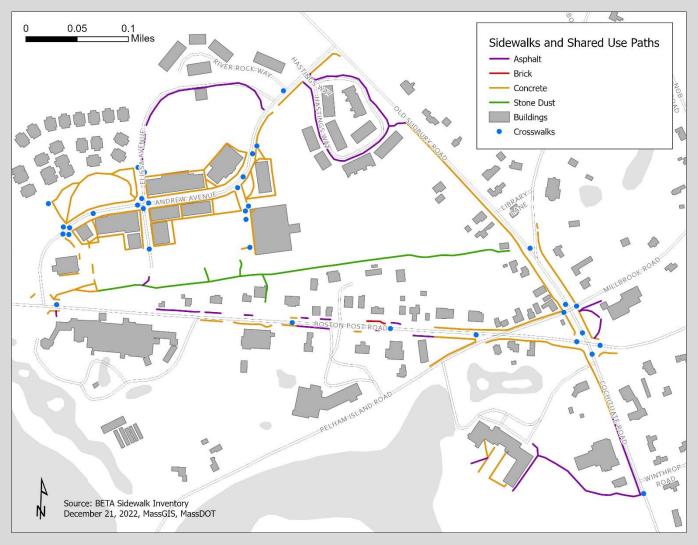
Wetlands





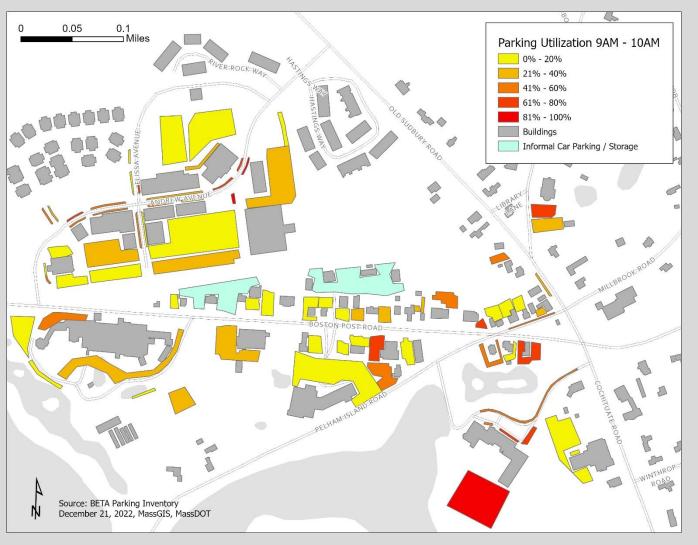
**Areas of Flooding** 





**Pedestrian and Bicycle Infrastructure** 

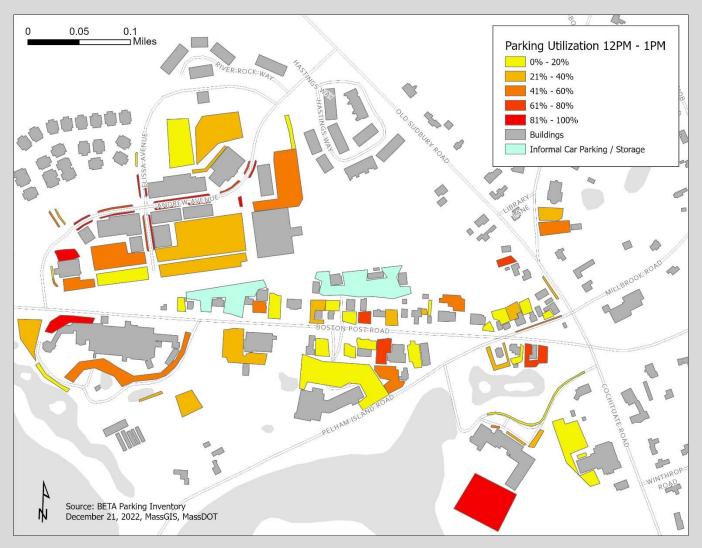




**Morning Hours** 

**Parking Infrastructure** 

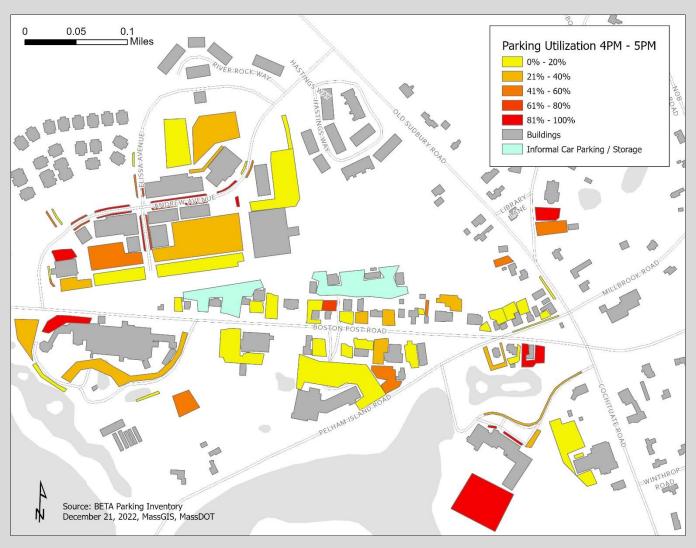




**Afternoon Hours** 

**Parking Infrastructure** 

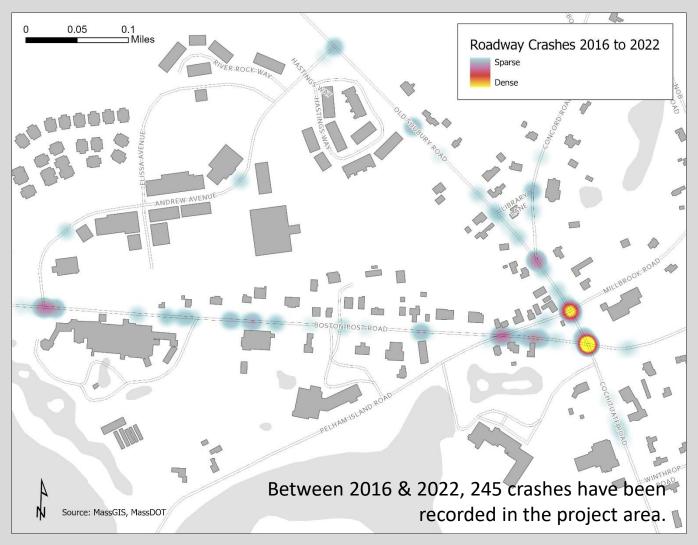




**Late Afternoon Hours** 

**Parking Infrastructure** 





**Traffic Accident Data** 













**Existing Commercial Development** 











**Existing Residential Development** 





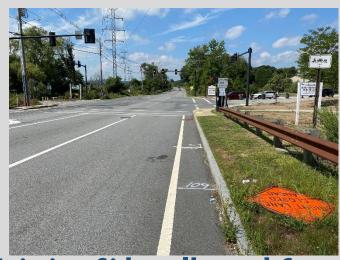












**Existing Sidewalks and Crosswalks** 













Existing Bike & Pedestrian Trails











**Existing Parking** 









**Existing Street Landscaping** 



#### Next Steps

- 1. Base Plan Preparation
  - Base plan prepared
    - Surveys compiled
    - Zoning and Wetlands maps complete
    - Sidewalk inventory done
  - Parking counts complete
  - Traffic Infrastructure Assessment in progress
- 2. Further information required
  - Sewer capacity
  - Traffic Volume Data (counts)
  - Landscape Evaluation
    - Plants
    - Lighting
    - Street Furniture



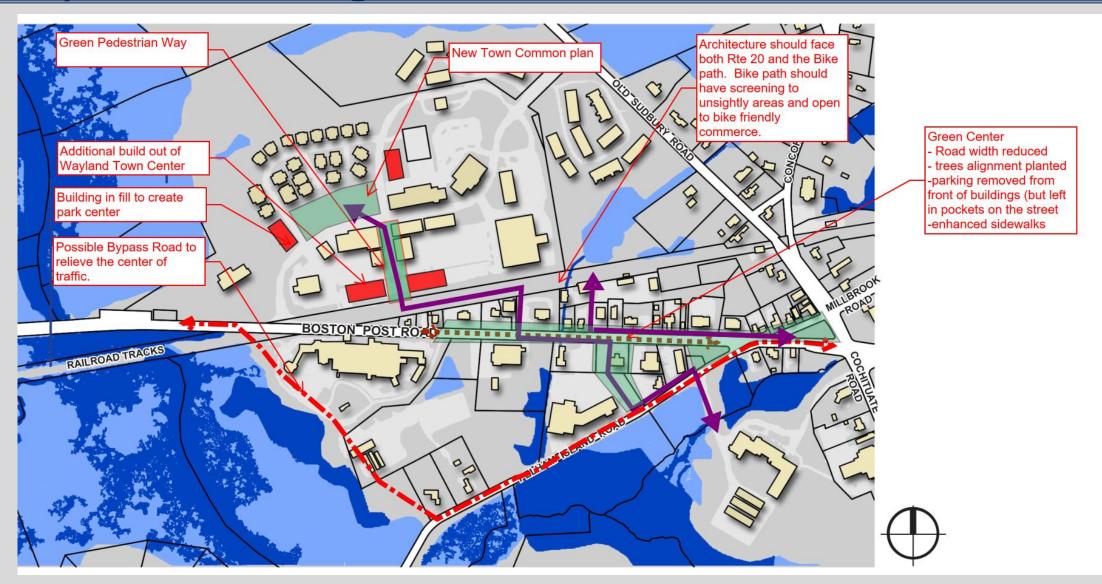


#### Next Steps

- 3. Develop and Present Public Forum Presentation
  - Site Preferences
  - Street Preferences
  - Building Preferences
- 4. Analysis of Land use Patterns and Zoning Regulations
- 5. Alternatives Development (based on Public input)
- 6. Public Forum to present Alternatives
- 7. Preferred Alternate developed
  - Recommended Zoning alternatives
  - Recommended Streetscape improvements
  - Conceptual Cost estimate
- 8. Wayland Town Center Improvements Masterplan Report



#### Early Review Thoughts



## Summary of Our Review



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**Pedestrian Way Along Route 20** 



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## Next Steps – Public Forum



#### First Public Forum Questions

How do you see the Downtown?

To start the conversation tell us how you feel about the following:

- What do you like about the Downtown?
- What issues do you have with the Downtown?
  - Getting to...
  - Parking...
  - Types of business...
  - ADA...
  - Travel speeds...
  - Other things...
- What changes would you make?
- In your travels, have you visited a downtown that impressed you? If so, where?



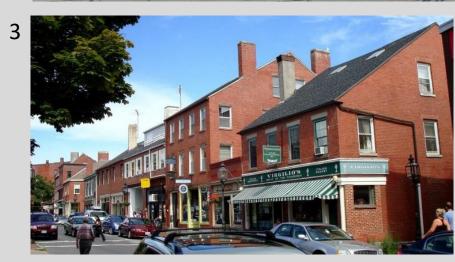
#### First Public Forum

#### Visual Preference Photos

- Overall Character and Scale
- Rooflines and Facades
- Street Level Facades, Windows, Doors and Awnings
- Single Tenant Retail
- Multi-Tenant Retail
- Development of Visual Corner Lots
- Focal Points
- Parking and Landscape Design
- Sidewalk and Streetscapes
- Bike Path
- Building Height
- On & Off Street Parking

#### Visual Preference









**Overall Character and Scale** 

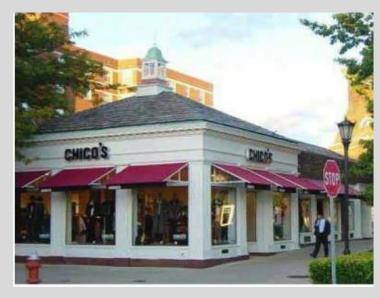


#### Visual Preference

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**Rooflines and Facades** 



#### Visual Preference

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Street Level Facades, Windows, Doors and Awnings

