

**FACT SHEET**  
**FRANKLIN STREET REDEVELOPMENT STUDY: PHASE 2**  
**DECEMBER 2013**

- **VISION:** Franklin Street will remain a critical transportation facility for all modes of travel, **linking I-295** and Back Cove to the waterfront and island ferries and serving as an **attractive gateway** to the city. Franklin Street will be a **vibrant, active and walkable urban corridor**, connecting neighborhoods and destinations. It will enhance the urban fabric of the city through **mixed-use development** of appropriate, functional and **diverse residential, commercial and recreational space** in the midst of **attractive streetscapes**. **All modes of travel**, including motor vehicle, public transit, bicycle and pedestrian, **shall be able to coexist** in a design that is safe and environmentally sound for an urban setting through state-of-the-art design utilizing optimum architecture, street widths, curbs, sidewalks and street level crosswalks, and other appropriate amenities such as vegetation, trees and art.
  
- **Phase 1** was a visioning process with broad public participation
  
- **Phase 2** will assess feasibility of concepts by
  - **using data** to evaluate Phase 1 components
  - continuing to follow a **Complete Streets** model
  - **engaging the public** to inform decision-making process.
  
- **Phase 2** will arrive at a **single final preferred design alternative** that will meet future multiple needs and support vibrant growth
  
- **The data used to evaluate the range of alternatives will include:**
  - **Accessibility:** connectivity, transit, bike/ped
  - **Urbanism and Land Use:** mixed-use, aesthetics, ease of use, wayfinding
  - **Environment and Energy:** reduce energy, enhance greenspace, anticipate storm surge
  - **Health and Safety:** promote physical activity, enhance safety, reduce vehicle speeds

- **Community and Economic Development:** connect to ferries, preserve neighborhoods, improve access to jobs and centers of activity
- **Study Schedule is as follows:**
  - **June 2013:** Kick Off
  - **Early Fall 2013:** Create Baseline Conditions Report
  - **Late Fall 2013:** Create Future Conditions Report
  - **January 29, 2014: First Public Meeting/Refining Alternatives**
  - **Winter/Spring 2014:** Development of Final Alternatives and Analysis of Alternatives
  - **Summer 2014:** Second Public Meeting/Arrive at Preferred Design
- **For more information:**
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