

City of Waltham Massachusetts Community Preservation Act Historic, Open Space and Recreation Funding Application WCPA-1



APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name of Applicant ⁽¹⁾ City of Waltham

Name of Co-Applicant, if applicable ⁽¹⁾ _____

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PROJECT BASICS

Address of Project (or Assessor's Parcel ID) 15 Gardner St Waltham MA 02452

CPA Category (check all that apply):

- ☒ Open space
- ☐ Historic preservation
- ☒ Open space recreation
- ☐ Community Housing (You must also complete Application WCPA-2)

CPA Funding Requested \$ 344, 800.00

Total Cost of Proposed Project \$494,800.00 (Pre-Bid Estimate)

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Attach answers to the following questions. Applications will be returned as incomplete if all requested information is not provided. Include supporting materials as necessary.

GOALS: What are the goals of the proposed project?

COMMUNITY NEED: Why is this project needed? Does it address needs identified in existing City plans?

COMMUNITY SUPPORT: What is the nature and level of support for this project? Include letters of support and any petitions.

TIMELINE: What is the schedule for project implantation? Include a timeline for all critical items for their

CITY OF WALTHAM
COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT
HISTORIC, OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION FUNDING APPLICATION WCPA -1
FOR IMPROVEMENTS WALTHAM HOUSING AUTHORITY
DANA COURT SPRAY PARK CONSTRUCTION

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

GOALS

The overall GOAL shared by everyone in the Waltham Housing Authority community is for a complete reconstruction of the Dana Courtyard area to include the following improvements; new and improved splash pad area, pedestrian access, site furnishings, ADA upgrades, low maintenance plantings, security lighting and onsite drainage upgrades.

The courtyard area rehabilitation process has been a collaborative effort between the City of Waltham, Waltham Housing Authority, DHCD and residents of the property. The final design was presented to the Housing Authority staff for approval (see attached) and is currently in the processing of being reviewed by DHCD staff and then the Housing Authority Board members.

The following list of site improvements are more detailed below. These will be implemented during the construction phase of this project;

- New dedicated Splash Pad area for the water spray features
- A total of (8) new spray park features to be implemented into the site dedicated splash area
- New fencing around entire spray park for safety of the park users
- ADA compliant walking paths (entire exterior of the ¾ enclosed courtyard)
- Security lighting within interior of the site using the existing lights
- New plantings throughout the site (trees, shrubs, ornamental grasses, perennials and some turf)
- Improved downspouts for the roof runoffs from the surround residences of the courtyard
- Complete upgrades to subsurface drainage that's acceptable for both Waltham and DHCD proper practices / I&I standards
- New Site furnishings to include; picnic tables, shade canopies, park benches, solar trash receptacles, equipment vault, signage

COMMUNITY NEEDED

See above.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

The Mayor, staff of the Housing Authority and agents from the Department of Housing and Community Development have all advocated for the redevelopment of the Dana Court open space area into a new spray park for local residents.

TIMELINE: ASAP

The project is currently undergoing the public bid process between the Waltham Housing Authority and DHCD alongside the hired Design consultants. The following schedule is what's anticipated for moving along:

Central Ad Published: 10/24
Pre-Bid Meeting: 11/1
Bids Due: 11/15

3 Week Period for Bidding

Please note that DHCD will be reviewing the plans and approving all necessary documents relative to their role in the site. The Waltham Housing Authority Board will need to review and approve the final design that DHCD approved.

CREDENTIALS

The Waltham Housing Authority staff, board members and agents of DHCD have extensive experience with reviewing, approving and the implementation of various construction projects among their residences. The Housing/Planning Department, whose funding all of the design and a portion of the construction has also had extensive experience working alongside the Housing Authority on public improvement projects within their local residence units.

BUDGET

Park project Base Bid	\$ 471,500.00
Add Alt 1 (Concrete Sidewalks)	<u>\$ 23,300.00</u>
Total	\$ 494,800.00

Less CDBG Contribution	<u>\$ 150,000.00</u>
Balance of amount requested by CPA	\$ 344,800.00

(Final cost estimates attached)

OTHER FUNDING

The City's CDBG program has allocated \$150,000.00 in Year 43

MAINTENANCE

State land – All future care and control of site will fall under Waltham Housing Authority Staff.

DOCUMENTATION

Please see attached proof of property control.

CONSTRUCTION OR REHABILITATION

See attached

ZONING

Residence B

CITY APPROVALS

None at this time, State property.

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

Site survey shows no need for concerns of any hazards. An allowance has been included in the budget for any unforeseen circumstances that may occur during the construction.

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

Project Documents in process of being package for procurement through DHCD BidDocsOnline.
Proof of procurement will be provided to CPC following all reviews and Ad published in Central Registrar

LEVERAGED ADDITIONAL BENEFITS

State land – City of Waltham is funding both stages of project and cooperating with the WHA for benefit of the citizens living both in the residents surrounding Dana Courtyard and potential users within local community.