







# **Bridgeport Harbor Station Reuse Study Keeping Up With the Project**

The Connecticut Metropolitan Council of Governments (MetroCOG), in partnership with the City of Bridgeport and local partners, is conducting a Site Reuse and Planning Study at the Bridgeport Harbor Station in the South End neighborhood. Since publicly kicking off the project in early 2024, the project team has been working closely with key stakeholders and community members to advance key tasks that will inform the identification of site alternatives. This newsletter provides a brief update on project status and whats coming next!



#### **Market Analysis**

Camoin Associates, a national expert in market and economic conditions, is finalizing a market analysis report that assesses local and regional market conditions and trends, to inform the identification of realistic reuse scenarios. The analysis delves into the conditions of the following markets:



Hospitality



Office



Retail



Residential



General

**Markets** 

## **Physical Conditions Analysis**

The existing site conditions and community profile analysis was conducted to understand the physical conditions of the Bridgeport Harbor Station site and surrounding context. A series of preliminary opportunities and constraints were identified that will be considered as reuse alternatives are explored.















Vulnerability







# **Community Engagement**

We value community and stakeholder feedback as part of the planning process. Below are some of the key outreach activities that have taken place in recent months.

#### **TAC Meeting**

The Technical Advisory Committee met in January and is comprised of state and local government professionals. They are providing the project team with important resources and knowledge about the site.

#### **CAC Meeting**

The Community Advisory Committee met in January and is comprised of representatives from various local organizations, neighborhood groups and special interests. The project team introduced the project and overall goals and engaged attendees in a visioning exercise to gather their ideas and feedback.

#### **Stakeholder Meetings**

The project team has engaged in extensive stakeholder outreach, conducting multiple meetings with local developers, neighboring property owners, and business organizations in the area.

#### **March Public Workshop**

The first public workshop was held on March 23rd, 2024 at Metro Arts Studio. Attendees gained insights into the project and provided feedback on opportunities, constraints, and their vision for the future Bridgeport harbor site. The in-person event drew over 30 community members.

### **South End NRZ Meeting**

The project team attended a South End NRZ meeting in March to discuss the project, solicit feedback, and address questions from the community.

#### **Website**

For convenient access to project-specific information, please refer to the two dedicated online project websites (links can be found at the bottom of this page).

## **Community Survey**

The survey is live! **Scan the QR code** provided to take a brief online survey. Your input will directly shape the direction of this planning study.



# What's Next?

Over the course of **Summer 2024**, the project team will be working on the following:



Develop a series of site plan and land use alternatives



Attend community meetings to solicit feedback

(The Project Team will be at South End Day on Sunday, August 25th)



Host CAC Meeting #2 (Summer 2024)\*



Host public design workshop (Late Summer / Early Fall 2024)\*

\*Please check the project website for updated meeting dates and the latest project information.



For more information about the study, please visit: www.bridgeportharborstationreuse.com