



PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

Survey: open-ended questions common responses

1. What works well about Linear Park?

- The park and path itself as a place to walk, bike, and exercise
- Shade, tree canopy, landscaping, open space
- Proximity to Alewife Station, Mass Ave, & Davis Square

2. What does not work well about Linear Park?

- Crowded, narrow, need more space for different users
- Lack of benches
- Community access points

3. It would be great if Linear Park project included:

- More trees
- Drinking fountains
- Benches & tables



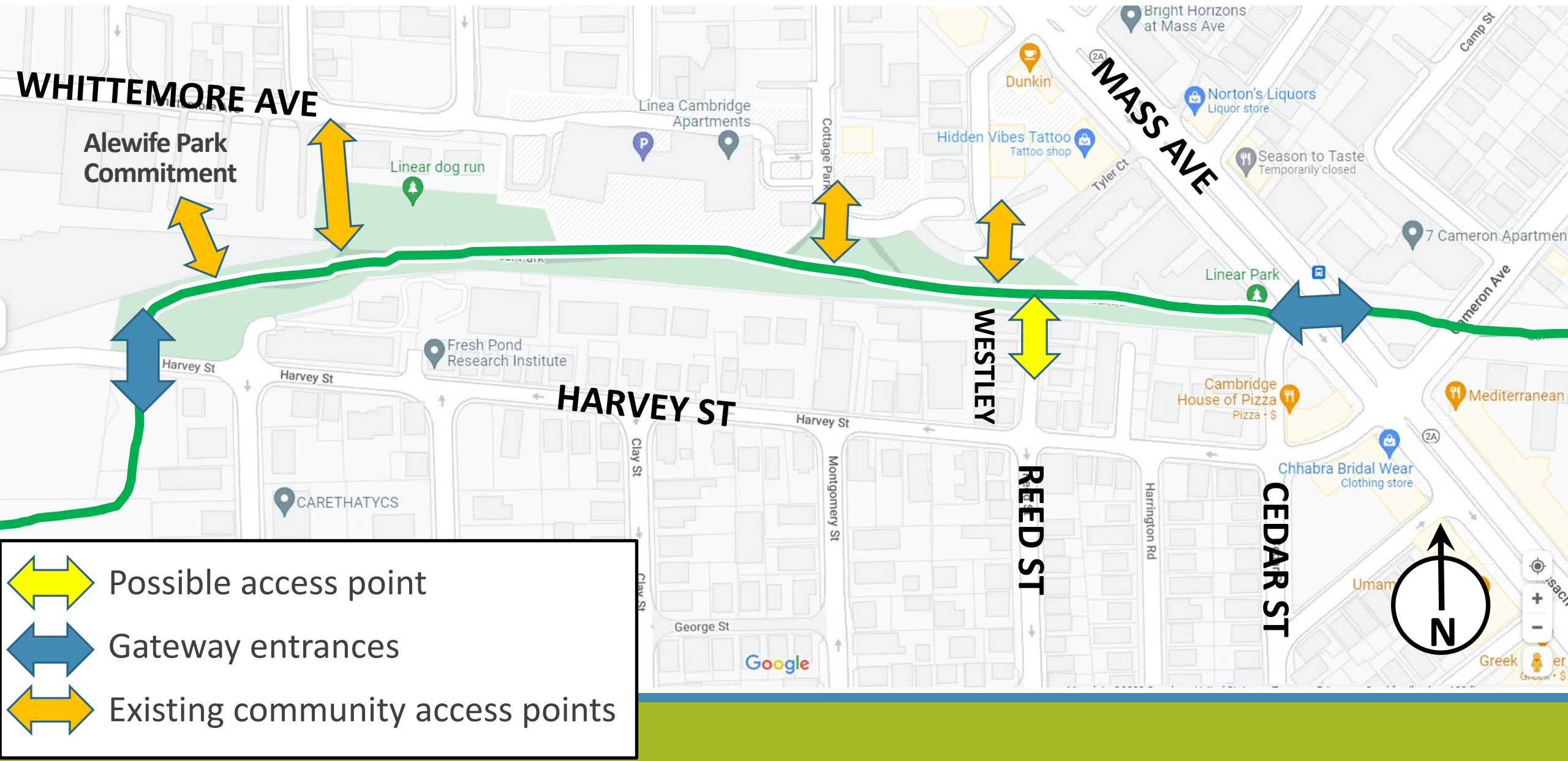
PROJECT GOALS

Linear Park Project Goals

- Widen the path, where possible, for the high volume and mix of different users
- Add a variety of new seating and opportunities for natural play
- Establish stronger community access
- Retain tree canopy, add additional trees and understory plantings
 - Establish better soil and growing conditions
 - Minimize tree removals wherever possible with effort at transplanting
 - Design park and pathway to minimize root zone impacts



Linear Park Community Access Points





Community Access Points

- Multiple requests for additional community access points along Linear Park
- Specific requests for a new community access point at Westley Ave
 - Survey responses
 - Comments on project website (Tell Us Your Thoughts)
- Opposition from Westley residents
 - Following abutters letter about fencing and access points
- City to consider additional feedback

