



The Framingham Centre Common Cultural District

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AGENDA

- Introduction
- Inspiration
- Location
- Assets
- Vision
- Goals
- Process
- How can you participate?



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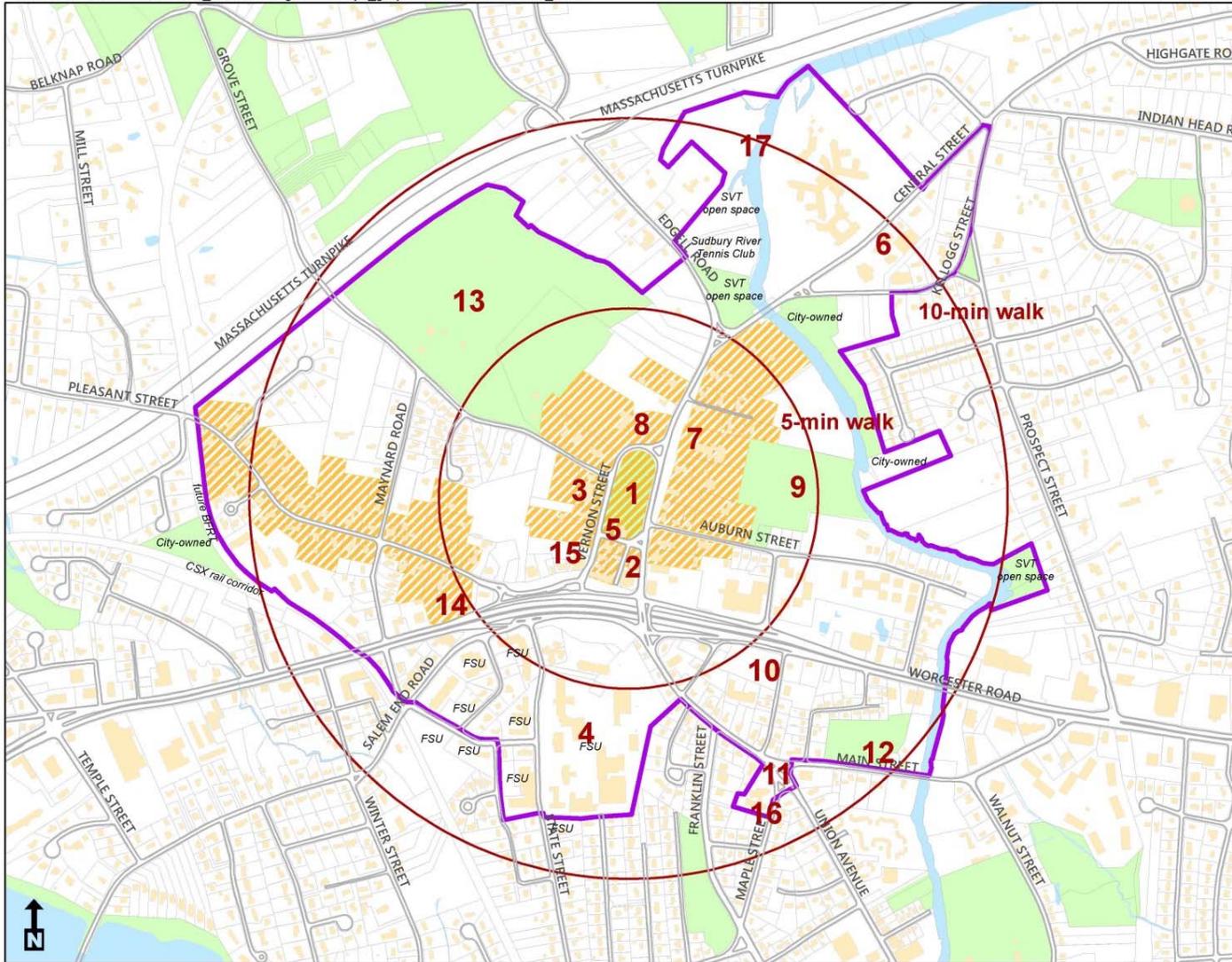


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Framingham Centre Common Cultural District

Key Assets

1. Centre Common
2. History Center
3. Danforth Museum (Jonathan Maynard Building)
4. Framingham State Univ.
5. Village Hall
6. Learning Center for the Deaf
7. Plymouth Church
8. First Parish
9. Victory Field
10. St. Bridget's
11. Buckminster Square
12. Old Burying Ground
13. Edgell Grove Cemetery
14. First Baptist Church
15. Access Framingham
16. St. Andrews Church
17. Sudbury River

Legend

- Cultural District (draft)
- Parcel
- Roads
- Water Bodies
- Buildings
- Open Space
- Historic Districts

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ASSETS

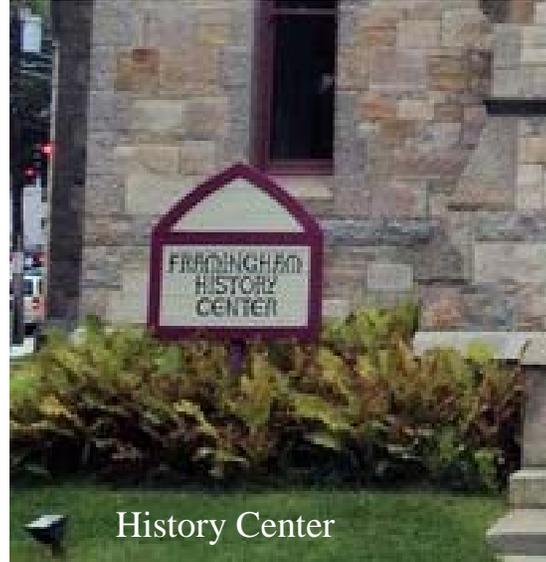
- Arts & Cultural Institutions
- Educational Institutions
- Historic Architecture
- Open Space
- Businesses
- Access



ASSETS: Arts and Culture



Danforth Art Museum



History Center



Summer Concerts on the Common



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Earth Day

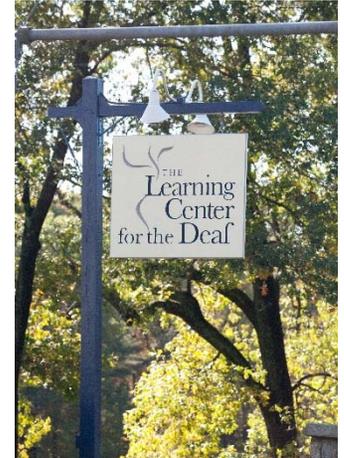
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ASSETS: Educational/Religious

Framingham State University



St. Bridget's Church & School



First Baptist Church

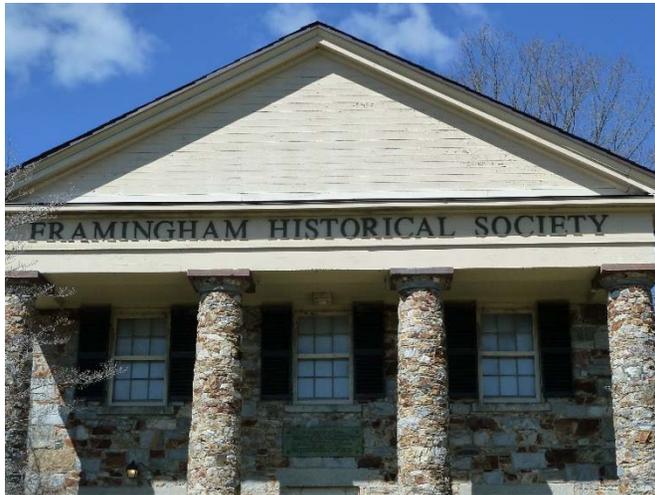


Plymouth Church



First Parish Church

ASSETS: Historic Architecture

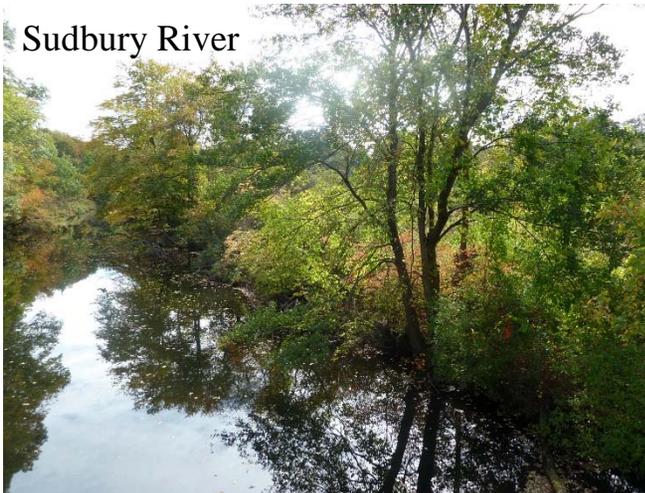


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ASSETS: Open Space



Historic Centre Common



Sudbury River



Edgell Grove Cemetery

ASSETS: Businesses

Just a sampling...



THE SERENDIPITY PLACE
Wellness Boutique



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The Vision

To establish the Framingham Centre Common Cultural District as a cultural, economic, and social hub of MetroWest by promoting the history of the Centre Common and the surrounding art and history museums, educational institutions, churches, and businesses.

GOALS



The goals of designating the Framingham Centre Common Cultural District include...



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GOALS: 1

- Increase Visitors



GOALS: 2

- Celebrate History, Art, and Natural Resources



GOALS: 3

- Help businesses & non-profits thrive



GOALS: 4

- Foster pride of place



ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

- Government
- Educational Institutions
- Museums and Cultural Institutions
- Religious Institutions
- The Business Community



Framingham
State University



THE LEARNING CENTER
FOR THE DEAF



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HISTORY CENTER



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WORK TO DATE



STATE DESIGNATION

What is a Cultural District?

A cultural district is a specific geographical area in a city or town that has a concentration of cultural facilities, activities, and assets. It is a walkable, compact area that is easily identifiable to visitors and residents and serves as a center of cultural, artistic and economic activity

Key Criteria

- Are you a city or town of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts?
- Does your district have well defined boundaries and is it walkable?
- Does you have a concentration of cultural facilities, activities, and assets?
- Is there a partnership in place that will provide oversight for and management of the district?

Requirements:

- Hold a public hearing with adequate notice and publicity regarding the proposed district?
- Have the city pass a resolution making a commitment to establishing a state-designated cultural district?

Learn more: www.massculturalcouncil.org/applications/culturaldistrictsapp.asp

NEXT STEPS



Business Breakfast	September 26, 2018
Community Meeting	October 3, 2018
Pass Resolution	October 2018
Submit application to Mass Cultural Council	December 2018
Designation	Winter 2019
Management/Implementation	Future



Ways You Can Get Involved

- Join our mailing list – stay informed
- Shop Local
- Attend events
- Join the organizations
- Donate

And...

- Tell your friends!



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