

# **DAVIS SQUARE**

Visit us at **377 Summer Street** in Davis Square and be a part of the Somerville by Design: Davis Square neighborhood planning process. If you live or work in Davis Square, bring your ideas and see how you can shape the future of this vibrant city center. You make the difference!

## Monday, September 9th and Tuesday September 10th

### **OPEN STUDIO**

9 AM - 8 PM

Having trouble attending any of the stakeholder sessions detailed below? Feel free to stop by our Open Studio where you can directly interact with Project Team members on any subject of concern and get a close-up look at the work in-progress.

## Monday, September 9th

### **COOPERATIVE MANAGEMENT NEEDS IN DAVIS SQUARE**

11 AM - 12 PM

Around the country, successful business districts have started managing local services like garbage removal, street sweeping, and business marketing. Help the Project Team think about strategies for Davis Square, and review local examples.

### **FESTIVALS, FOOD, AND FARMERS**

3-4 PM

Davis Square offers world-class arts and cultural events all year long. Join the Project Team as we explore ways to support the fun and funky character of Davis, for residents and visitors alike.

### THE ECONOMY OF DAVIS SQUARE

4:30-5:30 PM

What kinds of businesses and entrepreneurs make Davis Square great today? What kind of jobs and services are missing from the mix? Project Team members will lead a session on the economics of authentic business districts like Davis.

### **OPTIONS FOR ACCOMMODATIONS IN DAVIS SQUARE**

6-7 PM

Davis Square draws visitors from all over the world, but offers very few places to stay for the night. Help the Project Team understand the pros and cons of different lodging strategies, including alternative sites for a new hotel development.

### PARKING NEEDS IN THE SQUARE

7:30-8:30PM

Davis Square needs parking for residents, workers, and visitors. But how much, and what type of parking? Join Project Team members specializing in parking and transportation planning as we dig into the data together.

## Tuesday, September 10th

### **WALK, BIKE, RIDE, DRIVE**

9-10 AM

Somerville's streets are an important public space, and need to serve a diverse group of users. Project Team members will lead a discussion on how Somerville can improve safety, accessibility, and efficiency for all users.

#### THE FUTURE OF PARKING IN DAVIS SQUARE

11 AM - 12 PM

Join the Project Team for a second discussion on parking. How will our needs change over the next ten years? Can the City find the "sweet spot" between supply and demand to balance economic vitality and quality-of-life in Davis Square?

### PARKS, PLAZAS, AND PLAYGROUNDS

3:30-4:30 PM

Hodgkins-Curtin Park just got a \$1 million upgrade, but what is next for open space planning and design in Davis Square? Sit down with City Parks managers and Project Team members for a fun, visual session.

### PARTNERSHIPS FOR COOPERATIVE MANAGEMENT

5-6 PM

Have you noticed parts of Davis Square that aren't working so well? Tired storefronts, overflowing trash receptacles, empty parking lots? Economic Development specialists from the Project Team will lead a follow-up discussion on ways to manage and maintain the district.

### WHAT CAN HAPPEN RIGHT NOW?

6:30-7:30 PM

Long-range neighborhood plans are important, but how can we make an impact this year? Join the Project Team to discuss how locally developed, low risk, short term actions can foster long term change and build social capital without breaking the bank.

## Wednesday, September 11th

### **PIN-UP PRESENTATION**

7:30 - 9:30 PM

Join us at the Davis Square Theatre, 255 Elm Street, as the Project Team comes together to present their initial ideas to achieve the community's vision for the future of Davis Square.