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**MAYOR O'CONNELL REMINDS RESIDENTS OF
CITY HALL OPEN SPACE MEETING**

Taunton, MA...Today Mayor O'Connell reminded City residents that the City of Taunton is hosting an Open Space meeting at City Hall on Wednesday, March 9, 2022 at 6:00pm and public input and participation is invited and encouraged.

The City of Taunton is working with the Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District (SRPEDD) to update the City's Open Space and Recreation Plan (OSRP). The OSRP identifies a community's open spaces and recreation resources, and determines actions designed to protect and manage these resources. An active OSRP also allows the City to apply for state grants to fund improvements of open spaces and recreational facilities.

“Working on the Open Space and Recreation Plan is fun. We have a chance to look at many different ways to improve our open spaces and create interesting and useful places for our residents to enjoy. This is a great opportunity for everyone to give their input. I know our residents will have creative suggestions,” said Mayor O'Connell.

Input from the community is an integral part of the process of developing a plan. A public workshop will be held on Wednesday, March 9, 2022 from 6:00pm – 7:00pm at City Hall. Residents are invited to attend in person or watch the meeting via livestream through TCAM and through the Municipal Network tab on the City of Taunton website, taunton-ma.gov.

The workshop will explain the plan process and will include a City-scale interactive map where participants will be able to share their ideas and mark the locations of needed open space and recreation improvements in Taunton. Public input may be submitted in person or by calling in to 774-406-5261 during the meeting.

Additional feedback may be provided online at www.srpedd.org/taunton-osrp or by visiting City Hall from March 10th to March 24th to view a printout version of the public workshop activity and provide feedback. For more information about this project, please visit www.srpedd.org/taunton-osrp.