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Dear Resident,

As you are aware, the northernmost portion of Riverbend Park has been fenced off for approximately 2 years, due to shallow soil contamination. Our consultant has determined that the majority of the area can be cleaned up by removing soil from a handful of specific locations and replacing it with clean soil. The Community Preservation Committee and City Council have approved funding to do this work this summer. Similar treatment can be done on the portion owned by the Dept of Conservation and Recreation (DCR), to clean that area as well.


Over the next few weeks, the Office of Energy & Environment will be coordinating with the DCR to do the soil removals and replacements on the adjoining parcels over the course of this summer.

One portion of the park, adjacent to the fencing for the 12-16 Ship Ave Condos and near the Andrews School, will remain fenced at this time. The Energy Office will be setting up an abutters meeting for August, to discuss this area and options for this remaining section. Additional information about this project can be found at GoGreenMedford.org/brownfields

If you have any questions, you can speak with the Office of Energy and Environment at 781-393-2137, or email the Director, Alicia Hunt, ahunt@medford-ma.gov.

We have accelerated this process so that everyone will be able to enjoy this portion of the park, as soon as possible. Thank you.

Sincerely,


Stephanie M. Burke
Mayor

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