

IMPLEMENTATION TABLE							
Transportation	Priority (L, M, H)	Time to Completion	Magnitude of cost: Very Low- 0-50k Low- 50-100k Med- 100-250k High: 250k- 500k Major capital item: 500k+	Responsible Parties	Resources	Progress	
Proactively seek federal and state aid funding and other sources of transportation funding for improvements on eligible roadways.	High	3-12 months	Very Low	BOS; Highway;	CMMPO via CMRPC		
Work with the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission to develop a list of transportation projects to be placed on the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). At a minimum, this list should include corridor intersection upgrades, safety improvements and intersection re-alignment, especially at the South Sewall Street and Route 140 intersection.	High	5 years	Very Low		CMMPO via CMRPC		
Develop a Town-wide mechanism for the creation of an off-site infrastructure fund that would be used to mitigate private development related impacts. This fund would be primarily used to assist in funding off-site improvements at Town owned intersections, roadways and corridors.	Med	6-12 months	Major Capital Item		CMRPC for TA;		
Review and implement existing plans for infrastructure improvements for North and South Sewall Street.	High	12 months	Major Capital Item				
Join the MassDOT Complete Streets program. Adopt a Complete Streets Policy and complete subsequent Complete Streets Prioritization Plans.	High	3-12 months	Very Low		CMMPO, CMRPC, DOT		
Evaluate the need to conduct a sidewalks, crosswalks, and signals survey program to identify areas of needed improvement and funding needs.	High	6-12 months	Very Low		CMMPO, CMRPC		
Evaluate the need to conduct a sidewalk and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) ramp survey program to help determine sidewalk/ramp maintenance funding needs.	High	3-12 months	Evaluation: very low Implementation: varies by opportunity		CMMPO, CMRPC, MOD ADA Project Grants		
Implement a comprehensive Transportation Asset Management System	Med	6-12 months	Very Low/ Low		CMMPO, CMRPC		
Maintain/improve all signalized traffic control, signage, and pavement markings.	High	6-12 months	Very Low		DOT		
Selectively trim any overgrown vegetation that is hindering sight lines to vehicles, signs, or traffic signals.	High	3-12 months	Very Low				
Maintain good pavement surfaces.	Med	6-12 months	Low		DOT (Chpt. 90)		
Maintain bridges, culverts, and other roadside drainage structures and facilities.	High	6-12 months	Med		DOT (Chpt. 90)		
Incorporate additional signage for safety purposes, such as specific yellow diamond warning signs.	Med	6-12 months	Low		DOT, Complete Streets		
Assess and implement as warranted the use of reflectorized pavement markings and/or reflectors embedded in road pavement.	Low	6-12 months	Low		DOT, Complete Streets		
Assess opportunities for "Road Diets" (the narrowing of roadways with high traveling speeds to encourage slower driving).	Med	6-12 months	High		DOT		
Utilize traffic calming measures (e.g., narrowing travel lanes, increasing sidewalk widths, adding on-street parking, adding landscaping, speed bumps, curb extensions, roadway curves, and other measures. Measures can be piloted through use of jersey barriers, painted curb extensions, planters, and other removable/ low-cost installations.	High	6-12 months	High		DOT, Complete Streets		
Undertake a visioning and long-range planning process for Route 140.	High	12 months	Low		CMMPO, CMRPC		
Ensure that bike lanes and sidewalks are included in any Route 140 construction.	High	N/A	Med		DOT, Complete Streets		
Review plans and opportunities to promote improvements at the intersection of Route 140 and North and South Sewall Streets in conjunction with other recent anticipated developments in the area and the Boylston Rapid Recovery Plan	Med		Low		EOHED, DOT, Complete Streets		
Ensure that newly installed and replaced signs are retroreflective, especially those located at intersections.	Low	3-12 months	Very Low		DOT, Complete Streets		

Identify opportunities to reduce entry and exit points to the commercial plaza on the western segment of Route 140 through access management.	Med	3-12 months	Low		EOHED, DOT, Complete Streets		
Review Site Plan Review criteria to ensure that access management of proposed curb cuts is fully addressed and considered.	High	6-12 months	Low		DOT		
Pursue updated Route 140 traffic counts to determine whether they meet the warrant criteria for signals, especially the intersection of South Sewall Street	Med	6-12 months	Very Low		CMMPO, CMRPC, DOT		
Repurpose the connection from School Street to Shrewsbury Street into a pocket park or other type of usable space off-limits to vehicles.	Med	6-12 months	Low		EOHED, DOT, Complete Streets		
Maintain the annual pavement-marking program for upgrading the lane, edge line and centerlines marking along the corridor and intersections	Med	6-12 months	Low		CMMPO, CMRPC, DOT		
Undertake a traffic monitoring program that consists of traffic data collection at study area intersections and include all vehicles (including trucks), bicycles and pedestrians to determine if prior traffic projections have been realized and further interventions are needed.	Med	6-12 months	Low		CMMPO, CMRPC, DOT		
Install and stripe an exclusive left-turn lane on Route 140 northbound at the South Sewall Street intersection.	High	12 months	Med		DOT		
Ensure that on-street parking spaces do not block the line of sight from crosswalks or for turning vehicles, especially proximate to crosswalks	Low	3-12 months	Low		DOT		
Review signage at crosswalks and consider solar-powered pedestrian-activated alert flashers (not rectangular rapid flashing beacons).	High	6-12 months	Low		DOT, Complete Streets		
Assess the need for additional crosswalks. Where determined necessary, explore the utility of permanent or temporary raised crosswalks and/or inverse cuts that create a slight change in elevation of the travel way to reduce excessive speeds.	Med	6-12 months	Low		DOT, Complete Streets		
Construct curb extensions ("bump outs") or pavement markings at crosswalk locations on wider sections of roadway. (In some cases, flower planters are used that can be removed for snow plowing.) These extensions shorten the distance of the crosswalk for pedestrians and narrow the travel lanes, which tend to reduce vehicular speeds	Med	6-12 months	Med		DOT, Complete Streets		
Initiate a program to make the South Sewall Street corridor, south of Route 140 and at the existing elementary school a more pedestrian friendly corridor.	Med	6-12 months	Med		DOT, Complete Streets		
Become a Safe Routes to School partner and develop and distribute Safe Routes to School materials to the school district	High	3-12 months	Very Low		CMRPC		
Identify areas in the transportation network that are prone to natural weather events, such as flooding, icing, solar glare, or extreme heat, and develop strategies to mitigate such effects.	High	3-12 months	Very Low		CMMPO, CMRPC		
Explore the use of host agreements and/ or commercial development performance standards to address appropriate truck routes, limiting emissions, the use of resources, and noise pollution	Med	3-12 months	Very Low		CMRPC		
Install no-idling signs in areas where vehicles frequently idle, such as schools, convenience stations, and municipal facilities.	Low	3-6 months	Very low	DPW; Schools; businesses	DOER Green Communities Program		
Install electric vehicle charging stations at public buildings.	Low/Med	6-12 months	Very low/low	TM; BOS; DPW; MLP	DOER Green Communities Program; DEP MassEVIP/Workplace charging programs		
Conduct a survey to evaluate the current carpooling/ridesharing that takes place, as well as additional desire for carpooling/ridesharing.	Low	3-12 months	Very low		CMRPC		
Evaluate the feasibility of building space for commuter ride-sharing lot near prominent highway entry points, such as near Route 140's entry points to I-290. Explore any partnerships with businesses or organizations that would be willing to collaborate on such efforts	Med	3-12 months	Very Low		CMRPC		

Adopt a fuel-efficient vehicle policy for town-owned vehicles so that replacement vehicles are more energy efficient.	Med	3-12 months	Low		DOER Green Communities Program; DEP MassEVIP/Workplace charging programs	
Adopt an anti-idling vehicle policy for town-owned vehicles	Med	3-12 months	Very Low		DOER Green Communities Program; DEP MassEVIP/Workplace charging programs	
Explore the use of IdleRight and similar technologies for installation in police cruisers and other vehicles that must idle in the course of duty	Med	3-12 months	Low		DOER Green Communities Program; DEP MassEVIP/Workplace charging programs	
Assess and upgrade electrical infrastructure to meet growing need of electric vehicles	Med	6-12 months	Med		DOER Green Communities Program; DEP MassEVIP/Workplace charging programs	
Pursue Green Communities designation	Med	3-12 months	Very Low		CMRPC	
Explore alternatives to car travel such as ride share, paratransit, and carpool.	Med	6-12 months	Low		CMMPO, CMRPC, DOT, WRTA, Council on Aging	
Identify arterial and collector streets with excess shoulder to determine how excess space could be better utilized.	High	6-12 months	Very Low		CMRPC	
Revise zoning in appropriate areas to require sidewalks, bike path connectors, bike parking and bike amenities in new developments.	High	6-12 months	Very Low		CMRPC, Complete Streets	
Pilot a shared-use sidewalk/bike path on Route 140, west (approximately 59 Shrewsbury Street through to Brookside Apartments) using paint and removable vertical flex posts.	Med	12 months	Med		DOT, Complete Streets	
Facilitate connectivity between housing adjacent to the 290 interchange and businesses on eastern segment of Route 140.	High	6-12 months	Med		DOT, Complete Streets	
Review the recommendations from the 2018 Central Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization (CMMPO) Regional Bicycle Plan and adopt the plan.	Med	3-12 months	Very Low		CMMPO, CMRPC	
Work with state and regional organizations to approach emergent issues in a collective manner.	Med	3-12 months	Very Low		CMRPC	
Consider and assess the impact of distribution facilities from a regional or subregional perspective.	Med	3-12 months	Very Low		CMRPC, DOT	
Evaluate possible funding sources needed to accommodate anticipated increase in demand on the electrical grid as a result of home and vehicle electrification	Med	6-12 months	Very Low		CMRPC; DOER Green Communities Program; DEP MassEVIP/Workplace charging programs	
Work with businesses and other organizations to identify areas of potential collaboration for developing and funding electric vehicle infrastructure	Med	6-12 months	Very Low		CMRPC; DOER Green Communities Program; DEP MassEVIP/Workplace charging programs	
Anticipate changes in parking requirements resulting from autonomous vehicles. Evaluate the potential infrastructure needed to accommodate such changes	Low	3-12 months	Very Low		CMRPC, DOT	
Monitor trends in drone usage for delivery and other services	Low	3-12 months	Very Low		CMRPC	

Focus visual improvement efforts on "gateway" intersections or entry points.	High	6-12 months	High		CMRPC, DOT, EOHED, Complete Streets,		
Explore the adoption of a Scenic Roads bylaw	High	3-12 months	Very Low		CMRPC		
Explore the possibility of connecting existing trail(s) or creating new trail(s) to connect with the MWRA Wachusett Aqueduct trail in Northborough, the Mass Central Rail Trail in Clinton, Berlin, and West Boylston, or the Mount Pisgah mountain biking facilities in Berlin.	Med	6-12 months	Very Low		Mass Audubon; DCR; CMRPC		
Land Use	Priority	Time to Completion	Magnitude of cost: Very Low- 0-50k Low- 50-100k Med- 100-250k High: 250k- 500k Major capital item: 500k+	Responsible Parties	Resources	Progress	
Explore benefits and utility of Open Space Residential Design, Cluster Development, Low-Impact Development, and Stormwater Bylaws (check language related to SW bylaws versus language- they actually have a bylaw now)	Med	12-18 months	Very low	PB; TP; Con Com; DPW	CMRPC for TA;		
As town realizes its development goals, evaluate the need for shared, off-site parking areas to serve commercial nodes.	Low	Long term	Evaluation: very low Implementation: varies by opportunity	BOS; EDC; PB			
Implement a local wetland bylaw to sustain and preserve natural barriers to mitigate flooding.	Med	3-12 months	Very low	PB; TP; Con Com	CMRPC for TA;		
Increase limitations on development within the 100-year flood zones.	Med	3-12 months	Very low	PB; TP; Highway			
Identify desirable zoning options for clean energy that meet the requirements of the Massachusetts Green Communities program.	Med	3-12 months	Very low	PB; TP	CMRPC for TA;		
Consider expanding opportunities for consolidated or combined permitting beyond that which is already permitted in 10.03.07 Subsection 3 of the Zoning Bylaw	Low	6-12 months	Very low	PB; ZBA; Con Com; TP	CMRPC for TA;		
Consider expanding online permitting system to include planning, conservation, etc.	Low	6-12 months	Very low/low	TA; BOS			
Ensure that Sign Bylaw meets the First Amendment requirements for protecting various forms of speech.	Low	3-12 months	Very low	PB; TP	CMRPC for TA;		
Update the Sign Bylaw to include definitions and regulations for electronic message centers.	Low	3-12 months	Very low	PB; TP	CMRPC for TA;		
Consider amending the Sign Bylaw to allow projecting signs above the right-of-way in walkable village center settings provided that they meet the vertical clearance required by building code	Low	3-12 months	Very low	PB; TP	CMRPC for TA;		
Ensure that the Planning Board budget includes resources for technical, ongoing education	Low	Long term	Very low	Fin Com; BOS			
Encourage Board members to participate in the Citizen Planner Training Collaborative (CPTC) and other state and regional training programs.	Low	Long term	Very low	BOS; PB	CPTC;		
Develop strategies for soliciting interest of the public in planning-related issues.	Low	Long term	Very low	PB; TP			
Develop design guidelines or standards that are consistent and complement the existing and desired character of the town and its neighborhoods.	Low	6-12 months	Very low	PB	CMRPC for TA;		
Preserve and maintain the historic Town Common and the character of the surrounding village/ historic district.	Med	Long term		HDC; PB	Preservation Mass; MHC		
Use zoning and other measures to encourage a mix of uses along Route 140 and Route 70 to create vibrant areas supporting a variety of business types, patrons, and residences.	Med	Long term	Very low/low	TP; PB; EDC			
Long term, assess Morningdale neighborhood for mixed-use development potential.	Low	Long term	Very low	PB; TP; EDC			
Review zoning regulations affecting Route 70 for consistency with goals and objectives of this Master Plan and other municipal plans	Med	6-18 months	Very low	TP; PB	CMRPC for TA;		
Incorporate Low-Impact Development (LID) standards into subdivision regulations.	Low	3-12 months	Very low	TP; PB	CMRPC for TA;	In development via TA from CMRPC	

Consider allowing flag lots, which would allow property owners with large area parcels (i.e. greater than 3 acres) but limited frontage to forego unnecessary subdivision requirements	Med	3-12 months	Very low	TP; PB;	CMRPC for TA;	
Consider a tiered approach that differentiates between low-scale, low-intensity uses and more complex uses	Low	3-12 months	Very low	TP; PB	CMRPC for TA;	
Identify priority preservation and conservation areas most in need of protection from development.			Very low	Con Com; TP; PB		
Pursue protective measures to maintain the Town's natural beauty of native New England mixed forest and stone walls.			Very low	Con Com; TP; PB		
Explore adoption of a Scenic Roads Bylaw to preserve the scenic, historic, and aesthetic characteristics of the public right-of-way		3-12 months	Very low	TP; PB;	CMRPC for TA	
Pursue development of a master plan for the Hillside property	High	12-18 months	Low/Med	HRP; BOS; PB; EDC	AHF	
Identify vacant or underutilized buildings or parcels that are appropriate for development, redevelopment, or preservation	Low	3-12 months; ongoing	Very low	EDC		
Coordinate with the State on the use and/or disposition of State-owned land			Very low	BOS; PB; TP	DRC	
Housing and Population	Priority	Time to Completion	Magnitude of cost: Very Low- 0-50k Low- 50-100k Med- 100-250k High: 250k- 500k Major capital item: 500k+	Responsible Parties	Resources	Progress
Conduct ongoing community outreach and education on housing issues and activities		Ongoing	Very low		MHP	
Consider hiring a dedicated Affordable Housing Coordinator			Low			
Actively seek out and apply for funding and technical assistance to implement the HPP Action Plan	High	Ongoing	Very low			
Maintain an active Board of Trustees for the Municipal Affordable Housing Trust Fund	High	3-12 months	Very low		MHP	
Consider modifying the existing Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) bylaw to allow for more flexibility and offer greater opportunities for development	Low	3-12 months	Very low	TP; PB	CMRPC	
Explore adoption of a Workforce Housing Special Tax Assessment (WH-STA) Area in which developers can be offered a property tax incentive to build housing affordable to low-to middle-income residents	Low		Very low			
Explore adoption of a Cottage Housing Bylaw	Medium		Very low			
Maintain designation as a Housing Choice Community	Med	Every 5 years	Very low	TP; PB;		
Promote adoption of the Community Preservation Act (CPA)	High	6-18 months	Very low	BOS; HDC; Con Com	CPA	
Prepare design guidelines or standards for new multi-family housing developments	Med	6-12 months	Very low	PB; TP	CMRPC for TA; EOEEA PAG and Community One Stop for funding.	
Explore the creation of a buy-down program whereby the Town uses funds to buy-down market-rate homes, deed restrict them as affordable in perpetuity, and sell them to income-qualified, first-time homebuyers at below-market prices	Medium		Very low		MHP	
Create an inventory of Town-owned land suitable for new housing development	High	3-12 months	Very low			
Advocate for a higher inclusion of accessible units in proposed affordable housing developments	High		Very low	TP; PB		
Partner with private developers to create affordable housing						
Create a down-payment/closing cost assistance program whereby the Town provides grants to income-eligible, first-time homebuyers willing to purchase affordable units listed on the Subsidized Housing Inventory						
Investigate a partnership with local rental property owners, offering incentives in exchange for deed restricting certain units as affordable						

Modify the Town's Inclusionary Zoning Bylaw to mandate residential developments set aside a minimum of 15% of total number of dwelling units as affordable housing for very-low, low-, or moderate- income residents			Very low				
Open Space, Recreation, and Natural Resources Chapter	Priority	Time to Completion	Magnitude of cost: Very Low- 0-50k Low- 50-100k Med- 100-250k High: 250k- 500k Major capital item: 500k+	Responsible Parties	Resources	Progress	
Promote and build awareness of Boylston's open space and small-town charm as a way of inspiring community pride	High	3-6 Months	Very low	Open Space Advisory Committee; Parks and Reco	Town Staff		
Post information about all trails and outdoor opportunities on the Town website.	Low	3-6 Months	Very low	Parks and Recreation Comission	Mass Audubon;		
Explore business and economic development opportunities related to Boylston's natural resources	High		Very Low		EDC		
Partner with Tower Hill Botanical Garden and Summer Star on strategies to protect and preserve open space	Low	3-6 Months	Very Low				
Create a permanent standing Open Space Advisory Committee			Very low				
Track progress on the goals of the Open Space and Recreation Plan and report annually to Town boards and committees	High	Dec-36	Very low	Open Space Advisory Committee	Volunteer Time		
Promote coordination among the various Town boards, committees, and commissions responsible for open space and recreational facilities.	High	6-12 Months	Very low	Open Space Advisory Committee	Volunteer Time		
Ensure all municipal staff commissions, committees, and boards understand their role in the implementation of the goals in this Master Plan and the OSRP	High	12 Months	Very low				
Actively involve local businesses, organizations, and schools in beautifying Boylston through cleanup days and streetscape improvements	Medium	Ongoing	Very low	Open Space, PRC, TA	Town staff time,		
Support the semi-annual "Keep Boylston Beautiful" initiative							
Develop criteria for open space acquisition			Very low				
Identify and create a priority list for land acquisition and preservation consisting of properties most important to protect for their wildlife and habitat resources			Very low				
Protect and provide access to priority parcels through the purchase of land, acceptance of donated land, or implementation of conservation restrictions.							
Inform landowners about land preservation and conservation opportunities (I.e. Conservation Restriction Review Program).			Very low				
Acquire and conserve land at Camp Harrington							
Permanently protect appropriate and desired Town-owned property from future development.		Ongoing					
Work to protect open space at Hillside	H						
Assess the need for and utility of a municipal land trust	M		Very low				
Identify town-owned property that could be preserved in service income-generating active or passive recreation (e.g., a small camp or community hall/arts center/park suitable for rentals).			Very low				
Further educate property owners of the Chapter 61 Program to conserve lands and encourage them to participate	Medium		Very low				
Post educational materials about the Chapter 61 Program on the Town website and promote these materials on social media platforms			Very low				
Create a funding strategy for open space acquisition and management.			Very low				

Research and apply for available State and Federal funding tools as a way to acquire new open space			Very low				
Pursue Community Preservation Act	High		Very low			Community Preservation Alliance	
Update and revise the Open Space and Recreation Plan to reflect the town's changing needs and remain qualified for State program funding for the acquisition			Very low				
Continue to collaborate with other communities from a regional perspective on opportunities for increased open space connection and wildlife preservation			Very low				
Work with regional land trusts, neighboring towns, and other agencies to prioritize remaining desirable properties for watershed protection, habitat preservation, and trail networks.			Very low				
Determine the needs for additional recreational facilities			Very low				
Create an organizational chart and communication plan to clarify ownership of recreational lands, costs of use, and responsibility for maintenance.			Very low				
Periodically assess and evaluate recreational needs, resources, and conditions of existing fields and facilities.			Very low				
Develop a plan for improving and updating existing indoor and outdoor facilities.			Very low				
Relocate the Parks & Recreation Commission Office to a more accessible location for community members	Low	2020-2027		Parks & Recreation Commission			
Complete construction of Center Court Playground.	Low	2020-2027	Very Low	Parks & Recreation Commission			
Rebuild Morningdale Manor Playing Fields & Playground.	Low	2020-2027		Parks & Recreation Commission			
Improve Hillside Gym bathrooms, including accessibility compliance with ADA regulations.	Low	2020-2027		Building Inspector Highway Department Parks & Recreation Commission	MOD		
Create funding sources to make ongoing improvements.	Medium	Ongoing					
Explore the possible adoption of the Community Preservation Act for financing historic preservation and open space projects.	High		Very low			Community Preservation Alliance	
Explore prospective funding sources including State/Federal grants, partnerships with non-profit organizations, and other opportunities as they arise	Medium	2020-2027	Very low	Town staff Volunteers			
Enhance access to existing facilities and promote such areas in specific neighborhoods	Low	2020-2027		Building Inspector Parks & Recreation Commission			
In accordance with the ADA Access Self-Evaluation in the OSRP, take steps to make Town-owned recreation areas and facilities more accessible to all patrons	Low				MOD; ADA Project Grants		
Recruit volunteer groups to help with the maintenance, upgrade, and clean-up of facilities (such as the Boy Scouts, etc.			Very low				
Create and regularly update a list of maintenance and improvement projects that could be undertaken by volunteer groups			Very low				

Explore the possibility of linking existing natural resources, open space, and recreation facilities with a contiguous network of greenways and foot trail corridors.							
Identify rights-of-way and public easements that can be linked to existing trail systems			Very low				
Seek funding and technical assistance through the DCR's Greenways & Trails Program			Very low		Mass Audubon; DCR'		
Provide cultural and recreation opportunities and support for seniors							
Regularly review Council on Aging (COA) services such as van operations and programming to ensure service levels are line with changing demographics			Very low				
Explore opportunities to coordinate with nearby towns that also have COA services or senior centers							
Create a senior taskforce and host an annual meeting			Very low				
Boards and commissions should meet on a regular basis to discuss preservation activities and development proposals.			Very low				
Host a task force meeting annually with all boards and commissions to review status of OSRP action items.			Very low				
Ensure that development regulations create development that has the least impact on the environment			Very low				
Consider bylaws to promote dark night skies and a healthy level of noise.			Very low				
Work with developers to maximize the preservation of open space areas and protection of environmentally sensitive areas			Very low				
Investigate creating incentives for developers to create recreation areas, open land, and wildlife corridors			Very low				
Explore zoning changes such as Open Space Residential Design, Cluster Development, and other bylaws to require conservation of open space with new subdivisions			Very low				
Promote both redevelopment and reuse of existing properties that are being underutilized to help minimize the amount of new construction							
Create an inventory of potential properties. - for what			Very low				
Utilize zoning, regulatory, and legislative resources to enhance natural resource conservation efforts			Very low				
Pursue adoption of conservation-related bylaws and policies, particularly zoning incentives for preserving open space and natural resources			Very low				
Explore establishing a No Disturb Zone around wetland resource areas to a defined distance	Low/Med	18-24 months (from decision to working to establish bylaw, and then regulations therein- advised might be able to do it in a different way.	Low		Conservation; BOS; Con Com	Town Meeting; Grants-specify	
Collaborate with local, regional, and state conservation organizations on natural resource management							
Foster partnerships with local land trusts and non-profit organizations to identify and acquire important unprotected natural resource areas for permanent protection	L/M	2-5 years	Very Low		Con Com; BOS; PB; TP; Town Meeting	Sudbury Valley Trustees; GWLT; Sommerstar; NEBGTH; PARC Program; local foundations;	
Pursue increased dialogue and collaboration with Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation in support of town access to DCR property			Very low				
Address the quality of all Boylston water resources			Low			DER; DCR	

Provide adequate protection for all Boylston ponds.			Medium		DER; DCR	
Develop a written Lake Phosphorous Control Plan and fully implement all control measures	High		Very low/low		DER; DCR	
Reduce the threshold by which a project would be reviewed locally and obtain a stormwater management permit.			Very low		DER; DCR	
Identify changes to roadway width, parking, and other requirements in zoning and subdivision bylaws that reduce impervious cover.			Very low		CMRPC for TA	
Develop of a rain barrel program			Very low		DEP;	
Develop a stormwater utility or enterprise fund and incentivize private sites to take their own actions through a credit system			Low			
Implement an organic waste and leaf litter collection program. Gather and remove all landscaping wastes and leaf litter from impervious roadways and parking lots at least once per week Sept 1 to Dec 1 of each year.	H		Low			
Inform the public about the importance of natural resource protection.						
Expand opportunities for community service and involvement in natural resource conservation	M		Low			
Develop a landscape and maintenance plan for town property.	Low		Very low			
Increase accessibility to the town's forests, water bodies, and open spaces.						
Communicate the community benefits of trail easements to landowners.			Very low			
Encourage development and management practices that minimize destructive impacts on valuable natural resources.						
Incorporate guidance for the implementation of Low Impact Development (LID) techniques in appropriate by-laws and regulations			Very low			
Implement goals, objectives, and action items listed in the Open Space and Recreation Plan						
Establish and maintain an active Open Space Advisory Committee tasked with overseeing implementation of the OSRP			Very low			
Evaluate and anticipate the impact of climate change on natural resources and water bodies, and pursue appropriate mitigation policies and plans						
Pursue certification as a Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) community to develop an action-oriented resiliency plan and qualify for grant funding.			Very low			
Cultural and Historic Resources	Priority	Time to Completion	Magnitude of cost: Very Low- 0-50k Low- 50-100k Med- 100-250k High: 250k- 500k Major capital item: 500k+	Responsible Parties	Resources	Progress
Continue to evaluate, prioritize, and fund maintenance and preservation of historic assets using timely and proactive measures	High	Ongoing			Pres Mass; MHC; CPA	
Continue routine maintenance activities and funding for Town-owned historic properties	High	Ongoing			Pres Mass; MHC; CPA	
Create a plan and fund restoration of the Old Burial Ground					Pres Mass; MHC; CPA	
Create a plan and fund restoration of the slate roof on Sawyer Memorial Library	Medium				Pres Mass; MHC; CPA	
Create a Master Plan for the Hillside property.	High					
Encourage fluid communication and collaboration among local preservation groups	High	Ongoing	Very low			
Continue to integrate and encourage participation of private and public preservation organizations	High	Ongoing	Very low			
Educate property owners on the benefits of Preservation Restrictions (PR) while encouraging them to pursue this protective measure	Low		Very low			
Ensure protection of historically significant structures	High				Pres Mass; MHC; CPA	
Explore adoption of a Demolition Delay Ordinance or Bylaw to protect historic and architecturally significant buildings from demolition.	Medium		Very low		Pres Mass;	

Educate the public about the benefits of Local Historic Districts and continue to identify any historic buildings or areas that could be designated	Medium		Very low		Pres Mass; MHC		
Educate Town leaders on the significance of historic preservation and ways to address preservation issues.	Medium		Very low		Pres Mass; MHC		
Enhance public access to historic resources and information	High		Very low				
Continue to maintain and update a publicly accessible, comprehensive inventory of the town's historic resources including the historic artifacts, properties, structures, districts, burial grounds, and any other notable features of Boylston's history	Medium		Very low		Pres Mass; MHC		
Continue to maintain the digitized historical records relevant to Boylston and continue providing online access to them	Medium				Pres Mass; MHC		
Continue to encourage community research in order to fill in gaps of Boylston's history, such as identifying unknown people in photographs.	Low		Very low				
Expand community outreach initiatives related to the town's cultural and historical resources.	Medium		Very low		Pres Mass; MHC; Mass Cultural Council		
Continue to sponsor activities such as guided community tours, self-guided walking tours, history days, farmer's markets, concerts, community theater, etc. in order to attract visitors and build appreciation for local history and culture	Medium	Ongoing			Pres Mass; MHC; Mass Cultural Council		
Incorporate a "How to Get Involved" section into the Boylston Town website that details volunteer opportunities and contact information	Low	2022-2024	Very low				
Promote the community's local identity and foster a sense of place.	Low	Ongoing					
Utilize new wayfinding signage, enhanced gateway features, and other beautification or place-making projects.	Low		Low/Med/High		Community One Stop		
Boost the Town's presence on social media networks to communicate local news, events, and updates to residents	Medium	Ongoing	Very low				
Town Facilities and Services	Priority	Time to Completion	Magnitude of cost: Very Low- 0-50k Low- 50-100k Med- 100-250k High: 250k- 500k Major capital item: 500k+	Responsible Parties	Resources	Progress	
Ensure that facilities are well-maintained and functioning optimally.	H	on-going	Low/Med				
Complete an ADA/504 Self-Evaluation & Transition Plan	M	6-36 Months	Very low		MOD, Community Compact, DOT		
Renew Capital Improvement Plan and Capital Improvement Planning Committee.	M	6-36 Months	Very low				
Complete a Master Plan for the Hillside area.	M	12-36 Months	Low/Med	Town Admin	CMRPC, DLTA		
Pursue Green Communities designation to access funding for energy efficiency projects at municipal and school buildings	H	8-12 months	Very low	BOS; Schools; Various town depts.	CMRPC Green Energy Technical Assistance program; Department of Energy Resources, Green Communities division		
Provide desirable new services and facilities.	H	12-36 Months	Major capital item	Town			
Take steps to advance construction of a new Public Safety Building to house the Police and Fire Departments	H	12-36 Months	Major capital item	Town Admin, BD	HMGP, PDM Grant Programs		
Consider a new building for the Municipal Light Department or improved storage facility to house larger equipment that exceeds current space capacity	H	12-36 Months	Major capital item				
Identify new spaces to hold senior programming, with an eye to position seniors near other activities in town. Look towards collaborating with other facilities to maximize resources.	L		Low				

Continue to explore opportunities for shared (inter-municipal) services and staff, including police and fire services			Very low/low/med			
Ensure that online permitting is comprehensive and functioning optimally			Very low/low			
Establish a remote or hybrid meeting space for public meetings		3-12 Months	Very low		CMRPC	
Research and explore opportunities to increase internet access and a competitive cable tv contract			Very low	Boylston Cable Committee		
Maintain long-term funding mechanisms to provide for future public facility needs		Long Term	Major capital item	Relevant Town Departments		
Continue professionalizing town government to match the town demands more day-to-day services and proactive strategies	M	6-12 Months	Low	Relevant Town Departments		
Continue optimizing fiscal procedures within the town, broaden the tax base and proactively seek funding sources. Control balance between school and non-school expenses through communication and cooperative actions			Very low	BOS; Fin Com; Schools; Capital Planning		
Continue capital improvement planning processes	High		Very low	Relevant Town Departments		
Expand the use of the Capital Improvement Program to incorporate Hazard Mitigation in the program planning			Very low			
Provide robust cultural opportunities and supports for seniors			Very Low	Senior Center	Town Dep	
Regularly review COA services such as van operations and programming to ensure service levels are line with changing demographics			Low/Med			
Expand program offerings for seniors as the aging population grows			Very low/low			
Continue working to preserve land for fields and other recreational and open space			Low			
Make Town operations more resilient to natural and other hazards			Low		DOER Green Communities, MVP, FEMA	
Implement the recommendations of the Town's Hazard Mitigation Plan and update the Plan on a 5-year cycle.			In progress	BOS, TM	FEMA	
Work to score in the Community Rating System (CRS) under the Nation Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) to enable its residents to obtain lower flood insurance rates.			Very low			
Educate residents about the National Flood Insurance Program			Low			
Work to improve the efficiency of municipal and school facilities			Capital Improvement		DOER Green Communities Program;	
Pursue Green Communities designation to access grant funding for energy efficiency	High	8-12 months	Very low		DOER; CMRPC	
Ensure an adequate water supply for existing and future needs			High			
Increase capacity of the existing water supply and distribution system to support additional development on Route 140			Major capital item			
Continue informing residents on ways they can help protect drinking water sources, such as practicing good septic system maintenance, limiting the use of pesticides and fertilizers, and preventing cross-connection/ backflow			Very low			
Work with emergency response teams to ensure that they are aware of the stormwater drainage in the Boylston Water District's Zone II.			Very low		ZBA	
Cooperate with emergency teams in response to spills or accidents within the Water District.			Very low			
Partner with local businesses to ensure the proper storage, handling, and disposal of hazardous materials. Residents can help protect our drinking water.			Very low			
Maintain safe and adequate roadway infrastructure.	H		Major capital item			
Continue to conduct road repairs repaving and annual paving as funds allow			High			

Explore alternative erosion control alternatives.			Very Low				
Explore new funding opportunities to support ongoing road maintenance needs.			Very low				
Maintain tree trimming program across the town to protect utility wires.			Low/Med				
Maintain vegetative debris program, trimming brush and growth away from roads and clearing growth impact flow away from infrastructure.			Low				
Continue properly cleaning and maintaining all stormwater structures and basins			Med				
Implement emergency preparedness, coordination, and response strategies.			Major capital item				
Continue to participate in National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) (or other) training offered by the State and/or FEMA that addresses flood hazard planning and management			Very low				
Keep Evacuation Plan up to date.	H		Very low				
Maintain fire access roads in isolated areas			Low				
Continue regional training and drills for emergency response in case of disaster.			Very Low				
Maintain certification of officials in the Unified Incident Command program	L		Very Low				
Maintain shelter and emergency resources, ensuring accurate and up to date inventory is maintained and rotation of expiring resources replaced	M/H		Low				
As demand, technology, and funding sources evolve, regularly assess feasibility of wastewater disposal options			Low				
Continue to assess the need for sewerage system for the town in critical areas to correct adverse environmental conditions, protect water supply resources, and encourage economic development.	H	on-going	Low				Is this the same as the one above?
Explore opportunities for private sewer that could be shared by multiple businesses in the commercial areas	H		Med				
Expand stormwater management practices	H	12-36 Months	Low				
Continue informing residents about programs for residents on storm drain clearance and other best practices.		on-going	Very low				
Develop a prioritized inventory of problem culverts for use in seeking external financial support.	H		Low/Med				
Ensure adequate electrical distribution capacity for existing and future needs.			Major capital item				
Continue efforts to lower carbon emitting generation in energy portfolio.			Med				
Continue to provide residential Home Energy Loss Prevention Services (HELPS) to its customers.			Low				
Explore opportunities for municipal solar on town-owned land			Major Capital Item				
Explore opportunities for resident solar including how to streamline and/or eliminate unnecessary constraints.			Med				
Maintain quality school facilities and services consistent with the school systems changing needs			Major capital item	BBRSD	MA School Building Authority		
Continue to track, model, and monitor enrollment trends	M		Low/Med	BBRSD	MA School Building Authority , BBRSD		
Plan for increased enrollment at BES and BMS, potentially peaking in 2027.	H		Major capital item	BBRSD	BBRSD		
Create a school facilities and services plan that addresses potential changes in class sizes, need for more classroom spaces, adequacy of common spaces (e.g., cafeteria, nurses office), and student scheduling	M/H	6-12 months	Low/Med	BBRSD	MA School Building Authority		