

**CDICR Community Engagement Committee**  
**07/10/2020 Meeting Minutes**

Attendees - all members of the committee (Joan Lancourt, Kea van der Ziel, Malcolm Doldron, Mariah Nobrega, Jonathan Golden), Lloyd Gellineau, Caitlin Starr, members of the public, Paul Saner (EDAB)

- Discussion with Paul Saner of EDAB
  - Experience with CE
    - In 2016 EDAB participated in MAPC CE process during “planning for a changing Brookline” which resulted in conclusion that mixed use zoning as-is is inadequate without zoning overlay. CE critical to that effort to get broad buy-in into zoning changes.
    - MAPC was only moderately successful in reaching beyond the regular folks. First events were at Town Hall, 80-90 people, 80-90% were the usual suspects. Feedback from nearly 1000 citizens.
    - Paul willing to write a reflection on the MAPC experience (with co-chair Ann and Kara Brewton). There wasn’t any meaningful follow-through from the survey results in a tangible result that Paul can point to. Only one corridor project has happened instead of the 5-6 envisioned.
  - Thoughts on CEP
    - Overall CE plan is well-constructed.
    - Make sure the approach is framed as we are all learning – if we knew how to do it already, we’d be in a different place than we are now.
- Tone of the document: people aren’t picking up on how adaptive this document and this process is. We need to make it clear that it’s a process of learning.
- Joan wants to get more community feedback from groups on the document. Need to have respect for the lived experience of people.
- Thread the principles especially of lived experience more throughout the document.