

Stoneham Historic Preservation Plan

Stoneham Historical Commission
December 7, 2023





Meeting Agenda

- | Welcome + Introductions
- | Project Goals + Process
- | Questions + Discussion
- | Next Steps

Introductions

- + Name and pronouns
- + For how long have you served on the Commission?
- + What do you do outside of the Historical Commission?
- + For how long have you been in Stoneham?
- + What is your favorite historic resource in Stoneham?



MAPC Project Team



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Director of Arts &
Culture

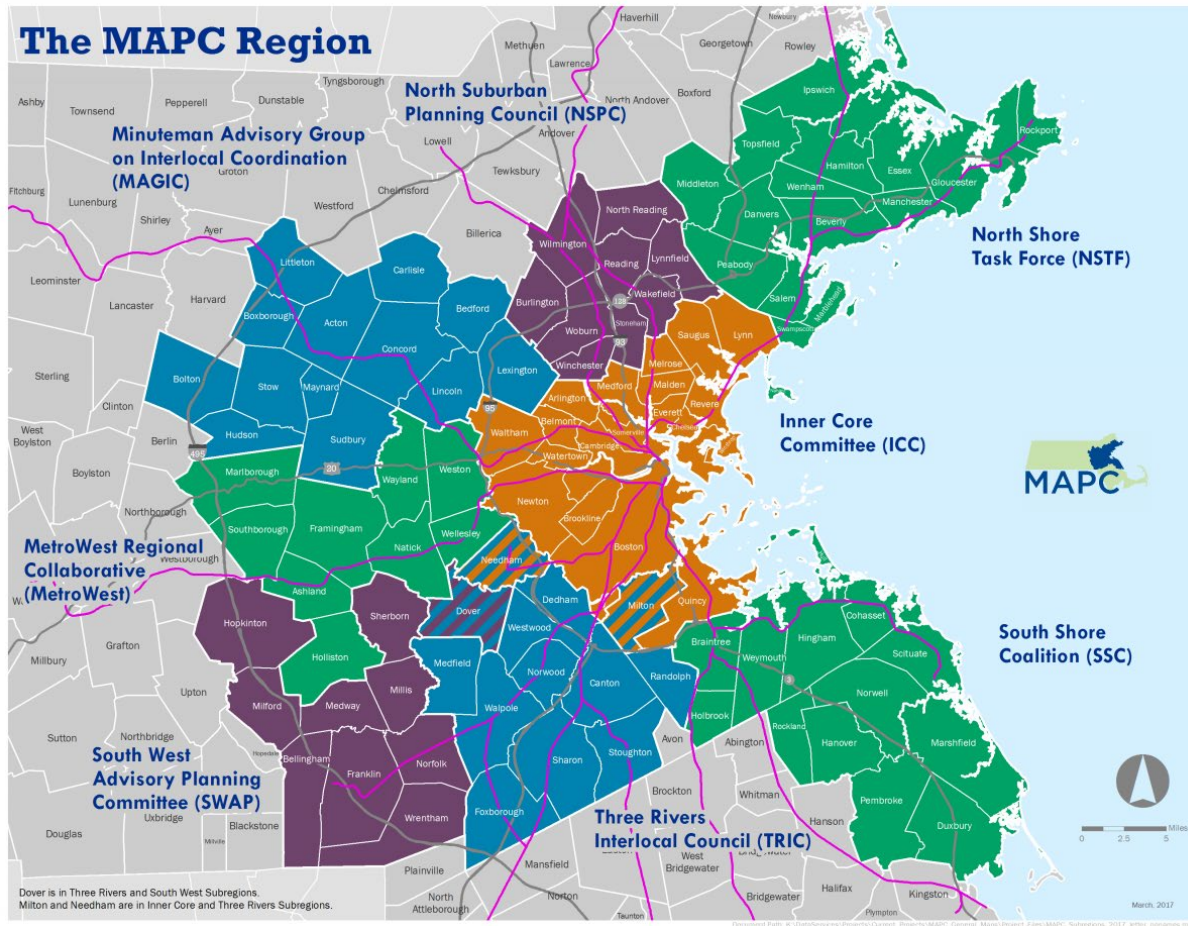


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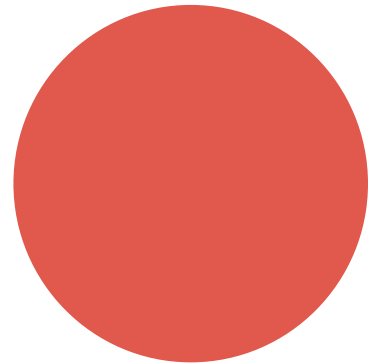
Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC)



+ Regional planning agency for the greater Boston Metro area

+ Focus on smart growth and regional collaboration

+ Provide technical assistance in a variety of planning disciplines throughout the region



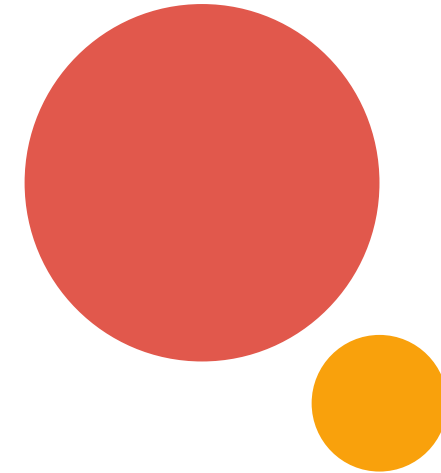
MAPC + Stoneham

Recent Projects

- + Housing Production Plan (2018)
- + Town Center Strategic Action Plan (2014)

Leadership

- + Director of Planning & Community Development, Erin Wortman, serves as President of MAPC's Council
- + Member of North Suburban Planning Council subregion at MAPC



Project Goals



Identify Stoneham's existing **historic resources** and **preservation stakeholders**



Assess Stoneham's **culture and history of preservation**, including local policies



Establish a community **vision** for historic preservation in Stoneham



Develop an **historic preservation plan** with specific recommendations for implementation

Project Process

- + Review **existing conditions**
- + Assemble a **historic resource inventory**
- + Talk with **key stakeholders**
- + Draft a **vision statement**
- + Share **findings and recommendations** for feedback
- + Draft a **plan** to guide municipal preservation efforts



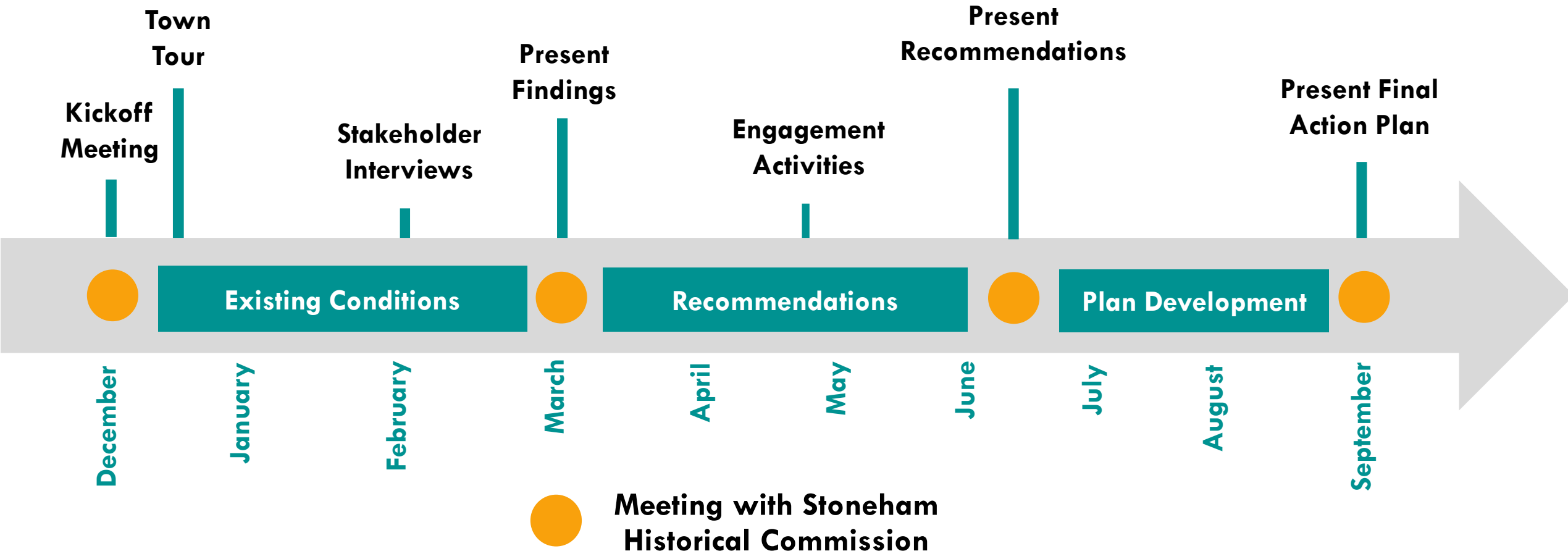


Project Methodology

- + Regular, transparent communication with project partners and the public
- + Robust public engagement with diverse stakeholders
- + Focus on underrepresented community history

Proposed Project Timeline

Dec. 2023 -
Sep. 2024



Your Role

- + Attend **4 Historical Commission meetings** with project team
- + Participate in **1 individual interview** with MAPC staff
- + Support **community engagement efforts**
- + Give **feedback on draft recommendations**
- + Assist with **implementation** of the final plan

Initial Questions

Reflections

- + Does this approach accomplish project goals?
- + What reservations do you have (if any)?
- + Who else should we talk to?

Logistics

- + Webpage hosting
- + Generating community interest
- + Timing of spring community engagement



Next Steps

January

+ Existing conditions research

February

+ Stakeholder interviews

March

+ Historical Commission meeting



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THANK YOU!

