



SUSTAIN SOUTHERN MAINE

Partnering to strengthen our economy, environment and community

India Street Open House: Summary of Feedback

Summary of Most Mentioned Favorite Things Station

Note: Blue Dots (Live or Own Business in Neighborhood) and Green Dots (Portland Resident who shops or eats in Neighborhood) were evenly distributed throughout categories. We had fewer Red Dots (Folks from outside Portland), but they also tended to be fairly evenly distributed, with emphasis on liking small businesses. The below are listed in order of priority, i.e., those categories with the MOST Dots are listed first.

- Small businesses, including multiple by name (Micuccis, Amatos, Coffee by Design, Produce Market)
- Historic brick buildings, historic character
- General Walkability
- The viewshed of the water
- Proximity and walkability to Old Port, Eastern Prom and Trail, waterfront, downtown.
- Mixed use/neighborhood character: mixed use not just in terms of residential and commercial but mixed types and affordability of housing
- Cemetery AND Cemetery Wall
- Abyssinian Church

Summary of Major LEAST Favorite Things

- Parking Garages
- Vacant Lots/Unfinished projects
- Large surface lots
- New tall buildings *without architectural detail*
- Hotels – or at least no more new ones
- Safety/lack of lighting/lack of foot patrol/Homeless people
- Broken glass/trash
- Unmaintained properties (including cemetery)
- Franklin Arterial
- Rite Aid Plaza
- No benches