







## PORTLAND, ME SDAT

Creating a Sustainable Vision for Maine's Most Diverse Neighborhood



## PLACES WITH POTENTIAL

## Place with Potential: Fox and Anderson

The intersection of Fox Street and Anderson Street is a community center both geographically and socially. It is at the juncture between the residential neighborhood and the light industrial/arts district. It includes Fox Field, which is the primary outdoor recreational facility in East Bayside and a gathering place for youth. There is potential for both creating a place where a broader spectrum of community members can gather and for building upon the improvements to Fox Field that the City and community are already making. Some ideas for how Fox and Anderson could be transformed over time as funding is found are listed below.

- Paint crosswalks at the 4-way stop.
- Install curb extensions ("bulb-outs") to increase sidewalk area to emphasize the
  pedestrian orientation and channelize vehicular traffic. The sidewalk paving
  could be brick as shown in the adjacent sketches.





Top: Plan view of crosswalks, curb extension and a green space.

Bottom: Bird's eye sketch showing brick paving, street trees and a gateway.





Above: The intersection of Fox and Anderson Streets today.

Below: A sketch showing crosswalks, curb extensions, brick sidewalks, a pocket park, street trees and storm-water collection parkways.

- Working with the property owner and tenant on the northeast corner, add a pocket park on the undeveloped triangle of land and the curb extension with facilities that would complement the uses at Fox Field and support commercial activity.
- Plant street trees in parkways, install pedestrian street lights, and other streetscape improvements.
- Attract neighborhood-serving uses, such as a coffee shop or a deli, to Anderson
   Street near its intersection with Fox Street.
- Continue to refine facilities around the edges of Fox Field to accommodate complementary park uses, including seating, picnicking, and other park uses.
   Close the street for special community events and turn the street into a outdoor room.
- · Consider programming events at Fox Field.
- Expand the park as more facilities are needed.
- Add a recreation / community center near Fox Field.



Existing sidewalk on Fox Street adjacent to Fox Field.





Sketch of sidewalk with curb extension, storm water parkway and trees.