A crowd of people

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**Landscaping, Upkeep, and Maintenance**

* Participants appreciate DCR’s cleaning and landscaping work
  + Some attendees expressed that the sand raking could be improved
* The historic light poles are a favorite feature of the beach, but participants feel they need better maintenance, paint, etc. and would like to see the hanging baskets come back.
* Residents want to see better sidewalk cleaning on both sides of Revere Beach Blvd.
* There are consistent locations that get graffitied that need to be cleaned.
* Beach lovers would like to have a phone number for maintenance requests posted particularly at the bathrooms and rinsing stations.
* People expressed concerns about surf clams and a desire never to have marine mammals buried on the beach.
* There were many concerns about trash including requests for more barrels, more frequent pick up, seagull proof cans, and a desire to see restaurants do more trash pick up and move away from Styrofoam and other environmentally un-friendly containers.

**Transportation, Traffic, and Parking**

* Participants appreciate the public transportation access, although they would like to see a bus or shuttle that runs the length of the beach on Revere Beach Blvd.
* Beach goers are concerned about traffic safety on Revere Beach Blvd. especially with pedestrian crossings. Residents expressed frustration with traffic congestion stemming from commuters parking for free all day.
  + Many residents expressed a desire for significantly improved traffic management plans for the Sand Sculpting Festival.
  + A couple of attendees made specific traffic management requests including larger stop signs, longer signals etc. at specific intersections.
* Several participants expressed a desire for dedicated bike lanes and electric vehicle charging stations.
* Most attendees like the 10pm parking ban in “quiet zones” during the summer.
* Opinion was split on whether parking enforcement and towing efforts are sufficient, and similarly evenly split on whether paying for parking was a good or bad idea.

**Activities, Open Space, and Amenities**

* Beach goers very much appreciate the movie nights and Sand Sculpting Festival and would like to see more events, entertainment facilities, and family amusements such as arcade games.
  + One group noted that new activities could include revenue generating ideas such as rentals or a space modeled on the Lawn on D in Boston.
* Participants would like to see more park-like spaces and amenities including trees, grass, shade structures, picnic tables, a playground, and cooling stations.
* Beach goers also expressed a desire for more food options including more diverse restaurants, food trucks and carts, as well as retail including rentals, vendors, and shops for beach needs like towels and swim suits.

**Beach Management**

* Many participants commented on the rules regarding dogs – people mostly appreciate the off season rule (at least one person wants it changed from April 1 to May 1) but want to see better enforcement, more disposal bags, and perhaps a dedicated area.
* Attendees were split on whether they were happy with the piping plovers management efforts or frustrated with the impact on beach goers’ ability to use the beach
* People appreciate the increased police patrols and are fans of the lifeguards.
  + That said, people want to see more police presence including at the T station full time, new emergency phone stations, and more lifeguards at Elliot Circle.
* People appreciate having free public bathrooms and that they are kept clean, but would like them open later (both in terms of hours and seasons).

**Other**

* Everyone appreciates the great water quality at Revere Beach.
* The groups were split on whether they view the recent residential and mixed used developments along the waterfront positively.