

Bike paths, open space, greenways on agenda for Wednesday events

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FALL RIVER — City officials and the public will have the opportunity to learn about advances in parks, greenways, bicycle and walking paths in the sister cities of Lawrence, Lowell and Worcester on three occasions today.

At noon, city department heads and others will meet at McGovern's to hear presentations by the Urban Land Protection Council, Heather McMann, executive director of Groundwork Lawrence, and Jane Calvin and Colin Novick, executive directors of the Lowell and Worcester land conservation trusts. This event will allow city officials to meet an objective of the new master plan to research how other communities have used rivers in their revitalization.

At 2 p.m., a trolley tour of potential bike paths through the city will be available.

From 4 to 7 p.m., the public is invited to Government Center to hear presentations on urban parks, open space and community gardens.

Speakers will include the Urban Land Protection Council, as well as a few of Fall River's own experts: Al Lima, Green Futures, Mike Laboissiere, City Forester, Water Department, and Derek Christianson, of Brix Bounty Farm and master farmer at the Watson School in Fall River.

The public is asked to register for this event by calling 508-324-2405 or email jkelly@fallriverma.org. A light meal will be provided at 5 p.m. for a charge of \$10, collected at the door.

For more information, call Julianne Kelly at 508-324-2405.

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