

65 BOWERY

VISIONING PROCESS INFORMATION SHEET

Welcome to
the Process!

Property Outlook

Bath is a vibrant community with a rich history and bright future. 65 Bowery Street, once a cornerstone of the working waterfront, has sat derelict for nearly two decades. The site plays a critical role in the ongoing evolution and future of the City of Bath. New ownership understands the importance of a partnership with the City of Bath and seeks community engagement and input as we embark on an effort to revitalize the site with a vision toward the future.

Property History

The property was the home of The New England Shipbuilding Company which made full-rigged ships and schooners. At the beginning of World War I, The Texas Steamship Company bought the property and developed a full-scale shipyard for the construction of steel ships for the movement of goods to Europe in support of the war effort. It remained a shipyard until 1946 when it became The Bath Canning Company. In 2005, the canning operations ceased and in 2006 a devastating fire left the land barren. The site has been empty for 18 years.

Site History* (*Dates are based on available archives and are approximate)

- 1890-1919 New England Ship Building
- 1919-1946 Texas Steam Ship Company
- 1946-1990 Bath Canning Company
- 1990-2004 Stinson Canning Company (employed ~ 350 people)
- 2004-2006 Bumble Bee Canning (all canning operations ended by 2005)
- 2006 May Fire
- 2006-Present Vacant (18 years)
- 2023 Bowery Group Purchased - Summer 2023

Property Data

- Map 20, Lot 341
- Acreage 5.6
- Shore Frontage +/- 850'
- Zone - C5 Marine Business District
- Depth at Pier: 23±' (mean low water)
- Down River Clearances: 70' Vertical, 200' horizontal

Environmental | Civil

- Phase I & II Environmental Update Completed - March 17, 2023 and April 25, 2023
- Bowery Road Engineering Survey Completed - April 1, 2024
- DEP Application for Removal of Submerged Pylons - Summer 2024
- VRAP - Summer 2024 - ongoing

Public Engagement Process

- Neighborhood/Interested Community Members - June 13, 2024
- Community Engagement - Late Summer 2024
- Community Engagement - Fall 2024

Answers to Common Questions

How can I participate in the Bowery Street Visioning Process?
We encourage the public to attend the outreach events and share your input as the vision takes shape.

Are there other opportunities to participate in the Bowery Street Visioning Process?
Yes. We are planning two more community wide events to engage the community.

Is this publicly-owned or privately-owned land?
The property is privately-owned.