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## PRESS RELEASE

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## MAYOR DEMARIA MEETS WITH MYSTIC RIVER WATERSHED DeMaria wants to increase access to the Malden River

On Wednesday, December 7<sup>th</sup> Mayor Carlo DeMaria met with the Director of the Mystic River Watershed Association, Patrick Herron, to discuss increasing access to the Malden River. The Mayor and Herron share a common vision of creating recreational opportunities and adding additional green space to the Malden and Mystic Rivers.

In the meeting, Mayor DeMaria, also discussed his vision for the Malden River, including increasing access to the river with canoe and kayak launches, fishing piers, bike paths, and new parks such as the River Green Park at GE. The Mayor's administration is currently working with the Friends of the Malden River, the Mystic River Watershed Association, and MIT to examine increasing recreational opportunities on the river.

Mayor DeMaria states, "The Malden River is a hidden gem in the City of Everett. Working with our partners at the Mystic River Watershed Association, we can open up access to the river, create recreational opportunities and encourage development along the river, which will compliment those activities. Now is both a critical time for the river and for our community. We will continue to work with private property owners, non-profit organizations, state agencies and our municipal partners to make this river way an asset for all of us."

The Mayor recently submitted a testimony requesting National Grid create a river walk along their property. In addition, the administration is working with Wynn development to expand Seven Acre Park with fields, walk ways and passive recreational, and working with private property owners along the river to open up access for the public.

\*photos included in email

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