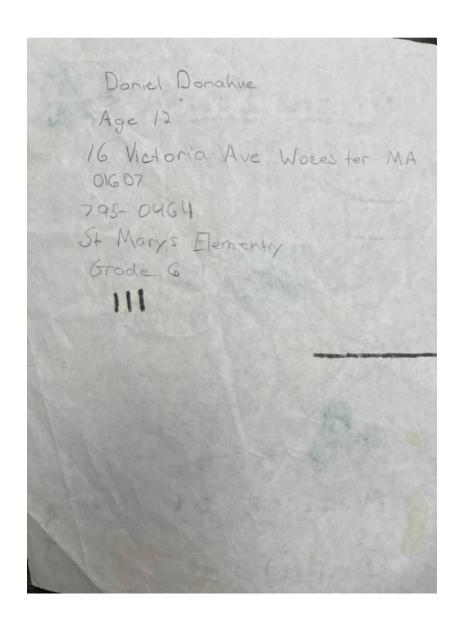
Proud Home to Immigrants
Since 1858

A city is only as interesting as its history...

Sarah Luria, Chair, Environmental Studies Dept. College of the Holy Cross





State Rep. Daniel Donahue, 12 Years Old, Grade 6 (courtesy of Green Island Neighborhood Center)











Lamartine Street area 2024

**Lamartine Street** 

Kelly Sq 1951







View of 10 Lunelle from empty block where houses were razed

10 Lunelle St., b. 1858

## HISTORIC GREEN ISLAND













- 1 28 Ellsworth St. | BUILT 1868
- 2 14 Langdon St. | BUILT 1865
- 3 Formerly Peter Doyle Saloon, 156 Millbury St. | BUILT 1879
- 4 20 Millbury St. | BUILT 1888 5 27 Ellsworth | BUILT 1870
- 6 171 Washington St. | BUILT 1860

Workers began to live in this area south of the Blackstone Canal in about 1858. These historic homes and other elements that remain from the Island's first era help us to appreciate our neighborhood's roots.











- 86 Lafayette St. | BUILT 1860
- 3 10 Lunelle St. | BUILT 1858
- Former Sargent Card Clothing Factory, Sargent St. (MACRIS) | BUILT 1865
- (1) Cobblestones on Sargent St.
- 1 288 Harding St. | BUILT 1865
- A Surviving Gaslight, Langdon St.

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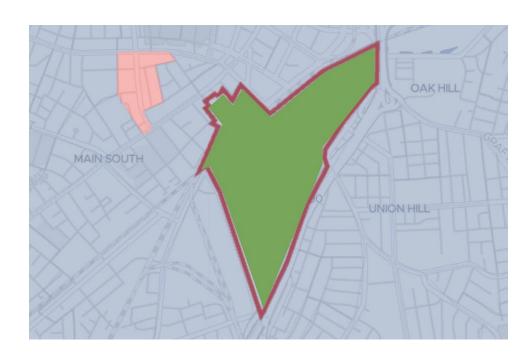


**Green Island = Triple Deckers** 





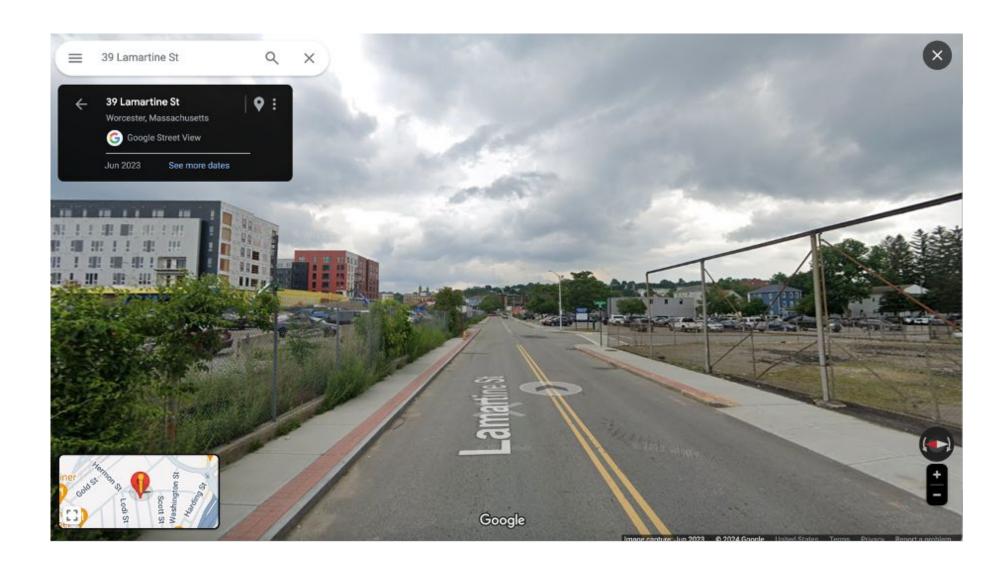




Green Island c. 1964

Green Island 2024



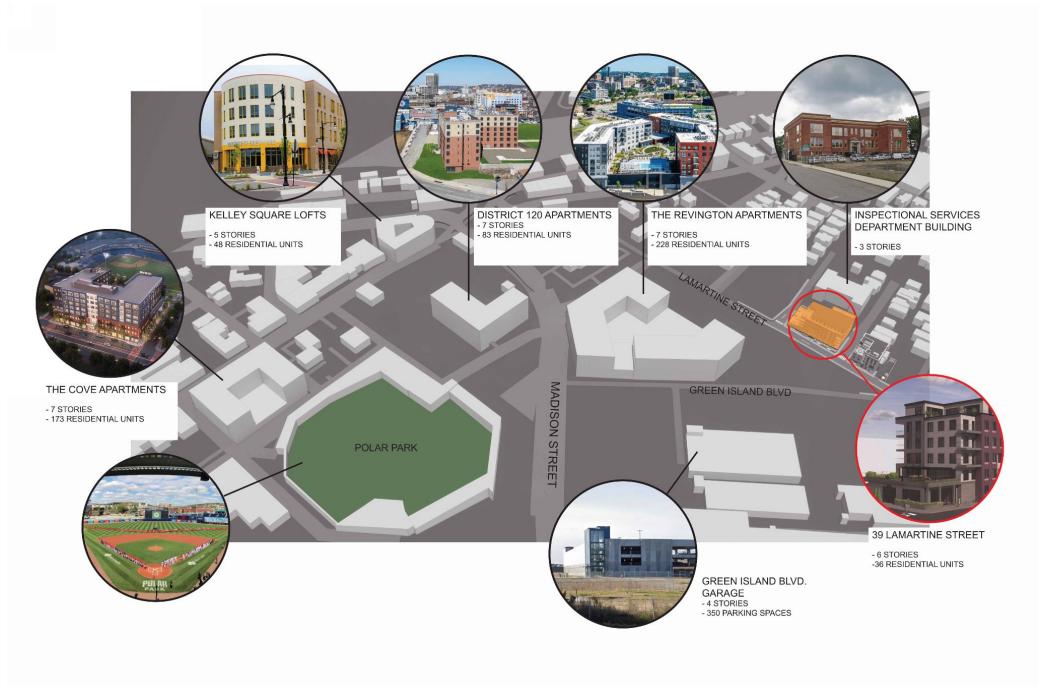








The Revington





10 Grosvenor St.



## Families Surveyed in Crompton Park April 2023

- •Crime in Green Island/ around Crompton Park
- Rising Rents
- Concern about Displacement

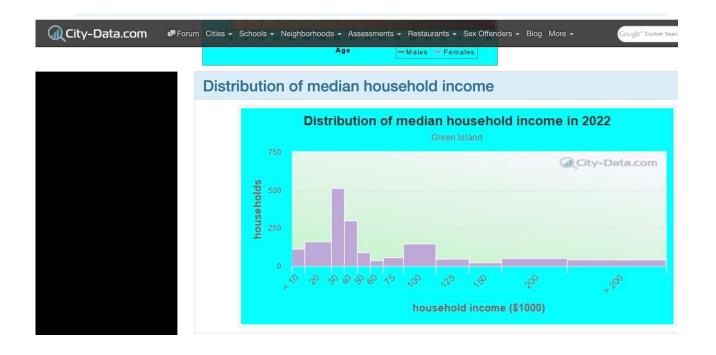
"Too much crime"
"Expensive to live here. Rents are going up"

## **Green Island Resident Group Priorities**

we need housing
Keep the neighborhood affordable,
avoid displacement
maintain available green space

"Since 2021 money has flowed into the Canal District, as property values have risen at nearly double the rate of Worcester overall and the number of property sales have spiked" (WBJ, 3/18/24)

City Data reports that in 2022 well over half of Green Islanders earned under \$50,000/year



And in 2023 it was reported that 30% OF GREEN ISLAND RESIDENTS LIVE BELOW THE POVERTY LINE



c. 1895

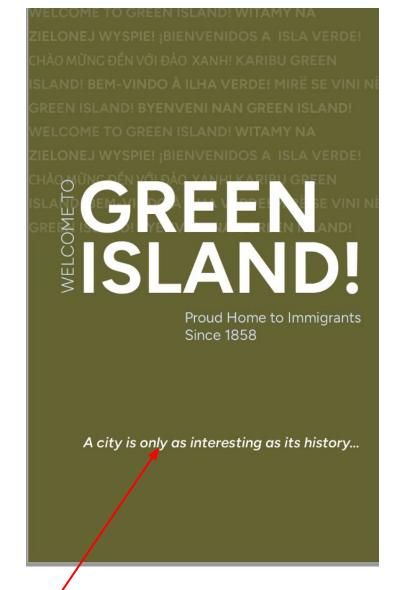








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"A City is Only as Interesting As Its History"

Lorraine Laurie

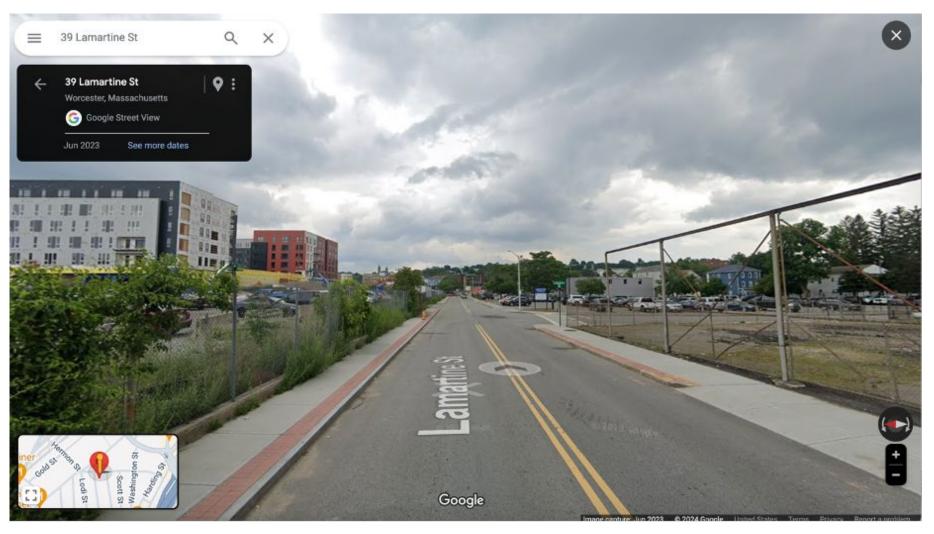


"The Mayor of Green Island" 1950-2024

"What can development do in terms of, not only rebuilding a neighborhood, but also injecting new life and also resurrecting some of the things that have been lost in the past? ...[H]ere we are, not only this resurrection of our city, resurrection of this neighborhood, but also a vision for what's possible."

(qtd. in Nicole King, Save Our Block, 2024)

## The Future of Lamartine Street?



Google Street view (39 Lamartine at right)

Polar Park Development, mixed scale, affordable and luxury development

A Greener Green Island, Smaller Scale, Residential