1.

The overall goal of this project is to collect data to help understand how small businesses are created in the Boston Area. Furthermore, we want to analyze the overall composition of business and their demographics to help understand how issues arise and how solutions can be implemented.

2.

Some of the data will be collected through the use of the specific data sets such as, "City Council Shape, and BPDA business listings" to name a few. Moreover, if the scope of the project allows, then our group can further collect data through other data collection sources.

3.

With the immense amount of small businesses in a large city such as Boston, it may not be possible to accumulate every bit of data requested for small business throughout the city. We may very well end up categorizing information as the project goes on to better rationalize and interpret the data

4.

One major reason why our group chose this project is because we believe that small businesses are the backbone of Boston. Due to the fact that Boston is such a historical city, our group wants to help small businesses thrive and become part of the history of Boston for many years to come.

5.

Our groups next steps include using many data sets and analyzing them to help answer a few overarching questions that might help Councilor Worrell and the city understand which small businesses might be in the most danger. Consequently, our group will start brainstorming a few different solutions just to start.