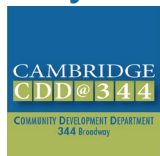


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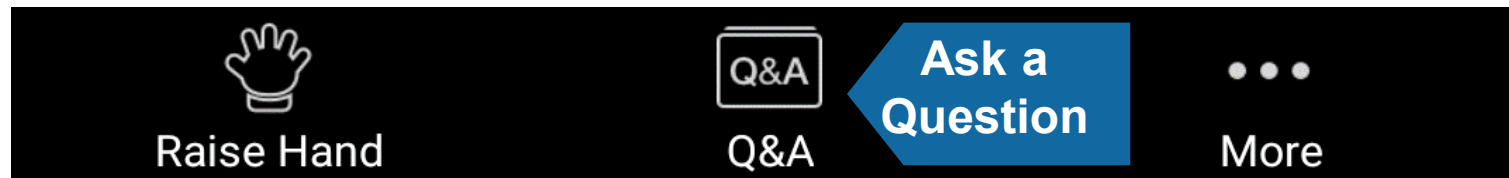
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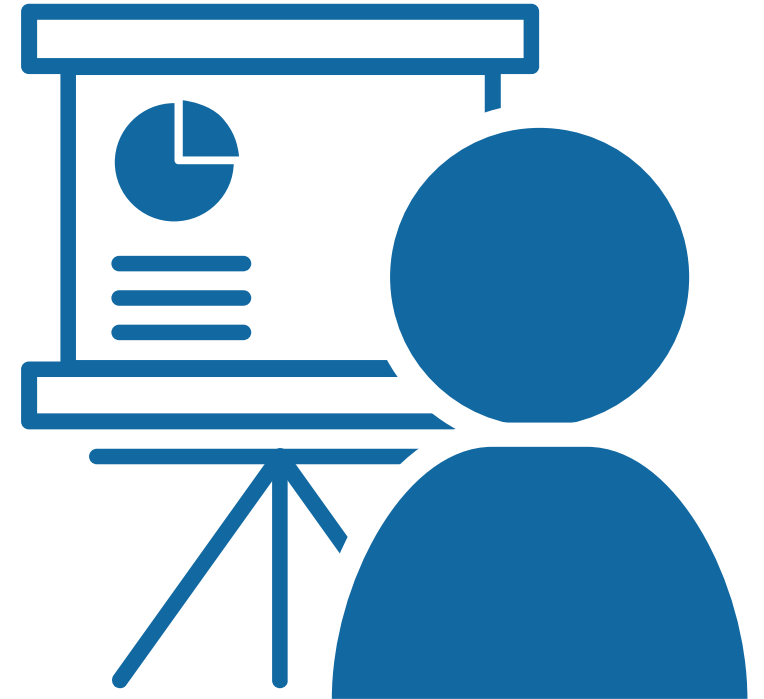
- **Prioritize** TAC member discussion; members of the public can participate during defined comment periods
- **Questions** can be submitted using the Q&A button at any time
- **Public comment** period will use the “**raise hand**” feature, more instruction at the public comment period
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# Meeting agenda

1. Welcome & Introductions
2. Presentation: Silver Line Extension Alternatives Analysis Study
3. Workshop: Community Engagement
4. Discussion: City & TAC updates
5. Public comment





# **Presentation: Silver Line Ext. Alt. Analysis**

Doug Johnson, Transportation Planner

Massachusetts Department of Transportation, Office of Transportation Planning



# Workshop: Community Engagement

Kristiana Lachiusa, Director of Transit + Outreach  
LivableStreets Alliance



# **Presentation: City & TAC Updates**



# Topic: Fare-free bus

- MBTA has promised to develop fare program for low-income households with significantly reduced fares
- Legislature has proposed:
  - Report on potential low-income fare program by March 2023
  - Report on potential fare-free bus program by January 2024
- Previous conversations with MBTA indicated desire for cities to fund bus priority rather than free fares



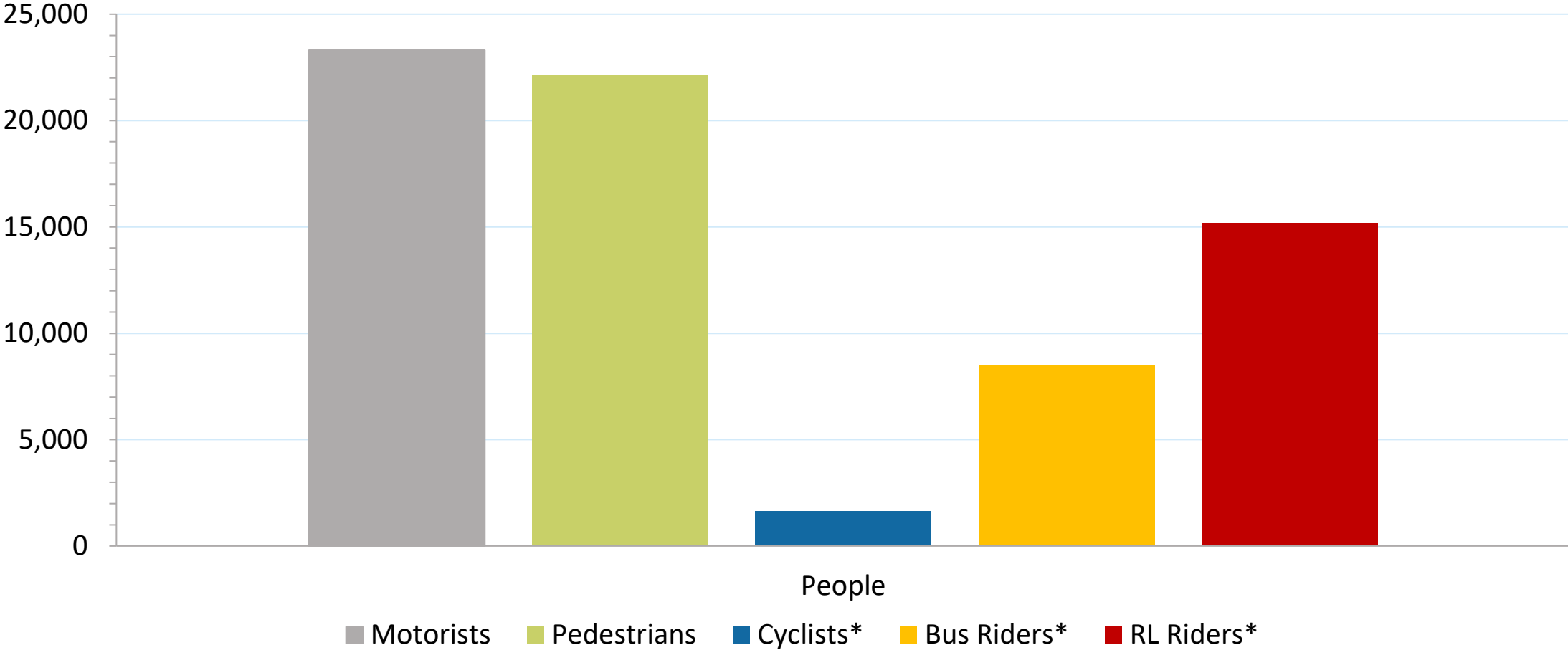
# Massachusetts Avenue - Central Square

- We are planning a full reconstruction of Massachusetts Avenue from Inman Street to Sidney Street.
  - We need to maintain underground utilities and provide separated cycling facilities as defined in the Cycling Safety Ordinance (2020)
- This project area includes the following public transit facilities:
  - MBTA subway station
  - Bus stops at Pearl and at Prospect
- Existing conditions
  - Street user counts
  - MBTA ridership
  - Street sections





# Mass. Ave. at Prospect St. Estimates



# Massachusetts Avenue – Bus riders

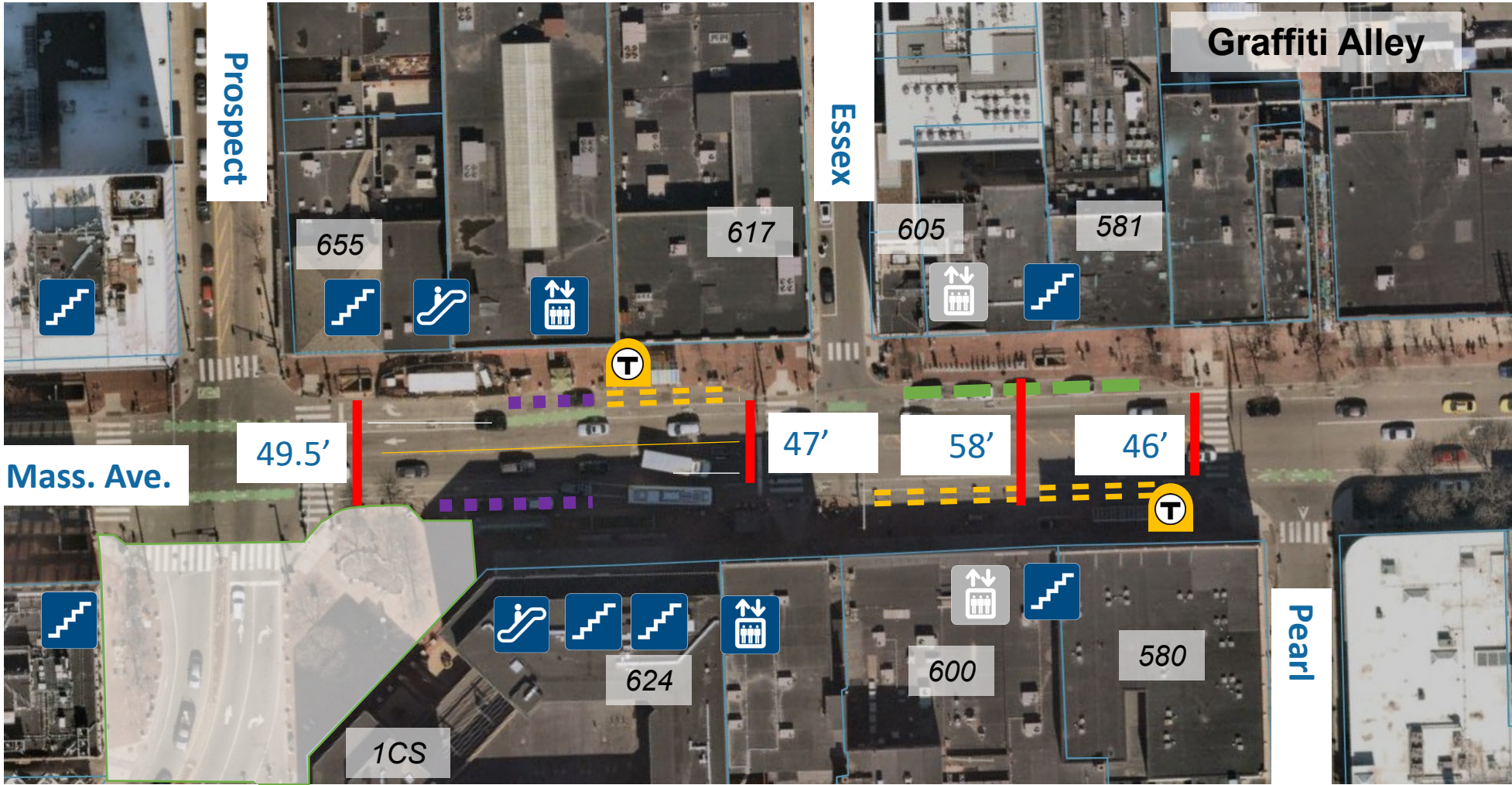
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To Harvard	1	6,951	1,992	263	747
Massachusetts Avenue					
	1	6,508	2,497	1,090	225
	47	2,362	800	800	--
	70	3,085	379	35	1,566
	47	2,337	--	--	376
To Waltham	70	3,559	1,918	1,077	25

Green Street (one-way)

# Massachusetts Avenue – Inman to Prospect



# Massachusetts Avenue – Prospect to Pearl

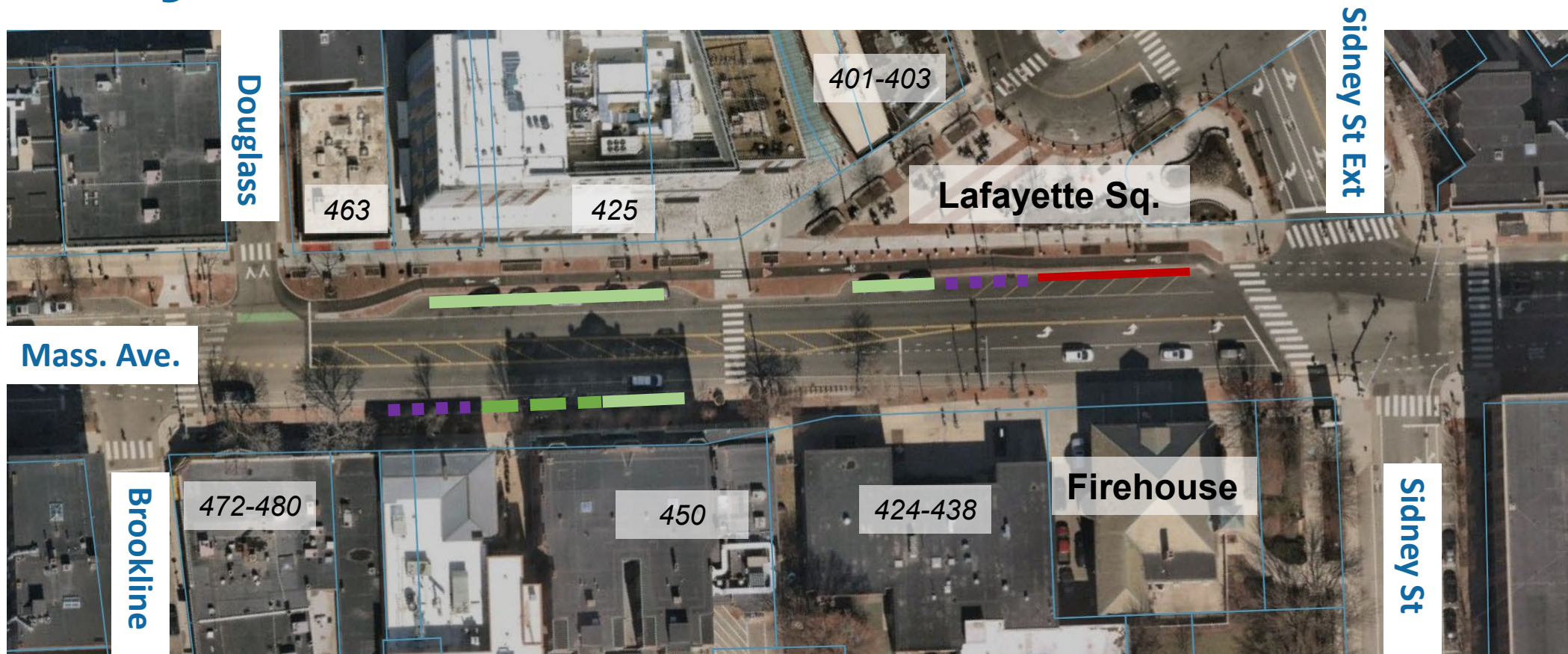




# Massachusetts Avenue – Pearl to Douglass



# Massachusetts Avenue – Douglass to Sidney





# Public comment

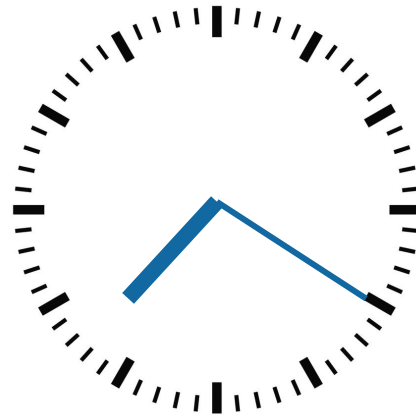
Members of the public will have up to 3 minutes to make a comment

# Comments from the public

Members of the public may make a comment.



Use the “Raise Hand” feature in the Zoom application. By phone, use \* 9 on the dial-pad to “raise hand”.



This agenda item is planned to end at 7:20 PM.



Each member of the public will have up to 2 minutes to speak.





# Next TAC and Joint meeting of TAC/BC/PC

## Upcoming TAC Meetings

- Wednesday, June 2, 2021
  - Potential: MBTA/MassDOT Bus Network Redesign

## Joint meetings with Bicycle and Pedestrian committees

- *Tentative*: Wednesday, June 16, 2021

Thank you for participating in this Transit Advisory Committee meeting.

**Stay safe. Go with joy and hope.**

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**Thank You**