

City of Cambridge
Community Development Department

Bicycle Committee Meeting

February 12, 2025





Welcome

Purpose

Get feedback from appointed members of the committee, the City's "community experts" on bicycle transportation issues

Objective

City staff to understand the Bicycle Committee's consensus on priorities and reactions to city projects and development proposals

Process

Presentation from City staff followed by discussion – questions from committee members, public to type in questions in Zoom Q&A, comments during public comment period

Meeting Agenda

1. Agenda Review, Zoom Protocol, Minutes (5 minutes)

1. Introducing Quinn Murphy, new Sustainable Transportation Planning Intern at CDD

2. Bicycle Committee Officer Elections (30 minutes)

3. March 9, 2025, Winter Bike Ride Preparation (30 minutes) (Tenzin Choephel, CDD)

4. Linear Park Bicycle Detour (10 minutes) (Charlie Creagh, CDD)

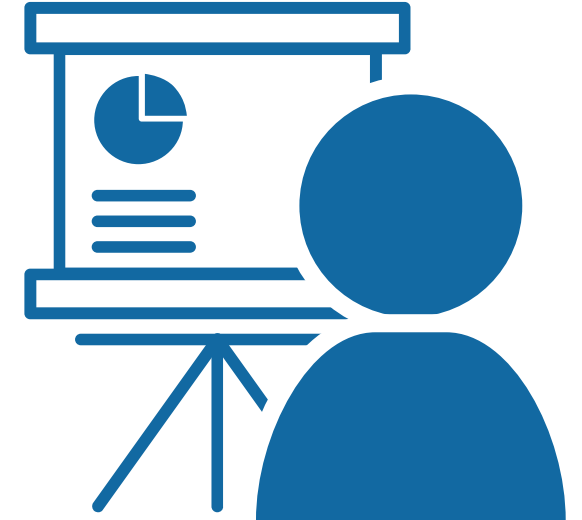
5. Project Updates (15 minutes)

1. Traffic, Parking & Transportation (Stephen Meuse)
2. Public Works (Jerry Friedman)
3. Community Development (Nick Schmidt)

6. Garden Street Safety Improvement Project (10 minutes) (Mark Boswell)

7. Public Comment (5 minutes)

1. Public comments on topics on the Agenda





Minutes



Officer Elections



Officer Elections - Roles

Officer roles from the bylaws:

- *Officers will be elected on an annual basis.*
 - **Chair.** *The chair will be responsible for setting the agenda in coordination with city staff, for facilitation meetings, for organizing the Committee work program and subcommittees in coordination with city staff, and for signing Committee correspondence.*
 - **Vice-Chair.** *The vice chair shall assist the chair in his/her duties and fill in for the chair in his/her absence.*
 - **Secretary.** *The secretary shall be responsible for meeting minutes and attendance records.*

Current officers describe roles:

- Chair, Mark Boswell
- Vice Chair, Amy Flax
- Secretary, Randy Stern



Officer Elections - Process

- **Officer nominations:**
 - Nick will do a roll call request for individual nominations
 - You can nominate yourself or another committee member
- **Officer elections roll call:**
 - Nick will do a roll call confirmation of nominations



Work Plan and Sub-Committee Note

We will review the work plan at the March 12, 2025, Bicycle Committee meeting.
Please come prepared to provide updates on tasks!



March 9, 2025

Winter Bike Ride Preparations

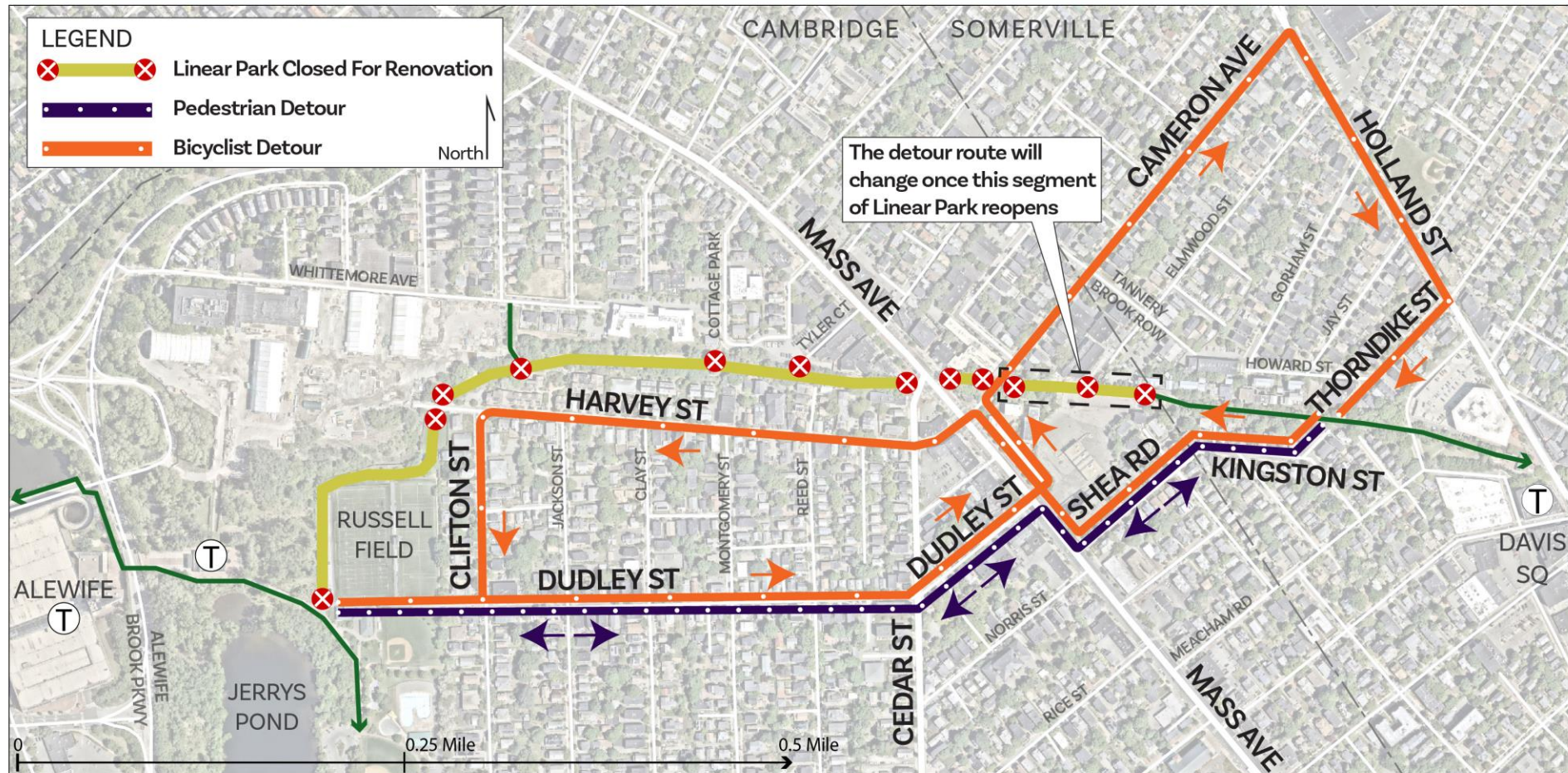


Linear Park Bicycle Detour

LINEAR PARK & MULTI-USE PATH DETOUR

- Linear Park in North Cambridge will be closed for reconstruction starting in FILL IN, 2025
- This map shows the current signed detours. The detours will change when we complete construction from Cameron Ave to the Somerville border.

For more information or to sign-up for updates, scan the QR code or visit camb.ma/linearpark.





Project Updates



TP&T Updates

Traffic, Parking, + Transportation Department – Project Updates

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These projects are managed by TPT staff

1. **Broadway (Portland St to Quincy St)**

- Section A (Portland to Columbia) first
- Working Group applications are closed. Group to begin meeting in February
- Recording available soon: Community Meeting 1 was on January 28th, Zoom
- Materials online soon: Open Houses February 4th and 6th

2. **Aberdeen Ave**

- Design and outreach complete.
- Installation to begin in Spring 2025.

3. **Cambridge St (Oak to Second)**

- Section A (Oak to Willow) first
 - Feedback survey closed January 31st.

4. **Main St (Central Sq to Portland St)**

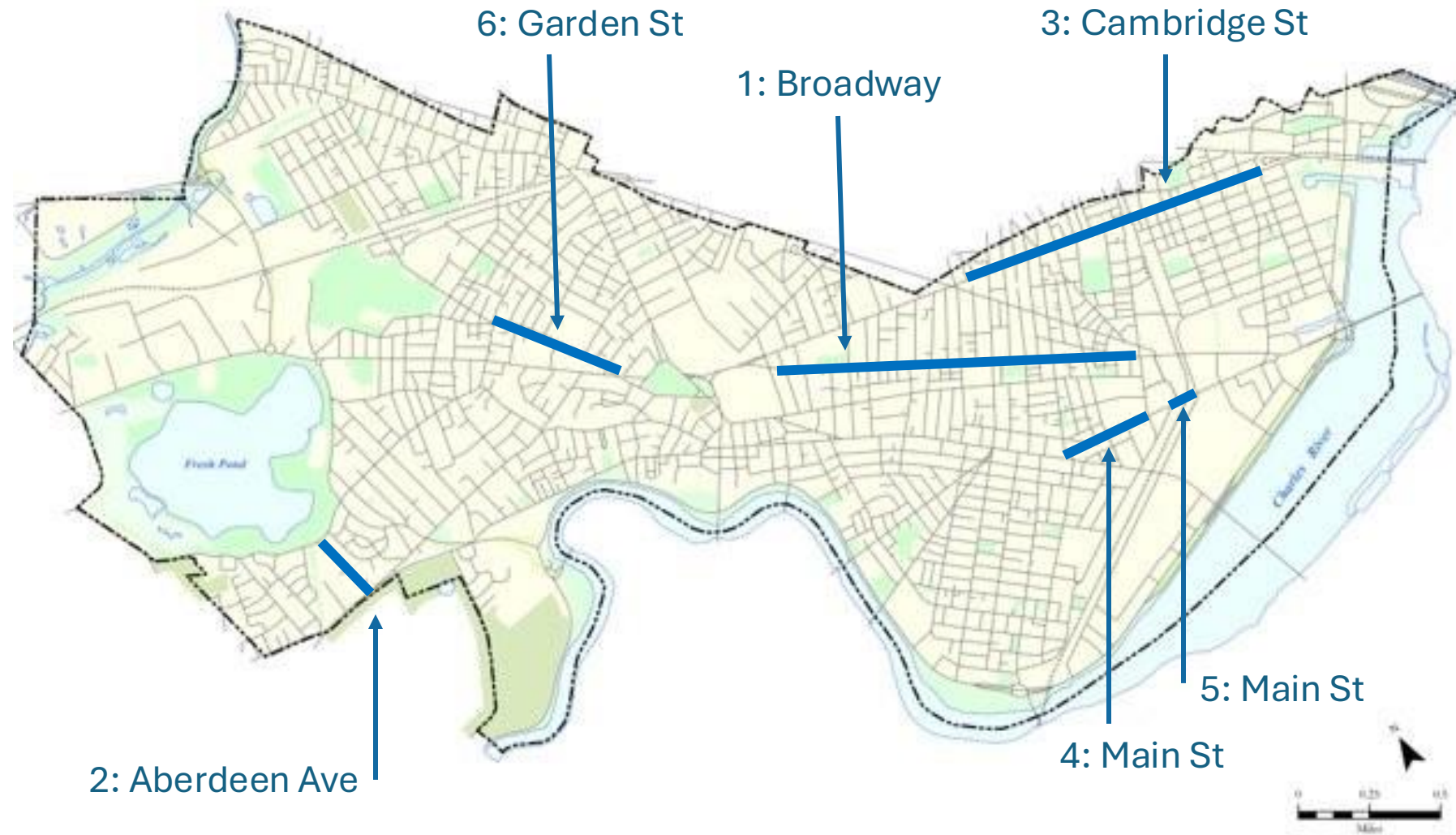
- Working on final design and public engagement opportunities for Spring 2025
- Installation to begin Spring/Summer 2025

5. **Main St (Tech Sq to Albany St)**

- Working on final design and developing outreach materials
- Installation to begin Spring/Summer 2025

6. **Garden St (Concord Ave to Huron Ave)**

- Reviewing analysis and implementation options for two-way vehicles in response to Council Order. Report back by April 1, 2025.





DPW Updates

Department of Public Works – Projects 1-3 Updates

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1. Harvard Square Kiosk Plaza

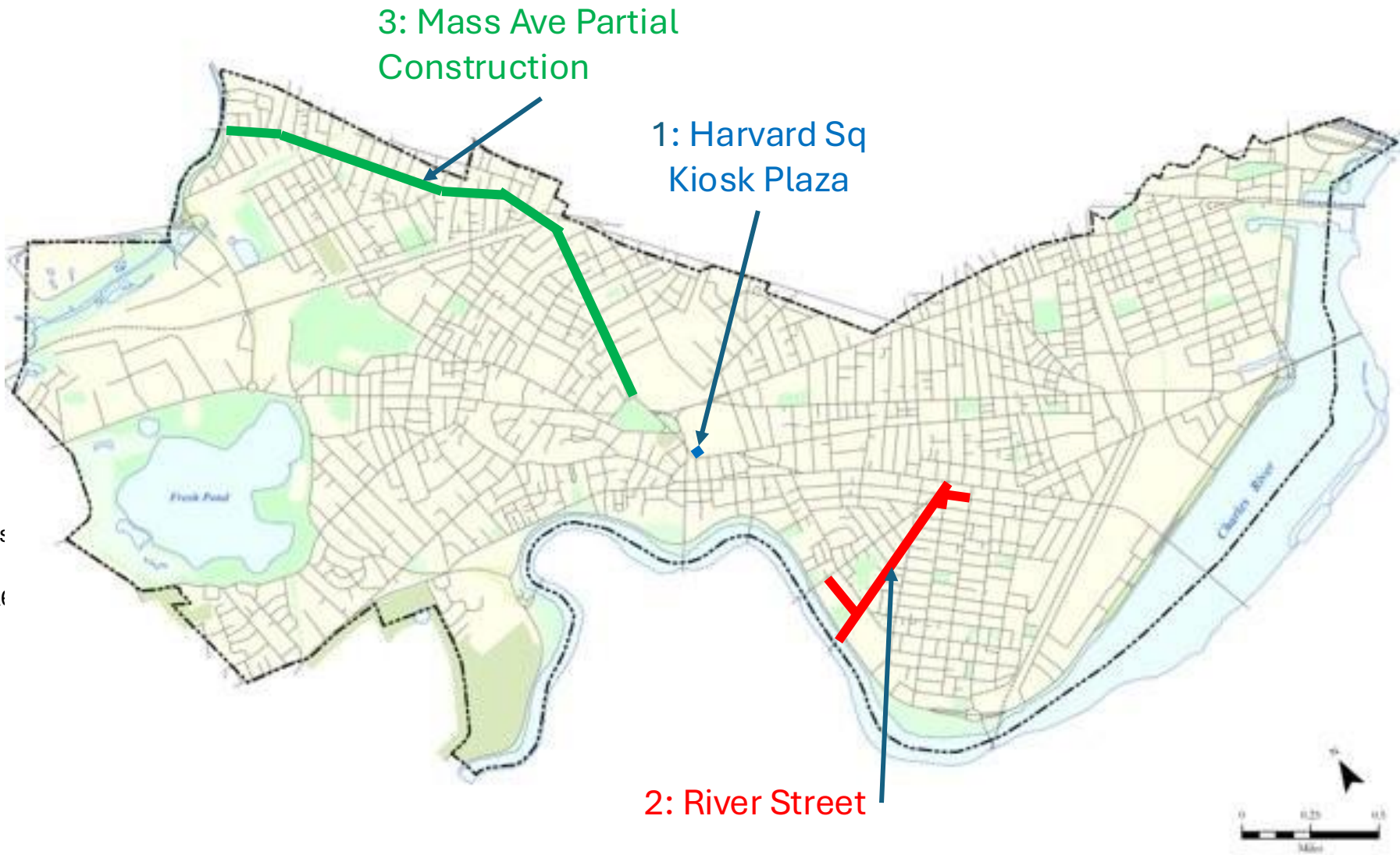
- Continue with plaza re-grading, granite seating and walls, brick replacement, bicycle improvements thru November 2026.

2. River Street

- Utility work continues thru winter
- Begin curb/sidewalk/roadway work in Spring 2025
- Carl Barron Plaza: new bus shelters and “Ribbon” feature begin March 2025
- Magazine/Franklin interim roadway and bike lane changes complete (see additional slides)

3. Mass Ave Partial Construction

- Linnaean-Waterhouse Median Removal begins Spring 2025
 - Pre-construction Open House March 20 – details and notices coming soon.
- Separated bike lane installation will follow; beginning around mid-2026.
- Concept development for Linnaean-Rindge; and Rindge-Alewife Brook Parkway continues. Public events to occur in 2025 for both segments.



Department of Public Works – Projects 4-7 Updates

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4. Chapter 90 Contracts 24 & 25

- Elm Street (Webster-Hampshire) final paving this spring
- Utility work starts on Maple and Montgomery
- Other streets to follow (Green, Centre, Sciarappa)

5. Chapter 90 Contract 26

- Second round of community meetings: March-May 2025. Bid late Summer 2025
- Streets are Chetwynd, Gray, Haskell, Norfolk, Shepard, Avon Hill, Hillside

6. Port Infrastructure Improvements

- Phase I Utilities/Streets/Sidewalks to begin construction mid-summer 2025 (Multi-year project – more details to come)
- Clement Morgan Park Reconstruction to begin mid-2025

7. Broadway

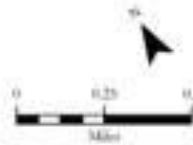
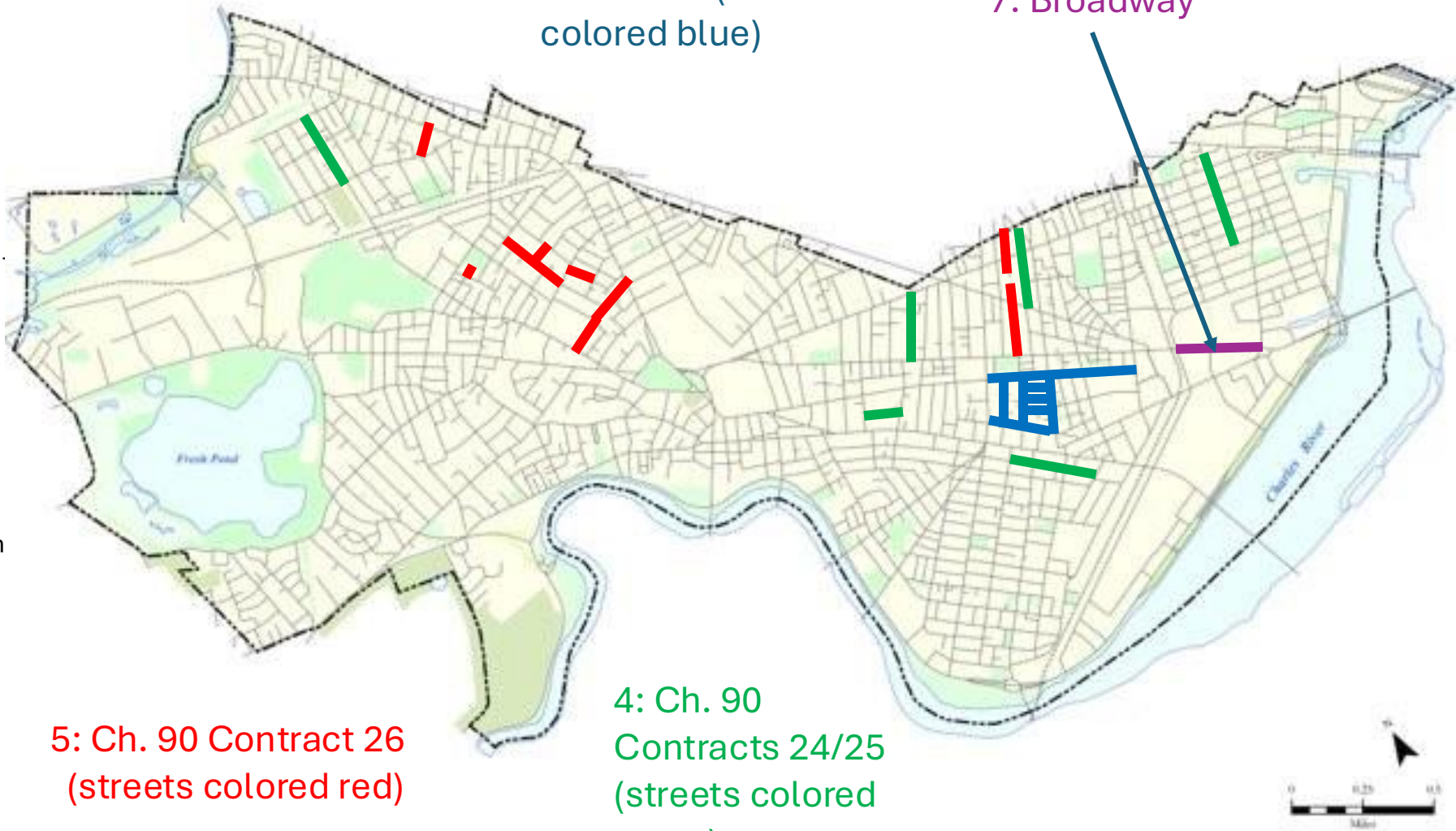
- Broadway is eastbound only for vehicles between Galileo Way and Ames, with a 2-way bike facility on the south edge.
- This condition will extend to Third Street starting early Spring 2025, and last for around 1 year.
- This supports major utility work associated with the Volpe and Eversource energy projects

6: Port Infrastructure
– Phase 1 (streets colored blue)

7: Broadway

5: Ch. 90 Contract 26
(streets colored red)

4: Ch. 90
Contracts 24/25
(streets colored green)





Prospect St

Mass Ave

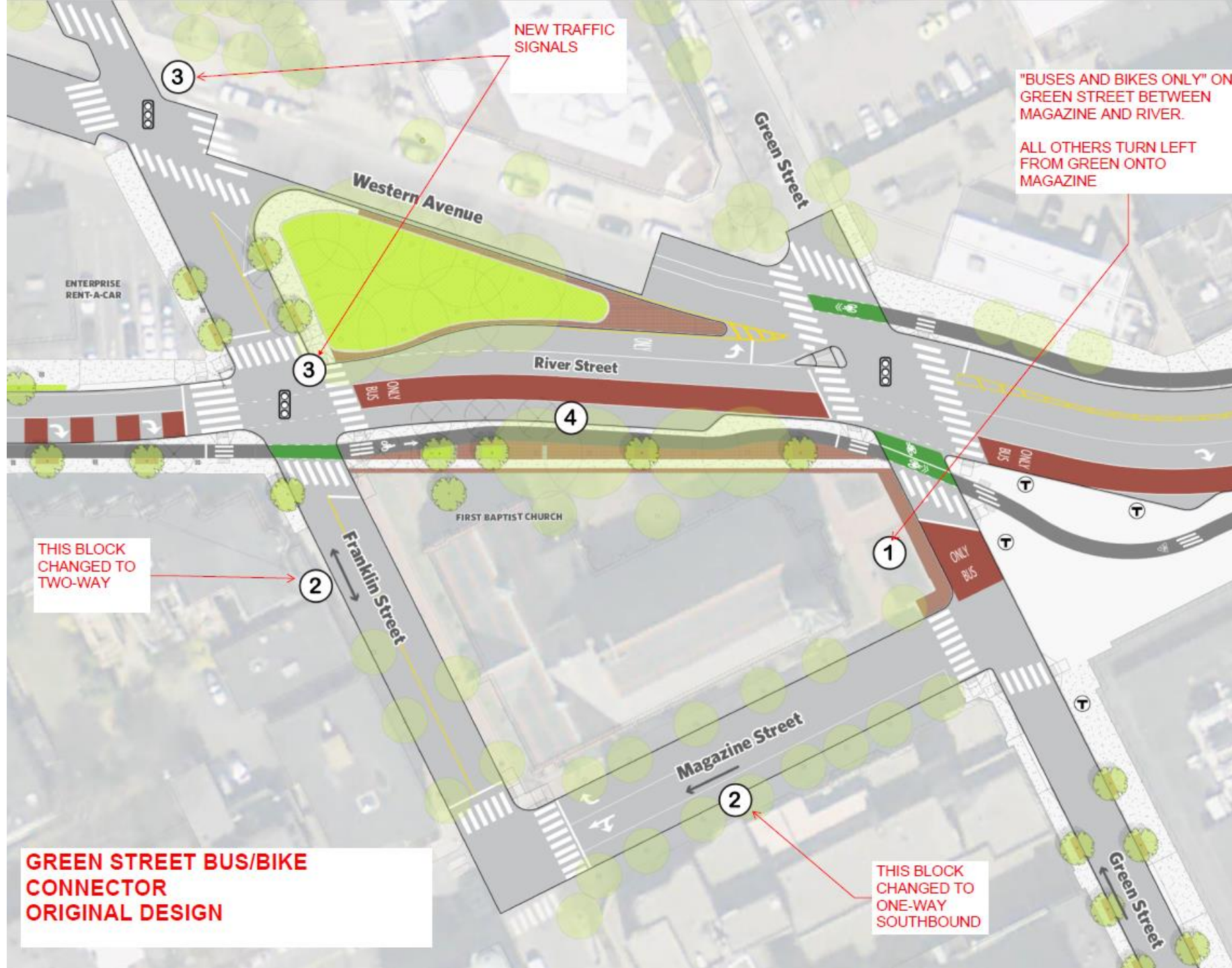
Green St

Western Ave

River St

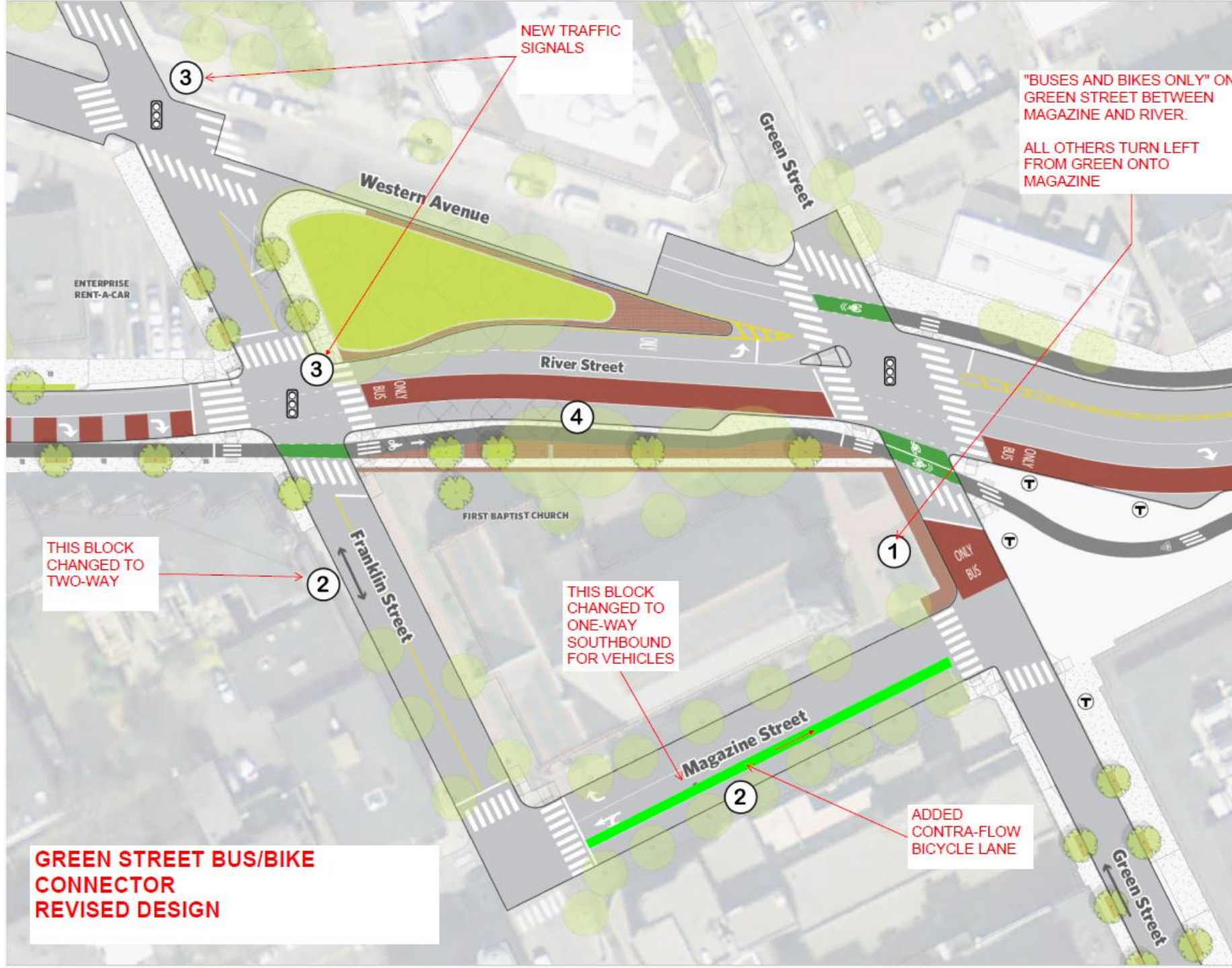
Magazine St

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Franklin St





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CDD Updates



Garden Street Safety Improvement Project



Public Comment

Thank You