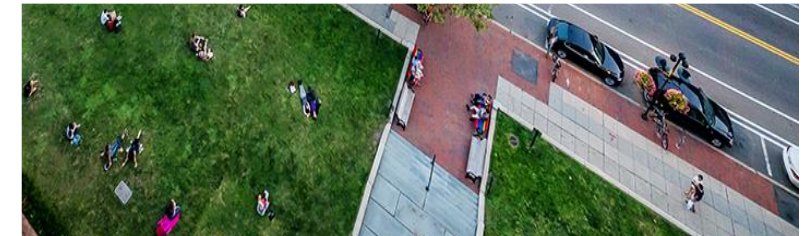


City of Cambridge  
Community Development Department

# Bicycle Committee Meeting

March 12, 2025





# Welcome

## **Purpose**

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

## **Objective**

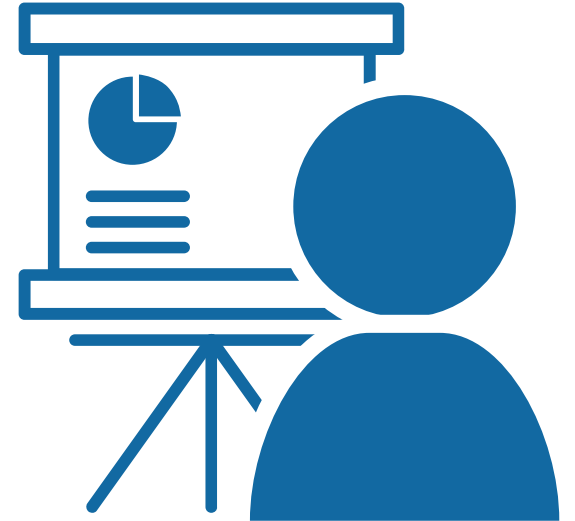
City staff to understand the Bicycle Committee's consensus on priorities and reactions to city projects and development proposals

## **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)
2. **Response to Open Meeting Law Complaint** (15 minutes)
3. **Project Updates** (15 minutes)
  1. Traffic, Parking & Transportation (Stephen Meuse)
  2. Public Works (Jerry Friedman)
  3. Community Development (Nick Schmidt)
  4. Bicycle Committee (Richard Freierman)
4. **2025 Spring Bike Ride Preparation** (20 minutes) (Tenzin Choephel, CDD)
5. **Broadway Safety Improvement Project Update** (20 minutes) (Andreas Wolfe, TPT)
6. **Bicycle Committee Work Plan** (40 minutes) (Richard Freierman)
7. **Public Comment** (5 minutes)
  1. Public comments on topics on the Agenda





**Minutes**



# Open Meeting Law Complaint



**Bicycle Committee is in Executive  
Session and will return shortly**



# TP&T Updates

*These projects are managed by TPT staff*

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

- Section A (Portland to Columbia) first
- Community Meeting 1 was on January 28<sup>th</sup>, Zoom
- Open Houses took place February 4<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>
- First project working group meeting was February 11<sup>th</sup>

**2. Aberdeen Ave**

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

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

- Section A (Oak to Willow) first
  - Feedback survey closed January 31<sup>st</sup>
  - Planning for Spring 2025 Open House

**4. Main St (Central Sq to Portland St, Tech Sq to Albany St)**

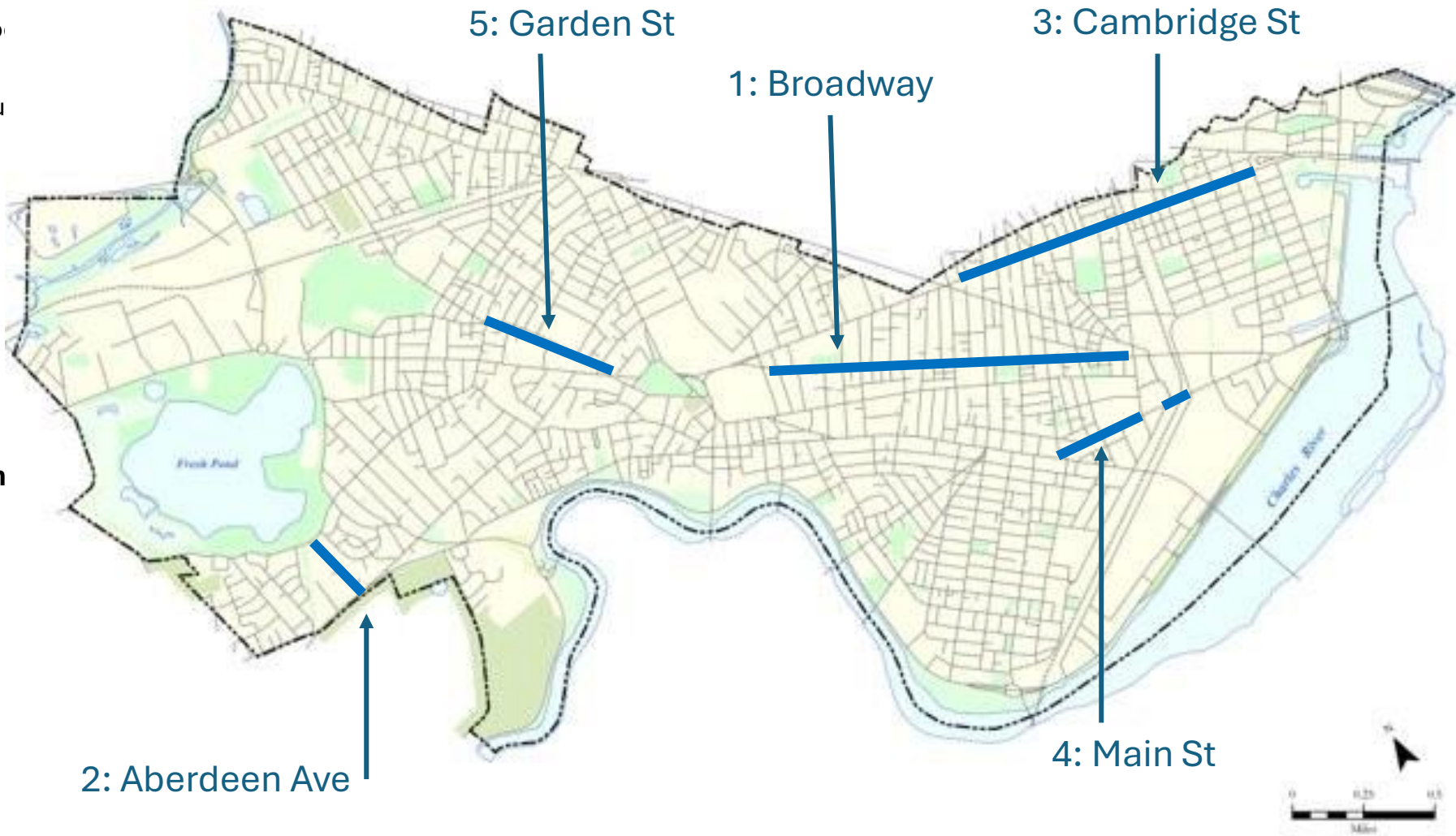
- Working on final design and public engagement opportunities for Spring 2025
- Installation to begin Spring/Summer 2025

**5. 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.

**Maintenance**

- Flex post replacement work started this week, Citywide
- Markings season to begin by end of month



Map of all upcoming Cycling Safety Ordinance projects at  
[www.cambridgema.gov/cyclingsafetyordinance](http://www.cambridgema.gov/cyclingsafetyordinance)



# DPW Updates

# Department of Public Works – Project Updates

Cambridge Bicycle Committee Meeting

March 13, 2025

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## 1. Harvard Square Kiosk Plaza

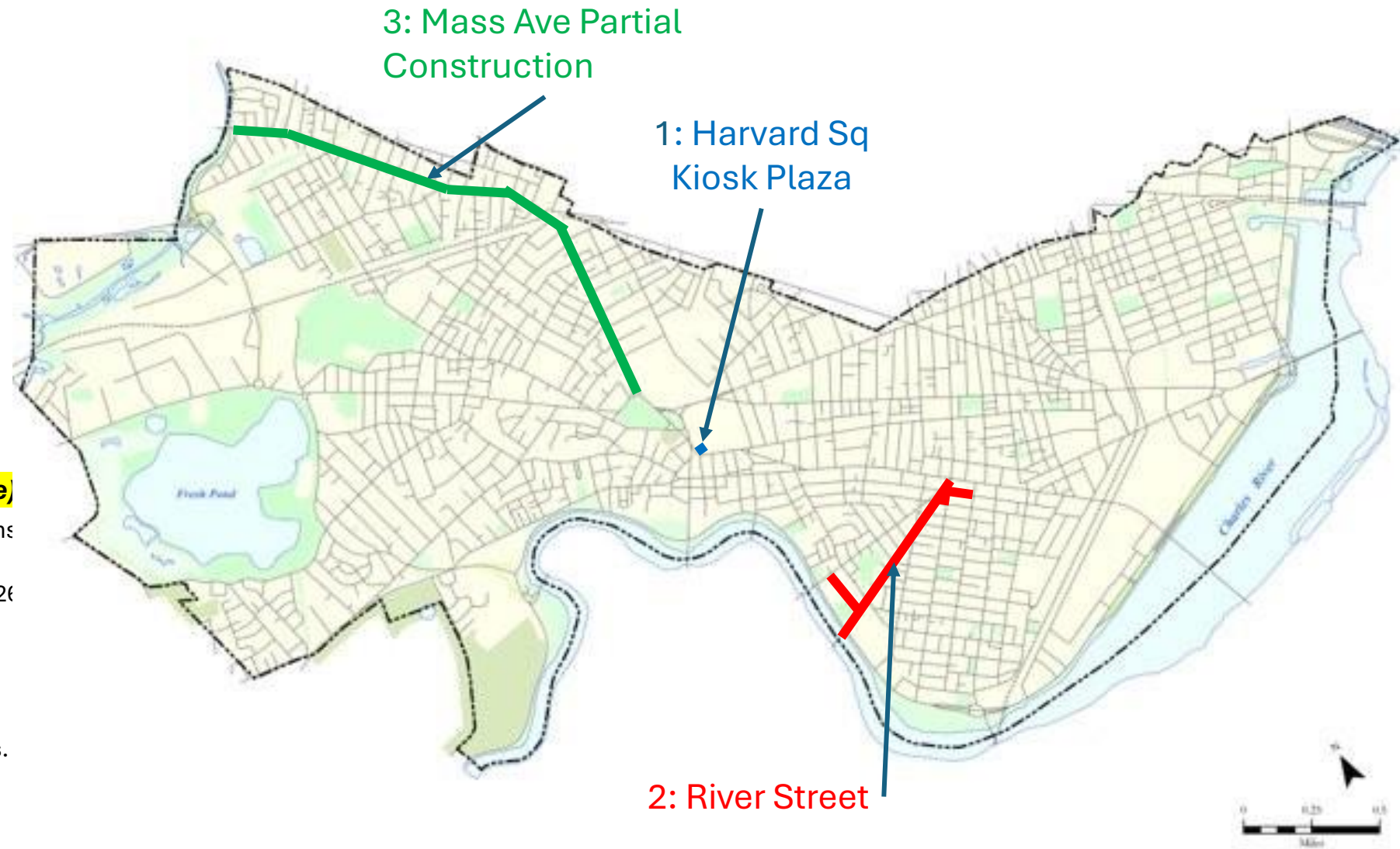
- Continue with plaza re-grading, granite seating and walls, brick replacement, bicycle improvements thru November 2026.

## 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

## 3. Mass Ave Partial Construction **(Update)**

- Linnaean-Waterhouse Median Removal begins Spring 2025
  - Pre-construction Open House March 26 – 5:30-7:30 at Lesley University
- 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 – Project Updates (continued)

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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 (Update)

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

## 7. Broadway

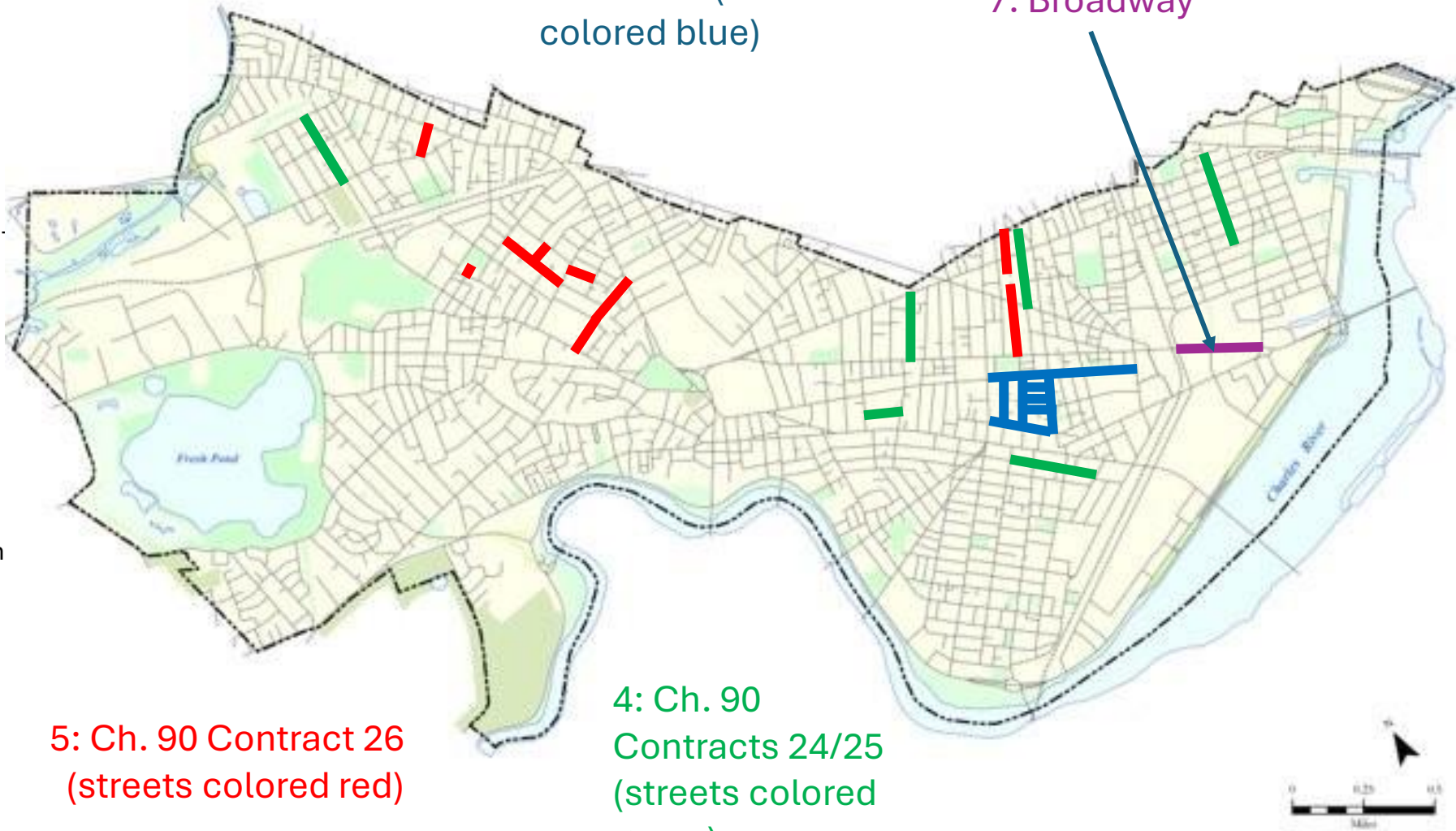
- Broadway is eastbound only for vehicles between Galileo Way and Ames, with a 2-way bike facility on the south edge.
- This condition will extend to Third Street starting early Spring 2025, and last for around 1 year.
- This supports major utility work associated with the Volpe and Eversource energy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





# CDD Updates



# Announcements

- Cambridge launching the **Cambridge Transportation Department**:
  - The Transportation Planning Division at Community Development will move to the Department of Transportation (DOT) as a division alongside the existing Street Management and Parking Management Divisions.
  - More information will be sent soon to the transportation committees.
- CDD projects:
  - Linear Park Redesign bids anticipated in April
  - Grand Junction Path to Community Path Design Study starting this spring
- Boston Bike to Work Day Festival (May 16) ride leaders needed!
  - [Routes and sign-ups available here](#)



# Deadlines

- 11th Participatory Budgeting Cycle
  - Project voting through March 16
- Resident Bike Lottery Program
  - Applications open through March 30!
  - WGBH - “Want a free bike? Cambridge opens lottery system for residents.”
- Cambridge Redevelopment Authority Forward Fund
  - Organizations can apply for capital infrastructure projects or feasibility studies
  - April 4 – Final date for first cycle applications
  - September 5 – Final date for second cycle applications



# Upcoming Community Meetings

- Urban Design Guidelines
  - March 19, 5:30 – Joint Meeting of Committees (Hybrid)
  - March 25, 5:00 – Open House (Main Library)
  - March 25 through April 9 – Exhibition (Main Library)
- Mass Ave Partial Construction
  - March 26 – Median Removal Open House
- McGrath Boulevard (MassDOT)
  - March 26, 6:30 (Virtual) – Design update
- Planning Board Meeting
  - March 18, 6:30 p.m. - Urban Design Guidelines
  - March 25, 6:30 p.m. - MXD District Infill Development Concept Plan Amendment



# Upcoming CSO Community Meetings

- Cambridge Street
  - March 18, 4:00 p.m. – Working Group #4 (City Hall Annex)
- Broadway
  - April 1, 5:30-7:30 PM – Working Group Meeting #2 (City Hall Annex)
  - April 29, 5:00-7:00 PM – Community Meeting (Virtual)
- Main Street
  - April 15, 5:30-6:30 PM – Informational Meeting (Virtual)
  - April 17, 5:30-6:00 PM – Open House #1 (Location TBD)
  - April 22, 4:30-6:00 PM – Open House #2 (Location TBD)



# Upcoming Committee Meetings

- Joint Meeting of Committees – March 19 (Urban Design Guidelines)
- Pedestrian Committee – March 27
- Transit Advisory Committee – April 3
- **Bicycle Committee – April 9**
- Tentative Joint Meeting of Committees – April 16 (Zoning 101)



# **Bicycle Committee Chair Updates**



# Spring Bike Ride Preparations

(2025 Winter Bicycle Ride Photos! Thank you, Mark!)



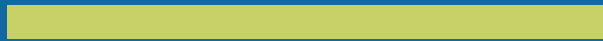
# **Broadway Safety Improvement Project Update – Draft Roll Plan**



# **Bicycle Committee Work Plan**



# Public Comment



**Thank You**