

**Joint Meeting of Transportation Committees
Meeting on April 24, 2025****DRAFT Meeting Notes****Attendees**

- Members in attendance: Jackson Moore-Otto, Matthew Kramer, Andrew Zhou, Craig Tateronis, Ian Hatch, Matt Martin, Matthew McCominsky, Melissa Zampitella, Miles Robinson, Nick Lessin, Sandy Goldberg, Robin Bonner, Jeannine Powers, Logan Read, Maryann Quinn, Richard Freierman, Amy Flax, Guido Cuperus, Leah Pickett, Mark A. Boswell, Martha Birnbaum
- Members absent: Annalisa Bhatia, Arthur Strang, Bill McAvinney, Clyde Lawrence, David Rangavitz, Devin Chausse, Jim Gascoigne, Katherine Rafferty, Keisha Greaves, Omriqui Thomas, Patrick Delaney, Pete Septoff, Sandhya Ramakrishnan, Alexandra Hallowell, Bernhard Nickel, Debby Galef, Janet Stein, Jenine Turner-Trauring, John Leo, Kevin Leckey, Michael McGowan, Sean Peirce, Thomas Marsh, Xander Mitchell, Gregory Carey-Medlock, Randy Stern, Alison Harris, Camille Jonlin, Carola Voelker, Denise Haynes, Diane Gray, Eitan Normand, John P. Ellersick, Ling Zeng, Michael Burke, Muna El Taha, Scott Killcoyne, Vanessa Nwankwo
- City staff: Andy Reker (DOT), Quinn Murphy (DOT), Stephen Meuse (TPT), Melissa Miguel (DPW), Stephen Magalhaes (CPD), Evan Spetrini (CDD)
- Guests: Danny Frias (IQHQ), Anthony Galluccio, Howard Moshier (VHB), Danielle Desilets (KZLA)
- Visitors: Kasey Owen, John, James, Elizabeth, Lisa, Nahid Chowdhury, Alida, Chrissy, Jean Wilson, Eppa Rixey, Joel Nogic, Macky, Suzanna Schell, Carol Agate, Lewis Weitzman, Heather Hoffman, Janet Innes

Presentation on Jerry's Pond (Danny Frias, IQHQ)

Q: Who was Jerry? Add historical marker?

A: Jeremiah McCrane (sp ?), original owner

Was called Jerry's Pit

Historical Commission is creating a memorial plaque

Q: Where can people eat?

A: flexible seating – benches, tables

Q: Pathway from Ringe Ave to T is a very narrow sidewalk

A: we will expand Ringe Ave sidewalk

6' wide meandering path along Alewife Brook Parkway

Q: Path (?) – will it be repaired?

Commented [MQ1]: Include all other presenters here?

A: no plans to repair
Will ask DCR to address the problem

Q: There is no bike connection to the athletic field
A: there is a bike connection

Q: Path near gate to fieldhouse is too tight
A: we are widening the turn-around area
Creating new path
A communal garden is going in

Q: Southeast side is not safe
A: there is a wide paved area

Q: Good signage needed to prevent biker-pedestrian conflict on path as bikes getting bigger, longer and faster

Zoning 101 (Evan Spetrini, CPD)

Q: How do new zoning rules get approved?
A: Feb. 2025 – new multi-family building in all zoning districts
Amendments to these ordinances can be requested by city or property owners
Need public hearing

Q: Are historic houses exempt from new multi-family rules?
A: historic houses have some protections if they are historically significant
Ask Historical Commission if these houses are exempt

Q: Where can I find zoning maps?
A: pdf's and interactive maps on website

Public Comment

Lewis Weitzman – public comment on IQHQ presentation
Q: How can you divert through-bikers who are going too fast? Safety issue – path is too narrow; there should be a high-speed path