To achieve a safe street design for people of all ages and abilities, safety improvements are coming to Mass Ave between Roseland Street and Beech Street.

*Separated Bike Lane Benefits*
- Safe and comfortable for people of all ages and abilities
- Fewer crashes
- Eliminates threat of “dooring” from parked vehicles
- Buffer space reduces conflicts between turning vehicles and people biking
- Shorter crossing distances for people walking
- Enables more people to choose cycling as a transportation option
- Increases comfort for drivers as they know where to expect a person biking
- Supports city’s climate goals

**Mass Ave Today**
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**Vision for Mass Ave**
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*Project Area*
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*Key Features*
- **Loading Zones**
  - Adds separated bike lanes in both directions
  - Creates three new loading zones on Mass Ave
  - Loading on Upland Road
  - Metered Parking on side streets
  - Keeps two travel lanes

*Accessible/disability parking*
- Adds new accessible/disability parking spaces
- Improves safety for all users
- Adds separated bike lanes in both directions
- Removes metered parking on Mass Ave

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**Preferred Alternative**

**Key Features**

1. **Accessible/Disability Parking**
   - Three accessible/disability parking spaces added on the north side of Porter Square
   - Two added on the south side of Porter Square
   - To install a loading zone, the existing accessible/disability space in front of the United States Postal Service will be relocated nearby

2. **Northbound Loading Zone between Allen Street and Davenport Street**
   - 30 minute loading at all hours of the day
   - No overnight parking
   - Limiting Factor: overhead wires prevent adding longer-term parking

3. **Metered Spaces on Davenport Street**
   - Two new 2-hour metered spaces

4. **Somerville Avenue Intersection Improvements**
   - Single lane in both directions on Somerville Avenue between White Street and Mass Ave
   - Results in slower speeds through the intersection
   - Discourages weaving movements
   - Provides better navigation through the intersection for large vehicles

5. **Loading on Upland Road**
   - Loading between 7 a.m. and 3 p.m.

6. **Southbound Loading Zone and Valet Zone between Upland Road and Mt Vernon Street**
   - 30 minute loading at all hours of the day
   - No overnight parking
   - Limiting Factor: overhead wires prevent adding longer-term parking

7. **Parking Modification on Mt Vernon Street**
   - Eight 2-hour metered parking spaces
   - No parking changes in front of residential homes

8. **Northbound Loading Zone between Roseland Street and Mt Vernon Street**
   - 30 minute loading at all hours of the day
   - No overnight parking
   - Limiting Factor: overhead wires prevent adding longer-term parking

**Project Schedule**

- **January 25, 2022**
  - Community Meeting #1

- **March 15, 2022**
  - Community Meeting #2

- **April 26, 2022**
  - Community Meeting #3 (Upcoming)

- **May 2022**
  - Side Street Parking Changes

- **Late May / Early June 2022**
  - Project Implementation

**We Hear You!**

- Community meeting #1 held and feedback survey opened on January 25
- Community meeting #2 held along with pop-up meetings in March
- Community meeting #3 will be held on April 26
- Visit the project web page for information on how to attend the upcoming meeting, view previous project materials, and to fill out a survey on proposed parking changes

**Stay Informed**

- Sign up for the mailing list on the project web page to receive project updates
- See the bottom of this page for a link and QR code to the project web page

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