







## **City of Cambridge Community Development Department**

# Transit Advisory Committee

July 2022



#### Welcome

#### **Purpose**

Get feedback from appointed members of the TAC, the City's "community experts" on the MBTA Bus Network Redesign

#### **Outcomes**

TAC to approve the writing of comment letter to the MBTA and to select a letter writer

TAC to know the most recent information on City and MBTA projects

#### **Process**

City staff will provide further instructions for the comment letter Public to type in questions in zoom Q&A or speak verbal comments during public comment period

# **TAC and City Updates**

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## **Upcoming Meetings**

- Next Transit Advisory Committee meeting
  - Thursday, August 4 5:30 PM
  - Potential topics
    - Review of TAC-recommended implementation plan
    - Review of other city projects
    - Discussion by subcommittee
  - In-person meetings TBD
- Next joint meetings of Transit Advisory, Bicycle, Pedestrian Committees
  - Tentative July 20

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# **City Updates**

#### Project information is listed in order

We have shown projects in order:

- Finished construction or recently installed
- Currently in construction or installation
- Creating a design plan
- Studying

Information is highlighted when there is:

- Shifted from one category to another highlighted in green
- Updated information highlighted in yellow

#### Substantially complete

#### South Mass Ave Transit Priority Project

- Massachusetts Avenue from Lafayette Square (Sidney St) to Memorial Drive
- Continuous bus lane toward Boston
- Final work by flexpost crews
- Reviewing design to identify any remaining "punchlist" items







#### Installation or construction

Project	Update	Next public event
Inman Square Reconstruction Project	Project will be substantially complete by the end of this summer Intersection changes expected in July 2022	No events scheduled

## Implementation soon

Project	Update	Next public event
Belmont Street Project	Construction bids to be opened soon	No events scheduled
Huron Avenue – Glacken Field Project	Construction bids to be opened soon	No events scheduled
River Street Reconstruction Project	Construction bids to be opened soon	TBD
Porter Square Safety Improvements Project	City staff presented updates and final plans on 4/24	None scheduled

## In planning and design

Project	Update	Next public event
Grand Junction MUP Project	Continuing to work on final design plans	Public meeting expected in the fall (TBA)
Concord Ave – Transit Signal Priority Project	Working with MBTA on procurement and design Additional work required to sign a Memorandum of Agreement	No events scheduled

## **Under study**

Project	Update	Next public event
MassAve4 (Waterhouse to City Limit) Project	City staff to begin data collection and conceptual design	None scheduled
MassAve4 (Harvard Square Area)	City staff to begin data collection, survey, and conceptual design	None scheduled

## In Study

Project	Update	Next public event
Broadway/Main/Third (CRA-led) Study	Ongoing study of bus queue jump facility and signal priority on Broadway and Third	No events scheduled
Transportation Impact Study Update Study	Ongoing	No events scheduled

# **MBTA Updates**

#### Subway service reductions

Because of insufficient staffing at the MBTA operations center, the MBTA has increased the time between trains on the Red, Blue, and Orange Lines on weekdays. Operations center staff are critical to safe and smooth subway operations.

The MBTA will run this temporary schedule through the summer.

The Green Line and buses are not affected by these reductions.

In Cambridge, Somerville, and Downtown Boston, Red Line trains arrive Every 7 to 8 minutes

Thank you for participating in this Transit Advisory Committee meeting.

Stay healthy and well.

#### **Thank You**