



# PTAC Feb 2021 Meeting

Feb 18th, 2021 6:30pm - 8pm



# Agenda

- Intros
- Jan meeting minutes
- March mtg: Optionally move to 2nd Thursday to provide Spring Hill project feedback
- Shared Streets - Neighborways
- PTAC feedback survey overview
- City Update
- Bylaws Updates
- Other business



# PTAC Feedback Survey

Thank you for filling it out! If you haven't yet, you can still do so and we will review it. Feedback is anonymous, we received 7 responses.

- Rough list of priorities for upcoming meetings based on feedback
- Overview of written feedback
- Conclusions

# Priority list



- Post Street Treatment Updates: How the city evaluates and collects data on street changes
- Sidewalk and Roadway Resurfacing: Prioritization and Upcoming Plans
- Bus network Redesign 101
- Parking Dept. Topics: Parking Study phase 2 scope
- ADA Transition Plan
- Transit and Pedestrian planning 101
- Zoning and planning
- Intersection Classification
- TransitMatters Mobility Hubs
- Mcgrath Highway related items
- Mystic Ave

We will work with Mobility to get these topics into our upcoming meetings



## Feedback: What's going well

- Everyone has been staying engaged during this extremely difficult year
- Discussions staying on topic
- Striking a balance between city information and discussion
- City topics are interesting and helpful



# What needs to be tweaked

- Subcommittee involvement: getting regular reports from subcommittees at our monthly meeting
- Should focus on deliverables
- Understand how to track our own performance
- Still can be difficult to balance between city updates and discussion
- Difficult to focus on topics because of our broad scope
- Ensure we follow up on project we're tracking



# What additional topics should we explore

- Generally prioritizing our projects to keep track
- Reach out to other local, related organizations (Walk Boston, Cambridge Pedestrian Committee, Cambridge Transit Advisory Committee) for ideas or speakers
- Dedicate more time to Transit topics



## **Ideas about the committee being a better resource for the city staff**

- Having more consistent follow up on city projects
- Act as a sounding board/focus group for earlier stage ideas from the city
- Organize our feedback for city projects - both upcoming and post-implementation
- Get feedback from the city on this topic





## **Ideas about being a better resource for residents and people who work here?**

- Make an effort to invite more residents
- Audrey did a great job setting up the website
- Update our website regularly with resources and meeting information, including things that may be available on multiple different city websites
- Come up with a social media plan



## **Ideas about how the committee shares its progress with the city and residents?**

- We should should name our achievements - and show what impact we are having
- Share any letters or opinions of the committee through the website
- Could share through local news



# Conclusions and Takeaways

- Ask for subcommittee updates at our Monthly meetings
  - Include actions and goals
- Committee leadership to track actions and to-dos, ensure we are following up
- Keep track of and publicize our list of upcoming topics - this was a great start
- Regularly check in with members to see if the balance of information and discussion in our meetings is okay
- Any others?



# City Update



# Bylaws Updates

Two points on possible Bylaws updates

1. Audrey has reviewed our Bylaws and come up with some wording and other edits. Now that we have some experience it might be good to take another look through and make changes
2. Ted has been working on sections for Opinions and Resolutions:  
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ZUk3NNcJ-mZMXSOKDaHGLuU9tmkC1kGxvJfdiFXR-pl/edit?usp=sharing>

ByLaws updates would happen over a couple of meetings, with edits in between.