

Pedestrian & Transit Advisory Committee

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March 2024 Meeting Agenda

Somerville Pedestrian & Transit Advisory Committee (PTAC)

Mayor Katjana Ballantyne

Meeting Information

Thursday, March 21, 2024, 6:30-8:00 PM

This meeting will be hybrid:

- In-person meeting location: Somerville Public Library, Central Library, 79 Highland Ave.
- Zoom info to join remotely via computers, tablets, and smartphones:
 - https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89181225932?pwd=aWpoL2FtaUh3aGdVbHNRWUJmeDRNQT0
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 - o Passcode: 152274
 - Or join by phone:
 - Dial (for higher quality, dial a number based on your current location):
 - o US: +1 646 558 8656
 - Webinar ID: 891 8122 5932
 - o Passcode: 152274
 - o International numbers available: https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kcVy69ROJG

Members

- 1. Ted Alexander
- 2. Ginny Alverson
- 3. Caroline Bodager
- 4. Meredith Brown
- 5. Laura Evans
- 6. Christopher Ferry
- 7. Vitor Pamplona (Vice Chair)
- 8. Zach Rosenberg
- 9. Alessandra Seiter (Chair)
- 10. Carole Voulgaris (Secretary)
- 11. Will Mbah (Ex Officio, City Council At Large)

- 12. Lauren Craik (Ex Officio, OSPCD Mobility)
- 13. Justin Schreiber (Ex Officio, OSPCD Mobility)

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Procedural Business (5 Minutes)

Subcommittee Updates (10 Minutes)

Engineering & Construction Updates (30 Minutes)

- Expected guests: Brian Postlewaite (Director of Engineering), Jesse Moos (Construction Liaison & Compliance Manager), and Niki Green (ADA Field Associate).
- Topics include the 5-year repaving plan and its relationship to sidewalk prioritization, lessons learned from outdoor dining, and safe routes through construction.

Reflections on McGrath Blvd (20 Minutes)

- MassDOT held its latest meeting on the project to turn McGrath Highway into an at-grade boulevard on February 13, 2024. PTAC will discuss our thoughts on their concept designs.
- For details, review MassDOT's slides and the video recording from the February 13 public meeting.

Discussion on FY25 Budget Priorities (20 Minutes)

• The FY25 budget process has begun, with the Mayor requesting priorities from City departments and Councilors. PTAC will discuss our own potential priorities.

Other Business (5 Minutes)

Public comment.

Online Meeting Addendum

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. C. 30A, s. 18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, as well as Mayor Curtatone's Declaration of Emergency, dated March 15, 2020, this meeting of the PTAC will be conducted via remote participation. We will post an audio recording, audio-video recording, transcript, or other comprehensive record of these proceedings as soon as possible after the meeting on the City of Somerville website and local cable access government channels (SCATV).