

# Somerville



Pedestrian & Transit Advisory Committee

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## July 2024 Meeting Agenda

### Somerville Pedestrian & Transit Advisory Committee (PTAC)

Mayor Katjana Ballantyne

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### Meeting Information

Thursday, July 18, 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=aWpoL2FtaUh3aGdVbHNRWUJmeDRNQTO9>
  - Passcode: 152274
  - Or join by phone:
  - Dial (for higher quality, dial a number based on your current location):
  - US: +1 646 558 8656
  - Webinar ID: 891 8122 5932
  - Passcode: 152274
  - International numbers available: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/kcVy69ROJG>

### Members

1. Ted Alexander
2. Ginny Alverson
3. Caroline Bodager
4. Meredith Brown
5. Laura Evans
6. Christopher Ferry
7. Tim Gilman
8. Preston Gutelius
9. Satoko Hirai
10. Brenda Marvin
11. Steven Mulder

12. Barbara Myers
13. Bianca Norkunas
14. Vitor Pamplona (Vice Chair)
15. Zach Rosenberg
16. Alessandra Seiter (Chair)
17. Robert Stanzel
18. Carole Voulgaris (Secretary)
19. Will Mbah (Ex Officio, City Councilor At Large)
20. Justin Schreiber (Ex Officio, OSPCD Mobility)
21. Katherine White (Ex Officio, OSPCD Mobility)

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### Procedural Business (10 Minutes)

- Roll call and guest introductions
- Vote on June draft minutes

### Subcommittee Updates (5 Minutes)

- Policy & Enforcement
- Engineering & Evaluation
- Education & Engagement

### Draft Letter Discussion: Elm Street Parking Pilot (30 Minutes)

- Mobility is proposing changes to parking regulations on Elm Street between Davis Square and Grove Street. These changes aim to encourage safe and legal parking, meet the high demand for quick pickup and drop-off, increase the number of accessible spaces, provide adequate space for truck loading and unloading, and increase safety for all users (especially people using the crosswalks). [Find details on the proposed changes in last month's presentation to PTAC.](#)
- At this meeting, we'll review a letter PTAC members have drafted on the proposed changes. [Read the draft letter here.](#)

### City Update & Discussion: Latest Proposed Designs for Tufts Street (30 Minutes)

- Mobility has prepared an updated proposed design for Tufts Street based on community feedback. At this meeting, Mobility will present the updated design and seek committee input.
- In the [Tufts Street Reconstruction project](#), the City is planning to reconstruct sidewalks and repave Tufts Street in East Somerville between Cross Street and Washington Street. As part of the effort, the City is planning to redesign Tufts Street as a [Neighborhoodway](#) to make it safer and more comfortable for people using all modes.

### Open Discussion (10 Minutes)

- With any remaining time we have, we will open the floor for discussion on topics members would like to address. New and existing PTAC members should feel free to raise questions about onboarding materials/committee processes, goals for the rest of the year, or discussion on current pedestrian- and transit-related matters in Somerville.

## 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).