



## November 2024 Meeting Agenda

Somerville Pedestrian & Transit Advisory Committee (PTAC)

Mayor Katjana Ballantyne

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### Meeting Information

Thursday, November 14, 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)

## Agenda

### Procedural Business (10 Minutes)

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

### Subcommittee Updates (10 Minutes)

- Community Events
- Design Review
- Special Projects

### Snow Clearing for People Walking and Taking Transit with DPW (25 Minutes)

- Eric Weisman (Director of Operations, Somerville Department of Public Works) will join us to discuss the City's approach to snow clearing for people walking and taking transit. He will present on when snow removal happens, who is responsible for which areas, and updates to the [Sidewalk Snow Clearing Pilot](#).
- Review [PTAC slides from November 2023](#) (starts on page 29) for details and background.

### Western Pearl Street: Design Directions (30 Minutes)

- We will discuss the three possible design directions for the [Western Pearl Street Reconstruction project](#), presented at the first community meeting on October 9. Mobility staff will give a very brief summary of each design direction to help inform this item.
- **Helpful to review before this meeting:**
  - Design direction details start on page 37 of the [October 9 community meeting slides](#).
  - [Notes from PTAC's community walk on Western Pearl Street](#) (October 21).
  - [Minutes from PTAC's September 2024](#) meeting where we had a very preliminary discussion about the project's trade-offs.

### West Broadway: 80% Design Review (10 Minutes)

- We will review the latest designs for the [West Broadway Reconstruction project](#). This is an update to the concept design released in April 2024, based on community feedback.
- **Helpful to review before this meeting:**
  - [Posters from October 22 Open House](#) detailing project design elements.
  - [Updated illustrative plan](#).
  - [Brochure](#) with descriptions of new street elements and project background.
  - [Recording of the project team](#) presenting the updated design.

## 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).