

Pedestrian & Transit Advisory Committee

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November 2025 Meeting Agenda

Somerville Pedestrian & Transit Advisory Committee (PTAC)

Mayor Katjana Ballantyne

Meeting Information

Thursday, November 20, 2025, 6:30-8:00 PM

This meeting will be hybrid:

- In-person meeting location: <u>101 South Street</u>, Somerville, MA 02143.
 - Enter through the door on the far-left side of the building, next to Windsor Street.
- Zoom info to join remotely via computers, tablets, and smartphones:
 - https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89181225932?pwd=aWpoL2FtaUh3aGdVbHNRWUJmeDRNQT0
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 - Passcode: 152274Or join by phone:
 - o 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. Meredith Brown
- 4. Laura Evans
- 5. Christopher Ferry
- 6. Preston Gutelius
- 7. Satoko Hirai (Digital Comms. Officer)
- 8. Brenda Marvin (Secretary)
- 9. Steven Mulder

- 10. Barbara Myers
- 11. Bianca Norkunas
- 12. Vitor Pamplona (Vice Chair)
- 13. Zach Rosenberg
- 14. Alessandra Seiter (Chair)
- 15. Mackenzie Webb
- 16. J.T. Scott (Ex Officio, City Councilor, Ward 2)
- 17. Justin Schreiber (Ex Officio, OSPCD Mobility)
- 18. Katherine White (Ex Officio, OSPCD Mobility)

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Procedural Business (5 Minutes)

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

Subcommittee Updates (5 Minutes)

- Community Events
- Design Review
- Special Projects

Long-Term Considerations for Bus Route 90 (35 Minutes)

- This summer, the MBTA re-routed bus route 90 from Broadway and Cross St onto Washington St.
 PTAC along with a large number of fellow community members, including students and East
 Somerville families successfully advocated that the 90 be restored to its previous route to
 continue serving East Somerville schools and businesses. In September, PTAC members discussed
 the challenges that remain for bus route 90.
- At this meeting, PTAC will deliberate between several options for the future of bus route 90 with the goal of making a recommendation to the MBTA. Melissa Dullea, Senior Director of Service Planning, will join to present the MBTA's priorities and answer questions about route options.

Next Steps from Union Square Walk Audit (35 Minutes)

- In April, PTAC and several other community organizations hosted a walk audit in Union Square to
 assess the safety, accessibility, and comfort of walking in the area. In August, the coalition
 released a <u>report with recommendations for improvements in Union Square</u>, including 25
 short-term recommendations (9 high-priority) and 11 long-term recommendations for integration
 into the next phase of the Union Square Plaza and Streetscapes plan.
- Since the report's release, Mobility and Engineering staff have been working to respond to the report and propose concrete action items. At this meeting, staff will present these proposals for discussion with PTAC members.

Officer Elections (5 Minutes)

 PTAC will elect members to serve in the following Officer roles for a one-year term: Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, and Digital Communications Officer.

Other Business (5 Minutes)

• Public comment.

Online Meeting Addendum

Pursuant to Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2025 by the Massachusetts State Legislature, this Somerville PTAC meeting will be conducted in part 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.