



City Update December 2025 PTAC Meeting



Agenda

- [McGrath Boulevard](#)
Update

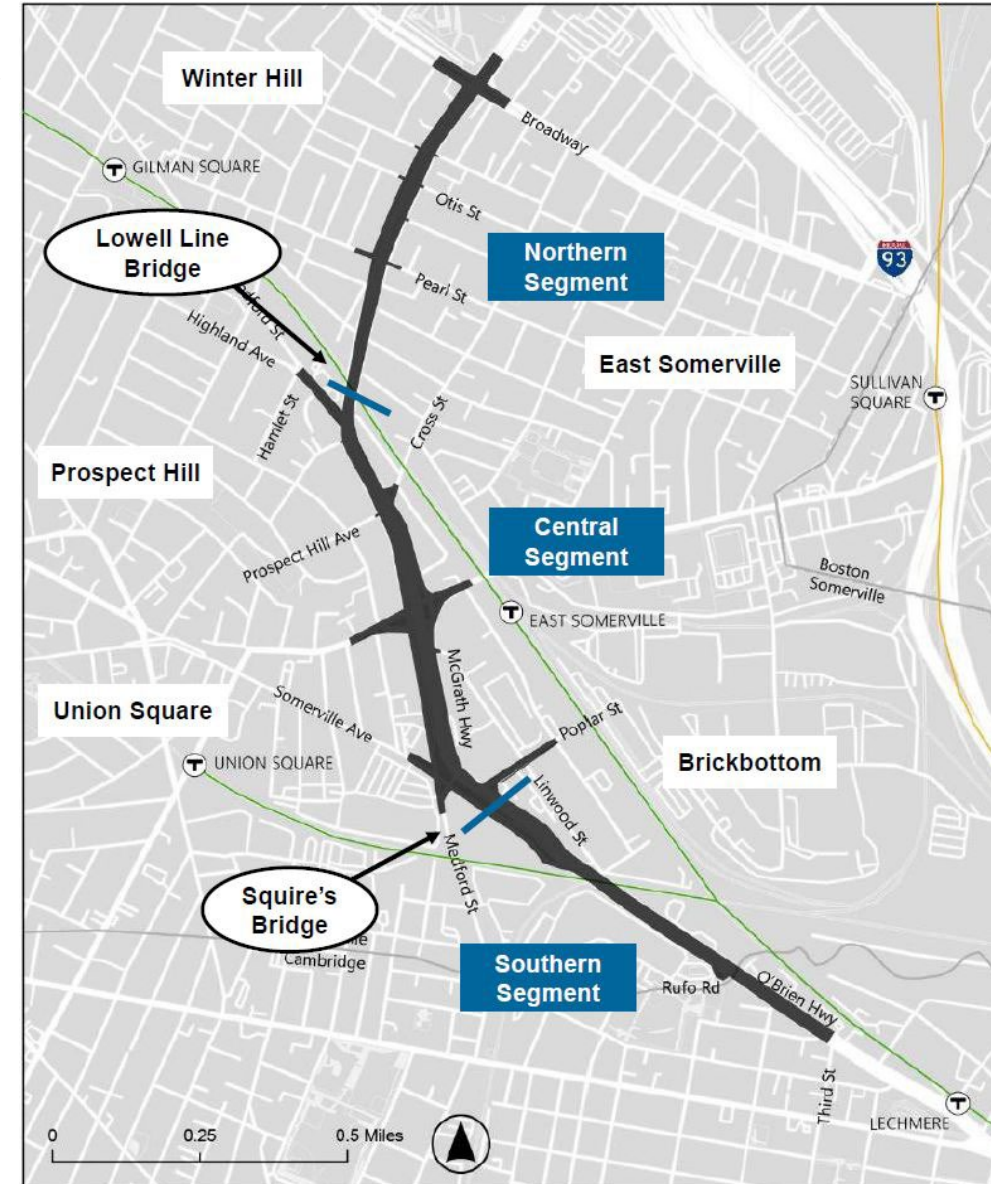


Above: Rendering of the McGrath Boulevard 25% design at Washington Street (Credit MassDOT)

McGrath Boulevard

- MassDOT recently held the 25% Design Public Hearing (Virtual) and Open House for the McGrath Boulevard Project
- The meeting provided a detailed overview of the design for the full project area for the first time.

At Right:
Overview of
McGrath
Boulevard
Project
Area
(Credit:
MassDOT)



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- The 25% design milestone denotes a turning point in the design
 - **from** major design elements, like cross sections and intersection configurations
 - **to** more detailed design elements like grading, landscaping, signal timing, and construction/traffic planning.
- Final design will occur through 2027 with bidding planned for advertisement in Fall 2027.



Above: McGrath Highway as seen from the Otis Street Footbridge

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- Major design elements that were shared include:
 - Reduced vehicular infrastructure
 - Removal of additional travel lanes on Somerville Ave and at Medford/Highland
 - Incorporation of Broadway intersection
 - Removal of slip lanes at Somerville Ave/Medford St and at Broadway
 - Traffic control at mid-block crossings at Cross St and Otis
 - Full signals cannot be installed per MA regulations
 - RRFB or PHB/HAWKS to be installed
 - Raised crosswalks proposed at both locations
 - Turning restrictions and access changes at multiple locations
 - Construction approach
 - South Segment – to be constructed with Squire’s Bridge project # 612634
 - Central Segment - demolition of McCarthy Overpass and full reconstruction (4 Stages)
 - North Segment – mix of minor bridge work, mill/overlap, and Full-depth reconstruction

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- Submit email comments to: MassDOTMcgrathblvd@dot.state.ma.us
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