



SOMERVILLE BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE NOVEMBER 2025 MEETING AGENDA

Mayor Katjana Ballantyne

Ex Officio

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~~Greg Hanafin, OSPCD Mobility~~
Rishika Dhawan, OSPCD Mobility
~~Eric Weisman, DPW~~

Guests:

Justin Schreiber

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

Note: Meeting will be hybrid

In-person meeting location: 101 South St, Somerville, MA 02143

Zoom link for computers, tablets, and smartphones:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81754784361?pwd=A8PZeTSHeiuryxmj3Z5FFqWKNMHaEz.1>

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Procedural, General Business & Updates (10 minutes)

- Roll call and meeting logistics
- Acting Secretary: Alex Frieden
- Approval of meeting minutes

Focus: Outreach and Engagement (20 minutes)

- Upcoming outreach events – Illuminations Tour (Dec 13 or 14). Would benefit again from Police barricades including notifications would be nice.
- Update: SBAC website – skeletal website at this point, large website with lots of content to be leaner.
- Public comment

Focus: Engineering Review (40 minutes)

- Western Pearl Street Reconstruction project – Unanimous comments from the committee:

Appreciate that this largely implements “Option 1” plus improvements to the connection through Ed Leathers Park

Would prefer if the Ed Leathers routing had less elevation change and less zig-zagging, but appreciate constraints

Recommend clear wayfinding, especially around Skilton Ave, given circuitous routing

Preference for bus stops similar to Concord Ave / Vasser Ave where bus loads from the cycle track, especially since the 80 is planned to be removed

- Broadway Magoun Reconstruction project – unanimous comments from the committee:

Appreciate that protected bike lanes are included in both directions. Emphasize that protected bike lanes should continue all the way through Magoun, and narrowing the intersection width to minimize turning conflicts

Supportive of extending bus lane further west

Emphasize that with a school potentially located at Trum Field, it will be important to have high standard for safe bike lanes and pedestrian crossings

- Letter to Traffic Commission – Vote to bring up community process in letter and bring suggestion to have larger street changes to time that works for all members of traffic commission. Motioned by Alex, Seconded by Amanda.
- Public comment – no comments

City Updates (20 minutes)

- City Update – no comments
- Public Comment – no comments

Lena motion to adjourn, Tom Second