



SOMERVILLE BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

DECEMBER 2025 MEETING MINUTES

Mayor Katjana Ballantyne

Community Representatives

Lena Webb, Chair
Ted Feldman, Vice Chair
Paul Morgan, Secretary
Adrienne Agarwal
Kathryne Benesh

Alex Frieden
Katharine Lange
Tom Lamar
Amanda Rydel

Ex Officio

Willie Burnley, Jr., City Council
Greg Hanafin, OSPCD Mobility
Rishika Dhawan, OSPCD Mobility
Eric Weisman, DPW

Public Guests

Ben Capraro

Thursday, December 11th, 2025, 6:30-8:00PM

Note: Hybrid meeting

In-person meeting location: Tufts Administration Building, Atrium Room 203M, 167 Holland Street
Somerville, MA 02144

Procedural, General Business & Updates (10 minutes)

- Roll call and meeting logistics
- Acting Secretary: Adrienne Agarwal
- Approval of meeting minutes
 - Alex motions, Ted seconds

Focus: Outreach and Engagement (30 minutes)

- Illuminations Tour
 - Marshalling has increased and priority positions are filled. New meeting location.
- Website/Media
 - Old site has been consolidated but could use review from others
 - QUESTION: what is the process for new members to join the committee?
 - Greg: we can open new recruitment now. The old process is void and it should occur through the city's process of application and review.
 - Ted: we should have a consistent cycle for new members, and also have a threshold for when
 - Alex: We used to want people to be volunteers and/or join meetings before they joined the committee. Should we do that again?
 - Greg: will let the city know that we want to recruit new members
- Other outreach events
 - We want to have more committee members representing for outreach
 - Adrienne will email Rishika with the events that SBAC wants to table at
- Public comment
 - n/a

Focus: Engineering Review (35 minutes)

- McGrath Blvd Transformation Project
 - Our Comments on March design:
 - We support Southbound bike access on west side
 - The medians are too wide all the way through. We could keep it wide at a crosswalk as needed for street trees.
 - Medford/Highland Ave
 - No new comments
 - Otis Street
 - full signalization is our preference, and see if this could be a school crossing. RRFB would be our second option.
 - Shared crosswalk
 - Broadway
 - Support slip lane removal
 - Washington
 - Why is the right turn lane needed?
 - Is there a safe crossing for someone coming off of the community path?
 - Pearl Street
 - Covered in previous discussions
 - Inner Belt-Brickbottom Crossing
 - Comments
 - Alternative 6 is preferred, then alternative 5, then alternative 2 next.
 - Lena motions, Alex seconds
 - Public comment
 - n/a

City Updates (15 minutes)

- City Update
 - January meeting is moved to 1/8/26
- Public Comment
 - n/a

Lena motions to end meeting.