

January 2026 SBAC Meeting: City Updates

Upcoming Events

- 3 Kings Celebration, Sunday, 1/11, Prospect Hill Academy Cafeteria, 17 Franklin Street



Lunar New Year Celebration, Somerville High School, January 2025

Quick-Build Projects

Faster-implementation projects that use flexible materials and minimal or no construction

Design

- Elm-Beacon Connector ([project page](#))

- Final design expected early 2026
- Installation expected to begin spring/summer 2026

- Somerville Avenue ([project page](#))

- Phase 1 Community Engagement Report [published](#)
- Initial design development anticipated to take place through fall and winter

- **Community Path Safety Improvements ([project page](#))**

- Community Engagement Report published
- Design Strategy to be shared in early 2026



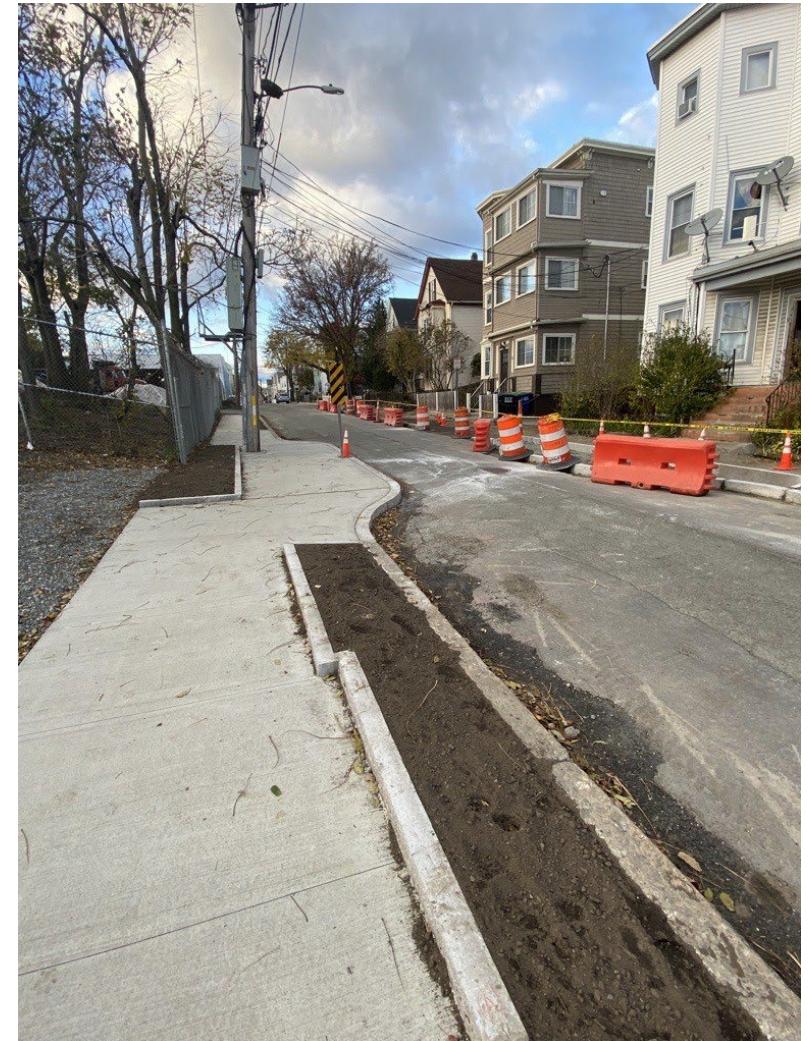
Community Path Safety Improvements engagement timeline

Complete Streets Projects

Projects that do not typically include substantial utility/bridge/signal work; typically using construction contracts that bundle multiple streets together

Construction

- **Tufts Street ([project page](#))**
 - Some drainage work may take place this winter
 - Remaining sidewalks, other streetscape improvements, and repaving of the roadway will occur in spring/summer of 2026
- **West Broadway ([project page](#))**
 - Drainage work continuing through winter
 - Streetscape reconstruction anticipated to begin in spring 2026



Tufts Street, November 2025

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Design

- **Western Pearl Street Reconstruction Project** ([project page](#))

- Updated design materials available on project webpage
 - [Illustrative plan](#)
 - [Open house posters](#)
 - [Recorded presentation](#)
- Updated Design Community Engagement Report [published](#)
- Final design anticipated early 2026

- **Broadway Magoun Reconstruction Project** ([project page](#))

- Reviewing community feedback
- First Community Engagement Report to be published over the winter
- Initial design anticipated late winter/early spring 2026



West Pearl Street Reconstruction Project updated design engagement timeline

Major Infrastructure Projects

Projects that include substantial utility/bridge/signal work as well as streetscape work; typically using standalone construction contracts

State Managed

- **McGrath Boulevard ([project page](#))**
 - Conceptual Design materials
 - [Conceptual design overview](#)
 - [Major intersections conceptual designs](#)
 - [Flyover rendering of conceptual design](#)
 - [12/4/25 Open House poster boards](#)
 - [12/9/25 Public Hearing \[slide deck\]\(#\) and \[recording\]\(#\)](#)
 - 75% design anticipated in 2026
- **Mystic/Maffa bridges ([project page](#))**
 - Construction underway
- **Route 38/Route 28 Intersection ([project page](#))**
 - Major construction activities wrapped up for season
- **Mystic River Bike/Ped Bridge ([project page](#))**
 - [Slides](#) and [recording](#) of October 2025 meeting available online.



McGrath Boulevard Project open house poster, December 2025