Somerville
Pedestrian & Transit Advisory Committee

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November 2026 Meeting Agenda

Somerville Pedestrian & Transit Advisory Committee (PTAC)
Mayor Jake Wilson

Meeting Information

Thursday, November 19, 2026, 6:30-8:00 PM

How to Join the Meeting (In Person & Zoom Options)

In-person meeting location: 101 South Street, 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=aWpoL2FtaUh3aGdVbHNRWUJmeDRNQT09
- Passcode: 152274
- Or join by phone: Dial (for higher quality, dial a number based on your current location):
  - US: +1 646 558 8656
  - Webinar ID: 891 8122 5932
  - International numbers available: https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kcVy69ROJG

Giving Public Comment

Members of the public are welcome to give spoken public comment at PTAC meetings on matters relevant to walking and taking transit in Somerville. Individuals wishing to give public comment can do so during the second agenda item for up to five (5) minutes, at the discretion of the Chair. Contributions by members of the public during the rest of the meeting may only be made at the discretion of the Chair. Members of the public may also submit written public comment at any point to transportation@somervillema.gov.

Committee Information

Somerville Pedestrian & Transit Advisory Committee (PTAC) is a Mayor-appointed body of volunteer community representatives who advise City of Somerville staff on making walking and taking transit more safe, effective, sustainable, equitable, and accessible. PTAC was established in 2020 through the Vision Zero Action Plan, which forms the basis of Somerville's commitment to multimodal road safety. PTAC members live in Somerville and take an active interest in pedestrian and transit issues. As PTAC is advisory in nature, its votes and recommendations are non-binding.

Committee Members

1. Ted Alexander
2. Ginny Alverson
3. Meredith Brown
4. Rachel Chiquoine
5. Laura Evans
6. Christopher Ferry
7. Susan Foley
8. Christopher Friend
9. Preston Gutelius
10. Satoko Hirai
11. Sebastian Lopes-Filho
12. Brenda Marvin (Secretary)
13. Steven Mulder
14. Barbara Myers
15. Vitor Pamplona (Vice Chair)
16. Zach Rosenberg
17. Andrew Rosenfeld
18. Alessandra Seiter (Chair)
19. Mackenzie Webb
20. Ben Ewen-Campen (Ex Officio, City Council Ward 3)
21. Justin Schreiber (Ex Officio, OSPCD Mobility)
22. Katherine White (Ex Officio, OSPCD Mobility)

November Meeting Agenda Items

Procedural Business (10 Minutes)

- Member roll call
- Vote on October draft minutes
- Announcements

Public Comment (5 Minutes)

Subcommittee Updates (5 Minutes)

- Community Events
- Design Review

Report-Back from Snow Clearing Meeting with DPW (10 Minutes)

- On November 6, PTAC Officers and Mobility staff met with the DPW Commissioner and Superintendent of Highway to discuss plans for snow clearing this winter. At this PTAC meeting, Officers will report back and share potential advocacy avenues for member input.

Review Assembly Square Walk Audit Report (15 Minutes)

- In August, PTAC collaborated with SASS, Assembly Connect, and Groundwork Somerville to host a walk audit in Assembly Square. 30 community members, elected officials, and City staff members joined the event to assess the safety, accessibility, and comfort of walking in and around Assembly Square. Since August, PTAC's Community Events Subcommittee has been transcribing, analyzing, and summarizing the observational data collected during the walk audit into a final report.
- At this meeting, subcommittee members will present a draft of the walk audit report for PTAC member feedback. We will either vote to approve and share the report with appropriate stakeholders, or send the report back to the subcommittee for additional revisions.

Review Broadway Magoun Reconstruction Project Updated Design (45 Minutes)

- Launched in Fall 2025, the City of Somerville's Broadway Magoun Reconstruction Project will reconstruct sidewalks and repave Broadway from Winchester Street to Central Street while introducing a new street design to increase safety, improve accessibility, incorporate more sustainability and plant life, and create a more comfortable street on Broadway.
- On November 4, the City hosted an open house to share the updated design proposal for this project. At this PTAC meeting, Mobility staff will present the updated design proposal for PTAC member review and feedback.
- All community members are encouraged to provide feedback on the updated design proposal by completing an online survey, attending a street outreach pop-up, or joining a virtual office hour session.

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.