



TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

December 13, 2023

12:30 p.m.

VIRTUAL MEETING VIA ZOOM

Present: Rama Balakrishna (Chair), Zhengyu Huang, Franny Osman

Absent: Paula Walsh

Invited guests: Niru Velankar - Council of Aging Liaison

1. Opening

Chair Rama Balakrishna opened the meeting at 12:30 p.m.

2. New/Special Business:

- A. The draft traffic calming policy was briefly reviewed, and TAC members were requested to submit comments directly to QinRui Pang (engineering department).
- B. The Complete Streets priority list was reviewed, and many questions were raised to better understand the list and the basis behind it. These questions will be communicated to the engineering department.
- C. Franny Osman will coordinate with LRTA to submit for a grant toward purchase of a wheelchair-accessible van to augment town services.
- D. A meeting will be held with micro-transit provider Via on January 19, 2024 to explore a state grant application to extend the reach of town taxi/shuttle services.

At 1:03 pm, a motion to close the meeting was made and seconded. Roll call was done, and the motion was approved unanimously.

Acronyms:

ADA= Americans with Disability Act

ARPA= American [COVID-19] Recovery Program Act

Boston MPO= Boston Metropolitan Planning Organization, the part of MassDOT that disburses federal transportation funds

BAG= Bicycle Advisory Group (formed January 2021)

CMAQ= Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality

COD= Commission on Disabilities

COVID= Novel Coronavirus 2019 causing a worldwide pandemic in 2020

CTPS= Central Transportation Planning Staff, within the Boston MPO, within MassDOT

**Landline= a signage and wayfinding project to connect communities by bike and pedestrian, by MAPC and MassTrails of MassDOT.*

MAGIC= Minuteman Advisory Group on Interlocal Coordination, which is our 13-town subregion of the Metropolitan Area Planning Council

MAPC= Metropolitan Area Planning Council

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MassDOT=Massachusetts Department of Transportation

MBTA= Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority

NRG=Nashoba Regional Greenways Coalition

SATSAC= South Acton Train Station Advisory Committee

TAC= Transportation Advisory Committee

TMA= Transportation Management Association