

Transportation Advisory Committee

April 12, 2017, 7:15 pm to 9:30 pm, Town Hall 2nd floor conf. room

Present: Wayne Chouinard, Seth Federspiel, Chuck Giroux, Mike Gordon, Pam Heidell, Brian Kmetz, Melissa Laube, Jeff Maxtutis, Marjorie Moores, Howard Muise, Scott Smith, Laura Wiener

Missing members: Corey Rateau, Victor Rivas

Non-Members Present: Deanne Benson, Schools for Children; Katheryn Sievers, Katherine Einstein, Sutherland Road, Ed Tremblay

Administration. Minutes of 3/8/17 approved unanimously. Other handouts were reviewed. **Lesley Ellis School on Winter Street.** The Working Group reviewed their report and recommendations to the Selectmen. Voted unanimously. Howard will submit to Selectmen. Deanne thanked the Committee for its assistance.

Paul Revere Road. Katheryn Sievers and Katherine Einstein attended the meeting to discuss concerns about Paul Revere Road between Mass. Ave. and Park Ave. They have requested that TAC consider a crosswalk across Park Ave. at Sutherland Road. Wayne said he would do counts between 7 and 9 am in early May. Will discuss recommendations at next meeting.

Public Comments: Ed Tremblay told the board that he thought the signal at Summer Street and Park Ave extension, and Summer Street at Overlook Rd. were timed badly, causing long waits for vehicles on Summer Street. Wayne said he would check on the timing. Mr. Tremblay also complained about the pedestrian light at Mystic and Summer St. Wayne responded that it was a very old signal with bad wiring that needs to be replaced.

Town Issues.

- Laura reported that PIGC is working on a warrant article for a Parking Benefits District in Arlington Center, to allow meter net proceeds to be used for improvements in the area, and on monitoring the impacts of metering on parking availability. Howard is leading the latter effort.
- Wayne reported that the mast arms are installed in Arlington Center (CLAMP project). Hybrid beacon educational video is being finalized. He will send the video to the committee when it is done. There is a meeting scheduled for the Lake St/Minuteman Bikeway Working Group on April 25, at 5PM. There is a contractor evaluating intersections for Traffic Signal Prioritization.
- Howard reported that the letter to the MBTA regarding their Capital Improvement Program went out. Thanks to Victor and Laura for putting that together. The federal funding for the GLX was just approved. There is a new committee called Transportation Options for Seniors looking for TAC participation. Pam volunteered to be liaison to the group.

Pedestrian Access at Bus Stops. List is finished. Melissa is working on prioritizing the list.

School Zones. Marjorie is working on a sign plan for Ottoson, Brackett, and Gibbs Schools.

Bike Share. Vision 2020 survey results on interest in bike share should be available in May. Motivate is still negotiating with existing communities, so we don't yet know the terms for adding stations in Arlington. There could possibly be a capital request at Fall Town Meeting. Three new Hubway stations have been installed bordering Arlington—one in Somerville at Clarendon Hill, and two in Cambridge at Alewife Station.

Adjourned at 9:25PM.

- Meeting Materials:
 - Meeting Packet for March: Agenda 4/12/17; Minutes of 3/8/17; Individual Action List 4/12/17; Project List 4/12/17.
 - Letter to Stephanie Pollack, Mass. DoT Secretary and CEO Re. MBTA Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) 2018-2021, dated March 16, 2017
 - Letter to Adam Chapdelaine from Catherine Farrell, Chrita Kelleher, Lauren Ledger, Peter Messina, Gary Tibbetts, David Watson Re. Thompson public safety, dated March 21, 2017
 - “Massachusetts Walk and Bike to School Day: May 3rd”
 - Members of Arlington Transportation Advisory Committee, dated 3/22/2017
 - Arlington Council on Aging “Transportation for Arlington Seniors”
 - “COA Transportation Quick Reference Card”
 - Memo to TAC from Wayne Chouinard, TAC Update Items, April 12, 2017
 - Memo to Transportation Advisory Committee from Lesley Ellis School Working Group Re. Anticipated Traffic and Parking Changes with the Relocation of Lesley Ellis School, dated April 12, 2017.