

# ABAC Meeting Presentation

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# Items in this Presentation

1. Minuteman Bikeway Planning Project update, schedule
2. MassTrails Grant – Mystic River to Minuteman Bikeway Feasibility Study
3. Bluebikes and Minuteman Bikeway Eco Counter data
4. Bluebikes Winter Storage schedule relocations
5. Other Projects of interest



# MINUTEMAN BIKEWAY PLANNING PROJECT

## Minuteman Bikeway Planning Project

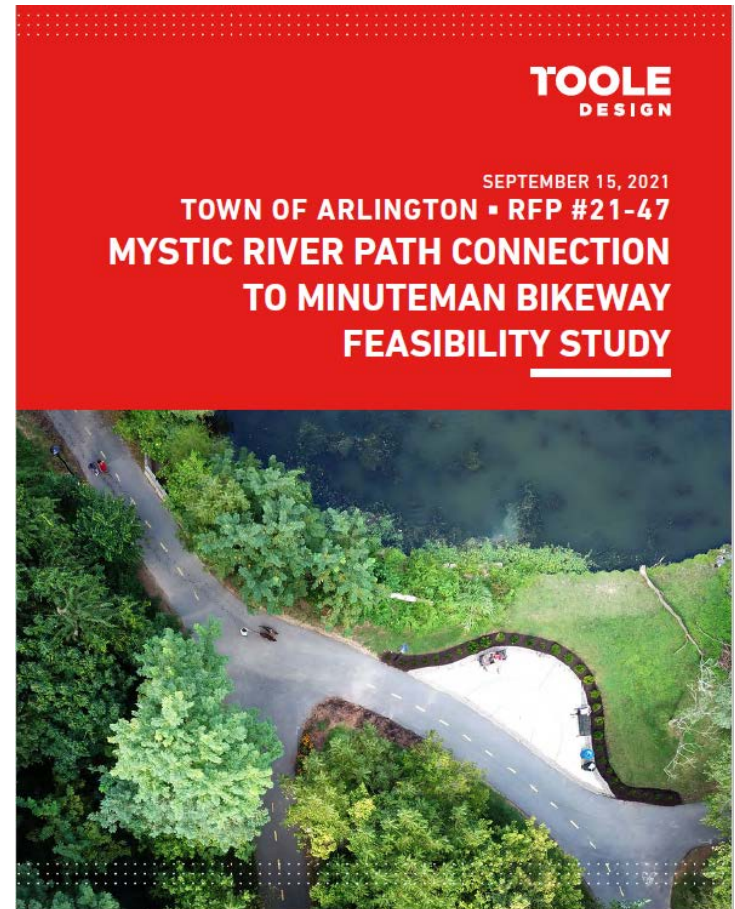
The Town is creating a plan for safety, access, and improvements to the Bikeway. Share your feedback and suggestions for improvement today! Take the survey.  
[Learn more and share your feedback.](#)



- Over 1,650 responses to the Bikeway survey
- Public meeting took place November 3. Can find recording of the meeting on the ABAC web page:  
<https://www.arlingtonma.gov/ABAC>
- Next steps: Kittelson will deliver existing conditions memo to Town staff next week
- Next public meeting purpose and date TBD

# Mystic River to Bikeway Project

- Contracting with Toole Design Group
- Project will create plan for creating trail connection and review alternatives for route alignment and intersection crossings
- Upcoming kick-off meeting to determine public outreach and project milestones
- Project must be completed by June 30, 2022

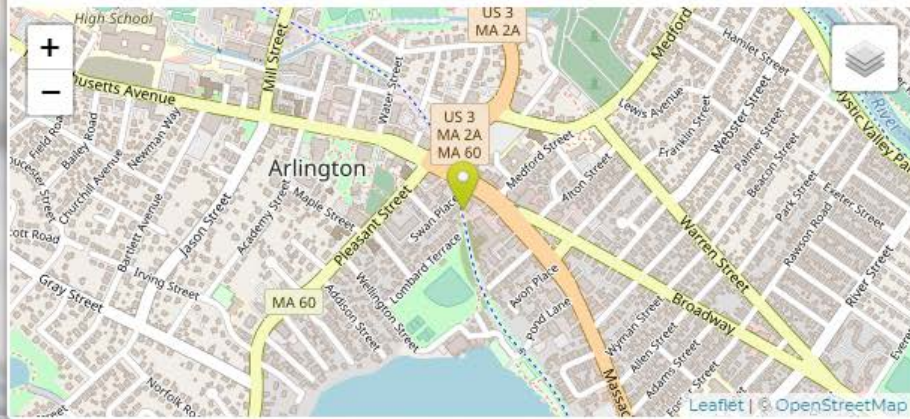




# Data Update: Swan Place Eco Counter and Bluebikes

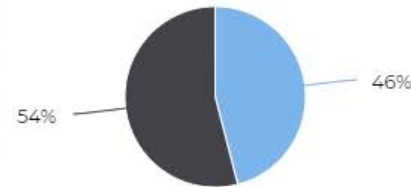
## Location

Arlington, MA - Minuteman Counter



## Distribution by User Type

Current ... Arlington, MA - Minut...



● Arlington, MA - Minuteman Cou...  
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## Pictures Gallery

Arlington, MA - Minuteman Counter



## Daily Avg. - Week - Pedestri...

Current ... Arlington, MA - Minut...

Daily Average

717

▼ -22.3%

Compared to Previous Year

## Daily Avg. - Weekend - Pede...

Current ... Arlington, MA - Minut...

Daily Average

814

▼ -35.0%

Compared to Previous Year

## Daily Avg. - Week - Cyclists

Current ... Arlington, MA - Minut...

Daily Average

762

▼ -3.0%

Compared to Previous Year

## Daily Avg. - Weekend - Cycli...

Current ... Arlington, MA - Minut...

Daily Average

1,150

▼ -9.1%

Compared to Previous Year

# Bikeway at Swan Place Data

- Total trips YTD: 516,453  
(+38,051 since last month)
- Bike Trips YTD: 278,889  
(+21,087 since last month)
  - 39,268 trips in May
  - 41,491 in June
  - 37,127 in July
  - 38,097 in August
  - 39,937 in September
  - 31,669 in October
  - 27,318 in November so far
- Highest trip day in last 30 days:  
Sun. October 17 – 3,010 trips



# Arlington Bluebikes Data

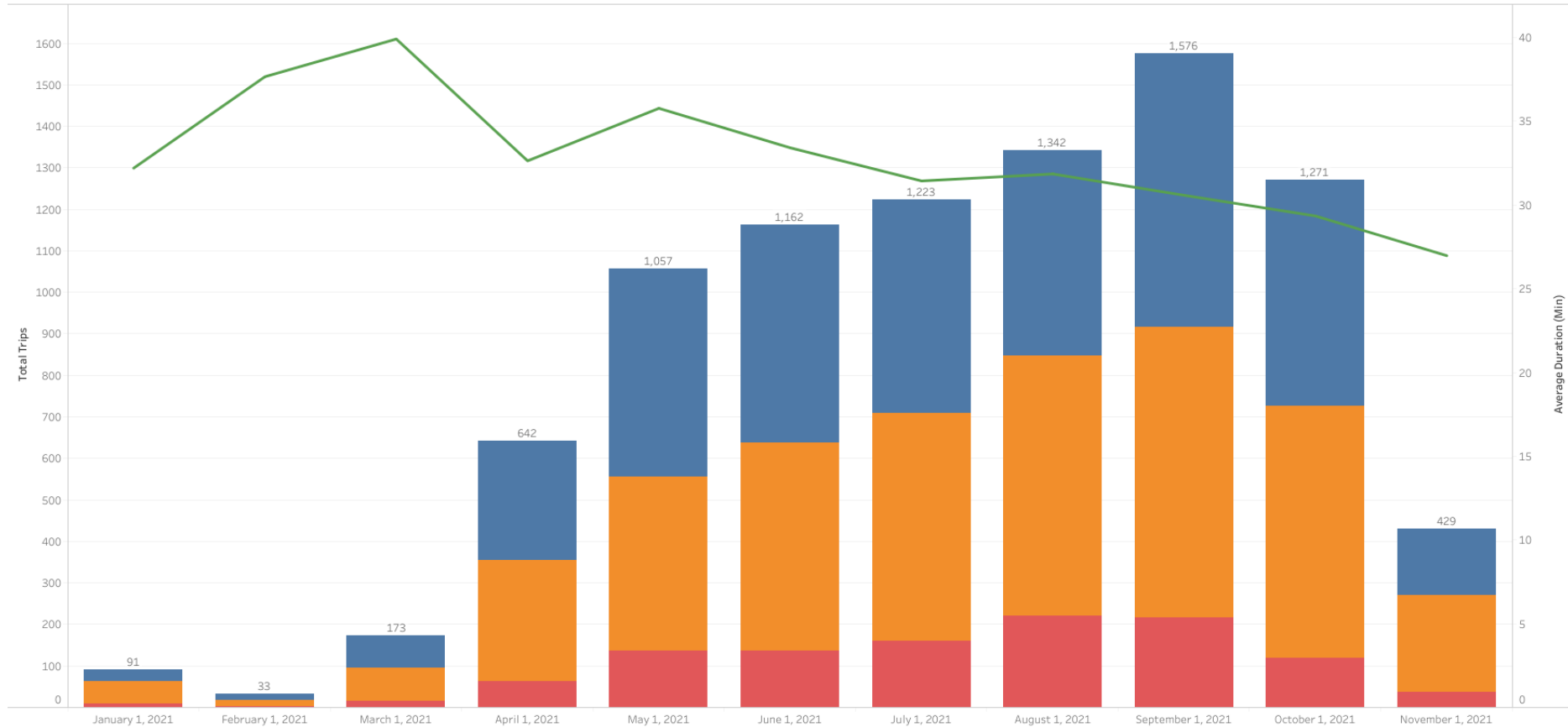
- Trip Data:
  - 9,062 trips year-to-date in 2021
    - (+ 847 from last month)
  - 1,057 trips in May
  - 1,162 in June
  - 1,223 in July
  - 1,342 in August
  - 1,576 in September
  - 1,271 in October
  - 429 so far in November



# Arlington Bluebikes Data

Trip Count & Average Duration

--trips greater than 60 seconds and capped at 2 hours





# Bluebikes Winter Operations

- Off-street stations to be picked up around Thanksgiving (week of Nov. 22), redeployment in April
- Winter storage is an additional fee the Town pays (\$2,500 per station)
- Off-street locations can operate year-round and avoid storage fee



*Image credit: Phil Goff*

# Bluebikes Stations Off-Street Relocations

- Railroad Lot @ Bikeway to be moved to brick sidewalk behind 633-641 Mass Ave
  - Approved by Select Board but trying to make modifications to location based on abutter feedback
- Linwood St @ Bikeway relocation to new sidewalk built by DPW behind existing sidewalk
- Relocations to occur when other stations are put into storage



# Other Projects of Interest

- Stratton Safe Routes to School Infrastructure Project (<https://www.arlingtonma.gov/departments/planning-community-development/transportation-planning>)
- Park Ave & Wachusett Ave bus stop changes proposed by MBTA – public meeting to be scheduled in December
- Local Rapid Recovery Plan now available for review; “Three Business Districts and One Bikeway... Getting Past COVID” (<https://www.arlingtonma.gov/Home/Components/News/News/11206/16?npage=2>)
- Arlington Housing Plan update (<https://www.arlingtonma.gov/town-governance/boards-and-committees/housing-plan-implementation-committee>)