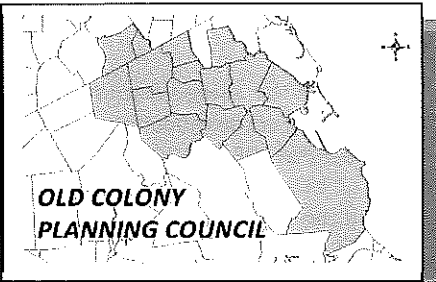


OLD COLONY JOINT TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

*Advising the Old Colony Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)
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Thursday, May 2, 2019, 12:00 P.M. to 1:30 P.M.
At Old Colony Planning Council, 70 School Street, Brockton, MA 02301

AGENDA

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1. Call to Order and Introductions
2. Public Comments
3. Minutes of April 4, 2019 Meeting
4. Communications
5. Reports
 - A. Brockton Area Regional Transit Authority (BAT)
 - B. Greater Attleboro-Taunton Regional Transit Authority (GATRA)
 - C. South Coast Rail (SCR) Project
6. Old Business
 - A. FFY 2019-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Implementation
7. New Business
 - A. Appointment of Nominating Committee for Old Colony JTC Officers (2019-2020)
 - B. Draft Old Colony Joint Transportation Committee (JTC) By-Laws
 - C. Draft FFY 2019-2023 Old Colony Transportation Improvement Program Amendment 2
 - D. Draft FFY 2020-2024 Old Colony Transportation Improvement Program
 - E. 2020 Old Colony Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Update
8. Other Business
 - A. Community Local Technical Assistance Studies
 - B. Staff Reviews on ENFs, EIRs and NPCs
 - C. Regional Concerns and Local Community Transportation Issues
9. Adjournment

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The public discussion of the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) at Old Colony JTC, Old Colony MPO, and transportation meetings satisfies the Program of Projects (POP) public hearing requirements of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA).

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Meeting Minutes of the Old Colony Joint Transportation Committee (JTC)

Old Colony Planning Council, 70 School Street, Brockton, MA

April 4, 2019 at 12:00 P.M.

ATTENDANCE

Abington	Bruce Hughes	MassDOT	Alexandra Markiewicz
Bridgewater	Robert Wood	MassDOT	John Lozada
Brockton	Chike Odunukwe	BAT	Glenn Geiler
Brockton	Rob May	BAT	Kathy Riddell
Brockton	Shane O'Brien	Mass Development	Mary Ellen DeFrias
Easton	David Field	BETA Group	Greg Lucas
Easton	Greg Swan	CDM Smith	Dan Murphy
Hanson	Don Howard	OCPC	Shawn Bailey
Hanson	Deb Pettey	OCPC	Kyle Mowatt
Hanson	Jamison Shave	OCPC	Pat Ciaramella
Plymouth	James Downey	OCPC	Jimmy Pereira
Stoughton	Joe Scardino	OCPC	Paul Chenard
Whitman	Noreen O'Toole	OCPC	Charles Kilmer
Whitman	Dan Salvucci	OCPC	Bill McNulty
MassDOT D5	Dan Reutzel	OCPC	Laurie Muncy
MassDOT	Ben Muller	OCPC	Ray Guarino
MassDOT D5	Pam Haznar	OCPC	Lisa Sullivan

1. Call to Order and Introductions

Chairperson Noreen O'Toole called the meeting to order at 12:01 P.M. and then read the Meeting Accessibility Statement and the Title VI Notice of Protection Statement. Those present then introduced themselves.

2. Public Comments

Dan Salvucci stated that he attended the last MBTA Advisory Board Committee Meeting in Boston. MBTA is looking for areas of land where housing can be developed near T Stations. The MBTA budget has increased by 2.78%.

3. Minutes of the March 7, 2019 Meeting

Chairperson Noreen O'Toole asked if the members had reviewed the minutes of the March 7, 2019 Meeting. The members then voted to endorse the minutes of the March 7, 2019 Old Colony JTC Meeting.

4. Communications

Shawn Bailey reviewed the contents of the communications staff report. Included were letters of

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correspondence, as well as notices of workshops and conferences. They are as follows:

- Letter to Charles Kilmer Regarding a Request for a Road Safety Audit in West Bridgewater
- Letter to Charles Kilmer Regarding a Request for Pedestrian Traffic Counts in Easton
- Letter to Pat Ciaramella Regarding a Request for a Road Safety Audit in Brockton
- Letter to Mary-Joe Perry Regarding an Application for the Municipal Small Bridge Program from Easton
- MassDOT Announcement Regarding the Regional Transit Authority Additional Funding Awards
- MassDOT Highway Division Roadway Work Notification – Obery Street & South Street in Plymouth

5. Reports

A. Brockton Area Regional Transit Authority (BAT)

Glenn Geiler reported on the following BAT activities:

- Thanked Shawn Bailey for mentioning the Discretionary Grant in the Communications Report
- Two new trips to Ashmont will be in effect in the next few weeks

Dan Salvucci asked if BAT would consider adding a bus route on Route 18 from Bridgewater to Weymouth. Glenn Geiler stated that BAT would be looking into new potential routes through their CRTP process.

B. Greater Attleboro-Taunton Regional Transit Authority (GATRA)

Paul Chenard stated that GATRA has received a Grant from the Commonwealth to run a test program using Translogic, which is a computer based on demand request system similar to Uber and Lyft.

C. South Coast Rail Project

Paul Chenard stated that there is no update.

6. Old Business

A. FFY 2019-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Implementation

Charles Kilmer discussed the changes in the FFY 2019-2023 TIP. They are as follows:

FFY 2019 Projects:

- EAST BRIDGEWATER - RESURFACING AND SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION ON BEDFORD STREET (ROUTE 18), FROM WHITMAN STREET (ROUTE 106) TO CENTRAL STREET (607941)
 - MassDOT comments on the 100% Package have been returned to the Design Engineer (as of 03/04/2019)

FFY 2021 Projects:

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- EASTON - ROUTE 123 (DEPOT STREET) RECONSTRUCTION FROM NEWELL CIRCLE TO ROUTE 138 (607217)
 - 75% Package received by MassDOT (as of 03/08/2019)

7. New Business

A. Rail Vision Overview and Discussion

- **Alexandra Markiewicz, MassDOT**

Alexandra Markiewicz provided a presentation on Rail Vision. MBTA Rail Vision is a project that seeks to identify cost effective strategies to transform the existing Commuter Rail system into one that better supports improved mobility and economic competitiveness in the Greater Boston region. Through the evaluation of costs, ridership potential, and operational feasibility of various alternatives, as well as broad public conversation in 2019, Rail Vision will inform the ultimate vision for the future of the Commuter Rail. Over the past year, the Rail Vision team has focused on learning about effective commuter rail service around the world, identifying service models that can test on the system, and understanding the constraints and opportunities with our current infrastructure. Through the review of more than a dozen domestic and international peer commuter rail systems, the Rail Vision team seeks to:

- Develop clear objectives for a future MBTA rail system; Evaluate more than 60 service concepts across all 14 Commuter Rail lines to project potential ridership benefits and required infrastructure changes; and Develop 7 service alternatives, featuring a range of service approaches and technologies, to move forward into the next phase of analysis

Next Steps:

- Develop robust ridership estimates for all 7 Alternatives using the CTPS Travel Demand Model; Model operations, infrastructure and capital costs with Rail Traffic Controller (RTC) modeling tools; Identify potential land-use and demographic effects of one or more Alternatives using the Regional Dynamic Model (RDM); Develop capital and operating cost estimates; and Share results with Advisory Committee and public

Joe Scardino stated that there are seven grade crossings in Stoughton. Electrification would set the Town back many years. This issue has been discussed with Jean Fox.

Rob May stated that there is very little leadership from the Old Colony communities. The City of Brockton is on record of support of SCR Phase 1, South Station, and Option 5.

Bill McNulty asked if there is consideration to the emissions generated from fossil fuel burning plants to generate the electricity for the trains. Alexandra Markiewicz stated that electric trains do reduce emissions but it does not eliminate them.

Charles Kilmer asked what the overall cost is for each alternative. Alexandra Markiewicz stated that we are currently pursuing analysis that will help identify a cost.

B. ADA Transition Planning in Public Rights of Way

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- **John Lozada, MassDOT Office of Diversity and Civil Rights**

John Lozada provided a presentation on ADA Transition Planning in Public Rights of Way and discussed the American with Disabilities Act and its requirements, common barriers to travel, litigation and federal precedents, and municipal obligations. John Lozada then provided information on the MassDOT Deficient Pedestrian Ramp Remediation Program. John Lozada then discussed the available technical assistance and funding resources, such as the Complete Streets Program, Safe Routes to School Program, and the Massachusetts Office on Disability (MOD) Grants.

Joe Scardino suggested that the mission statement in the beginning of the presentation needs to be stronger.

Bob Wood stated that Massachusetts is far ahead of other states in regards to ADA Transition Planning.

C. Development of FFY 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program

- **Preferred Set of Projects**

Charles Kilmer discussed the Preferred Set of Projects for the FFY 2020-2024 TIP that the Old Colony MPO confirmed at their March 19 meeting.

FFY 2020

Bridgewater and Brockton - Pavement Preservation and Related work on Route 24

- Pre-25% Design/ Cost Estimate is \$17,851,040

Brockton - Corridor Improvements on Route 123 (Belmont Street), from Angus Beaton Drive to West Street

- 75% Design/ Cost Estimate is \$7,350,265

Pembroke - Resurfacing and Related Work on Route 53

- 100% Design/ Cost Estimate is \$2,725,075

FFY 2021

Avon - Intersection Improvements at Harrison Boulevard and Pond Street

- 25% Design/ Cost Estimate is \$3,521,954

Avon and Stoughton - Pavement Preservation and Related work on Route 24

- Pre-25% Design/ Cost Estimate is \$6,312,800

Easton - Route 123 (Depot Street) Reconstruction from Newell Circle to Route 138

- 75% Design/ Cost Estimate is \$8,052,916

Stoughton - Improvements at West Elementary School (SRTS)

- Pre-25% Design/ Cost Estimate is \$2,982,944

FFY 2022

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Brockton - Intersection Improvements @ Crescent Street (Route 27)/Quincy Street/Massasoit Boulevard

- 25% Design/ Cost Estimate is \$5,520,744

Stoughton - Intersection Improvements and Related Work at Central Street, Canton Street and Tosca Drive

- 25% Design/ Cost Estimate is \$3,347,449

FFY 2023

Brockton - Intersection Improvements at Centre Street (Route 123) and Plymouth Street

- Pre-25% Design/ Cost Estimate is \$1,680,000

Pembroke - Rehabilitation of Route 36 (Center Street) from Route 27 to Route 14

- 75% Design/ Cost Estimate is \$8,902,501

FFY 2024

Plympton - Bridge Replacement, Winnetuxet Road Over Winnetuxet River

- Pre-25% Design/ Cost Estimate is \$2,223,024

Stoughton - Corridor Improvements on Route 138

- 25% Design/ Cost Estimate is \$9,155,544

8. Other Business and Public Comment

A. Community Local Technical Assistance Studies

Bill McNulty reported on the following Community Local Technical Assistance Studies:

Avon

- Road Safety Audit for Central Street Corridor - Crash data analysis underway, Data collection planned for April 2019, Road Safety Audit to be scheduled

Brockton

- Road Safety Audit for North Main Street at Oak Street and Howard Street - Data collected, Analysis underway and Road Safety Audit to be scheduled
- Road Safety Audit for Montello Street (Route 28) at East Nilsson Street - Crash data analysis underway, Data collection planned for Spring 2019, Road Safety Audit to be scheduled

Easton

- Central Street Pedestrian Activity - Data collection scheduled for this Spring

Halifax

- Plymouth Street (Route 106) Traffic Data and Crosswalk Location Analysis - Data collection in progress

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Hanover

- Traffic Study for Winter Street - Analysis and report development underway

Kingston

- Traffic Study for Smith's Lane at Crescent Street and Main Street (Route 3A), and Howland Lane Traffic and Speed Analysis - Data collected; Analysis and report preparation underway

Plymouth

- Raymond Road Multiway Stop Warrant Analyses - Data collection in progress

Stoughton

- Road Safety Audit for Island Street - Audit completed on February 6, 2019. Report in development.
- Heavy Commercial Vehicle Exclusion Study for State Street and Peters Drive - Report in development

West Bridgewater

- North Main Street (Route 28) at Matfield Street Road Safety Audit - Data collection planned for April 2019. Road Safety Audit to be scheduled

Whitman

- Traffic Study for Pleasant Street, and Intersection of Franklin Street (Route 27), South Avenue (Route 27), and Pleasant Street - Data collection to occur Spring 2019

B. Staff Reviews on ENFs, EIRs, and NPCs

Charles Kilmer summarized the Environmental Notification Forms (ENFs), Environmental Impact Reports (EIRs), Notices of Project Changes (NPCs), and Certificates for projects within the OCPC region that are undergoing Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act (MEPA) Office review.

Projects Currently Under Review as of March 6, 2019

EEA #15998 - Proposed Shorefront Protection (Plymouth) (ENF)

The proposed project includes the installation of a shorefront protection system along the 652 linear feet of coastal bank of the subject properties. The system includes a rock revetment that would protect the coastal bank from further erosion that could lead to jeopardizing the pre-1978 dwellings. The system also includes a section of coir envelopes buried under a sand berm to protect the coastal bank in front of the post-1978 dwellings.

EEA #15639 - North Carver Development (Carver) (FEIR)

The project involves the construction of approximately 1.77 million square feet of new warehouse/distribution facilities with ancillary office uses, provides approximately 1,883 parking spaces, and provides paved access roads. The project Site will be accessed from a re-configured intersection of Montello Street and Route 58 and a new configuration for Montello Street. Facility construction is expected to begin in 2020.

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EEA #11924 - The Oasis at Plymouth (Plymouth) (NPC)

In September 2014, the Secretary's certificate accounted for a notice of Project change (NPC) to include a 396,000 s.f. (gross building area) of destination retail for a factory outlet mall. The certificate also includes the construction of an on-site multi-story parking garage and infrastructure supporting approximately 1,995 parking spaces.

MEPA Certificates

EEA #15978 - Elm Street Roadway Improvements (Bridgewater) (ENF)

The proposed project consists of roadway reconstruction, pedestrian improvements, and drainage improvements along Elm Street from the West Bridgewater town line south to Pleasant Street (Route 104). The proposed roadway improvements include a complete reconstruction of the existing roadway surface, which is in poor condition, widening of the existing roadway from 22-ft to 26-feet to add a 2-foot shoulder on each side. A 6-foot wide sidewalk, on one side of the roadway will be included. In addition, a new stormwater drainage system will be installed throughout the project site.

C. Regional Concerns and Local Community Transportation Issues

Pat Ciaramella announced that the OCPC Annual Meeting will be held on May 9, 2019, and that everyone from the JTC is invited.

9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:36 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kyle Mowatt

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Transportation Planner

List of Documents for April 4, 2019 Old Colony JTC Meeting

- Minutes of the March 7, 2019 Old Colony JTC Meeting
- Staff Report for April 4, 2019, Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Items
- Rail Vision Presentation
- ADA Transition Planning in Public Rights of Way Presentation

