

# OLD COLONY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO)

Minutes of the Old Colony MPO Virtual Meeting, October 15, 2024 - 10:00 A.M., Held Via Zoom

## Roll Call/Attendance

<u>Members/Designees</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Stephen Woelfel	Monica Tibbits-Nutt, Secretary, MassDOT	Present
Shaun Handy	Jonathan Gulliver, Administrator, MassDOT Highway Division	Present
John Messia	Mayor Robert Sullivan, City of Brockton	Present
Lee Hartmann	Richard J. Quintal, Jr., Town of Plymouth	Present
Michael Perez	Town of West Bridgewater – Representing Avon, East Bridgewater, Halifax, Hanover, Hanson, Kingston, Plympton, and West Bridgewater	Absent
Daniel Salvucci	Town of Whitman – Representing Abington, Bridgewater, Duxbury, Easton, Pembroke, Stoughton, and Whitman	Present
Michael Lambert	Brockton Area Transit (BAT)	Present
Rebecca Coletta	Old Colony Planning Council	Present
<u>Ex-Officio Members</u>		
Eric Gemperline	Joi Singh, FHWA	Present
Peter Bulter	FTA Regional Administrator, Region 1	Absent
Noreen O’Toole	Old Colony Joint Transportation Committee	Absent
<u>Also, Present</u>		
Al DeGirolamo	Office of State Senator Michael Brady	
John Stone	Abington	
Austin Pszenny	BETA Group	
Kelly Forrester	Brockton Area Transit	
Jennifer Carlino	Easton	
Steve Findlen	Howard Stein Hudson	
Joshua Barber	Federal Highway Administration	
Chris Klem	MassDOT	
Derek Shooster	MassDOT	
Alan Castaline	MBTA Advisory Board - Brockton	
Pam Haznar	McClure	
Shawn Bailey	Old Colony Planning Council	
Matt Dyer	Old Colony Planning Council	
Ray Guarino	Old Colony Planning Council	
Charles Kilmer	Old Colony Planning Council	
Guoqiang Li	Old Colony Planning Council	

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Bill McNulty	Old Colony Planning Council
Kyle Mowatt	Old Colony Planning Council
Mary Waldron	Old Colony Planning Council
Colleen Pekrul	Safe Routes to School
Andrea Duarte	SRPEDD
Phil McNulty	Stoughton
Greg Lucas	Tighe & Bond

## 1. Call to Order and Introductions

Chairperson Stephen Woelfel called the meeting to order at 10:02 A.M. Chairperson Woelfel read the meeting accessibility statement and the Title VI Notice of Protection Statement. Roll call was then conducted by Charles Kilmer.

## 2. Public Comments

There were no public comments at this time.

## 3. Minutes of the July 16, 2024 Meeting

A motion to approve the draft minutes of the July 16, 2024 meeting was made by Dan Salvucci and seconded by Lee Hartmann. Members voted as follows:

Stephen Woelfel	Aye
Shaun Handy	Aye
John Messia	Aye
Lee Hartmann	Aye
Dan Salvucci	Aye
Michael Lambert	Aye
Rebecca Coletta	Aye

The motion passed.

## 4. Brockton Area Transit (BAT) Report

Michael Lambert reported on the following items:

- BAT Customer Appreciation Day - October 18, 12-3pm. Electric Bus Unveiling.
- Ridership continues to be strong. September witnessed a 25 year high. Due to higher levels of frequency and BAT's free fare program. Saturdays were also added to the Rockland Flex Service.

## 5. Greater Attleboro Taunton Regional Transit Authority (GATRA) Report

There was no update from GATRA at this time.

## 6. MassDOT District 5 Update on Projects Under Design or Construction

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Shaun Handy provided an update on projects as follows:

**BROCKTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AND RELATED WORK AT CENTRE STREET (ROUTE 123), CARY STREET AND LYMAN STREET**

- Advertised September 14, 2024 for construction bids
- Cost is \$3.38 Million

**STOUGHTON - CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 138, FROM CANTON T.L. TO CHARLES AVENUE (PHASE 2)**

- At Plans, Specifications, and Estimate Stage (PS&E) Stage; Cost is \$9 Million

**EASTON - CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 138 INCLUDING INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 138 (WASHINGTON STREET) AND ELM STREET**

- At Plans, Specifications, and Estimate Stage (PS&E) Stage; Cost is \$9.5 Million

**BROCKTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT CENTRE STREET (ROUTE 123) AND PLYMOUTH STREET**

- At 75% Design; Cost is \$2.8 Million

**BOURNE TO BRAINTREE - GUIDE AND TRAFFIC SIGN REPLACEMENT ON A SECTION OF ROUTE 3**

- At Plans, Specifications, and Estimate Stage (PS&E) Stage; Cost is \$4.3 Million

**BROCKTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT LYMAN STREET/GROVE STREET/SUMMER STREET & REPLACEMENT OF GROVE STREET BRIDGE, B-25-005, OVER SALISBURY PLAIN RIVER**

- At 25% Design; Cost is \$6.2 Million

**ABINGTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT HANCOCK STREET AND CHESTNUT STREET**

- At 75% Design; Cost is \$4.8 Million

**AVON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 28, SPRING STREET AND HARRISON BOULEVARD**

- At 25% Design; Cost is \$7.35 Million

**NORWELL & PEMBROKE- BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, N-24-004=P-05-008, ROUTE 3 (NB & SB) OVER NORTH RIVER**

- Pre-25% Design; Cost is \$52 Million

**KINGSTON & DUXBURY - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 3 RAMPS (NB/SB) AND ROUTE 3A (TREMONT STREET)**

- Pre-25% Design; Cost is \$3.05 Million

**ABINGTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS, RANDOLPH STREET AND RICHARD A FITTS DRIVE (ROUTE 139) AT CHESTNUT STREET AND OLD RANDOLPH STREET**

- Pre-25% Design; Cost is \$3.8 Million

**DUXBURY - BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, D-14-003 (438), POWDER POINT AVENUE OVER DUXBURY BAY**

- Pre-25% Design; Cost is \$86 Million

**DUXBURY - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 53 AND FRANKLIN STREET**

- Pre-25% Design; Cost is \$7.28 Million

**HANOVER - CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 139 (HANOVER STREET) AT MAIN STREET, CENTER STREET**

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## AND SILVER STREET

- Pre-25% Design; Cost is \$6.1 Million

Charles Kilmer asked if there is an upcoming meeting regarding this project between the consultant, MassDOT and OCPC. The town is concerned about making sure they preserve the ball field and no building takings. Shaun Handy stated that there have been a number of meetings to get a feel regarding the ball field. The meetings are continuing, and the design is being discussed. There will be a Public Information Meeting later this Fall. A meeting with OCPC can happen to discuss a briefing.

## BROCKTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 123 (BELMONT STREET), PEARL STREET AND STONEHILL STREET

- Pre 25% Design; Cost is \$7.5 Million

## STOUGHTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT CANTON STREET (ROUTE 27), SCHOOL STREET AND SUMMER STREET

- 25% Design; Cost is \$3.7 Million

## KINGSTON - BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, K-01-014, SMITHS LANE OVER ROUTE 3 (PILGRIM HIGHWAY)

- Pre 25% Design; Cost is \$12.8 Million

## ABINGTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 18 (BEDFORD STREET) AND ROUTE 123(BROCKTON AVENUE)

- Pre 25% Design; Cost is \$5.4 Million

## STOUGHTON- INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 27 (PARK STREET) AND TURNPIKE STREET

- Pre 25% Design; Cost is \$3.3 Million

## BROCKTON & ABINGTON - PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 123

- Pre 25% Design; Cost is \$26.8 Million

## BRIDGEWATER - BRIDGE REHABILITATION, B-23-001 (44H), VERNON STREET OVER TAUNTON RIVER

- Pre 25% Design; Cost is \$20.6 Million

## HANOVER - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT COLUMBIA ROAD (ROUTE 53/139) AND BROADWAY

- Pre 25% Design; Cost is \$5.9 Million

## EAST BRIDGEWATER - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT HIGHLAND STREET AND NORTH BEDFORD STREET (ROUTE 18)

- Pre 25% Design; Cost is \$3.5 Million

## EAST BRIDGEWATER - BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, E-01-010 (BVT) POND STREET OVER SATUCKET RIVER

- Pre 25% Design; Full bridge replacement

## WEST BRIDGEWATER - BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, W-18-004, FOREST STREET OVER TOWN RIVER

- Pre 25% Design; Cost is \$4.4 Million

## Unprogrammed

## HANSON - CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 14 (MAQUAN STREET), FROM THE PEMBROKE T.L. TO INDIAN

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## HEAD STREET AND RELATED WORK

- At 25% Design; Cost is \$10.3 Million

Al DeGirolamo stated that Senator Brady obtained \$100,000 to conduct the SUE. Will work with town to get money in place as soon as possible.

## 7. Performance Based Planning and MassDOT Proposed Performance Measures and Targets (PM2 and PM3)

- **Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Adoption of the Federally Required Performance Measures and Targets Pertaining to National Highway System (NHS) Bridge and Pavement Conditions (PM2)**
- **Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Adoption of the Federally Required Performance Measures and Targets Pertaining to System Performance (Congestion, Reliability, and Emissions) (PM3)**

Annabel Shein and Jack Moran presented on PM2 (NHS Bridge and Pavement Conditions).

### Pavement Performance Targets for 2025

- Percent of Interstate in Good Condition – Target – 70%
- Percent of Interstate in Poor Condition – Target – 2%
- Percent of Non-Interstate NHS in Good Condition – 30%
- Percent of Non-interstate NHS in Poor Condition – 5%

### Bridge Performance Targets for 2025

- Percent of NHS Bridges by Deck Area in Good Condition – 16%
- Percent of NHS Bridges by Deck Area in Poor Condition – 12%

Chris Kelm presented on PM3 System Performance (Congestion, Reliability, and Emissions).

- Interstate Travel Time Reliability – 2 Year Target: 74%, 4 Year Target: 76%
- Non-Interstate Travel Time Reliability – 2 Year Target: 85%, 4 Year Target: 87%
- Truck Travel Time Reliability – 2 Year Target: 1.80, 4 Year Target: 1.75
- Peak Hour Excessive Delay – 2 Year Target: 24.0, 4 Year Target: 22.0
- Percentage of Non-SOV Travel – 2 Year Target: 38.77%, 4 Year Target: 39.81%
- Emission Summary – 2 Year Target: .354 CO kg/day, 4 Year Target: .354 CO kg/day

A motion to approve the PM2 and PM3 Targets was made by Dan Salvucci and seconded by Michael Lambert. Members voted as follows:

Stephen Woelfel	Aye
Shaun Handy	Aye
John Messia	Aye
Lee Hartmann	Aye
Dan Salvucci	Aye
Michael Lambert	Aye
Rebecca Coletta	Aye

The motion passed.

## 8. Performance Based Planning and Brockton Area Transit (BAT) Transit Asset Management (TAM) Transit State of Good Repair Targets

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- **Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Adoption of the Federally Required Performance Targets Pertaining to Transit State of Good Repair**

Kelly Forrester presented the Federally Required Performance Targets pertaining to Transit State of Good Repair.

Performance Targets by Asset Category						
Category	Class		Perform ance Target for FY24	Total # Vehicles	# of vehicles that will exceed ULB - FY25	% of fleet that exceeds ULB - FY25
Rolling Stock	Buses	X% of fleet exceeds default ULB of 14	14.00%	53	7	13.21%
	Cutaway Buses	X% of fleet exceeds default ULB of 10	26.00%	4	1	25.00%
	Vans	X% of fleet exceeds default ULB of 8	27.00%	57	15	26.32%
Equipment	Non Revenue - Service Automobile	X% of non-revenue service vehicles exceeds default ULB of 8	40.00%	5	1	20.00%
	Non Revenue - Service Truck	X% of non-revenue service vehicles exceeds default ULB of 8	40.00%	5	2	40.00%
Facilities	Admin/Maintenance Facility	X% of facilities rated under 3.0 on TERM scale	0.00%	3	0	0.00%

A motion to approve the Federally Required Performance Targets pertaining to Transit State of Good Repair was made by Becky Coletta and seconded by Dan Salvucci. Members voted as follows:

Stephen Woelfel	Aye
Shaun Handy	Aye
John Messia	Aye
Lee Hartmann	Aye
Dan Salvucci	Aye
Michael Lambert	Aye
Rebecca Coletta	Aye

The motion passed.

9. **FFY 2025-2029 Old Colony Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Adjustments and/ or Amendments**
  - **Adjustment 1 (MassDOT District 5 - Vulnerable Road User (VRU) Systemic Safety Project Near Bus Stops Project) - Review and Potential Approval**

Bill McNulty discussed Adjustment 1.

**Adjustment 1 includes the following changes:**

## FFY 2025

- MASSDOT DISTRICT FIVE - VRU SYSTEMIC SAFETY PROJECT NEAR BUS STOPS (613604)

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- MODIFIES PROJECT LISTING S12980
- During 2025-2029 STIP Development a placeholder “S # ID” project was programmed, now that it has a proper project ID it required a TIP Adjustment
- \$1,462,395 in FFY 2025 HSIP Vulnerable User Safety (VUS) funds
- MassDOT’s Vulnerable Road User (VRU) Assessment found that a disproportional amount of pedestrian and bicyclist fatal or serious injury crashes occurred within 300 feet of a bus stop. In an effort to address this, MassDOT is investing Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funds into crossing improvements at bus stops throughout the state in a multi-year approach. Bus stops that were identified as high risk for pedestrians or had a high potential for people walking within 300 feet of them were prioritized for these improvements. Project elements include adding pedestrian refuge islands, installing flashing warning signs (RRFBs) or other signs, painting high-visibility crosswalks, curb extensions, etc.

A motion to approve Adjustment 1 was made by Dan Salvucci and seconded by Michael Lambert. Members voted as follows:

Stephen Woelfel	Aye
Shaun Handy	Aye
John Messia	Aye
Lee Hartmann	Aye
Dan Salvucci	Aye
Michael Lambert	Aye
Rebecca Coletta	Aye

The motion passed.

## 10. Old Colony Safe Streets for All (SS4A) Action Plan Update and Status Report

The consultant under contract to develop the Old Colony Safe Streets for All (SS4A) Comprehensive Safety Action Plan, BETA Group, Inc. has developed an online Interactive Map and Data Dashboard that is being made available to the public. Old Colony Planning Council and BETA Group Inc. have met with each community in the Old Colony region to present this data dashboard, and the Top 5 high risk locations identified in each community. Municipal officials were then offered the opportunity to provide input on local priorities that may have been missed through the initial data driven process.

The data dashboard and interactive map have now been released to the general public. Through this map and dashboard, users can view the top locations that have been identified as high-risk for serious injury and fatalities, share their own locations they believe are high priorities for the community.

The goal of the Safe Streets for All (SS4A) Comprehensive Safety Action Plan is to identify high-risk locations and propose countermeasures that can be implemented to prevent serious injuries and eliminate traffic fatalities using the Safe Systems Approach. The Plan is being developed through a Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Safe Streets for All Discretionary Grant and matching grant from the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT).

## 11. Administrative Matters, Other Business, and Date and Time of Next Meetings(s)

Charles Kilmer reported on the following items:

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- 2024 Moving Together Conference – Early Bird Registration is Now Open! – October 23, 2024, Sheraton Boston Hotel
- Getting to Vision Zero: Mass Road Safety Summit – October 28, 2024
- MassDOT Launches Latest Statewide Travel Study
- Federal Funds & Infrastructure Office – Next Federal Funds Partnership Meeting is October 22, 2024

Chris Klem announced that MassDOT is expecting to release Draft update of Public Participation Plan in the coming weeks.

## Date and Time of Next Old Colony MPO Virtual Meeting(s)

The Old Colony MPO members are respectfully requested to confirm the dates and times of their next virtual meeting(s).

### 2024

- **November 19, 2024 at 10 AM**
- **December 17, 2024 at 10 AM**

### 2025

- **January 21, 2025 at 10 AM**
- **February 18, 2025 at 10 AM**
- **March 18, 2025 at 10 AM**
- **April 15, 2025 at 10 AM**
- **May 20, 2025 at 10 AM**
- **June 17, 2025 at 10 AM**

## 12. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Dan Salvucci and seconded by Becky Coletta. Members voted as follows:

Stephen Woelfel	Aye
Shaun Handy	Aye
John Messia	Aye
Lee Hartmann	Aye
Dan Salvucci	Aye
Michael Lambert	Aye
Rebecca Coletta	Aye

The motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:16 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Kyle Mowatt*

Kyle Mowatt, Senior Transportation Planner



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## **List of Documents for the October 15, 2024 Old Colony MPO Meeting**

- Minutes of July 16, 2024, Old Colony MPO Meeting
- Staff Report for October 15, 2024 Old Colony MPO Meeting Agenda Items
- PM2 (NHS Bridge and Pavement Conditions) Presentation
- PM3 System Performance (Congestion, Reliability, and Emissions) Presentation