



# Discussion: TAC-endorsed Implementation Plan

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# Review of Purpose, Objectives, and Process

## **Purpose**

- Review an updated version of the implementation plan and discuss additions, deletions and modifications.

## **Objective**

- The TAC and City staff are aware of current status of endorsed items and new, modified, or deleted implementation plan items

## **Process**

- City staff will highlight updates and new items that have come up since March 2021. TAC will discuss additions or modifications. TAC will not have to vote on these changes

# Interrelated plans and documents



## Transit Strategic Plan

- Identifies broad direction, goals
- Identifies objectives and strategies

## Implementation Plan

- Identifies and prioritizes specific initiatives
- Limited by available resources

## Project Work Plan

- Highlights actions, partnerships, timelines, etc.
- Addresses actions taken to implement objective or strategy

# Goals of Transit Strategic Plan

#1 Serve all trips

#2 Expand funding

#3 Improve service efficiency

#4 Expand Service

#5 Improve usability, access, safety

#6 Improve outreach and participation

#7 Resiliency and adaption to climate change



# More Detail

## #1 Serve all trips

- Identify gaps in the transit network
- Prioritize strategies that would fill gaps, focusing on people that depend on transit for their travel
- Prioritize strategies that increase access to community amenities and resources (i.e. not only work-commute trips)

## #2 Expand funding

- Advocate for more funding for public transit from all stakeholders – developers, private business, government
- Use available municipal funding for transit improvements – bus stops, bus lanes, transit signals
- Support the development of Transportation Management Associations



# More Detail

## #3 Improve service efficiency

- Coordinate and advocate for improvements to Red Line capacity, efficiency, and reliability
- Advocate for additional supplementary local transit service (potentially parallel to existing Red and Green Line)
- Prioritize transit improvements that improve travel time and reliability when doing city projects
- Coordinate with MBTA and private shuttles for better connectivity and
- Support improvements in fare payment policy, strategy, and technology



# More Detail

## #4 Expand Service

- Support and advocate for the MBTA to provide:
  - New routes (ones that connect “crosstown” and connect with underserved neighborhoods)
  - Better frequencies
  - Longer service hours (especially evenings and weekends)
- Support and advocate for new routes provided by TMAs



# More Detail

## **#5 Improve usability, access, safety**

- Improve transfers between bus-rail, commuter rail-bus, commuter rail-rail, etc. to minimize walking times.
- Improve wayfinding and transit information on city streets
- Improve access to transit by sustainable transportation (walk, bike, other transit/shuttles)
- Improve bus stop amenities, street lighting and winter maintenance

## **#6 Improve outreach and participation**

## **#7 Resiliency and adaption to climate change**





# More Detail

## **#6 Improve outreach and participation**

- Maintain the TAC to advise the City on transit issues and prioritizing improvements
- Increase outreach using multiple channels
- Modify outreach to be positive, effective, innovative and attention-getting
- Communicate openly and frequently with businesses, other agencies, organizations to promote transit use and improvements



# More Detail

## **#7 Resiliency and adaption to climate change**

- Advocate for modifications that reduce the GHG impact from public transit
- Coordinate and fund initiatives to improve climate resilience for city-owned assets (like streets) from the impact of excessive heat and flooding
- Improve amenities to address and mitigate climate change-related impacts like extreme weather and excessive heat
- Increase green space and shade cover to mitigate impacts of heat on transit riders

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# TAC provides advice by recommending specific actions

## **Moving forward (Category A)**

- Actions that have funding and resources available

## **Resources not yet identified (Category B)**

- Actions that need to have funding or other resources identified

## **Not yet started (Category C)**

- Actions that do not have a funding or resource plan

## **Revisit (Category D)**

- Actions that may have funding or resources but have not had an update

## **Ongoing/Advocacy (Category E)**

- Ongoing advocacy items for TAC or City



# Updates since 3/2021 review

## **Moving forward (Category A)**

- New items: Bus priority on Mass Ave (Dudley to Alewife Brook), TIS Guidelines Update

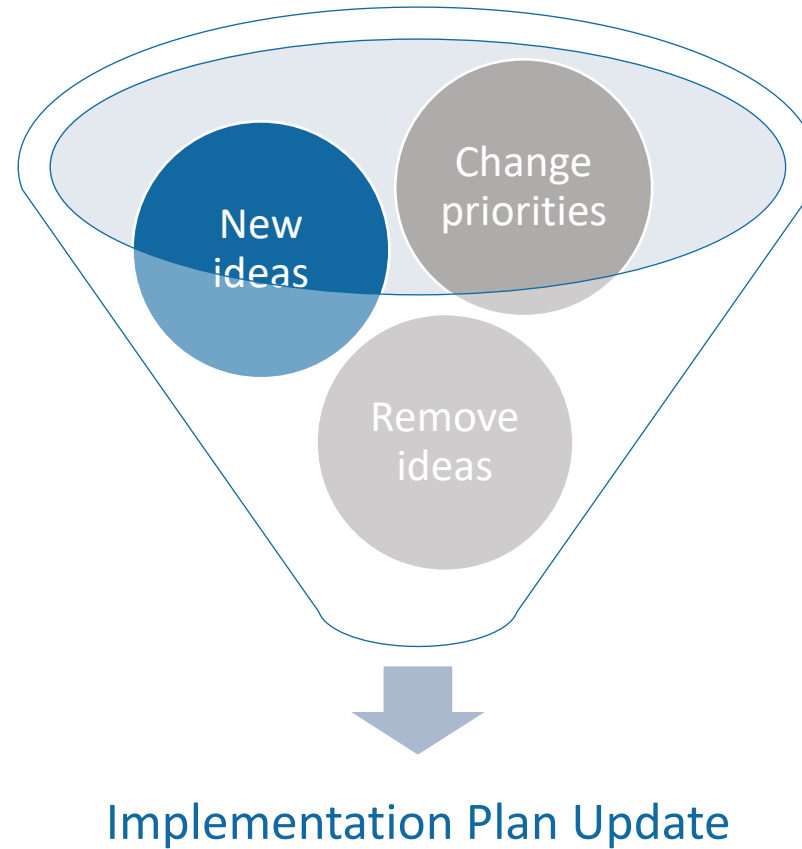
## **Resources not yet identified (Category B)**

- New item: Transit Strategic Plan Implementation Plan
- Update: Bus Priority on Mass Ave (Porter Square)

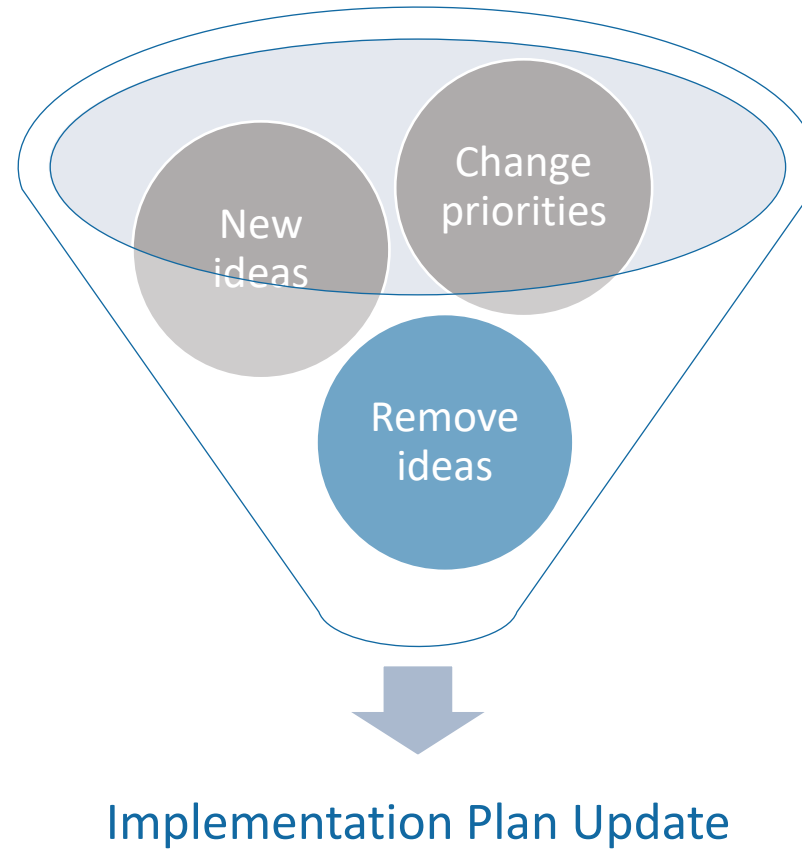
## **Not yet started (Category C)**

- Update: Bus Priority at Alewife (Advocacy) – Moved from Revisit (D)

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