



Green Line Extension Project

General Informational Meeting

February 27, 2008



Agenda



- Project Overview
- Summary of Station Workshops
- Overview of Comments
- Open Discussion



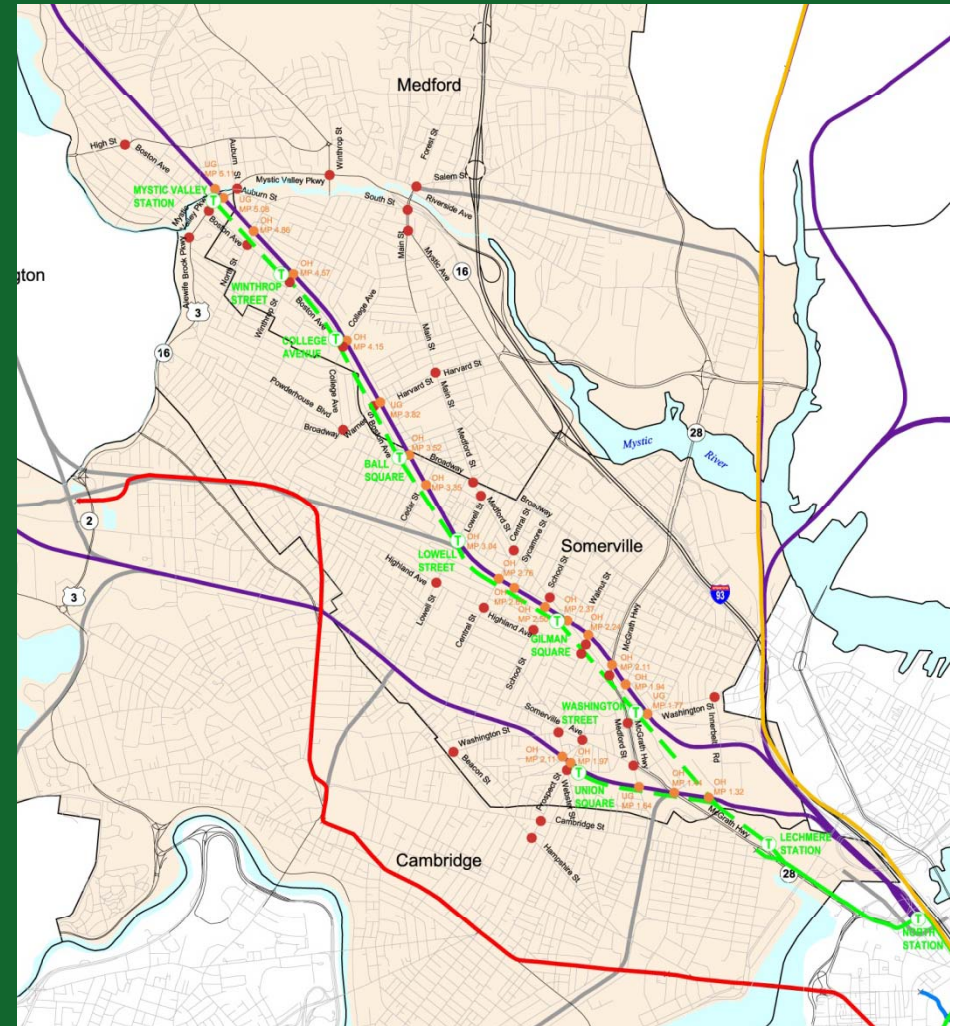
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- Extend Green Line from Lechmere Station to Somerville, Medford in order to:
 - Improve regional air quality
 - Improve corridor mobility and regional access
 - Boost transit ridership
 - Ensure equitable distribution of transit services
 - Support opportunities for smart growth initiatives and sustainable development





Planning History



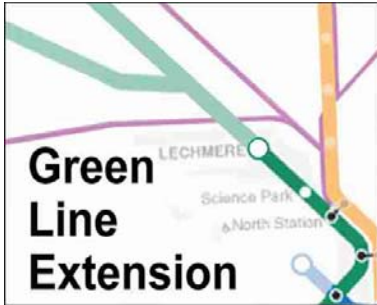
- 1962: *North Terminal Area Study*
- 1973: *Boston Transportation Planning Review Northwest*
- 1981: *Green Line Northwest Project Study*
- 1984: *Beyond Lechmere Alternatives Evaluation Report*
- 1990's: Central Artery/Tunnel Project Transit Commitments and State Implementation Plan (SIP) for air quality conformity
- 2005: MBTA *Beyond Lechmere (MIS/AA)*
- 2006: EOTPW *EENF* for Green Line Extension to Medford
- 12/2006: Secretary of the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs (EOEA) issued a certificate requiring the preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR)
- 09/2007: EOTPW initiates preparation of DEIR



Public Outreach



- Long History of Planning
- Advisory Group
- Neighborhood Station Workshops
- Informational Meetings
- Local Official Briefings
- Interagency Meetings
- Project website: www.greenlinextension.org



Alternative Alignments



- Alternative 1: Green Line Extension to *Medford Hillside* with Spur to Union Sq.
- Alternative 2: Green Line Extension to *Route 16/ Mystic Valley Pkwy* with Spur to Union Sq.
- Alternative 3: Green Line Extension to Medford Hillside with Spur to Union Sq. *via McGrath Hwy/ Somerville Ave*
- Alternative 4: Green Line Extension to Route 16/Mystic Valley Pkwy with Spur to Union Sq. *via McGrath Hwy/ Somerville Ave.*



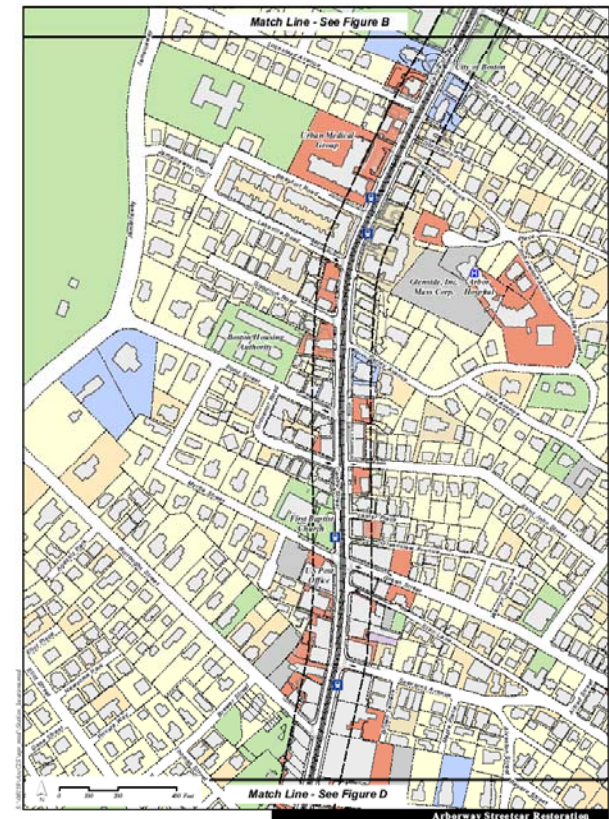
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DEIR Analysis



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- Operations
- Noise & Vibration
- Air Quality
- Land takings
- Traffic, Parking
- Support Facility
- Construction impacts
- Community impacts – Environmental Justice





Station Workshops



- Medford General Informational Meeting #1
- Brickbottom/Washington Street/Gilman Square
- Lowell Street/Ball Square
- College Avenue/Winthrop Street
- Mystic Valley Parkway/Route 16
- Union Square
- Medford General Informational Meeting #2

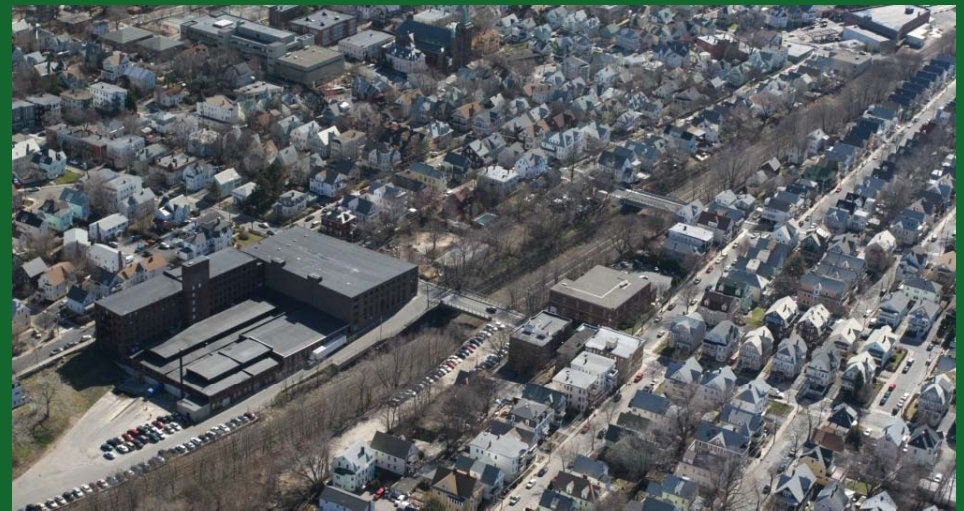




Station Workshops Key Discussion Points



- Platform Siting
- Access
- ADA Considerations
- Transit Operations
- Intermodal Connections
- Land Use Opportunities
- Impact on Residents
- Impact on Bridges
- Property Acquisitions





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Station Workshops Summary



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- 100 +/- attendees
- General consensus on neighborhood siting(s)
- Input on platform locations
- Comments to be evaluated & incorporated, as appropriate
- Notes will be posted on:

www.greenlineextension.org



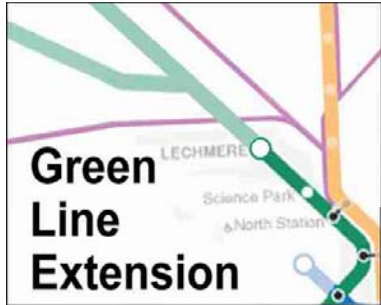


Station Workshops General Feedback



- Accessibility
- Traffic
- Parking
- Intermodal connections
- Property Acquisitions
- Environmental Impacts
- Construction Impacts
- Green space
- Safety and security

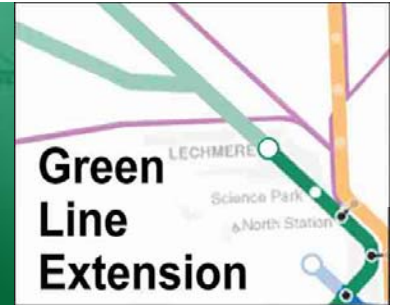




Next Steps



- Alternatives Analysis
- Environmental Assessments
- On-going coordination with Advisory Group
- Informational meetings in the Spring



Questions and Answers