



## **CAPITAL INVESTMENT PLAN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING**

### **MINUTES**

April 10, 2023

1:00 PM – 2:00 PM

**A. Call to order-** Susanne Rasmussen (Cambridge), called the meeting to order at 1:02 PM via zoom.

**B.** Discussion and consideration of the charge from the Advisory Board to with respect to the MBTA's **Proposed FY24-28 Capital Investment Plan**. The MBTA Advisory Board charged the Capital Investment Plan Oversight Committee with reviewing the MBTA's proposed FY24-28 Capital Investment Plan, and drafting a report for the full Board's consideration including a recommendation on action for the full Board. Committee members expressed concern that the following items were missing from the draft CIP:

- Timeline and strategy on the transition from Commuter to Regional Rail?
- Strategy for managing through the fiscal cliff and the fiscal calamity without service cuts?
- A report detailing the results for the public's hundreds of millions in safety investments in recent years? Can and will MBTA leadership categorically assure the public that the system is safe for all stakeholders?
- Abide by all aspects of M.G.L. c.161a §5(g)
- Provide more than 31 days to review the CIP
- Timeline and strategy to make Boylston Station, and all other Green Line stations and surface stops 100% accessible.
- Assurances that the South Coast Rail passenger schedule will not negatively affect existing Old Colony Line service levels, or schedule adherence, especially considering the single-track segment between Braintree and

Boston.

- An updated timeline and strategy for bus electrification.
- An update and timeline on the Fare Transformation initiative.
- An update and timeline on the Silver Line Extension initiative to Everett
- An update and timeline on the Red/Blue Connector initiative
- An update and timeline on a new, multi-modal, Wonderland combination Blue Line/Regional Rail station.
- Replacement of trip-stops on the Blue Line with modern signals.
- Timeline for the refurbishment of the PCCs, and upgrades of the Mattapan Line and all its stations.
- A commitment to construct and pilot platform edge doors at a subway station in the next 5 years.
- Establish a \$50 million over 5 years fund to maintain and refurbish local commuter rail stations in coordination with municipalities.
- Publish an updated State of Good Repair (SGR) backlog and estimate the effect of annual CIPs on this number over time.
- Commit to re-establishing and maintaining pre-COVID service levels on all modes
- Establish a middle-to-long-term project planning office dedicated to the MBTA

Frank Tramontozzi (Quincy) moved to authorize the Executive Director to write a draft CIP oversight report on behalf of the committee and present it to the committee at its next meeting for its consideration. Dan Martin (Acton) seconded this motion, which was approved unanimously.

**C. Old/New business:** The Executive Director noted that the Governor appointed a new General Manager on March 27, 20203. Based on this, he suggested that the Committee consider requesting that the MBTA Board of Directors delay the CIP approval timeline for 60 days to allow the new General Manager time to review it. He further suggested that this request include the following:

Jim Hoyes (Hanover) moved to authorize the Executive Director to draft such a request including the noted points, and submit it on the Committee’s behalf to the MBTA Board of Directors. Chester Osbourn (Maynard) seconded this motion, which was approved unanimously.

**D. Next committee meeting:** The next meeting of the Capital Investment Plan Oversight Committee is scheduled for May 3, 2023 at 1PM to present and approve the draft report to the committee.

**D. Adjourn:** With all business transacted, F. Tramontozzi moved to adjourn. C. Osbourn seconded this motion, which was approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 1:21 PM.

Attendees:

Acton	David Martin
Hanover	Jim Hoyes
Cambridge	Susanne Rasmussen
Maynard	Chester Osbourn
Quincy	Frank Tramontozzi
<b>Advisory Board</b>	<b>Staff</b>
Brian Kane	Executive Director
Amira Patterson	Transportation Planner

*Note: These minutes were approved by committee vote at its 5/3/23 meeting.*