

Roslindale Village Transit Enhancements

Spring 2021



Overview of Roslindale Village Transit Enhancements

The City of Boston and MBTA are partnering to improve transit service in Roslindale Village and bus connections to Forest Hills. This builds on work already done and aims to improve transit reliability, accessibility, and the pedestrian environment. This work is being done through a MassDOT Shared Streets Grant.

TRANSIT RELIABILITY



We are making changes that will improve bus travel times and reliability. On a typical weekday (Pre-COVID), 18,000 bus passengers use the Washington Street corridor between Adams Square and Forest Hills. Better bus lanes and better bus stops will improve travel times and reliability.

IMPROVED ACCESSIBILITY



Some bus stops and sidewalks in Roslindale Village do not meet federal Accessibility standards. We will expand sidewalks and provide spaces for Accessible bus stops. We will improve safety at crosswalks through better pedestrian timing at stop lights and shorter crossings at key intersections.

BETTER PEDESTRIAN SPACES

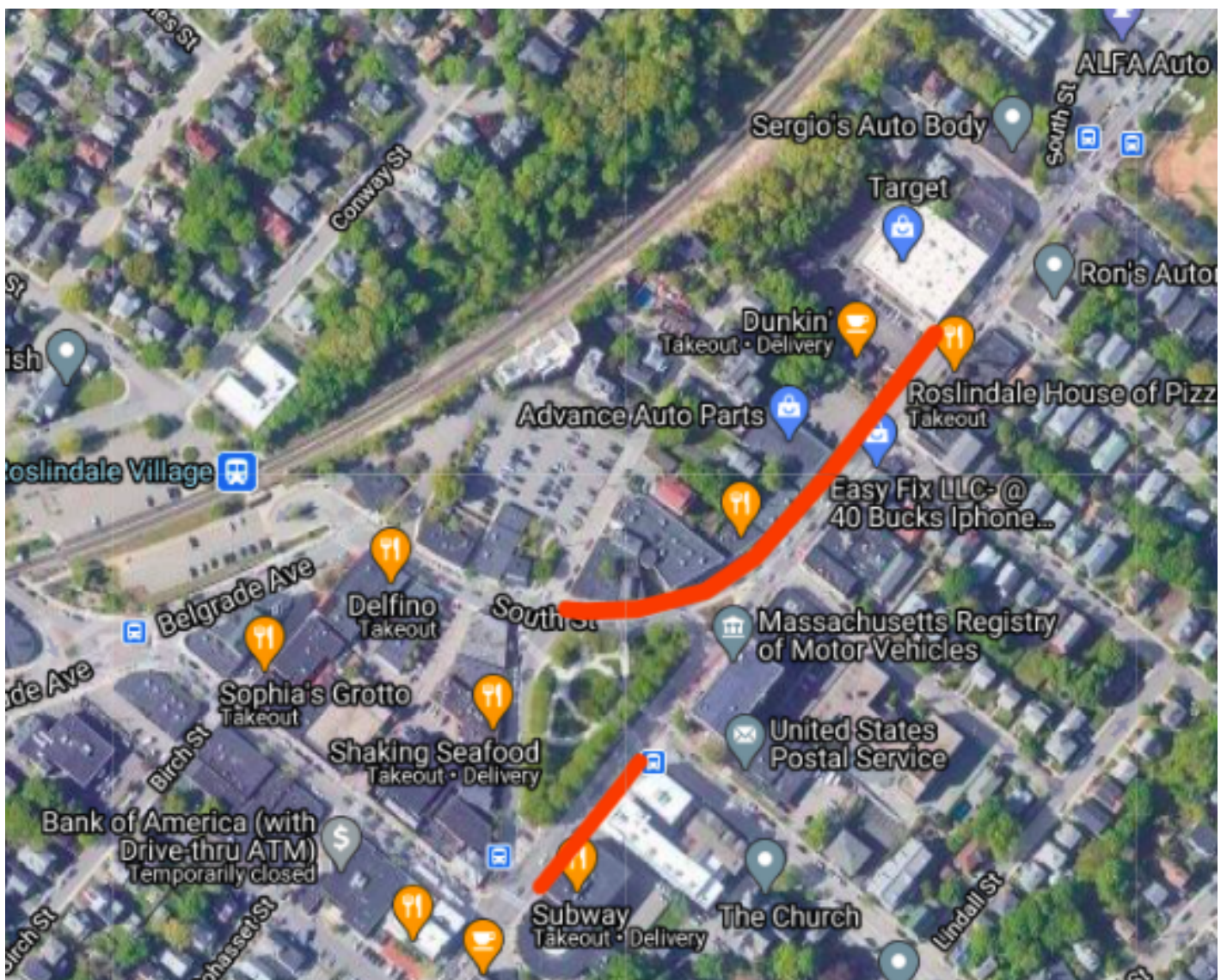


We will provide more space for pedestrians in Roslindale Village and safer pedestrian crossings. We will add new benches and partner with local artists to add sidewalk art. Expanded sidewalks will also provide more spaces for outdoor dining and public events.

Bus Lanes in Roslindale Village

TODAY, BUSES ARE DELAYED IN ROSLINDALE VILLAGE. THESE ENHANCEMENTS WILL PROVIDE A MORE SEAMLESS COMMUTE FOR BUS PASSENGERS AND A WIDER LANE FOR CYCLISTS.

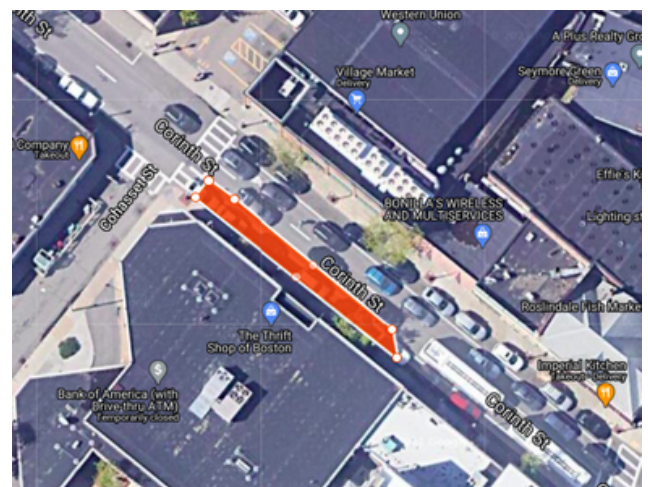
- A new northbound bus lane on Washington Street from Poplar Street to Cummins Highway, shared with the right-turn lane, will allow buses to use the lane for through-movements going north. The light cycle will also be retimed to permit an additional pedestrian crossing across Washington Street and extend pedestrian timing.
- A new PM Peak bus lane in the southbound direction will operate from Bexley Road to South Street and enable buses to avoid peak period congestion in this busy stretch of Washington Street.



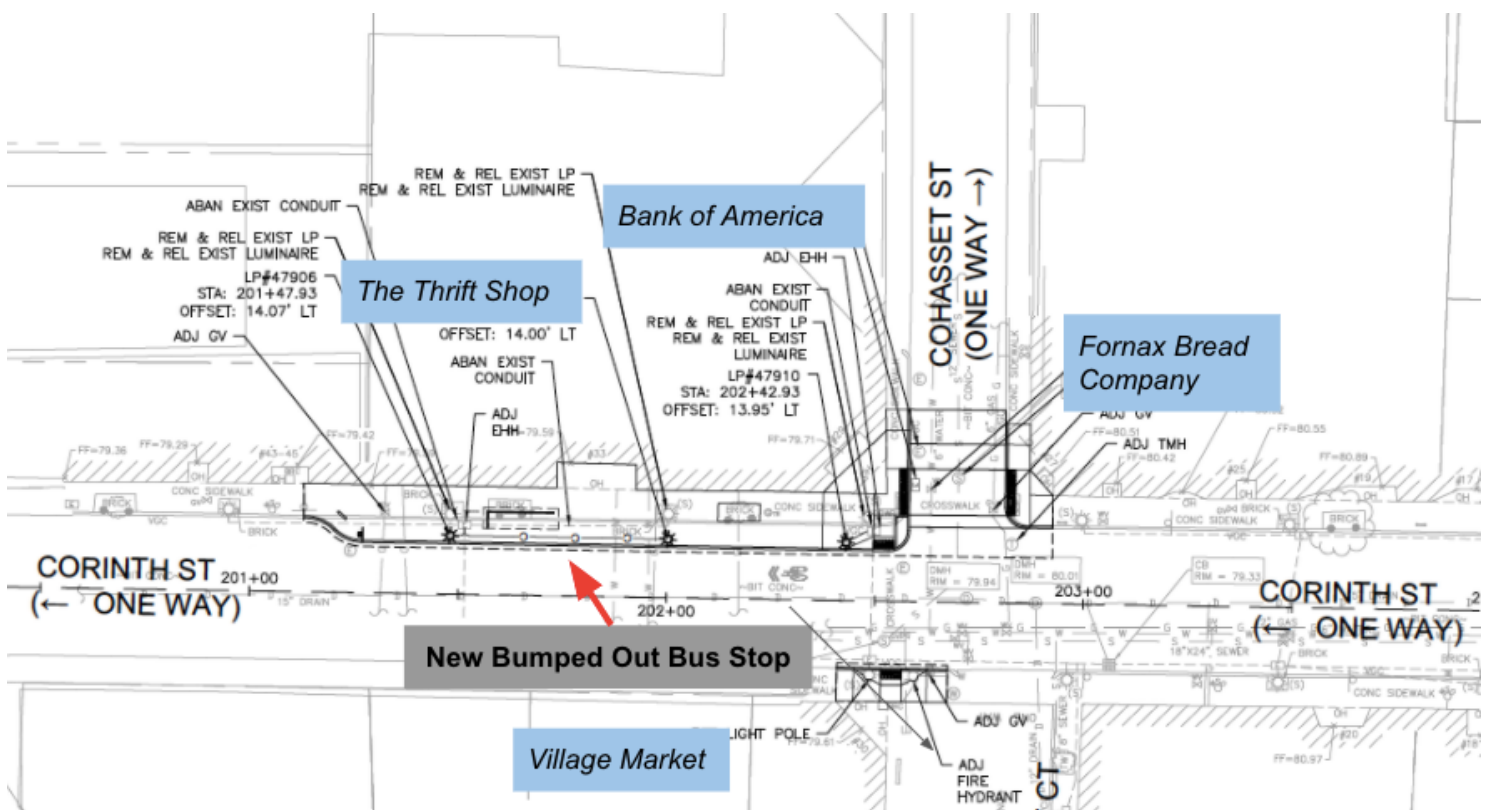
Corinth Street Bus Stop Enhancements

- The existing bus stop at Washington St shifts to the corner of Cohasset Street near the Bank of America.
- The bus stop will feature a shelter, countdown clock, benches, trash cans, and bike racks.
- The Cohasset Street crosswalk will be raised to sidewalk level to provide for better pedestrians connections.
- The Corinth Street crosswalk will be shorter by about 7 feet from its current condition.

The map at right shows the location of the relocated bus stop



The diagram below shows the engineered plan for the new bus stop bump out.



Timeline & Next Steps

- Construction is expected to begin in late April and end by late May/early June.
- MBTA and City of Boston staff will coordinate closely with adjacent businesses to ensure that access is maintained during construction.
- Construction will be done by SBS Construction.
- Additionally, the southbound bus lane from Forest Hills to Firth Road will fully painted at this time.

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