

Potential Route 90 changes in East Somerville

- MBTA Bus Route 90 currently uses Tufts St (outbound only), Cross St, and Broadway to serve East Somerville and connect to Sullivan.
- Under the Somerville Bicycle Network Plan, Tufts St is slated for conversion to a neighborway facility, which may not be compatible with bus / large vehicle operation.

- Two-Way Protected Bike Lane
- One-Way Protected Bike Lane
- Neighborway
- Shared Street
- Off-Street Path
- Existing Unprotected Bike Lane



Neighborway: Streets designated as Neighborways in the network are walk-and-bike friendly streets that run parallel to larger main streets, creating a low-stress alternative biking experience on residential streets. These streets are designed to lower volume and speeds for vehicles with measures like speed humps or narrowing the entrance to the street to discourage people using the street as a cut through. Neighborways will always provide a two-way connection for people biking even if the street is one-way for vehicular traffic.



Current and Proposed Route 90 routings in East Somerville

If Tufts St is converted to a neighborway, the MBTA proposes to reroute the 90 onto Washington St instead.



Passenger impacts to riders along Cross St and Broadway:

Total ridership between McGrath Hwy and Sullivan:

42 inbound, **85** outbound

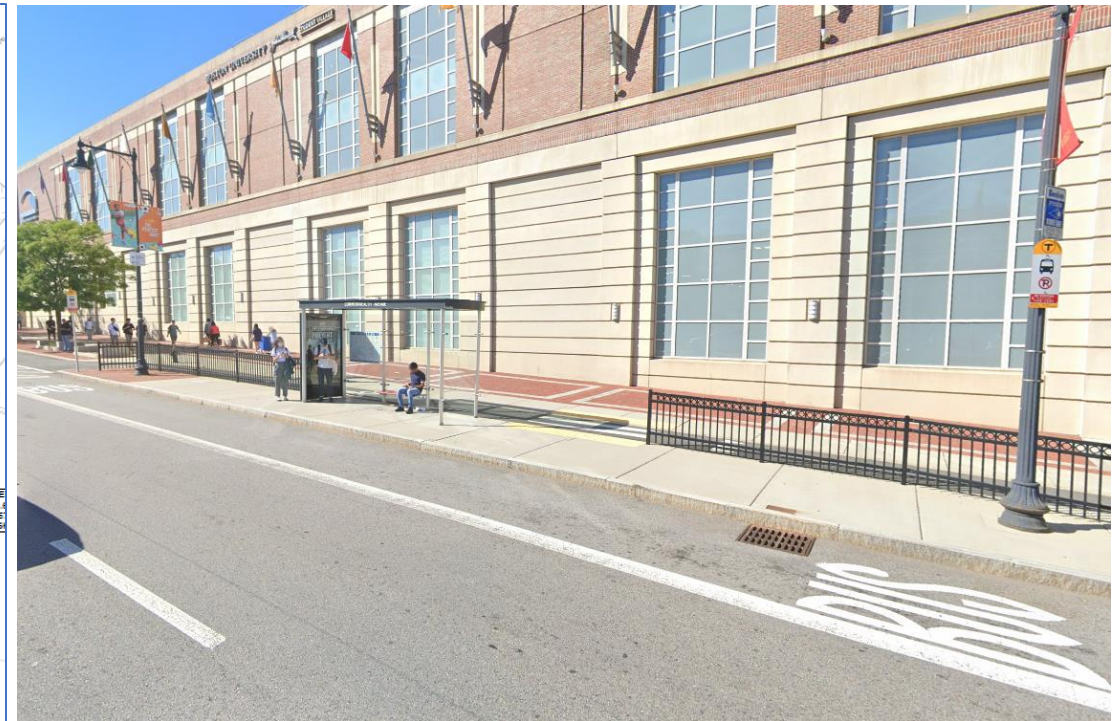
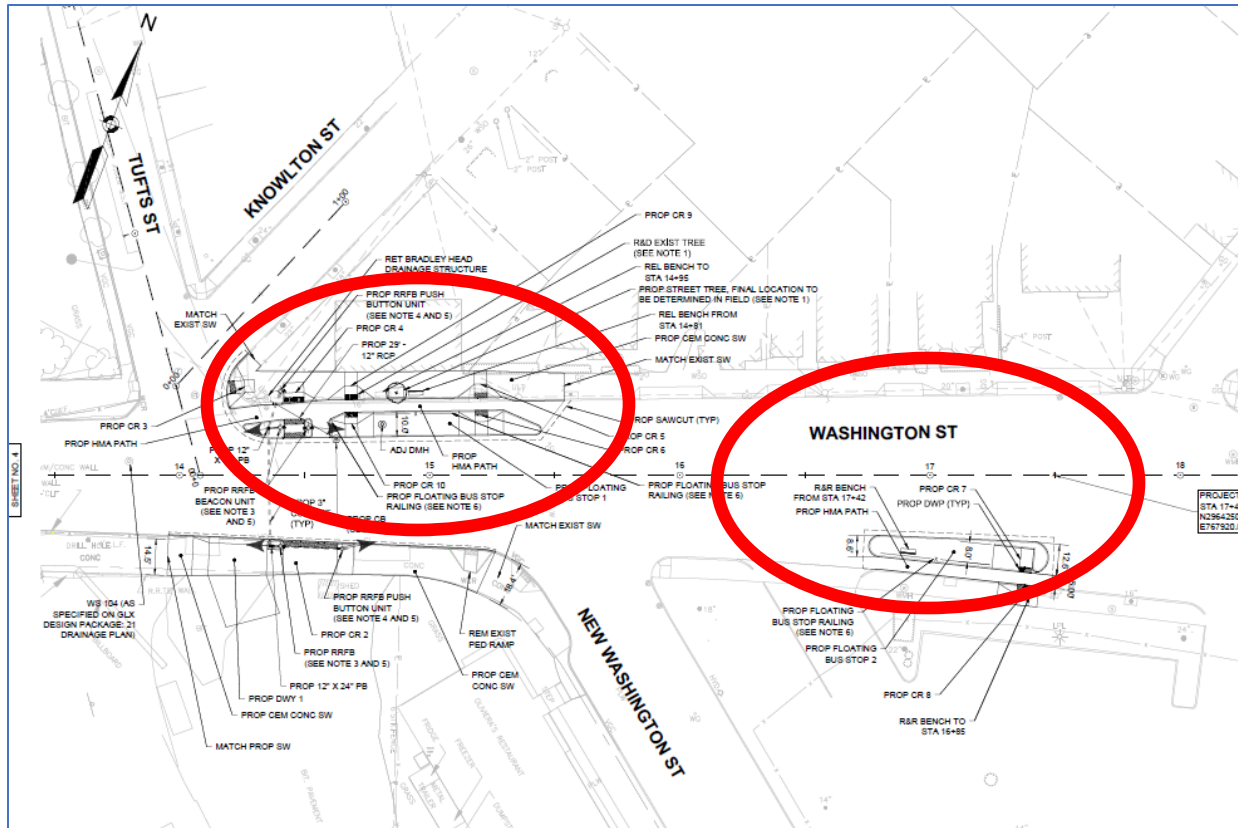
Most riders could shift to the new Washington St stops.

Riders at or near Broadway could use Broadway bus Routes 89 or 101 to connect to Route 90 at Sullivan.



Advantage: Connection to the Green Line

The proposed route would stop on Washington Street, where new floating bus stops are planned closer to the East Somerville station entrance. This would improve legibility vs. today's East Station connecting stop on McGrath @ Alston St.



Example floating bus stop on Commonwealth Ave