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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING

PROJECT FILE NO. 606226

A live online Public Hearing will be hosted on the MassDOT website below on June 23, 2021 to present the proposed Rutherford Avenue/Sullivan Square Improvements project in Charlestown, MA.

https://www.mass.gov/massdot-highway-design-public-hearings

PURPOSE: The purpose of this hearing is to provide the public with the opportunity to become fully acquainted with the proposed Rutherford Avenue / Sullivan Square Improvements project. All comments submitted in response to this event will be reviewed and considered to the maximum extent possible.

PROPOSAL: The proposed project consists of the reconstruction of Rutherford Avenue from City Square to Sullivan Square, about 7,000 linear feet. The Sullivan Square rotary will be replaced with a grid of streets including new sidewalks, separated bicycle facilities, and new traffic signals. The Sullivan Square underpass will be decked over to create an urban park with pedestrian and bicycle connections to Sullivan Station and Ryan Playground. The project includes three new signalized intersections near Bunker Hill Community College, creating a linear greenway and allowing safe pedestrian crossings from the neighborhood. The project will enhance transit mobility with a dedicated bus lane from Everett to Sullivan Station. The underpass at Austin Street will be rehabilitated to have fewer lanes and better sight lines. Resiliency of the neighborhood is addressed by the raising of Main Street, near the railroad crossing, as this was identified by the city's Climate Ready Boston team as a pathway for future flooding.

Please submit any written statements regarding the proposed undertaking to Patricia A. Leavenworth, P.E., Chief Engineer, MassDOT, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116, Attention:

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Project inquiries may also be emailed to dot.feedback.highway@state.ma.us