

Land Use

Do you want to have land use choices compete

Do we want Union sq to have a change of businesses such as the malling of Harvard Sq

May want to place station a little outside of neighborhood biz

Need to preserve affordability. Have two stations with different zoning

Station location more important for businesses than residences

Increase commercial tax base is important

Ethnic markets are destination businesses – less reliant on transit

Ethnic and economic diversity

Need to ensure station access by pedestrians then bikes and buses

No plan for parking increase associated with Green line

Accessibility for people with disabilities is critical

Need to serve environmental justice and other transit dependent. Need convenient access to Green line

Infrastructure

Potential access to Porter Square should be considered

Noise reduction is important

Running green line on Somerville would make traffic worse

Make prospect and Webster two way – change traffic patterns

Think about access across major traffic streets – Somerville and Washington St that will determine accessibility

Accessibility and Ridership

Will Union Sq have more bus traffic

Have bus stops together near station

Make better connections between Harvard and Porter

Single line would link union to Ball Sq

Economic development

Cut cover tunnel – lose visual transit – but interferes less with traffic

Should consider how we move Boston/Cambridge jobs to Somerville

Employees needed to support retail – it's a problem with Davis

Need retail residents will use

Need mix of retail and entertainment

Need hardware stores, cobbler

To support a working neighborhood

Need good pedestrian access between residential and commercial – high and low rents – do through different zoning.