



MBTA Advisory Board

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TO: Chief Elected Officials

FR: Paul Regan, Executive Director, MBTA Advisory Board
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RE: Municipal Elections to the Boston Region Metropolitan Planning Organization

We are pleased to forward the 2011 MPO Ballot, the candidates' statements of candidacy, and the election procedures for the elected municipal seats on the Boston Region Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). This year there are eight (8) such municipal open seats on the MPO, with contested races for the two At-Large Town seats and the South West Area Planning Committee (SWAP) seat.

Key Dates and Locations:

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| October 12, 2011 | Candidates Forum
4:30 PM, State Transportation Building, Conference Rooms 2 & 3
10 Park Plaza, Boston. |
| October 25, 2011 | Absentee Ballots Due
5:00 PM delivered by mail or in person (<u>No Fax or Email</u>) to:
BOSTON REGION MPO ELECTIONS
Metropolitan Area Planning Council
<i>60 Temple Place, 6th Floor</i>
<i>Boston, MA 02111</i> |
| October 26, 2011 | MPO Municipal Election
At MAPC Fall Council Meeting, 8:30 – 11:30 AM.
Cambridge Marriott, Two Cambridge Center, 50 Broadway,
adjacent to the Kendall Square MBTA Red Line station.
Designee letters due 9:30 AM. |

Voting Rules:

One vote may be cast by each of the Chief Elected Officials of the 101 municipalities in the Boston region, for each open seat (there are 8 open seats). Ballots may be cast by one of the following ways:

1. By the CEO, in-person, on October 26, 2011 at MAPC Fall Council Meeting.
2. By Absentee Ballot, delivered by mail or in-person to MAPC by 5:00 PM on October 25, 2011.
3. By a designee, in-person, on October 26, 2011 at MAPC Fall Council Meeting.

Each Chief Elected Official or their designee, regardless of which sub-region they are in, or whether they represent a city or a town, may cast one vote for each of the eight open MPO seats (for a total of 8 votes cast).

Appointing Designees:

Designees shall present a signed letter or signed MPO Ballot by the CEO of the municipality they are representing, to MAPC staff prior to the election or by 9:30 AM on the day of the election. Designees may represent only one community in the election.

Election:

- The designated officials of MAPC and of the MBTA Advisory Board shall supervise the election.
- Ballots shall be tallied and the results shall be reported to the assembly.
- For sub-regional seats, the municipality with the most votes shall be elected.
- For at-large seats, the two cities and two towns with the most votes shall be elected.
- For both the at-large city and town seats, the city and the town with the most votes shall serve a fourth year.

Certification of Results:

- The results of the election shall be certified by the Chairman of the MPO by 12 noon on Friday October 28, 2011.

First MPO Meeting:

The Boston Region MPO regularly meets at 10:00 AM on the first and third Thursdays of every month. Candidates that are elected to the MPO are asked to plan to attend their first MPO meeting on November 3, 2011 at 10:00 AM. The meeting is estimated to last two hours but may last longer. It will be held in conference rooms 2 and 3 in the State Transportation Building, 10 Park Plaza, Boston. If you have questions about the meeting, please contact Pam Wolfe, Manager, Certification Activities, 617-973-7141 or pwolfe@bostonmpo.org.

We appreciate the interest shown by the candidates in choosing to serve in these seats on the MPO and for your interest in this important matter. We look forward to your participation. Please contact Eric Bourassa at MAPC (617-451-2770 x 2043) or Paul Regan, Executive Director of the MBTA Advisory Board (617-426-6054), if you have any questions concerning this election.

Attachments:

- 2011 MPO Absentee Ballot
- Election Procedures Boston MPO
- Statement of Candidacy – Clarissa Rowe, Arlington
- Statement of Candidacy – Maurice P. Handel, Needham
- Statement of Candidacy – Hank Manz, Lexington
- Statement of Candidacy – Charles M. Hughes, Natick
- Statement of Candidacy – Carlo DeMaria, Everett
- Statement of Candidacy – Setti Warren, Newton
- Statement of Candidacy – Richard Dunne, Medway
- Statement of Candidacy – Todd A. Cestari, Hopkinton
- Statement of Candidacy – Michael J. Lyons, Norwood
- Statement of Candidacy – William Scanlon, Beverly
- Statement of Candidacy – Scott D. Galvin, Woburn