

Route 65 – Priorities

INBOUND:

1276, Washington St @ Beacon St:

Average weekday boardings for this stop (28.6) should be combined with those for Stop 1277, 684 Washington St (42.6), for a total of 71.2. 1277 is located in front of a house & garage, and is blocked by metered parking. This may be the old location of 1276, but it is still in the MBTA database. 71.2 boardings automatically qualifies the stop for a shelter or bench, which could be situated in or near the planting strip between the sidewalk and the small parking lot. This stop may serve as a transfer point between the Route 65 and the C branch of the Green Line, enhancing eligibility.

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1555, Washington St @ Walnut:

This stop serves three bus routes, the 60, 65, and 66. Combined average weekday boardings total 148.9. Currently the location has only one bench; at least two are merited by MBTA guidelines. Due to the exposed location and proximity to public housing, two standard-size shelters, one large shelter, or (at minimum) one bench plus one standard-size shelter are recommended. Plenty of room is available on the sidewalk for these amenities, which should be chosen & installed in coordination with Gateway East project (100% design plans have been submitted to MassDOT).



OUTBOUND:

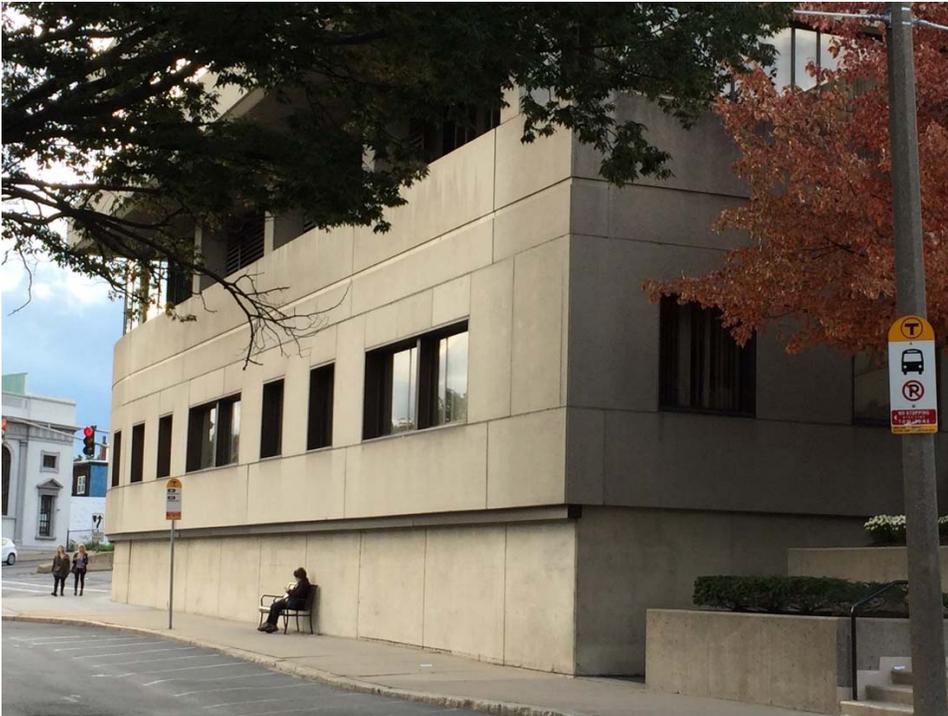
1525, Brookline Ave @ Pearl St:

This stop serves two bus routes, the 65 and 60. Combined average weekday boardings total 49.3, which nearly meets the MBTA threshold of 50 for bench placement. Public housing is nearby, and there is room for a bench along the property wall. A guide wire running from the utility pole to the sidewalk parallel to the curb at this stop restricts access and poses a serious trip hazard.



1526, Washington St @ Pearl St:

This stop serves two bus routes, the 65 and 66. Combined average weekday boardings total 200.5. This stop serves as a transfer point between the Routes 65 and 66, and the D branch of the Green Line, enhancing eligibility. One bench is present, under an elevated, shallow building overhang that offers little protection. Two standard-size shelters, one large shelter, or (at minimum) one bench plus one standard-size shelter are recommended. Plenty of room is available on the sidewalk for these amenities, which should be chosen & installed in coordination with Gateway East project.



ROUTE 65 SIGNAGE DEFICIENCIES (observed on Oct 20, 2018):

1275, Washington St @Evans Rd: Rear bus stop sign is needed because although the area is generally signed “no parking this side,” the block including this stop is missing such signs.

1277, 684 Washington St: This is the old location of Stop 1276 (see above). The bus stop sign, posted in front of 692 Washington St, should be removed.

1282, Washington St @ Cypress St: Front bus stop sign is missing.

1526, Washington St @ Pearl St: Front bus stop sign is missing. Rear sign is present at 10 Brookline Place.

1286, Washington St @ Harvard St: Front bus stop sign has no route #.

1290, Washington St opp Gardner Rd: Front bus stop sign is badly faded (there is no rear sign.)

1291, Washington St @ Fairbank St: Front bus stop sign is badly faded.