



Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority

Forest Hills Station Improvements Project

Virtual Public Meeting – 30% Design Project Update

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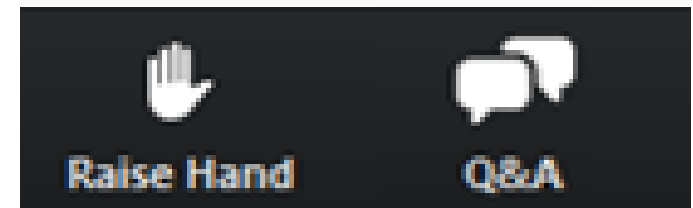
Notification of Recording and Q&A Best Practices

Notification of Recording

- This meeting will be recorded, and the recording and chat transcript are considered a public record
- This meeting recording will be posted on the project website following the conclusion of the meeting

Q&A after the Presentation

- Please share only one question or comment at a time
- Use the **Q&A** button at the bottom of your screen to submit a typed question or comment
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Agenda

- Existing Conditions
- Project Overview
- Project Schedule
- Public Outreach
- Questions/Comments



Existing Station



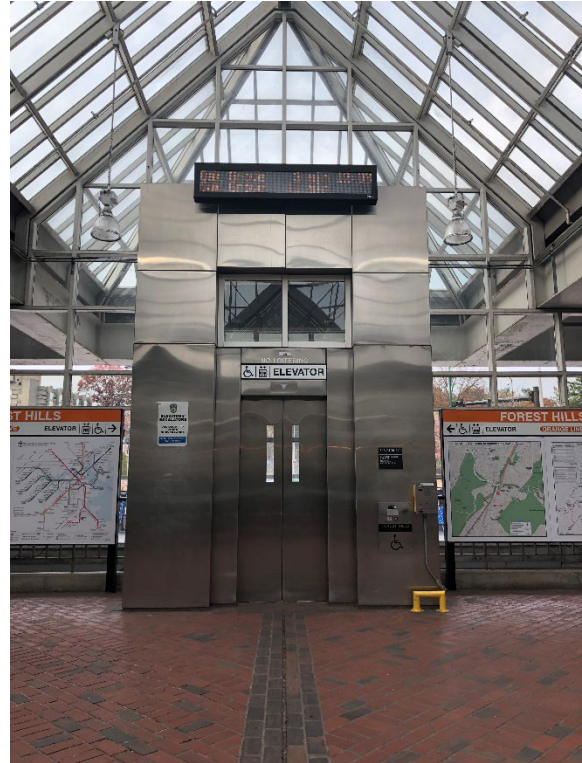
- 3 Entrances: South Street, New Washington Street, Washington Street/ Hyde Park Avenue
- Current station built in 1987 as part of Southwest Corridor Project
- Casey Arborway project triggered need for full station accessibility upgrades



Existing Conditions



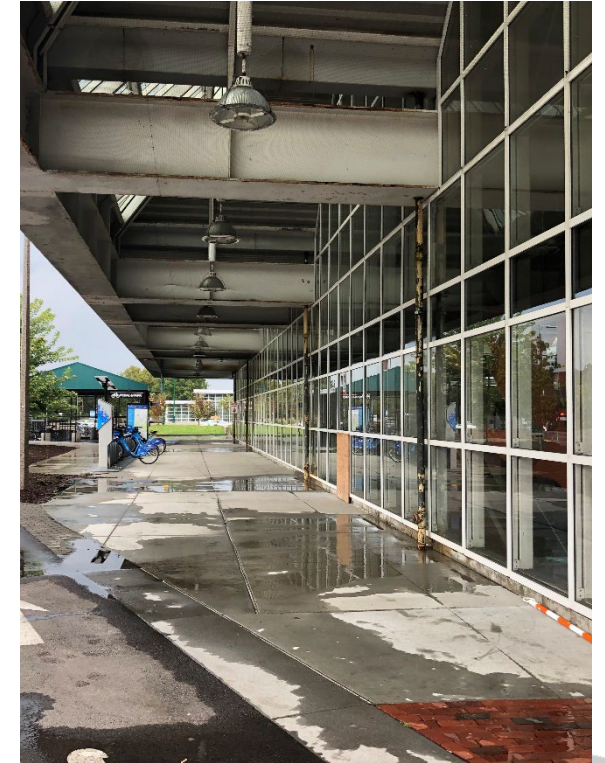
Uneven steps that do not meet ADA standards



Existing elevators in need of replacement



Deteriorated drainage structures

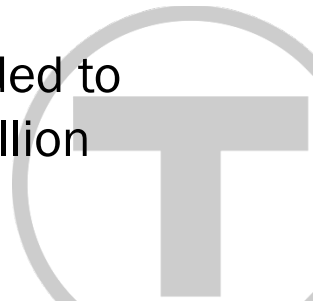


Exterior of building worn down due to decades of exposure

Project Overview



- New stairway and elevator connection between lower and upper busways
- Replace existing elevators, station entrances, and outdoor walking surfaces
- Regrading of lower busway to improve accessibility
- Life safety system improvements including fire alarm and protection upgrades
- Repairs to roof and station exterior
- General lighting and wayfinding improvements
- Project design contract awarded to AECOM in 2020 for \$6.84 million



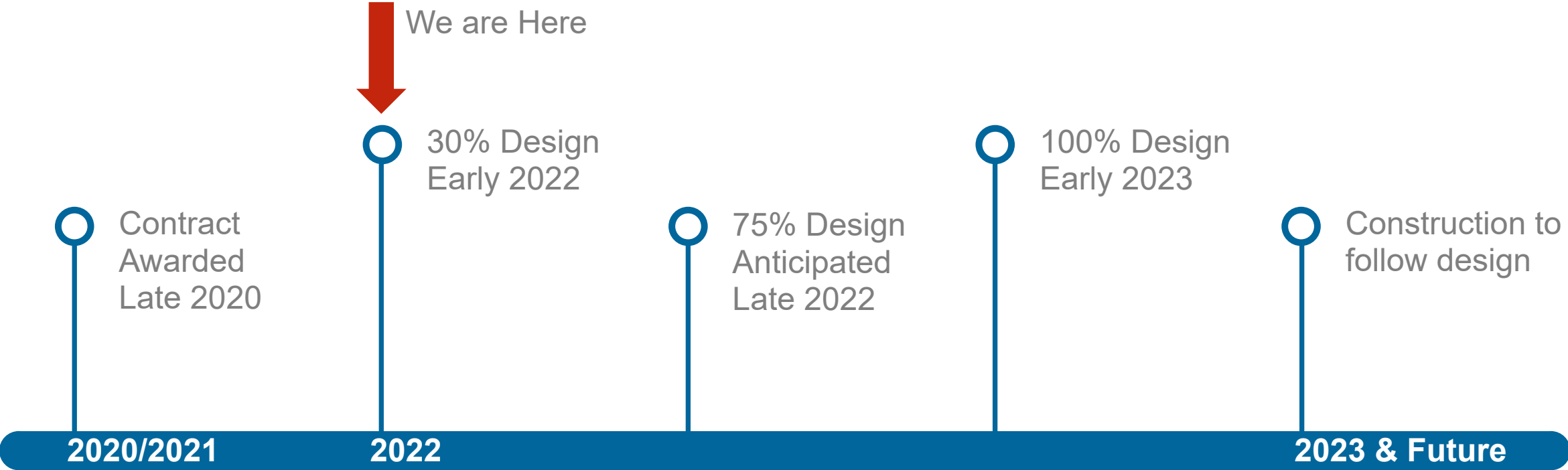
Upper To Lower Busway: Proposed Connector



- A new staircase and elevator
- Located in the southeast corner of the station between the Upper and Lower Busway
- Decreased distance between Upper and Lower Busway
 - From approximately 450 feet to approximately 130 feet of travel



Project Timeline



Public Outreach

- Six in-person survey and engagement sessions: Fall 2021
- Over 50 responses to multilingual survey about existing conditions of Forest Hills Station
- Multilingual informational flyers distributed in station and neighboring area



Future Public Outreach

- Continued in-person public engagement
- Produce multilingual updates and surveys as project progresses
- Next public meeting anticipated at 75% Design

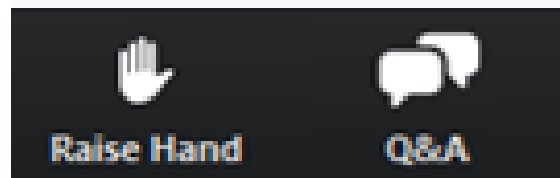
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Questions & Answers

- Please share only one question or comment at a time.
- To ask a question via phone, dial *9 and the moderator will call out the last 4 digits of your phone number and unmute your audio when it is your turn.
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 - After you raise your hand, wait for the moderator to recognize and unmute you before speaking.
 - After you share your question or comment, we will lower your hand and you will be muted to allow the team to respond and provide opportunities for others to participate.



You may also submit your questions or comments if we run out of time, after the meeting, to the project email address: ForestHills@mbta.com or visit www.mbta.com/ForestHillsImprovements for more information.





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