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John J. Long  
City Clerk  
City of Somerville  
93 Highland Ave.  
Somerville, MA 02143

Re: Docket #193769 - Replacement Bus Stop at the Corner of Somerville Avenue and  
Central Street

Dear Mr. Long:

The MBTA appreciates and shares Somerville's desire to install a shelter at the bus stop located on Somerville Avenue at Central Street. The MBTA has over 8,000 bus stops systemwide. Given fiscal constraints, we are only able to install additional shelters at a relatively small number of bus stops. The existing Somerville Avenue sidewalk at this location is not wide enough to accommodate a standard bus shelter. If funding becomes available in the future, the MBTA will consider the installation of a modified (narrower) shelter at this location. We are also receptive to working with the City if sidewalk widening is preferred.

Please feel free to contact Erik Scheier at 617-222-3214 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Jonathan R. Davis  
Acting General Manager and  
Rail & Transit Administrator