## Benishek-Clark, Anne

From:

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Sent:

Tuesday, May 28, 2013 3:00 PM

To:

Benishek-Clark, Anne

Subject:

for TPC members - 5/29 meeting

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Hi, Anne, here is some late info for TPC members for the meeting tomorrow. I'll print copies and bring along as well.

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From: Ahnaray Bizjak [mailto:Ahnaray.Bizjak@city.fitchburg.wi.us]

Sent: Tuesday, May 28, 2013 11:19 AM
To: Conn, Colin; Kamp, Charles; Beck, Drew
Subject: Fwd: Message from "RNP002673235991"

Please find attached the signed and approved Resolution R-37-13, Approving 2013 Transit Service Modifications. Please note that all 3 Fitchburg committees (Transportation and Transit Commission, Finance Committee, and Common Council) have reviewed and approved this version of the resolution which varies from the Metro Transit recommendations.

In particular, Fitchburg supports the "Proposal B" service arrangement for the Route 18 modifications, as identified in Service Change #2 in the Resolution. Fitchburg supports Proposal B over the original proposal for Route 18 for the following reasons:

- 1. The 2013 budget savings, as approved by Resolution R-26-13, will be met by the modifications to Routes 40, 44, and 47. Changes to Route 18 are not necessary to meet the 2013 budget constraints.
- 2. Although Crescent Road and Red Arrow Trail will continue to be served by Route 19 on weekdays, Route 19 does not provide service to the same destinations as Route 18. Route 19 provides service to the Monroe Street area and downtown Madison. Route 18 provides service to the West and South Transfer Points.
- 3. Fitchburg passengers, who need access to either transfer point, will be required to walk over to Allied Drive to catch the Route 18.
- 4. Because of the road configuration in this area, and the large blocks, the walking distance for many properties will exceed the ¼-mile walkable distance to the nearest bus stop served by Route 18.
- 5. There is a perceived safety concern in the Allied Drive area that creates discomfort for some people to walk alone or after dark.

Please provide this information to the members of the Transit and Parking Commission for their consideration as they review the final 2013 service recommendations.

Sincerely, Ahna

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<u>Transportation and Transit Commission, Finance</u> Referral <u>April 23, 2013</u> Date

## \*\* Amended by TTC\*\* RESOLUTION R-37-13 APPROVING 2013 TRANSIT SERVICE MODIFICATIONS

WHERBAS, Resolution R-26-13 calls for the implementation of transit service modifications in August 2013 with the goal of achieving a \$4,000 savings in the 2013 budget; and

WHEREAS, Metro Transit staff prepared several service modifications that will affect service in Fitchburg, some with the goal of addressing budget constraints for Fitchburg and others with the goal of addressing problems on current routes; and

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing was held by the Madison Transit and Parking Commission on Wednesday, April 10 and the Fitchburg Transportation and Transit Commission on Thursday, April 11 to discuss the proposed modifications and allow for public input and comments; and

WHEREAS, the proposed 2013 modifications that affect service in Fitchburg, which were presented at the Public Hearings, include the following:

- 1.Route 16 Minor schedule adjustments with trips shifted by a half hour on weeknight and weekends to better coordinate schedule with other routes at the South Transfer Point
- 2. Route 18 Removal of service on the Beltline Frontage Road and the Greenway/Coho loop until 7 pm on weekdays and adjusting the 4 PM to 6 PM trips to operate every 40 minutes between the West Transfer Point and the South Transfer Point (as opposed to 30 minutes), resulting in one less trip (4 total) in each direction during that time (~\$2,850 savings in 2013)
- 3.Route 40 Splitting the route during mid-day hours to alternate service between the Hatchery Hill loop and a Greenway/Coho Street/Stewart St. loop (~\$2,500 savings in 2013)
- 4. Route 44 Eliminating the 5:56 am trip from Nobel and Fish Hatchery Road to the South Transfer Point (~\$1,050 savings in 2013)
- 5. Route 47 Eliminating the 5:51 a.m. trip (~\$900 savings in 2013), and

WHEREAS, following the Public Hearing, no changes were recommended to the proposed service modifications, resulting in the above list serving as the final recommended service modifications for 2013, and

WHBREAS, the final recommended service modifications will fulfill the 2013 budget reduction as approved through Resolution R-26-13.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Fitchburg Common Council that it approves the 2013 transit service modifications for Routes 16, 18, 40, 44, and 47 in the City of Fitchburg, and authorizes implementation of these modifications in August 2013.

Approved this 14th day of May, 2013.

Approved:

Linda/J. Cory, City Clerk
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