

Security Plan for South Transfer Point

Physical Presence

Transit Operations Supervisors are assigned to monitor the South Transfer Point during the late afternoon and evening hours, supplemented by random visits during other times of the day. We are not able to provide a continual presence, as these supervisors are also called upon to respond to accidents, incidents occurring on buses, and other customer service issues.

Police officers patrolling South Side are familiar with the pulsing schedule of buses at the transfer point, and are driving through five minutes after the buses leave. Alder Tim Bruer has introduced an ordinance that prohibits loitering at the transfer points without intention of riding a bus. This will provide a tool to the Madison Police Department to deal with persons hanging out at the site.

Camera Surveillance

Metro recommends the installation of video surveillance cameras to address the lack of security that exists when Metro or MPD personnel are not present. The goal of the surveillance system is to reduce incidents of crime, and document events that do occur. A four-camera setup could be configured to place most of the transfer point under observation, with the images transmitted for remote monitoring at the Metro Dispatch office and the MPD South Precinct Station. Cameras with pan-tilt-zoom capabilities are not necessary to serve the deterrence function.

Lighting

An additional element that will improve security at the South Transfer Point is improvement in lighting. We have the ability to increase the candlepower of the existing perimeter lights by 30% at a cost of \$350 per fixture.

The cost to install lighting fixtures that match those at the STP is \$10,000 per fixture. If we utilize city light poles, for example those removed from the E. Washington project, the cost could be brought down to \$5,000 per fixture.

Cost Summary

Four fixed cameras, transmitters for remote monitoring, two monitors, professional installation	\$10,000
Increase candlepower of existing lights	\$ 3,850
Two additional perimeter lights	\$10,000 - \$20,000