

Proposed Revisions to Schedules on Routes 55 and 75 March, 2016

Route 75, which operates during peak periods between downtown Madison and Epic/Verona, continues to suffer from overloads. Metro was able to alleviate some of the afternoon overcrowding by adding an “extra” to the 5:03 p.m. trip, but overloads and pass-ups continue in the mornings because no buses are available. This chronic issue will only get worse as Epic continues to hire employees, many of whom want to live in the central Madison area.

Route 55, which operates between the West Transfer Point and Epic/Verona, does not have the overcrowding issues. Before route 75 was implemented, frequencies on route 55 had been enhanced from 60 minutes between trips to 30 minutes. Once route 75 began operating, offering a more direct link to/from downtown & Epic, ridership growth on route 55 slowed.

Recently, Metro received a message from Epic asking about adding midday service to route 75, in part to help spread out the arrivals at and departures from the Epic Campus. Staff developed a proposal that showed this added midday service, plus additional trips during the peak commute times. This was done using the same number of buses during the peaks on routes 55 and 75 (four), but moving some of the trips from route 55 to route 75's schedule.

Under this proposal, Epic/Verona trips would go from seven arrivals/departures to nine in both rush hours (net increase of two trips per rush hour, or four per day). The midday service adds an additional four trips per day.

Route 55 specifically would have the same number of outbound trips (from the West Transfer Point) in the morning (3) and inbound in the afternoon. Service span would increase by 30 minutes (with hourly departures), where currently the first two trips are an hour apart, but the second and third trips are only 30 minutes apart (opposite in PM, headway is 30 then 60 each side of second trip).

The only trip losses on Route 55 would be one inbound trip in the morning, and one outbound trip in the afternoon. These four commute trips (not directly serving the reverse-commute Epic employees) are currently 30 minute frequency, over an one-and-a-half span. The proposed schedule would have a 60 minute frequency over a two hour span.

See attached drafts of proposed schedules for routes 55 & 75. New/additional trips are highlighted in red.

Route 55

55 Weekday – West Transfer Point to Verona

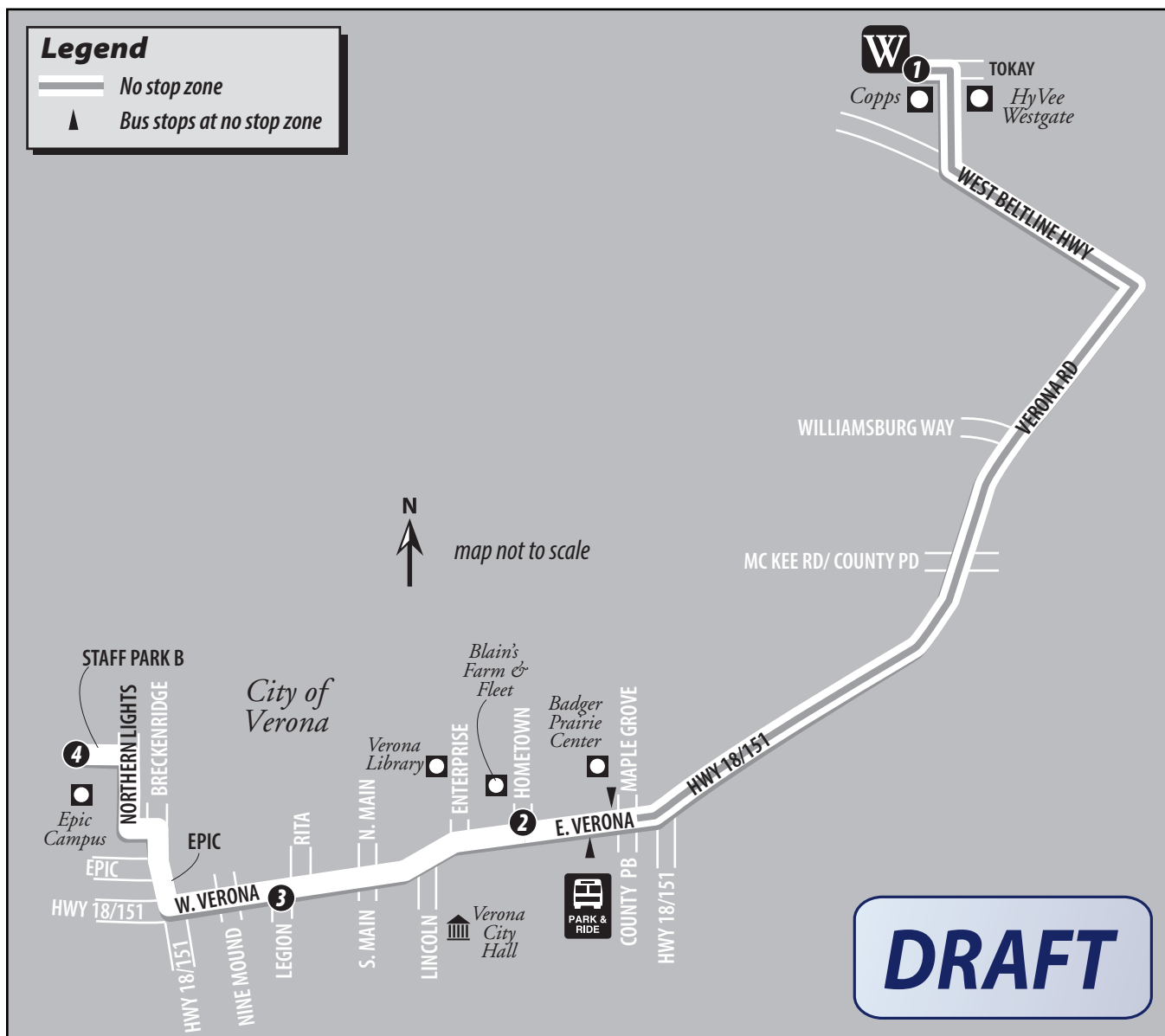
Comes From Route	 West Transfer Point	E. Verona Ave. and Hometown Cir.	Staff Park B and Epic Campus	Becomes Route
	1	2	4	
	AM Peak			
G	6:30	6:42	6:52	55
55	7:30	7:42	7:52	55
55	8:30	8:42	8:52	55
	PM Peak			
G	4:03	4:17	4:28	55
55	5:03	5:17	5:28	55
55	5:33	5:47	5:58	75
55	6:05	6:17	6:27	55

This route has a no stop zone. See map for details.

55 Weekday – Verona to West Transfer Point

Comes From Route	Staff Park B and Epic Campus	W. Verona Ave. and Legion St.		Becomes Route
			West Transfer Point	

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WEEKDAY

Route 75

75 Weekday – Capitol Square to Verona

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Comes From Route	W. Main St. and S. Carroll St.	Pinckney St. and Main St.	Park St. and Erin St.	Fish Hatchery Rd. and Badger Rd.	Fish Hatchery Rd. and Caddis Bend	E. Verona Rd. and Hometown Cir.	Staff Park B and Epic Campus	Becomes Route
	1	2	3	4	5	6	8	
AM Peak								
G	-:-	5:45	5:54	5:59	6:04	6:17	6:26	75
G	-:-	6:15	6:24	6:29	6:34	6:47	6:56	75
G	-:-	6:45	6:54	6:59	7:04	7:17	7:26	75
75	7:09	7:15	7:24	7:29	7:34	7:46	7:56	75
75	7:39	7:45	7:54	7:59	8:04	8:07	8:26	75
75	8:09	8:15	8:24	8:29	8:34	8:47	8:56	75
Midday								
75	9:44	9:45	9:54	9:59	10:04	10:17	10:26	75
75	11:14	11:15	11:24	11:29	11:34	11:47	11:56	75
75	12:44	12:45	12:54	12:59	1:04	1:17	1:26	75
75	2:14	2:15	2:24	2:29	2:34	2:47	2:56	75
PM Peak								
75	3:44	3:45	3:54	3:59	4:04	4:17	4:26	75
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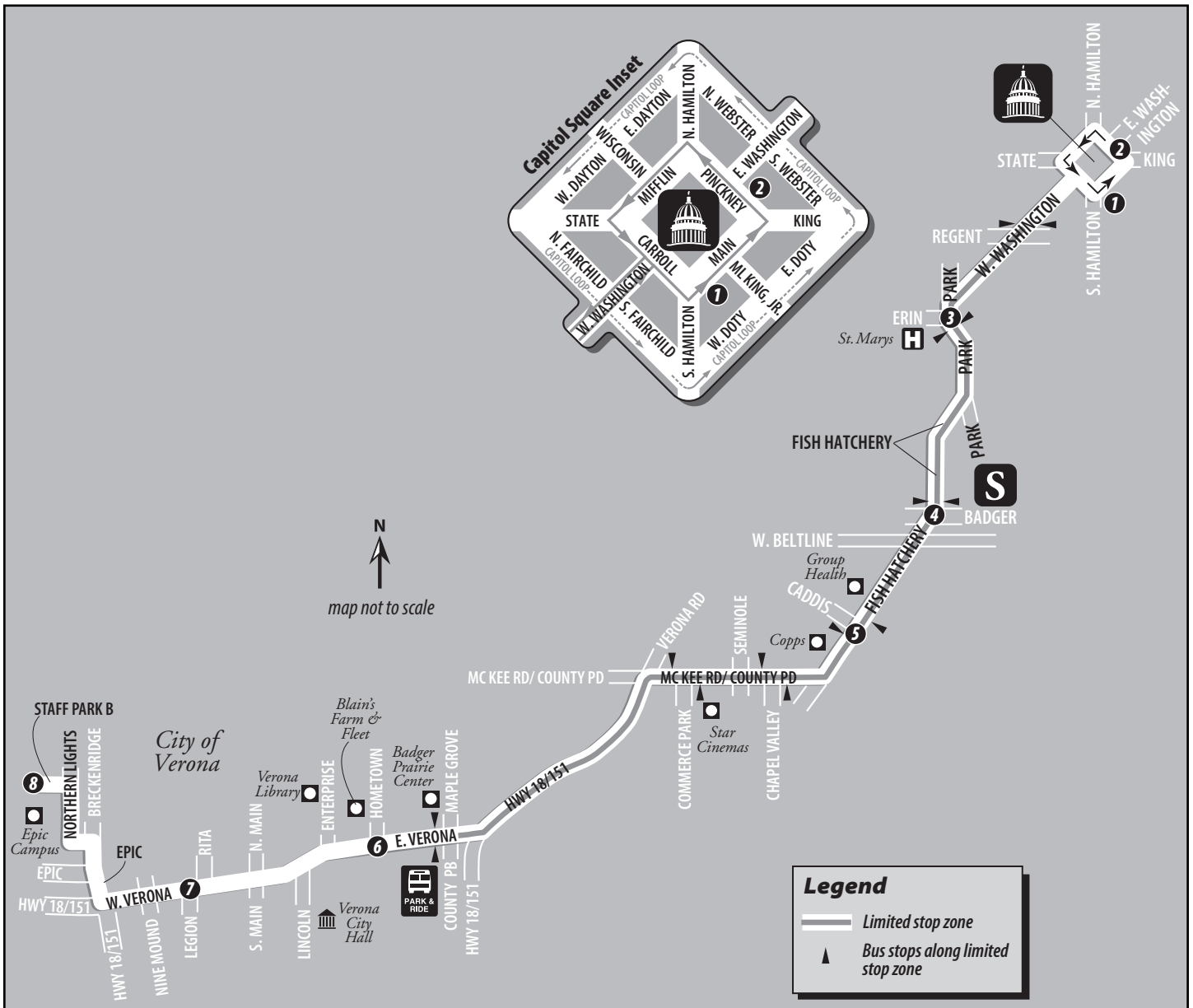
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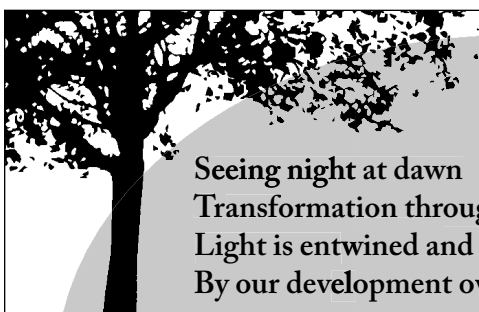
							
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	3	1	2	8	7	5	4
AM Peak							
75	7:00	7:09	7:10	6:31	6:35	6:50	6:55
75	7:30	7:39	7:40	7:01	7:05	7:20	7:25
75	8:00	8:09	8:10	7:31	7:35	7:50	7:55
75	8:30	8:39	8:40	8:01	8:05	8:20	8:25
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Bus waits excess time on W. Main St. at S. Carroll St.
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Light Type=AM **Bold Type=PM** G=garage

Route 75





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Seeing night at dawn
Transformation through sight.
Light is entwined and redefined
By our development over night.





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