



District 6 Planning Council

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RE: Central Corridor Transit Service Study Concept Plan

District 6 Planning Council has reviewed the Central Corridor Transit Service Study Concept Plan and has concerns and suggestions regarding Metro Transit bus service in our neighborhoods.

Rice Street (route 62), a main corridor to the suburbs and downtown, not to mention the volume of neighborhood ridership needs to have the frequency changed to every twenty (20) minutes during the week, especially in peak ridership hours.

Routes 3A and 3B are misleading; after the bus leaves the Rice/Como intersection the frequency goes to thirty (30) minutes, during the week and sixty (60) minutes on the weekend the section from downtown to Como Avenue needs to have improved frequency.

Routes 62 and 3A North on Como/Maryland arrives within minutes of each other. The times between the routes need to be better coordinated.

Routes 68 and 71 need increased frequency. The routes serve transit dependent residents and have a large ridership.

Proposed Route 83, Lexington Parkway, any service on Lexington Parkway should use smaller buses and the route should be extended into Como Park.

The aforementioned concerns arise from the fact that these routes serve the populations who are most transit dependent. Regardless of whether the routes feed into the Central Corridor stations, some routes arrive mere blocks away and the riders who utilize the bus service should be factored into any decisions.

Thank-you for your consideration and if you have questions, please contact the office the numbers above.

Regards,

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