Do the right thing, Capital Metro: Comply with Title VI. **Stop marketing 15-minutes to Black taxpayers waiting 60!**

September 18, 2018: Item D-1 **ZAP Commission Meeting** City of Austin/CapMetro ILA Zenobia C. Joseph

"[T]he ability to get the education and training, the ability to get to the childcare, to get to your home, to get to the kid's ... game at the end of the day, to be part of your family, to get to your job that you want in an efficient cost-effective timely manner is key. ... And right now, it sucks." ~Sen. Kirk Watson (AIA, 2018)





MORE Frequent Local & Express Buses + MetroRail 15 min: 335-Mueller to Mopac (New east-west) 15 min/7 days: 333-William Canon (CM Kitchen) 30 min: 333/Convict Hill-ACC (2.9 riders/Troxclair) 30 min: 345-45th/Hyde Park (New east-west) 30 min: 105-New Peak, 5th St (CM Ann Kitchen) 30 min: 30-Barton Creek (27 Eanes students)

Transit Center nfrequent 1 parked bus: 383

24Jun: 350 returned **Unreliable: 45-60**

DISCONNECTED Service

St. David's Hospital-North 20 riders/hr: 240-Eliminated!

More Frequent chances to get FIRED ...

60 min: 323/New 339 (US Post Office, UPS) 45 min: 243/392 (No public input; No Peak) 243-Wells Branch: Segregates minorities Northeast -325: No Walmart-Northcross to Norwood -392: No east-west; transfer to Arboretum Eliminated 300-Rogge + 2-3-mile walk Samsung/Parmer

November 15, 2017 Title VI Service Equity Analysis (p. 27) 45- to 60-Minute Headway: Northeast Low-Income/Minorities Wait Twice as Long

EXPLANATION OF STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT:

Service changes are in accordance with Capital Metro's Service Standards and the adopted Connections 2025 Service Plan. These changes are intended to improve the overall customer experience by creating a more frequent, more reliable and better connected transit system.

Vehicle Headway or Service Frequency CAP REMAP

Service frequency has a major influence on transit ridership. Frequent service is costly to provide but is valued by regular and occasional customers. It is also regarded as an attractive characteristic by potential customers.

Due to the expense of providing frequent service, frequency is based upon existing or potential demand, translating into variations in frequency throughout the day. Clock headways (frequency intervals of 15, 20, 30, 40, or 60 minutes) are preferred as they are easier for passengers to remember and can help facilitate better transfer connections between routes.

REDFLAG

September 14, 2015



Service Guidelines and Standards

60-minute Frequency

Fails to meet 2015 Standards approved before Cap Remap!

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233-Colony Park (Daffan/Decker)
237-Northeast Feeder [formerly
homeless, Community First! Village]
New "339"-Tuscany to Tannehill

How do riders get home from UPS? Last Walmart-Norwood bus: 9:05P

Desired minimum frequency

Weekday Peak Midday Saturday Route type Night Sunday Radial 30 60 60 60 60 Crosstown 60 60 60 30 60 Based on Based on Limited 20 30 Based on demand demand demand Feeder 30 60 Based on Based on Based on demand demand demand Express/Flyer 20 MetroRail 40 60 **UT Shuttle** 20 20 60 40



MEMO

To: Kerri Butcher, Chief Counsel

From: Diponker Mukherjee, Title VI Coordinator

Date: November 9, 2017

Subject: Summary of Title VI Equity Analysis for June 2018 Service Changes

Nov. 3, 2017: Travis County-funded Bus 233: 60 Minutes. No Cap Remap Improvement!

"Under the new plan, however, the eastern half of that route [323] will be lopped off. Those at the Pecan Park mobile home park on Johnny Morris, for instance, will either have to walk three-quarters of a mile to get to a new East-West route (37) serving Colony Park, or take the once-an-hour "feeder" route (233).[*Update: 37 is 337; 323 is 339; 233 is 60 min 7A-6:30P] "Pecan Park Mobile Homes currently generate less than 15 weekday boardings," says [Lawrence] Deeter. "The proposed 60-minute service matches that amount of trip generation." Similarly, LBJ High School and its surrounding neighborhoods will lose access to Route 37, which comes down Pecan Brook Road every 20 minutes at peak times. They will instead get hourly 'feeder' service to connect them to the redesigned 37 to the south, or the new 'rapid'

820 line just west of Hwy." [3Nov 2017 Chronicle "CapMetro Hangs Hopes on Connections 2025"]

CAP REMA

Table 3 below provides results for new proposed bus routes planned for implementation in June 2018.

Table 3: Equity Analysis Results of Proposed New Bus Routes

Kitchen		Route BGs Total Population 61,426	Route BGs Minority Population 23,556	Route BGs % Minority 38.35	Service Area % Minority	Route % Minority Minus Service Area % Minority 5.35	Potential Minority Impact	Route BGs Poverty Households	Route BGs Total Households 26,198	Route BGs % Low Income	Low	Route % Low Income Minus Service Area % Income	Potential Low Income Impact Yes
Garza:		45,033	32,370	71.88	33	38.88	No	2,368	20,008	11.84	18	-6.16	Yes
Kitchen	: SW 315	47,719	19,201	40.24	33	7.24	No	978	22,601	4.33	18	-13.67	Yes
Northe			40,081	68.58	33	35.58	No	3,289	24,460	13.45	18	-4.55	Yes
Mueller	Mopac ₃₃₅	35,510	10,413	29.32	33	-3.68	Yes	662	17,109	3.87	18	-14.13	Yes 🔻
Northe		40,272	33,738	83.78	33	50.78	No	2,547	15,702	16.22	18	-1.78	No
45 th /Hy	de Pk ₃₄₅	19,671	5,200	26.43	33	-6.57	Yes	268	10,405	2.58	18	-15.42	Yes

Racist Regional Remap®
Historic Black Neighborhoods;
north of North Lamar Transit Center!
339: Highest Route % Minority
83.78: Route % Minority [84%]
Worst Frequency: 60 minutes
CapMetro promoted 15-30 min
Frequency to FTA, NOT 60-min
Deceptive: 339 is a new #, not a
new route, Tuscany to Tannehill.
Worse: It was 35-45, now 60 min;
It was one-seat ride, now 3 routes.

Source: HNTB. October 2017. November 15, 2017 CapMetro Board Packet (p. 113) ~"New" Northeast routes worsened for minorities, but Capital Metro told Federal Transit Administration that service improved.

Table 3: New Routes

			Route %Minority	Service Area %Minority	%Minority Result		Housholds	Households	%Low Income	Service Area % Low Income	Income Result	Impact
105	61,426	23,556	38.35	33	5.35	No	963	26,198	3.68	18	-14.32	Yes
310	45,033	32,370	71.88	33	38.88	No	2,368	20,008	11.84	18	-6.16	Yes
315	47,719	19,201	40.24	33	7.24	No	978	22,601	4.33	18	-13.67	Yes
324	58,445	40,081	68.58	33	35.58	No	3,289	24,460	13.45	18	-4.55	Yes
335	35,510	10,413	29.32	33	-3.68	Yes	662	17,109	3.87	18	-14.13	Yes
339	40,272	33,738	83.78	33	50.78	No	2,547	15,702	16.22	18	-1.78	No
345	19,671	5,200	26.43	33	-6.57	Yes	268	10,405	2.58	18	-15.42	Yes

324-Ohlen: Not really new!
It's the Old 325 & 10-Georgian
with a detour by Cook ES near
eliminated 240-area; no extra\$
Worse: Old 325-Ohlen was
15 min Walmart to Walmart ⊗
Norwood to Northcross. Now,
it's 30 min, transfer to Westside.

February 23, 2017-April 20, 2018

April 20, 2018

Symbolic Equity Meetings and Solutions

Memorandum for Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority CEO/President Randy Clark, Commissioner Jeff Travillion, and Council Member Ora Houston

Subject: Title VI Equity Meeting to Discuss Route 392 Cost-Neutral Solution and June 2018 Major Northeast Service Changes

I. Route 392-Braker: East-West connectivity is important for bus network (Todd Hemingson-April 17, 2018, Mobility Committee).
Problem: No frequent east-west connectivity north of North Lamar Transit Center like the rest of the 10-year new bus network.
Cost-neutral Solution: Shift new Route 315 or 333-Convict Hill ACC-Pinnacle buses to 392-Braker to retain Great Hills terminus.

A. Facts/Background: Austin Community College-Pinnacle Campus will close "beginning this summer, the end of the spring semester [2018]," President Richard Rhodes announced March 5, 2018 at ACC's Board Meeting. Under Connections 2025 (10-year Service Plan) June 2018 changes, however, Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Capital Metro) still plans to operate buses (30-minute headway) to the empty campus on Route 333-William Canon/Convict Hill segment, which serves 2.9 riders/hour, and New Route 315-Ben White in South Austin "along Ben White Blvd. and US 290 between ACC Pinnacle Campus to the west and the South Congress Transit Center to the east." April 9, 2018 Planner Roberto Gonzalez privileged 333-shopping center trips over 392.

B. 392 Unreliable Service/History: No recovery time for operators. Anecdotally, a female operator got a urinary tract infection.

II. Northeast Equity Idea: 392 current route on Lap 1; return on McCallum Pass. Parmer: Innovation Zone to avoid 3-mile walk. Facts: Parmer affordable housing riders pay one-cent tax to CapMetro. CAMPO Plan includes Samsung; create east-west service.

III. Northeast vs. West. Route 238-Westgate costs \$849,825 more than Route 392 to serve 5 fewer riders/hour (10.3 vs. 15.3). Route 238 improved (45 to 30 minutes 7 days/week, ending at 11 PM on weekends); current 392 ends at 8:30 PM on Sunday.

Route	392-Brake	r			Route 238-Westgate								
Compare	Hours	Ridership	Passengers per Hour	Cost	Co	st/Pax	Compare	Hours	Ridership	Passengers per Hour	Cost	Co	st/Pax
Current	12,214	186,415	15.3	\$ 916,050	\$	4.91	Current	6,566	102,240	15.6	\$ 492,463	\$	4.82
Proposed	-	-		\$ -			Proposed	23,545	243,635	10.3	\$ 1,765,875	\$	7.25
Variance	(12,214)	(186,415)	(15.3)	\$ (916,050)		(\$4.91)	Variance	16,979	141,395	(5.2)	\$1,273,413		\$2.43

February 23, 2017/10:00 AM

Zenobia C. Joseph's Meeting with Commissioner Jeff Travillion, Travis County Commissioners Court, Precinct 1

I. "Origin & Destination Survey Study" (Spring 2015)

"Eti	nnicity: Weekday Sys	stem"
Source: CapMetro	Board Meeting, January 2	25, 2016 (p. 115/117)
2015 Survey	Austin MSA 2014	State 2014
White: 39.2%	White: 52.5%	White: 44.4%
Hispanic: 30.3%	Hispanic: 32.8%	Hispanic: 37.9%
Black: 19.4%	Black: 6.9%	Black: 11.4%
Asian: 8.9%	Asian: 5.6%	Asian: 3.9%
Native American:?%	Native American:?%	Native American:?%
Other: 7%	Other:7%	Other:7%

"Ethnicity: Bus, Rapid, Rail 2015" Source: CapMetro Board Meeting, January 25, 2016 (p. 116/117)									
Rail	Rapid	Bus							
White: 70%	White: 54%	White: 36%							
Hispanic: 13%	Hispanic: 23%	Hispanic: 31%							
Black: 6%	Black: 12%	Black: 20%							
Asian: 5%	Asian: 6%	Asian: 9%							
Native American: ?	Native American: ?	Native American: ?							
Other: ?	Other: ?	Other: ?							

TITLE: Origin and Destination Study Survey (p. 94)

The purpose of the Origin and Destination presentation is to discuss the purpose of the survey and present the findings with regards to origins and destinations. The presentation will also cover the key findings of 2015 bus service compared to the 2010 Survey and look at the 2015 service type comparison.

Summary

Source: CapMetro Board Meeting, January 25, 2016 (p. 117/117)

- · Origins and Destinations becoming more regional
- Results consistent with many initiatives Capital Metro is already working on
- Visible differences in Bus, Rapid, and Rail
- Trip purpose
- Travel Mode to and from stop
- Ethnicity
- · Origin and destination study valuable
- Service planning and analysis
 Regional transportation modeling
- Federal requirements

Anxieties abound on the eve of Cap Remap (excerpt)

Austin Monitor: Thursday, May 24, 2018 by Caleb Pritchard

"In its final meeting before <u>a historic overhaul</u> of Austin's bus network, the Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority Board of Directors heard another blast of concerns from riders and stakeholders over potential service disruptions.

A handful of speakers complained about the loss of bus service in their neighborhoods, while Austin NAACP President Nelson Linder suggested the initiative known as Cap Remap will disproportionately disadvantage low-income minority residents east of Interstate 35. ...

Nonetheless, the concerns raised by the speakers on Monday found resonance with two board members, Austin City Council Member Ann Kitchen and Travis County Commissioner Jeff Travillion, who had attempted to address public concerns in November by amending the resolution to provide for more community engagement ahead of Cap Remap's rollout in June.

Backing Travillion up, Kitchen reminded the board that the November resolution as approved included direction to staff to mitigate concerns about changes to bus routes in East Austin. At the time, Chair Wade Cooper suggested that "mitigation" could simply mean community outreach, a interpretation that Travillion concurred with. [ADA FTA C 4710.] \$5307 differs: "solicit and consider" p. 8-30]

"And it sounds to me like Mr. Linder and Ms. Joseph have suggested sitting down at the table and having that conversation," Kitchen said on Monday. "And that really is the process, if I'm remembering correctly, that Mr. Travillion contemplated in his resolution.""

Bottom Line: No meeting occurred between Capital Metro, NAACP, and me. **June 18, 2018** Short-range Planning Director Roberto Gonzalez briefed August 2018 Service Changes, including unilateral decision to move 350-Airport back to NLTC from MetroRail-Crestview after Midtown Commons residents complained. He offered to meet and told me I didn't need to keep coming to meetings. I said West Mall; he offered Northeast but no follow-up. June 24, 2018 Capital Metro moved 350 but never admitted complaints reported in *Austin Monitor June* 11, 2018 by choice riders. Yet, they responded in 3 weeks but told minorities to wait.

August 19, 2018 New Route 493 for CM Renteria's seniors will go to H.E.B. on Saturdays though RBJ seniors also have 322. Meanwhile, no staffer ever gave CM Travillion an asset map, and no one adjusted any Northeast routes despite public testimony. Seniors at Collinwood (392) and Merrilltown (243) have no bus. Blanton and Pecan Springs ES kids walk but Kitchen's resolution got Perez ES a school tripper and RideAustin on Exposition while Northeast riders in the service area, rendered invisible, endure ½- to 3-mile walk as service improves for choice riders like 135-Dell Flyer improvement for 1.8 riders/hr, yet Kitchen asserts equity.

Title VI: Consultant Russ Chisholm <u>only</u> Analyzed Non-Minority Routes

Note: Route 21/22 served RBJ seniors, but analysis focused on 21-Exposition (Tarrytown)/West Austin segment

Onus was on riders to complain about route cuts. CapMetro never posted route-by-route changes

IX. Reports: and eliminations in Northeast Austin. But for my flyers, riders had no knowledge of NLTC bus cuts.

2017 TX Attorney General: https://www.capmetro.org/uploadedFiles/Capmetroorg/Schedules_and_Maps/park-ride-station-locations.pdf

Connections 2025 Update

Lawrence Deeter, Project Manager, Connections 2025, provided a brief synopsis of what was presented to the Board at the worksession on November 7th. The presentation included background information on Connections 2025. Erequency was by far the highest priority based on Connections 2025 outreach. Based on this information, a new frequent network was created. The new proposed frequent network will triple in size and will include 17 routes as compared to 6 routes. It will provide 10-15 minutes frequent service all day every day. Service currently operates approximately every 15 min six days a week. In addition the new frequent network will provide 80% service to existing customers compared to 50% as of today. Public feedback collected during the outreach process largely focused on several routes, or portions of routes, including:

- Tarrytown Route 21/22
- Steck Avenue Route 19
- Walsh Tarlton Route 30
- South West Austin Route 315, 333

November 16, 2016: Mueller and 663 (UT-Far West) were also discussed. Four of 5 non-minority routes on left side were due to be eliminated (19, 21/22, 30, 333). New 315 was Convict Hill's option. **Title VI:** #19, 30, 315, 333 improved to 30 min vs. 60 min Northeast 21-Exposition segment: RideAustin free rides, ½-mile for 6 months to two bus stops in Tarrytown. Eliminated 240 riders walk 0.7 miles, Metric to H.E.B. jobs (Parmer/Loop 1); 10 blocks: St. David's rehab

Planning will continue to investigate these areas and will provide a definitive recommendation to the Board after considering the cost, the potential ridership, and trade-offs of restoring or refining the network to these areas. Next steps are:

Board will discuss final plan in December

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Title VI Requirements: Analyze Alternatives

Chap. IV-16 FTA C 4702.1B

- (v) <u>Analysis of Modifications</u>. If the transit provider finds potential disparate impacts and then modifies the proposed changes in order to avoid, minimize, or mitigate potential disparate impacts, the transit provider must reanalyze the proposed changes in order to determine whether the modifications actually removed the potential disparate impacts of the changes.
- (vi) Finding a Disparate Impact on the Basis of Race, Color, or National Origin. If a transit provider chooses not to alter the proposed service changes despite the potential disparate impact on minority populations, or if the transit provider finds, even after the revisions, that minority riders will continue to bear a disproportionate share of the proposed service change, the transit provider may implement the service change only if:
 - the transit provider has a substantial legitimate justification for the proposed service change, and
 - the transit provider can show that there are no alternatives that would have a less disparate impact on minority riders but would still accomplish the transit provider's legitimate program goals.



It is important to understand that in order to make this showing, the transit provider must consider and analyze alternatives to determine whether those alternatives would have less of a disparate impact on the basis of race, color, or national origin, and then implement the least discriminatory alternative.

FTA Clear Title VI Violation

"[I]f evidence undermines the legitimacy of the transit provider's asserted justification—that is, that the justification is not supported by demonstrable evidence—the disparate effects will violate Title VI . . . At that point, the transit provider must revisit the service changes and make adjustments[.]"

Title VI favors transit-dependent minorities, but the CEO and staff insist on 6-month burden. Please urge Capital Metro's Board to make Southwest and Northeast adjustments, ideally within 3 weeks.

Key Dates:



7Nov2016: Chisholm analyzed non-minority routes 19, 21/22, 30,663, 315/333, Mueller, and 5 (105 S. 5th Peak). No minority routes analyzed **Public Input:** Deeter said input was collected; Board will get at the end[®]

9Jan2017: Russ Chisholm's Final Connections 2025 Recommendations Kitchen asked about 238/New 318-Westgate: Deeter confirmed improvement **No minority routes analyzed during Chisholm's \$466K 1-yr contract** which **violated Title VI Requirements (FTA C 4702.1B, Ch. IV-16).**

27Feb2017: Kitchen's sole Resolution focused on South Austin and Whites (e.g., restoring 29-Barton Springs). Connections 2025 was approved (8-0). —1Nov2017 and 15Nov2017 Minorities opposed June 3, 2018 changes!

Disparate Treatment: Board, CEO and planners treat minorities differently, saying wait for Jan2019/data. Yet in 3-weeks 350 moved for choice riders; 19Aug2018 New Route 493 will be implemented for Renteria's elders.

Title VI: Capital Metro must analyze alternatives and implement the least discriminatory alternative. FTA may also suspend or terminate funding.

Examining Alternatives. If the transit provider determines that a proposed service change will have a disparate impact, the transit provider shall analyze the alternatives (identified in the second bullet above) to determine whether alternatives exist that would serve the same legitimate objectives but with less of a disparate effect on the basis of race, color, or national origin. The existence of such an alternative method of accomplishing the transit provider's substantial and legitimate interests demonstrates that the disparate effects can be avoided by adoption of the alternative methods without harming such interests. In addition, if evidence undermines the legitimacy of the transit provider's asserted justification - that is, that the justification is not supported by demonstrable evidence - the disparate effects will violate Title VI, as the lack of factual support will indicate that there is not a substantial legitimate justification for the disparate effects. At that point, the transit provider must revisit the service changes and make adjustments that will eliminate unnecessary disparate effects on populations defined by race, color, or national origin. Where disparate impacts are identified, the transit provider shall provide a meaningful opportunity for public comment on any proposed mitigation measures, including the less discriminatory alternatives that may be available.

Adverse Effects

CAP REMAP

Capital Metro's Title VI Violations
Southwest Austin
South Expansion vs. Northeast Reduction

Adverse Effects: South Austin expansion came "at the expense of reductions" on at least 7-9 Northeast routes. Yet Capital Metro still refuses to comply with Title VI to review the disparate impact on the minority population.

FTA C 4702.1B Chap. IV-13

(b) Adverse Effects. The transit provider shall define and analyze adverse effects related to major changes in transit service. The adverse effect is measured by the change between the existing and proposed service levels that would be deemed significant. Changes in service that have an adverse effect and that may result in a disparate impact include reductions in service (e.g., elimination of route, 240).

243/392 shortlining a route, rerouting an existing route, increase in headways) 300, 339; *233, 237

Elimination of a route will generally have a greater adverse impact than a change in headways. Additions to service may also result in disparate impacts, especially

if they come at the expense of reductions in service on other routes. Transit 243, 325, providers shall consider the degree of adverse effects, and analyze those effects, 383 when planning their service changes.

*Travis County funds 233-Decker/Daffan Lane: Eastbound (7A-6P); Westbound (7:30A-6:30P) 237-Northeast Feeder: Last bus from Greater Mount Zion = 7:40P to Community First! Village

Disparate Impact: Capital Metro cooked the books and applied adverse effects (e.g., shortlining-392, 300-Rogge, eliminating 240, reducing runtime-383, combining 243/392, more transfers, 1- to 3-mile walk): no discussion or analysis of Northeast alternatives for minorities. Board Packets: November 15, 2017-Title VI Service Equity Analysis (p. 40); April 23, 2018 (p. 201)

15Nov2017



- June 2018 Service Equity Analysis (Excerpt)
- As part of the implementation of Connections 2025, Capital Metro proposed major service changes effective June 2018. The goal is to create a more frequent, more reliable, and better connected transit system.
- When we considered individual changes, a potential disparate impact on minority populations was found for 11 of 13 routes that were proposed to be eliminated and 18 of 20 routes that were proposed for major service changes based on the policy thresholds for consideration. The potential disparate impacts were mitigated on almost all of the eliminated routes as these routes would be replaced or served by one or multiple new or changed routes. Similarly, most of the modified routes would be replaced or served by one or multiple routes. In fact, eight of those modified routes will have a significant frequency increase that would bring benefits of this service change to minority populations. In addition, there were five new routes that would provide services to significantly high minority population areas.
 Smokescreen: Northeast Routes 324, 339 were new numbers, not really new.

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15Nov2017: Title VI Service Equity Analysis—Mitigation (New routes?)

New Routes Disparate Impact: Intentionally Misleading

Currently, there are seven routes that are proposed for addition. These are 105, 310, 315, 324, 335,

60 min 339, and 345. Five of these routes will provide additional services to high minority areas while

Routes 335 and 345 will provide services to minority populations that are just below the threshold of 33%. Ultimately, all of these routes will bring significant benefits to minority populations since a very high minority population will have access to these new routes.

Although these routes will travel through minority areas, they may not cover very high low-income areas. So, we may see a lower degree of adverse effect on low-income populations Packet Pg. 39

Northeast: 339-Tuscany to Tannehill. 339 is a new number but stayed exactly the same as the old 323-Anderson segment.

-339 now three routes, worse. It was one route, 35-45 min (Day: M-F) with two numbers (323/6)—one-seat ride, digital change to #6.

Northeast: 324-Ohlen combines two old routes (325-Ohlen and 10-Georgian to ACC-Highland). This isn't new either.

South Austin: CMs Kitchen and Garza gained three east-west routes. Two "New" Northeast routes were smokescreens!

105 (Kitchen): New Peak bus discussed November 7, 2016 Work Session. More expensive to operate, but it's really new.

310 (Garza): New-Wickersham/Parker to Walmart (Hwy 71) to S. Congress Transit Center; duplicate #7 as well (15 min).

315 (Kitchen): New Hwy 71 to "the Y" then Oak Hill Shopping Center to vacant ACC-Pinnacle. Garcia was killed on #315.

335: Mueller to Mopac. Non-minority route, so no benefit to Northeast riders. Operates 15-min empty, wasted funds. S

345: 45th St./Hyde Park. Non-minority route. Initially 15-minute frequency (now 30 min empty) for The Grove growth.



RED FLAG "Service Plan 2025" Challenge: Declining Black Population

2015: Capital Metro Identified "the Challenge" ~~ Created 60-min routes!

2018: Cap Remap Disparate Impact—South Expansion/North Reduction

Service Plan 2025 Public Involvement Plan

Committee Briefing November 9, 2015



SSUE BRIEF: First in a Series

Outlier: The Case of Austin's Declining African-American Population Excerpt

capmetro.org

Service Plan 2025 Challenge: Declining ridership—Blacks' Austin exodus?

Member Stafford had a conflict; staff rescheduled presentation then deleted Outlier slide.

Capital Metro Operations Committee Meeting

9Nov2015 Service Plan 2025: The challenge

Onnections Later Connections 2025, rebranded Cap Remap for June 3, 2018 Service Changes CAP REMAP

You know as well as we do that Central Texas is bursting at the seams and will continue to experience explosive growth—it's the new norm. What's less in vogue is auto-dependency and the daily traffic we sit in (including our buses)!

Over the past two years, system-wide ridership has declined over 5%. We take this very seriously and we want to fully understand why.





14Dec2015: **Project Manager Lawrence Deeter** briefed the Full Capital Metro Board; **African-American slide was removed?**1Nov2017: Deeter briefed "New" **339-Tuscany, 120 boardings (60 min)** to restore 19-Bull Creek, 1.8 boardings/hr (30 min)
3Jun2018: "The challenge"—**\$9.9M** Southeast-west Expansion at Northeast riders' expense (\$0, Reduction; no discussion).
45-60-min routes are only in Black neighborhoods and north of North Lamar Transit Center (NLTC) yet planners, staff, and Board members still falsely market the slogan, "More frequent, more reliable, and better connected service" to all. **Disparate Impact:** Rather than improving Northeast routes, planners intentionally reduced transit-dependent riders' service.

Cap Remap Solution: Redraw Maps Equitably; Restore Northeast Routes Create Innovation Zones for South/West/Central Low-ridership: 1.8 to 14 riders/hr

CAP REMAP Title VI: What's Required Now?

October 1, 2012

Subject: TITLE VI REQUIREMENTS AND GUIDELINES FOR FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION RECIPIENTS

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15Nov2017 Title VI: Inequitable Rideshare, Eliminated 21-RideAustin vs. 240-No option **3**

Exposition riders use RideAustin for 6 months, free ride ½-mile to two Tarrytown bus stops, but Northeast riders wait 45-60 minutes + ½- to 3-mile walk (e.g., Rogge, Parmer affordable housing, Samsung, St. David's 10 blocks)

Common Customer Comments CAPUREMAP

Disparate Impact ~Council Member Ann Kitchen's Amendment for June 3, 2018 Service Changes required an alternative before elimination of 21-Exposition though riders were within ½-mile of new frequent buses, but she excluded eliminated 240-Rutland.

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Route	Public Comment	Revise	Rationale
5	Provide direct service to Criss Cole Center	Yes	Reduces duplication on Medical Pkwy
5	Operate in addition to UT Shuttle on Speedway	No	UT Shuttle available / within quarter-mile Frequent Route 7 (5 minute walk) and thir of a mile of Route 1/MetroRapid 801 (6 minute walk)
7	Serve Greyhound Station	No	Within quarter-mile of Frequent Route 7 (minute walk)
7	Keep Route 7 on Friedrich to Woodward	Yes	Preserves access to employers and businesses
17 EMAP	Maintain service on Vargas (residential street) instead of proposed Montopolis (mixed use street)	No	Within quarter-mile of Frequent Route 17 (5 minute walk)
21/22 Planners shed" to South/W	Do not eliminate Routes 21/22 KEDFLAG s Deeter, Hemingson, and Chisholm used ½-mile "walk- justify Northeast reductions—ignored by Kitchen for lest restored low-ridership routes and Exposition Pilot.	No May 30, 2018 RideAustin Contract	UT Shuttle 663 *15 min!
105	Provide school trips to Small M.S.	No	Transfers available via Route 315

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Connections 2025 Community Survey Summary



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Connections 2025

Community Survey Summary

The survey was posted online via SurveyMonkey.com on December 21, 2015. Capital Metro publicized the survey via the project website (Connections2025.com), email notifications, digital and print ads, partner cross-promotion and public and "pop up" meetings/events. Paper copies of the survey were also available at public meetings and events, and for those without internet access. A Spanish version of the survey was available online and in print, as well as an accessible version compatible with online screen readers. The survey period, initially proposed to close on February 29, 2016, was extended as additional meetings and events were scheduled for early March. The survey officially closed on March 13, 2016.

A total of 4,886 responses were received during the survey period. Not all respondents answered every question. Some questions were dependent on previous answers (e.g. follow-up questions for Capital Metro riders were different than for former or non-riders). The following

Responses: 3,544

sections summarize the survey responses received.

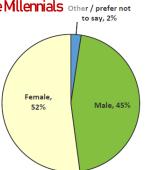


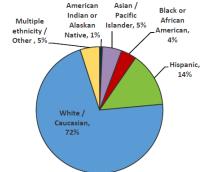
Black Problem Declining population Age: 25-35 (72% Female, 52% White) Title VI End Result: Disparate Impact CapMetrofailed to engage Black and minority transit-dependent riders but falsely asserted "robust" public input, Only 55 NLTC of 1,128 "Pop-Ub" surveys!

Question 21: Gender

Responses: 3,597







Question 23: Which race/ethnicity best describes you? Please select only one.

Monday, August 22, 2016 12:00 PM

Vision Zero

12:00 PM Meeting Called To Order 2:19 PM Meeting Adjourned

4. Approval of a resolution authorizing the President/CEO, or her designee, to execute the Vision Zero Pledge on behalf of Capital Metro in support of the City of Austin's Vision Zero Action Plan.



Pop-Up Meeting Participation

Date	Location	Engaged
February 8	Leander Station	50
February 9	Lakeline Station	65
February 10	Howard Station	23
February 10	Bluff Springs	35
February 11	North Lamar Transit Center	55
February 11	ACC Highland	35
February 14	Austin Marathon	30
February 17	Republic Square Station	90
February 20-21	Chinese New Year	140
February 26	Mobile Outreach	51
February 27	Republic Square	75
March 1	ACC Riverside	50
March 5	Riverside T-Mobile	7
March 6	Zilker Kite Festival	397
March 7	ACC South Austin	25
March 21, 2016 Ca	pMetro Packet (p. 72) Total	1,128

Racist Regional Remap reflects survey data! Capital Metro dismantled NLTC but never told minorities about changes to 9 buses. On the Red Line, however, staff posted notice to tell Express and rail riders of Loop 1 delay.



Capital Metro Transit Development Plan:

Financial Plan

February 2017

Note: Data/numbers that I rely on come from Capital Metro's 2017 Financial Plan—emailed to me after Todd Hemingson briefed the Board February 17, 2017. The data appears in theory but was ignored during restoration of low-ridership low-density South/West routes. Following slides include Board excerpts, too.





A TRANSIT PLAN FOR THE FUTURE

From: Easton, Ed <<u>Ed.Easton@capmetro.org</u>>
To: '<u>zcjsph@aol.com</u>' <<u>zcjsph@aol.com</u>>

Sent: Fri, Feb 17, 2017 11:05 am

February Board Work Session

Subject: FW: Connections 2025 Worksession Documents

Good Morning Ms. Joseph:

Our communications team informs me that Mr. Hemingson's presentation is not loaded on the Connections2025.org website yet – but will be immediately after today's worksession. There are some new files that have been uploaded this week to the site, however, including:

- Executive Summary
- MetroRapid Route 820 presentation
- Financial Plan
- Draft Network FAQs

Attached are copies of the two files that the board members were given for the worksession – Mr. Hemingson's presentation and a route-by-route breakdown of costs.

I hope this is helpful.

Kind regards,

Capital Metro Transit Development Plan:

Financial Plan

CAPFREMAP

February 2017

\$9.9M Southeast-west connectivity vs

\$0 Northeast-west (Service Reduction) **Eliminated 240**-Rutland (20.3 riders/hr)

(St. David's-North, H.E.B.-Parmer/Loop 1)

Title VI: Minority routes, no alternatives analyzed (2016-18)



A TRANSIT PLAN FOR THE FUTURE



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Title VI: Route 135-Dell Limited (\$40.81/rider) vs. Eliminated 240-Rutland (\$3.70/rider)

7 Trips: 10-14 min (1.8 riders/hr) vs. Eliminated St. David's-North, H.E.B. Parmer/Loop 1 (20.3 riders/hr)

2016 Survey data informed Cap Remap decisions: Choice riders, mainly white, were privileged over transit-dependent minorities.

All routes north of NLTC had service reduction or no improvement except 135-Dell Flyer to 7th/Pleasant Valley ~Why?

Route	135-Dell L	imited EX	<u>ansion</u>			
Compare	Hours	Ridership	Passengers per Hour	Cost	C	ost/Pax
Current	2,775	5,100	1.8	\$ 208,144	\$	40.81
Proposed				\$ -		
Variance	(2,775)	(5,100)	(1.8)	(\$208,144)		(\$40.81)

Northeast
\$41 Choice Riders
vs.

\$4 Transit-dependent
t. David's: Walk 10 blocks

240-Rutland Elimination Route Hours Ridership Cost Cost/Pax Compare 945,363 Current: 12,605 255,690 Proposed Variance (255,690) (12.605)(20.3) (\$945,363) (\$3.70)

Double Standard: Tech Ridge growth but no evaluation of Samsung or Parmer affordable housing (2- to 3-mile walk to 392 on Dessau). Ridership used against 233 (60 min) but not 135 choice riders!

Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority Customer Satisfaction Advisory Committee Wednesday, May 11th, 2016 6:00 – 8:07 p.m.

Connections 2025 Study Update

Mr. Lawrence Deeter, Senior Planner, Capital Metro

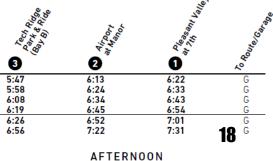
Mr. Deeter provided an update on the Connections 2025 study. Between October and November of last year, Capital Metro and TMD consultant staff performed data collection and review,

followed by a system and service evaluation that concluded this month. During that time, Capital Metro held 13 public meetings across the service area, 30 community meetings with neighborhood and civic organizations, and received 5,000 online and paper survey responses.

Mr. Deeter explained that some of the most common community feedback we received related to the expansion of the Frequent Service Network, later MetroRail service, and better east/west connectivity. He continued with demographic data showing the explosive growth of the region and the role that transit plays in maintaining and improving quality of life.

Regional Employment trends have shown a dramatic decrease in unemployment since 2010, the <u>location of large employers</u> in North Austin and adjacent communities to the north, and other areas that are projected to have large employment growth such as Tech Ridge, the Domain, and Mueller. The <u>number of seniors</u>, college students, and low-income residents is also climbing, Mr. Deeter said. May 23, 2016 Packet excerpt (pp. 5-6): http://capmetrotx.iqm2.com/Citizens/FileOpen.aspx?Type=1&ID=1609&Inline=True

135 WEEKDAYS/NORTHBOUND 5:11 5:21 5:31 5:55 5:41 5:51 6:15 5:56 6:06 6:30 6:06 6:16 6:40 6:16 6:26 6:50 6:46 6:56 7:20 MORNING 135 WEEKDAYS/SOUTHBOUND



Northeast 240 Exceeded Standards vs. Southeast-west ½ Riders/Twice Cost

Eliminated: 20.3 riders/hr (\$945K) CAP REMAP New: 10.3 riders/hr (\$1.8M)

Route	240-Rutlar	nd Eliminat	ed: Exceed	led	ridership (\$94	5K)	
Compare	Hours	Ridership	Passengers per Hour		Cost	Co	ost/Pax	
Current	12,605	255,690	20.3	\$	945,363	\$	3.70	
Proposed		-		\$				
Variance	(12,605)	(255,690)	(20.3)		(\$945,363)		(\$3.70)	

Route	238-West	gate/New 318	-\$1.8M: Bel	ow	standard, 3	0 mir	n headv
Compare	Hours	Ridership	Passengers per Hour		Cost	Co	st/Pax
Current	6,566	102,240	15.6	\$	492,463	\$	4.82
Proposed	23,545	243,635	10.3	\$	1,765,875	\$	7.25
Variance	16,979	141,395	(5.2)		\$1,273,413		\$2.43

Discrimination Pretext: Chisholm, Deeter, and Hemingson briefed approved standards while creating low-ridership routes unlikely to grow ridership while disproportionately reducing Northeast Austin service to minorities that are covered under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Meanwhile, they continue lying to the public. The Board should be held accountable, immediately.

What are the Service Guidelines and Standards?

- · Approved by Board of Directors in July 2015
- Two main components:
 - Service guidelines: framework for the provision, design, and allocation of service
 - Service standards: methodology to evaluate service in terms of productivity and costeffectiveness
- · Key provision:
 - All non-special services should exceed the following minimum thresholds for route productivity:
 - Weekdays 15 riders per service hour
 - Weekends, 12 riders per service hour
 - Note: System Average is 26





240 Northeast Elimination vs. South Austin (Fewer Riders, 2-3Xs the Cost)

Route	240-Rutla	nd Eliminate	d: No alterna	rtives analyz	ed
Compare	Hours	Ridership	Passengers per Hour	Cost	Cost/Pax
Current	12,605	255,690	20.3	S <u>945,363</u>	\$ 3.70
Proposed	Eliminated St	. David's (10-	block walk),	H.E.B. jobs	(0.7 miles)
Variance	(12,605)	(255,690)	(20.3)	(\$945,363)	(\$3.70)
Route	238-Westg	(New 318 S)	N/SE	Increased cost Fewer riders	\$1.8M
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Southeast-west Routes \$1.3M: 310-Wickersham \$1.7M: 315-Ben White

\$1.8M: 318-Slaughter

\$2.8M: 311-Stassney

\$7.6 million

\$2.3: 333-*William Canon

\$9.9M Total (*Convict Hill?)

Route	315-Ben V	White SW: A	CC-Pinnacle	New: June	3, 201	8]
Compare	Hours	Ridership	Passengers per Hour	Cost	Cost/	Pax
Current	-	-	\$	\$1.7M		
Proposed	22,610	243,420	10.8 \$	1,695,750	\$	6.97
Variance	22,610	243,420	10.8	\$1,695,750	ģ	6.97

Route 311-Stassney			icreased cost Fewer riders	\$2.8M	\$2.8M			
Compare	Hours	Ridership	Passengers per_Hour	Cost	Cos	st/Pax		
Current	14,912	452,575	30.3 \$	1,118,394	\$	2.47		
Proposed	36,675	847,220	23.1	2,750,625	\$	3.25		
Variance	21,763	394,645	(7.2)	\$1,632,231		\$0.78		

Route	310-Wick	ersh @Parker S	iΕ	\$1.3M		
Compare	Hours	Ridership	Passengers per Hour	Cost	Cost/Pax	
Current	-	-	5	-		
Proposed	17,340	237,245	13.7 \$	1,300,500	\$ 5.48	
Variance	17,340	237,245	13.7	\$1,300,500	\$5.48	
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	Route	333-Willia		\$2.3M				
ю	Compare	Hours	Ridership	Passengers per Hour		Cost	Co	st/Pax
	Current	25,031	466,595	18.6	\$	1,877,325	\$	4.02
48	Proposed	30,145	703,140	23.3	\$	2,260,875	\$	3.22
	Variance	5.114	236,545	4.7		\$383,550		(\$0.81)

*333-Convict Hill was due to be eliminated: No explanation in financial plan 21

Source: connections2025.org [Resources tab: CapMetro 2017 Financial Plan]

14Sep2015

Todd Hemingson's February 17, 2017 presentation included 2015 Service Guidelines/Standards. September 14, 2015 Board Packet had the 2011document pending adoption, noted in following slides. Minimum 15 riders/hour was the same, but ignored for Cap Remap.





February Board Work Session



Minimum Ridership Requirements

In addition to peer service comparison, all non-special services should exceed the following minimum thresholds for route productivity:

Weekdays: 15 riders per hour Weekends: 12 riders per hour

Cost-effectiveness indicators measure the operating cost per passenger. Passenger subsidy for each route should be calculated and assessed each service period.



Archive CapMetro Packets: http://capmetrotx.iqm2.com/Citizens/Calendar.aspx?From=1/1/2015&To=12/31/2015

14Sep2015: Service Guidelines and Standards for Service Plan 2025

(later <u>Connections 2025</u>, rebranded Cap Remap for June 3, 2018 major service changes)

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~ NOTICE OF MEETING ~

CAPTREMAP

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS OPERATIONS, PLANNING AND SAFETY
COMMITTEE MEETING

2910 East Fifth Street Austin, TX 78702

~ AGENDA ~

Monday, September 14, 2015

1:00 PM

Capital Metro Board Room

<u>BUSINESS CASE:</u> Capital Metro's Service Guidelines and Standards were last updated in November of 2011 and are to be reviewed and, when necessary, updated biennially. It is necessary to update the document so that the agency can best evaluate system performance and design in the Service Plan 2025 update.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: Service Guidelines provide a framework for the provision, design and allocation of our transit services. They incorporate transit service planning factors including residential and employment density, land use, activity centers, street characteristics, and demographics. Design criteria include defining service attributes such as route directedness, span, frequency, stop spacing, and passenger amenities. Service standards include methodology by which services are evaluated in terms of productivity and cost-effectiveness.

Schedule reliability, load factors, and <u>ridership performance</u> help to <u>identify high and low</u> <u>performing routes</u>. This <u>methodology is to be applied regularly and rigorously</u>. A series of corrective actions may be taken to address specific issues.(pp. 41-42)



Capital Metro: 'low density' the reason for route removal CAPSTEMAP



Weblink: https://oakhillgazette.com/featured/2016/11/capital-metro-low-density-the-reason-for-route-removal/ Councilmember Ann Kitchens, who sits on the Capital Metro Board, and MRNA president Pam Rogers. by Ann Fowler

CAPTREMAP

June 3, 2018 333-Convict Hill

OAK HILL - More than 50 people attended a meeting on Nov. 5 about the proposed removal of bus service to Oak Hill. Capital Metro proposed stopping local Route 333 short of Oak Hill. That east/west route serves local 30-min Frequency neighborhoods, as well as Covington Middle School, the ACC Pinnacle campus, and Precinct 3 offices. It travels Vacant ACC-Pinnacle east, largely along William Cannon, to stops just behind I-35. RED FLAG

> Explaining the proposed cancellation, Lawrence Deeter, project manager for Connections 2025, told the group that southwest Austin does not meet the transit agency's density requirements for service.

> Searle told the Gazette, "The density argument is part of the frustration. We have been told that Southwest Austin does not currently, nor will it in the future, have the density to support mass transit. This is primarily due to the S.O.S. land development regulations. And if those regulations are going to limit Southwest Austin's access to mass transit, we would encourage Capital Metro to include other factors besides development density when determining mass transit services over environmentally sensitive areas. Especially looking at the 'Y' and south MoPac, there is clearly the concentration of commuters that would support transit."

7Nov2016: Presentation by consultant Russ Chisholm (\$466K contract) Accompanied by Connections 2025 Project Manager Lawrence Deeter and Todd Hemingson, Vice President of Strategic Planning, CapMetro



A Transit Plan for the Future

Draft Network Plan Feedback

311-Stassney (Southeast-west Expansion: Five 15-min routes) Northeast-west Reduction: Only one partial 15-min Route 325

Title VI: Southeast-west most expensive route (#311) comes at the expense of Northeast minorities.

\$2.8M: 23.1 riders/hr vs. 240: \$945K (20.3/hr) eliminated

6M MOI'6 than before Cap Remap to serve 7.2 fewer riders/hr North of NLTC vs. South Austin New Frequency: NSEW Network North, only 325-one partial 15-min bus vs. South: S. 1st, S. Congress, Slaughter, William Canon, Stassney, Hwy 71, Parker Stassney (HIGH-FREQUENCY ROUTE) Riverside apartment closing renews spectre of Austin gentrifying https://www.mystatesman.com/.../riverside...gentrification/EzgZw/UKYmQA3njX44y... Sep 23, 2015 - When Joel Jimenez and his wife moved to the Lakeview Apartments in May, they heard the owners were planning to close the complex. Route #17: 15 min 310-Parker-\$1.7M, 350-Airport Blvd: 30 min. Westgate Bus Hub ACC-Riverside 300: 15-min: #30-30 min **Bus Hub** New 105 Peak: 30 min. New: 315-\$1.7M; 318-Slaughter-\$1.8M 17, 310, 350 Cap Remap CAP REMAP **Service Expansion Board/Council Members** \$9.9 M Southeast-west Southwest: Ann Kitchen VS. Southeast: Delia Garza \$0 Northeast-west **Reduction/Elimination** 25 EGEND

<mark>14Sep2015</mark>

333-Convict Hill violates CapMetro Service Guidelines/Standards

Title VI: 333 (2.9 boardings/hr): 30 min vs. "New" 339-Tuscany (120 boardings/day): 60 min



Service Guidelines and Standards

Route deviation

Deviations off the basic alignment of a fixed route should be minimized whenever possible. However, routes may deviate off their primary alignment to serve major activity centers or provide coverage to areas with limited access. The additional time necessary for the deviation should not exceed five minutes, or 10% of the one-way travel time of the existing route without deviation. Deviations should result in an increase in overall route productivity.

Packet Pg. 51



7Nov2016 Southwest Austin Local (Route 315,333)

• Challenges:

 Development <u>restricted</u> due to watershed

Low ridership with many deviations

· Arbor Trails unserved

RED FLAG	Convict Hill	Eskew	William Cannon Brodie Lane to 1-35
Ridership	49	57	751
Boardings per hour (6AM – 11PM) System Average is 26	2.9	3.4	44.2
Subsidy per Boarding System Average is 4.23	\$20.28	\$17.35	\$4.89



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Title VI Violation: No minority routes analyzed; no alternatives (2016-18)



CONNECTIONS 2025 DRAFT TRANSIT PLAN

NOVEMBER 7, 2016 Connections 2025 Blog

ROUTE 315 & 333 UPDATE

Proposed 333-Convict Hill Elimination (2.9 riders/hr)

"What's the proposal? The original proposal would eliminate Route 333 service west of Brodie. ... This change was proposed due to low ridership in the Convict Hill and Eskew areas, and to take advantage of stronger demand east of Brodie where the density is more supportive of transit. On an average weekday, there are 2.9 boardings/hour on Convict Hill and 3.4 boardings /hour at Eskew – our system average is 26 boardings /hour. Another metric we use for performance is subsidy per passenger boarding, our system average is \$4.23. In the segment at Convict Hill, the subsidy per boarding is \$20.28, Eskew – \$17.35 and William Cannon – \$4.89. Under the original proposal, service to ACC Pinnacle would still be available via Route 315 on Ben White."—https://capmetroblog.com/2016/11/07/connections-2025-update-on-route-315333/

Two 315/333 Alternatives: "After reexamining land uses, ridership, and subsidy-per-boarding, we presented to alternatives to our original proposal to the Capital Metro board of directors[.]"



RED FLAG





Title VI

SW-Boone ES: 30 min 333 on Eskew/Brodie Ln SE-Perez ES mitigation 0.8 miles to William Canon Kitchen put school tripper in her Cap Remap amendment Effective: August 19, 2018

Eliminated 300-Rogge

Northeast parents & kids Blanton, Pecan Spr ES Walk ½-mile to 1 mile to 300 near Mueller-51st St

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Alternative A Alternative B

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William Cannon (HIGH-FREQUENCY ROUTE)





Pinnacle Campus to close for evaluation beginning summer 2018 ... https://sites.austincc.edu/.../pinnacle-campus-to-close-for-evaluation-beginning-summ... Posted on March 8, 2018 ... Austin Community College (ACC) will close its Pinnacle Campus beginning ... Classes scheduled for Pinnacle Campus beginning summer 2018 will be rescheduled at other nearby ACC campuses. Tags: closing, evaluation, expansion, Pinnacle Campus, renovation, repair, summer 2018.



Scan the QR code to see an online version of this route map.

DESTINATIONS

- ACC Pinnacle
- Hampton Branch Library
- Covington Middle School
- Arbor Trails
- Bedichek Middle School
- Perez Middle School
- Department of Public Safety

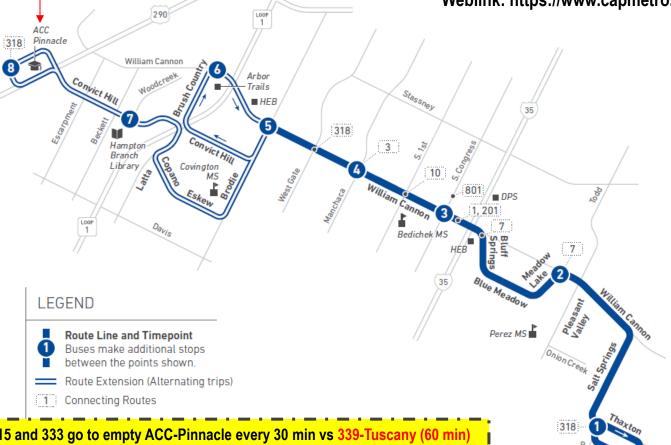
NOTES

Route 333 William Cannon is part of the High-Frequency Network between Broad Brook (near McKinney Falls Pkwy.) and Brodie/Bannockburn. Alternating trips on Route 333 will continue on Eskew and Convict Hill to the ACC Pinnacle campus. That portion of the route will operate on 30-minute frequencies. Customers can identify the final destination of a particular trip by reading the headsign on the bus. Trips that end at Brodie/Bannockburn will display "333 Brush Country," and trips that continue to ACC will display "333 ACC Pinnacle."

Destinations

Effective June 3, 2018 – August 18, 2018 | capmetro.org | GO Line 512-474-1200

Weblink: https://www.capmetro.org/schedules/



Title VI: Routes 315 and 333 go to empty ACC-Pinnacle every 30 min vs 339-Tuscany (60 min) 15 min: 333-William Canon, 7 days/wk. Northeast has only one partial 15-min bus (Route 325) Northeast: Minorities wait 45-60 minutes and cross high-speed arterials (e.g., Airport/N. Lamar)

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+ ROUTE 333 UPDATE

Title VI, Runtime: 333-Convict Hill (2.9 Boardings) runs 1 hr. 20 min earlier, 30 min despite low-density 333-William Canon operates 15 min-7 days/wk; New 315 runs 30 min to vacant ACC-Pinnacle New 339-Tuscany (120 Boardings): 60-min frequency; unequal distribution of resources

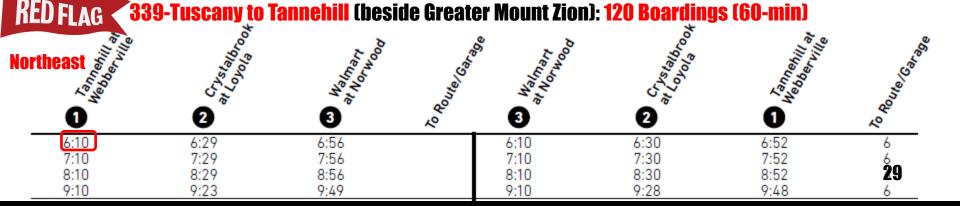
333 WEEKDAYS/WESTBOUND

333 WEEKDAYS/EASTBOUND

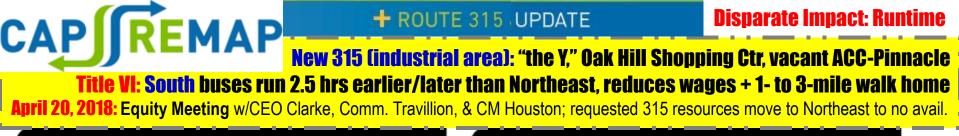


339 WEEKDAYS/WESTBOUND

339 WEEKDAYS/EASTBOUND







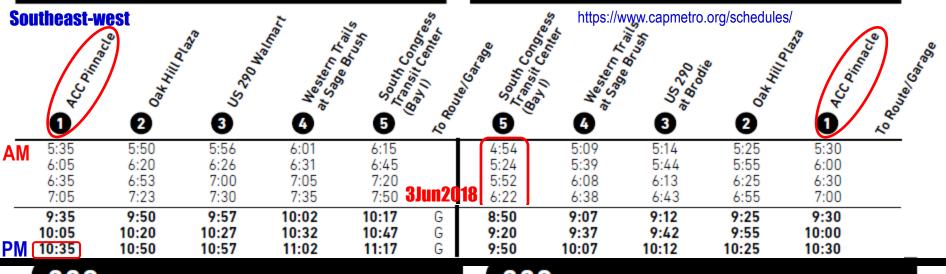
ROUTE 315 UPDATE

Disparate Impact: Runtime

New 315 (industrial area): "the Y," Oak Hill Shopping Ctr, vacant ACC-Pinnacle South buses run 2.5 hrs earlier/later than Northeast, reduces wages + 1- to 3-mile walk home

WEEKDAYS/EASTBOUND

315 WEEKDAYS/WESTBOUND



339 WEEKDAYS/WESTBOUND

339 WEEKDAYS/EASTBOUND

339-Tuscany/UPS to Tannehill (beside Greater Mount Zion): 120 Boardings (60-min)

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RED FLAG

Southeast-west 333 vs. Northwest (383) Southwest Austin Same ridership (19/hr)/different outcome

Connections2025.org [Resources]



Route	333-Willia	m Cannon	Southwest: 18.6 riders 15 min, 7 days/week					
Compare	Hours	Ridership	Passengers per Hour	Cost		Cost/Pax		
Current	25,031	466,595	18.6	\$	1,877,325	\$	4.02	
Proposed	30,145	703,140	23.3	\$	2,260,875	\$	3.22	
Variance	5,114	236,545	4.7		\$383,550		(\$0.81)	
			Lakeline-Northwest: 19.2 riders/hr					

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Route	383-Resea	30 min, 7 days/week (5 min increase					
Compare	Hours	Ridership	Passengers per Hour		Cost	Cost/Pax	
Current	26,830	515,040	19.2	\$	2,012,256	\$	3.91
Proposed	35,955	872,190	24.3	\$	2,696,625	\$	3.09
Variance	9,125	357,150	5.1		\$684,369		(\$0.82)

19 riders/hour: Precincts 2 & 3

Title VI: 333 = Inequitable distribution of funds

Even though ridership was exactly the same (rounded up), CM Kitchen's Route 333 improved tremendously.

Under Cap Remap, 333-William Canon improved to 15-min headway, 7 days/wk (Sundays, too). 383-Lakeline is the only Northwest fixed route. It improved 5 minutes to 30 min, 7 days/week.

3Jun2018

Disparate Impact: Last 383 at NLTC is 10:30PM. \$outh: Buses operate at least one hour later so there's greater earning power in South Austin!

333E 4:46AM-10:53PM from ACC-Pinnacle; 333W 5AM-11:30PM 383North (NLTC); South (MetroRail Lakeline): 5AM-10:30PM https://www.capmetro.org/schedmap/?svc=0&f1=333&s=0&d=E https://www.capmetro.org/schedmap/?svc=0&f1=383&s=0&d=N



RED FLAG

171 Oak Hill Flyer: Proposed as Express Upgrade Southwest Austin Frequency improved 9- to 14-min + Extra PM Trip \$2.50 Day Pass remained instead of \$7 Express

> Wednesday, November 15, 2017 12:00 PM

12:09 PM Meeting Called To Order 3:56 PM Meeting Adjourned

Gregory Watson, stated he would like to keep the portion of Route 333 that serves the Oak Hill Park & Ride (Route 171, the commuter express flyer). This will allow residents from the Maple Run neighborhood to maintain accessibility to the Oak Hill shopping center, in particular access to the HEB located in that area.

Pamela Rogers, representing the Maple Run Neighborhood Association thanked the board and staff for keeping route 333. However, it no longer connects to the 171 which would take riders to Oak Hill and downtown. Please add this segment back to Route 333.

Title VI: Disparate Impact

Riders in Historic Black Neighborhoods (e.g., 233-Colony Park, 237 and 339-Tuscany to Craigwood) wait 60 minutes for a bus. New Route 339 (120 boardings) far exceeds 333-Convict Hill (2.9 boardings/hr), but Southwest riders wait half as long—only 30 minutes. Fixed routes north of NLTC operate 45 minutes; all meet or exceed Standards. Deeter only applied ridership Service Guidelines and Standards to justify eliminating Northeast Route 240, though it exceeded ridership, or creating 60-minute "frequency." There was no Board discussion on the cost to restore or create low-ridership South/West/Central routes nor to improve Northeast Dell Limited Flyer 135 for 1.8 riders/hr. ©

Fighting Fake News: Eliminated 240 was compared to the estimated \$9.9M restored, improved, and newly created Southeast-west routes. Rather than treating Northeast taxpayers equally, Capital Metro launched a misinformation campaign and used images of Black people to promote frequency while intentionally excluding Northeast riders. —June 1, 2018 Community Involvement Manager Jackie Nierenberg told KXAN & KVUE that Route 240 was eliminated due to low-ridership though the opposite was true. —KAZI: Capital Metro aired "More Frequent, More Reliable, and Better Connected" false advertisement to Blacks though the worst 60-min route (339) ran near the station.

Archive Cap Remap Flyer: Slide 37 (bottom half) shows how Northeast routes worsened after service reductions. It also includes disparate impact findings (upper right). Tuesday (August 21, 2018) Travis County Commissioners Court: What's the Ask? Request Capital Metro show the Court analyzed alternatives for 233 and 237 [p. 38] before they determined \$87K FY 2018 Funds were "excess" and could be used for Elgin Green Line Study. I also request to speak on the agenda item. Thanks! 33

Title VI: Route 135-Dell Limited (\$40.81/rider) vs. Route 392 (\$4.91/rider)

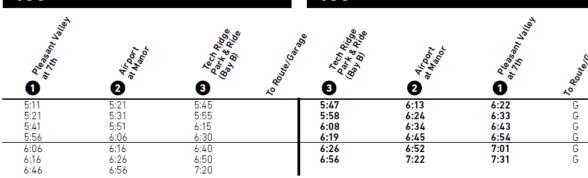
7 AM/PM Trips: 10-14 min for 1.8 riders/hr vs. Northeast minorities: 45-60 min

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135 WEEKDAYS/NORTHBOUND

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142 WEEKDAYS/NORTHBOUND

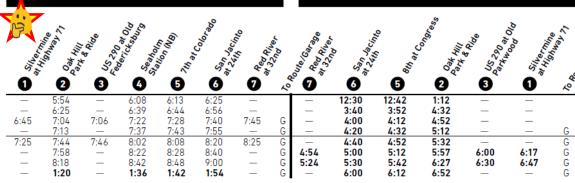
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MORNING Improved Spontaneous Travel AFTERNOON

71 WEEKDAYS/NORTHBOUND

171 WEEKDAYS/SOUTHBOUND



Title VI: Flyers to Downtown

Inequitable Distribution of Funds 17Feb2017 CapMetro Financial Plan

Unilateral Decision: Choice Riders * Who authorized 135 Flyer improvement?

Route	135-Dell L	imited				
Compare	Hours	Ridership	Passengers per Hour	Cost	C	ost/Pax
Current	2,775	5,100	1.8	\$ 208,144	\$	40.81
Proposed				\$		
Variance	(2,775)	(5,100)	(1.8)	(\$208,144)		(\$40.81)

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Title VI: 142 Metric Flyer (3Xs as long as 135-Flyer) 4 AM/PM Trips: 30 min/10.2 Northeast minorities

Note: 142 serves eliminated 240-area, yet no expansion of service.

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Route	142-Metri	c Flyer					
Compare	Hours	Ridership	Passengers per Hour		Cost	Co	st/Pax
Current	2,414	24,735	10.2	\$	181,050	\$	7.32
Proposed				¢		_	
Variance	(2,414)	(24,735)	(10.2)		(\$181,050)		(\$7.32)

CapMetro Service Guidelines/Standards Minimum Ridership: 15 riders/hour Connections2025.org [17Feb2017]

Title VI: 171 Oak Hill Flyer, most Flyer trips in system? 8 AM/PM Trips: 9-20 min + 2 extra 30-min PM trips

Route	171-Oak H	lill Flyer				
Compare	Hours	Ridership	Passengers per Hour	Cost	Co	st/Pax
Current	3,719	52,020	14.0	\$ 278,906	\$	5.36
Proposed				\$ -		
Variance	(3,719)	(52,020)	(14.0)	(\$278,906)		(\$5.36)





Title VI

Cap Remap Flyer: Southwest Expansion vs. Northeast Reduction (p. 36)
Pending: August 21, 2018 Travis County Commissioners Court
Transit Development Plan Action Item Request (p. 37)

Submit Title VI Complaint Today! Transportation Discrimination

Cap Remap was made possible by service reductions north of North Lamar Transit Center!

Title VI, Civil Rights Act of 1964 prohibits discrimination based on race, class, or national origin. Capital Metro reduced buses to minorities to give white choice riders 15- to 30-minute frequency

Email: Christopher Macneith, Civil Rights Officer

Federal Transit Administration, Region VI

CAP REMAP christopher.macneith@dot.gov

Cc: titlevicomplaints@capmetro.org

Robert Patrick, FTA Region VI Director: Robert.Patrick@dot.gov Capital Metro Board of Directors: boardofdirectors@capmetro.org

Randy Clarke, CapMetro CEO/President: Randy.Clarke@capmetro.org

Call the Go-Line: 512.474.1200 ~I walk-transfer and wait more! 240-Rutland Say: I want to file a Title [six] complaint on Cap Remap Route ___. 300-Rogge

Get: Reference number (also called CCR #: Customer Call Report)

Ask: Operator to repeat complaint; make sure he/she says Title VI 392-Arboretum

30Jul2018/Noon, 2910 E. 5th St.

Be empowered: More than one person can sign the complaint!



Ask to restore:

339 to 30 min

Minority Routes: Title VI Violations Infrequent, Unreliable, Disconnected



No more east-west connectivity north of North Lamar Transit Center (NLTC)!

Partial 15-minute bus—325, worse: No more east-west connectivity Walmart-Norwood to Northcross!

⊗325 is now: Old Route 1-Tech Ridge to Metric and Old 325-Rundberg to Walmart-Norwood.

30 min. New minority Route 324-Ohlen, worse: Must transfer to the Westside; more wait-time. **⊗324 is now:** Old 10-Georgian/325-Ohlen. No more 15 min east-west Walmart-Norwood to Northcross!

30 min. Route 1, no improvement: Replaced 275-Tech Ridge to NLTC which operated 30 minutes. Before Cap Remap, #1 operated Tech Ridge to Metric, Rundberg [now 325], North Lamar to William Canon. **⊗1 is now:** Old 1L/1M (N. Lamar to S. Congress: No more 13-18 min; it's 30 Tech Ridge to William Canon)

45-min. Shortlined 392, worse: No east-west Arboretum connectivity; stops at MetroRail-Kramer. Before Cap Remap, 574 [383/392] petition signatures saved 383-Lakeline then staff combined 243/392. @392, now: Disconnected from jobs, 803 Rapid; 30-min transfer: Braker/Burnet-3, 383; no Collinwood stop

45-min. 243-Wells Branch, worse: No more 30-min Peak (3.5 hrs, AM/PM); no Merrilltown elders' bus

60-min. New minority Route 339-Tuscany, worse: New 339 restored 19-Bull Creek every 35 min Before Cap Remap, 323-Tannehill to Tuscany: 120 boardings/day vs. 19-Bull Creek: 1.8 boardings/hour 339, now: Old 323 runs 60 min (before: 35-45 min, Day: M-F). 19 cost \$65.27/rider vs. 323: \$3.97/rider.

35-min.Restored 323, worse: Now three routes instead of one continuous route = more wait-tim

@323, now 35 min: Walmart-Northcross to Norwood/60 min: 339-Tuscany/30 min: 6-Tannehill to Downtown

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Transportation Discrimination CAP REMAP

Capital Metro found Cap Remap had a disparate/negative impact **on minorities.** To get federal dollars, they alleged fixing the discriminatory problem by creating 7 "New" routes? But 324 and 339 weren't new at all!

❖ June 2018 Service Equity Analysis

When we considered individual changes, a potential disparate impact on minority populations was found for 11 of 13 routes that were proposed to be eliminated and 18 of 20 routes that were proposed for major service changes based on the policy thresholds for consideration. The potential disparate impacts were mitigated on almost all of the eliminated routes as these routes would be replaced or served by one or multiple new or changed routes. Reality: No 240 alternatives were analyzed! Riders now walk 0.7 miles. decrease * In fact, eight of those modified routes will have a significant frequency increase that would bring benefits of this service change to minority populations. In addition, there were five new routes that would provide services to significantly high minority population areas. Source: April 23, 2018 CapMetro Board (p. 201)

File Title VI Complaint: Minorities still walk 3 miles from Parmer to 392, 2.2 miles-Samsung! Shame on CapMetro for Implementing a Plantation Plan with Taxpayer Dollar\$®

7 New Routes: Southwest—105 S. 5th; 315 (Hwy 290 to ACC-Pinnacle); Southeast 310-Parker Northeast: 339-Tuscany (60 min); 324-Ohlen, worse: Minorities wait twice as long; same routes. 318-Westgate: \$1.8M = 10.3 riders/hour, fewer than standardvs. eliminated 240 (20.3 riders/hour) 335-Mueller: 120%MFI/\$95K salary, home ownership. 345-45th: 0.4% Blacks live in Hyde Park.



15-minute Frequency: Mueller (four routes: 10, 20, 300, 335) vs. north of NLTC (½ route) 15 min (New east-west): 335-Mueller to Mopac [H.E.B. to Casis Elementary-Exposition] Title VI Violation: 21-Exposition and 240-Rutland were eliminated. ~Rideshare only serves Tarrytown Free Exposition Rides less than 1/2-mile from 335-Casis to Howson Library or 18-Enfield: 6-month Pilot Board Member Ann Kitchen's Resolution and Amendment included Exposition but excluded 240. CapMetro is required to analyze minority route alternatives before/after elimination (FTA C 4702.1B).

15 min (North-South, 4:17AM-Walmart-Norwood to Southpark Meadows); replaced 7 at Walmart. 15 min (North-South, 5A-12A): 20-Manor to ABIA. Springdale residents walk to 51st St or Manor. 15 min (NS): 300, MetroRail-Crestview to Westgate; combined w/Old 331-Oltorf; same frequency. 300, now: No Rogge stops. Low-income/minorities walk from Reserve-Springdale to 51st, over ½-mile

Reliable: Improved Low-Ridership Routes! ~Minimum Standard: 15 riders/hour

1.8 boardings/hour, 30 min: 19-Bull Creek vs. 120 boardings/day, 60 min: 339-Tuscany/Old 323 2.9 boardings/hour, 30 min: 333-Convict Hill and 315-Ben White; both go to vacant ACC-Pinnacle

3.5 boardings/hour, eliminated Exposition = Ride Austin vs. 240 (5 north stops = 93 boardings) = Walk! Low-income/minorities walk 10 blocks to St. David's; 0.7 miles to work: Metric to H.E.B. (Parmer/Loop 1)

10.3 riders/hour, 30 min: New 318-Westgate/Old 238. Cost: \$1.8M vs. 392 (15.3 riders/hour = \$916K)

Frequent, Reliable, Better Connected: South/West, Westgate, UT, Central, Lake Austin 15 min: 333-William Canon (18.6 riders/hour) vs. 30 min 383 (19.2 riders/hour): Why different frequency? 30 min: New 105 S. 5th Peak (AM/PM); Frequent Route 10, off-Peak: 15 min; New 345-45th St: 30 min.

June 28, 2018 Video 49:00 Item 60, Affordable housing/CapMetro: http://austintx.swagit.com/play/06282018-716

What Should Travis County Commissioners Do to Comply with Title VI? Before executing FY 2018 \$87K "excess" to study the Elgin "Green Line," analyze and meet transit-dependent riders' needs on Routes 233 & 237!

Monday (August 6, 2018): Council Member Ora Houston reminded Commissioner Jeff Travillion that people can't get home to Community First! Village from work. Hog Eye has no sidewalk from Decker Lane which endangers riders' lives as they walk home. Lighting conditions: Unknown.

- The last Route 237-Northeast Feeder eastbound bus is 7:40PM from Greater Mount Zion (Tannehill).
- Joint City of Austin/CapMetro Work Session Video: http://capmetrotx.iqm2.com/Citizens/Default.aspx

What's the Ask for Travis County Commissioners Court: Transit Development Plan Item?

Todd Hemingson said, "Commissioners Court will be taking this item up on August 21st." Please ask Capital Metro planners to brief Commissioners on Routes 233-Decker/Daffan Lane and 237-Northeast Feeder alternatives as part of the Transit Development Plan (Clip 23:30). Specifically require staff to show how they determined that stopping 233 at 6PM in Colony Park and 7:40PM eastbound from Tannehill (Greater Mount Zion) served riders' needs. Ideally, Commissioner Jeff Travillion should have requested this briefing before designating \$87K as "excess" FY 2018 funds to study the Elgin Green Line. That study should be placed on hold until the transit needs of Northeast Austin riders in the unincorporated areas of Travis County on 233 and 237 are met. Capital Metro should brief Commissioners on Title VI disparate impact findings with 233 and 237 riders' input. For comparison, see schedules for 19-Bull Creek (1.8 boardings/hr) and 135-Dell Limited (1.8 riders/hr); both routes improved with no discussion regarding the \$65.27 Bull Creek subsidy or \$40.81 per rider on 135-Flyer, again improving South Austin service at the expense of Northeast transit-dependent minorities forced to wait 45-60 minutes for buses with no Peak service to get to/from work, diminishing quality of life!

• **Public Comment:** I also request to speak on Tuesday on the Transit Development Plan agenda item. Please let Judge Eckhardt know.

August 13, 2018/Clip 55:00: http://capmetrotx.iqm2.com/Citizens/SplitView.aspx?Mode=Video&MeetingID=1729&Format=Agenda



Approval of a resolution authorizing the President & CEO, or his designee, to negotiate and execute a three-year Interlocal Agreement (ILA) with Travis County to implement the Travis County Transit Development Plan in an amount not to exceed \$221,422 in FTA Section 5307 funds and \$332,133 in local funds from Travis County per year.

Monday, August 13, 2018 (Capital Metro Operations Committee): Members moved Travis County Transit Development Plan to the full board without recommendation. CM Ann Kitchen asked what the \$221K would fund and wanted to ensure Manchaca residents were included in public input. CM Delia Garza noted Southeast riders' needs and questioned prioritization for Precipit 1 projects (e.g., Austin's Colony Pilot). There was also confusion over continued

Route 237-Northeast Feeder Ridership Hours Cost Cost/Pax Compare 3,661 7,691 274,600 2.1 \$ 4,368 42,920 327,606 707 7.7 35,229 \$53,006 (\$28.07)Variance

for Precinct 1 projects (e.g., Austin's Colony Pilot). There was also confusion over continued funding for Routes 233 and 237-Northeast Feeder. Commissioner Travillion emphasized Central Health Pilot. This discussion confirmed that Capital Metro did not discuss 233-Decker/Daffan Lane and 237-Community First! Village during Cap Remap. There is no data on 233-Decker/Daffan in CapMetro's 2017 Financial Plan though it was considered for elimination initially in Connections 2025 but restored. **Connections2025.org [Resources: CapMetro 2017 Financial Plan]**