



Title VI Review – Service Change

Choose-Up: Fall 2025

Description of Service Change:

Route: 17

ORIGINAL PROPOSAL:

Weekday peak service frequency will be increased from every 34 minutes to every 30 minutes, a 12% increase in service frequency. Midday service frequency will be reduced from every 34 to every 50 minutes, a 47% reduction. Saturday service will be reduced from every 50 to 74 minutes, a 48% reduction, and Sunday service will be reduced from every 50 to 80 minutes, a 60% reduction. Saturday service span will be decreased from 16.53 hours to 12.76 hours, a 23% reduction. The weekday, midday, Saturday and Sunday changes meet the 25% minimum threshold to be considered a major service change.

NEW PROPOSAL:

NOTE: The new proposal is based on public feedback and an adjusted budget due to additional funds provided by the state.

Weekday service will not change. Saturday service will be reduced from every 50 to 74 minutes, a 48% reduction, and Sunday service will be reduced from every 50 to 75 minutes, a 50% reduction. Saturday service span will be decreased from 16.53 hours to 12.78 hours, a 23% reduction. The Saturday and Sunday changes meet the minimum thresholds to be considered a major service change.

☒ Major Change ☐ Minor Change

Is the route

Minority Route? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Low Income Route? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Major Service Changes Only:

Adverse Effect? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Disparate Impact on Minorities? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Disproportionate Burden on Low Income Individuals? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Description of Alternatives Considered:

The new proposal is a substantial improvement over the original proposal. The new proposal does not reduce midday weekday service. Given the severity of the budget deficit, there are very few alternatives available to consider. Forty-five of RIPTA's fixed routes will be affected by service reductions, but complete route cuts have been averted. The only true alternative is to make deeper reductions and cuts to other services. At this time, RIPTA is spreading the cuts throughout the network in an attempt to reduce the impact to any one area.

Substantial Legitimate Justification:

These changes are being proposed due to a severe budget deficit.

Mitigation Measures:

Attachments: ☐ maps ☐ tables ☐ datasets ☐ additional narrative