

### **Transit Network Redesign**

**Spring 2022 Summary** 

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 The Metro Transit Network Redesign will design a route system that will better meet the needs of Madison area residents and businesses.



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# Why now?

 Address long-standing issues and discrepancies

• Recover from COVID-19 in a way that reflects future needs

 Compliments BRT and brings some of those benefits to more neighborhoods





## **Basic Goals for Public Transportation**

• <u>**Ridership</u>** concentrates transit service onto fewer routes with more frequent service, ultimately increasing ridership</u>

 <u>Coverage</u> extends transit service to as many people as possible regardless of frequency





### **Policy Direction**

- 1. Ridership, definitely. Minor corrections only.
- 2. Ridership, mostly. Some lower frequencies to reach a few more places.
- 3. Coverage, mostly. Just a little less coverage to so we can get a few higher frequencies.
- 4. Coverage, definitely. Minor corrections only.

Transportation Policy and Planning Board Direction – October 4, 2021



Ridership Alternative







# Key Take-Aways

 Bus routes will be designed to be longer, straighter, and more frequent

 Majority of lower income residents in peripheral neighborhoods will experience less waiting, and barriers to accessing jobs and other destinations will be reduced

 Transfer points will be eliminated, eliminating unnecessary delays and indirection

# Key Take-Aways

 The redesigned network will be less oriented around the downtown 8-5 commute, and will be more useful for retail jobs, hospitality jobs, and other jobs that follow less predictable schedules

• The system overall will be far simpler, more logical, and easier to use.

#### Next Steps

- Virtual neighborhood meetings (check website)
- Online survey (currently open on website)
- Geographic virtual meetings and/or open houses to focus on sub-areas of the city
- Draft network modified based on feedback and final plan approved by Transportation Policy and Planning Board and Common Council
- New network implemented in summer 2023



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