

Madison Metro Transit System

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TO: Plan Commission

FROM: Timothy Sobota, Transit Planner, Metro Transit

SUBJECT: 505 South Midvale Boulevard – Midvale Plaza Redevelopment

Metro Transit has reviewed the subject development and has the following comments.

MAJOR OR NON-STANDARD REVIEW COMMENTS (Comments which are special to the project and/or may require additional work beyond a standard, more routine project.)

- 1. The applicant, in their letter of intent dated April 26th, states a request for creation of on street parking along the north side of Tokay Boulevard, east of Midvale Boulevard. This would partially conflict with the No Parking zone posted in conjunction with the existing Metro bus stop location #2540 in the area immediately east of Midvale Boulevard.
- 2. Metro Transit will be siting a new bus stop locations on the north side of Tokay Boulevard, west of Midvale Boulevard, and on the west side Midvale Boulevard, south of Tokay Boulevard, to accommodate new route service starting in August of this year (see attached diagram).
- 3. The applicant shall either purchase and transfer ownership of, or reimburse Metro Transit for the costs associated with, a concrete passenger boarding pad and bench seating amenity to be located at one of the bus stop locations serving the redevelopment parcel at the intersection of Midvale Boulevard and Tokay Boulevard. Metro Transit will determine which of the bus stops at this intersection is best suited for the placement of this amenity based upon the eventual on street parking arrangements and transit ridership demands.

GENERAL OR STANDARD REVIEW COMMENTS

In addition, we offer the following General or Standard Review Comments:

- 4. Metro Transit operates bus service seven days a week along Tokay Boulevard. Metro bus stop #2540 is located on the north side of Tokay Boulevard, east of Midvale Boulevard. Current frequency of this serving along Tokay Boulevard is every 30 minutes during weekday peak periods, and once an hour mid-days, evenings, and all day on weekends & holidays.
- 5. Metro Transit has planned for increased service frequency, beginning in August of this year, to the corner of Midvale Boulevard and Tokay Boulevard involving a direct connection from the Allied neighborhood to the Sequoya Library branch located on this redevelopment parcel. This service planning was partly in response to the proposed increase in both commercial and residential density of this site, and the beneficial increases in potential transit ridership stemming from this redevelopment proposal.

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- 6. Due to the routing pattern of the added transit service (which will increase the frequency of service on weekdays, weekends and holidays to once every thirty minutes between this intersection and the West Transfer Point facility at Whitney and Tokay), new bus stops at this intersection will be required (see attached intersection diagram). This would permit existing stop #2540 east of Midvale Boulevard to be closed and relocated to the new stop site being added west of this intersection, creating additional space available for the City of Madison to permit on street parking. Consolidating the westbound bus stop location would also eliminate passenger confusion about which stop to use for travel towards the West Transfer Point at any given time during the day.
- 7. Metro Transit requests to sign and review final documents submitted for this project.

Please contact Tim Sobota, Metro Transit at 261-4289 or by email at <tsobota@cityodmadison.com> if you have questions regarding the above items.

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Atch. Intersection diagram showing bus routing patterns and stop locations at the Midvale Boulevard-Tokay Boulevard intersection.

