

Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority
Board Action/Information Summary

☒ Action ☐ Information

MEAD Number:
202223

Resolution:
☒ Yes ☐ No

TITLE:

Temporary Parking Fee Waiver at Addison Road

PRESENTATION SUMMARY:

Addison Road Metro Station on the Blue Line will be closed beginning on or about February 13 through May 14, 2021, as part of Metro's Platform Improvement Project. Staff requests Board approval to waive all parking fees at Addison Road Metro station as a courtesy to customers and to make it as convenient as possible to take advantage of Metrobus, which will replace train service.

PURPOSE:

Request Board approval to waive all parking fees at Addison Road Metro Station during the 2021 Platform Improvement Project shutdown.-

DESCRIPTION:

Staff requests Board approval to waive all parking fees at Addison Road parking facility for no longer than six months, beginning on or about February 13, 2021 as a courtesy to customers at this station and to make it as convenient as possible to take advantage of Metrobus, which will replace train service.

Key Highlights:

- Addison Road Metro Station on the Blue Line will be closed beginning on or about February 13, 2021 to repair the station platform and complete station improvements.
- Metro will provide bus bridges as well as regular Metrobus service from this station.
- Staff recommends waiving all parking fees at Addison Road station to encourage customers to use Metrobus services.

Background and History:

Metro's three-year Platform Improvement Project ("PIP") includes the reconstruction of outdoor platforms at 20 Metrorail stations, making platforms safer and more accessible for customers with disabilities, while also addressing any identified structural issues. The 2021 phase of the PIP includes the rehabilitation of five Metrorail stations (Greenbelt, College Park, Prince George Plaza, West Hyattsville, and Addison Road). The first closure will begin with the Addison Road Metro Station which will occur beginning on or about February 13, 2021. Metrorail service at the Addison Road Metro

Station will be suspended during this period but regular Metrobus service will continue.

Resolution 2018-53 adopted the Comprehensive Parking Policy and delegated to the General Manager/Chief Executive Officer the process for establishing rates and revenue collection hours at all Metro parking facilities. The delegation authority did not include waiving parking rates.

Resolution 2019-10 authorized the waiver of parking fees at Metrorail stations on the Blue and Yellow Lines during the Summer 2019 Platform shutdown and Resolution 2020-07 for Orange Line stations during Summer 2020. This proposal to waive all parking fees at the Addison Road Metro Station during the 2021 Platform improvement Project shutdown is consistent with the approach taken in 2019 and 2020.

A summary of the parking spaces available and the parking fees charged is provided below:

Metro Rail station	Facility Type	Total Parking Spaces	Pre-Covid Utilization	Parking Utilization During COVID
Addison Rd	Garage	1,258	48%	3.28%

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Discussion:

The Platform Improvement Project is an important initiative to rehabilitate and improve the exterior station platforms throughout the Metrorail system. Similar to the Board approved waiver of parking fees at three Metro stations in Summer 2019 and 2020, staff recommends waiving all parking fees at Addison Road station for the 2021 Platform Improvement Project shutdown, as a courtesy to riders and to encourage riders to continue to use transit.

The parking facility at Addison Road Metro Station has 1,258 parking spaces providing ample space for customers and with a low risk that non-riders would take up significant parking spaces. Estimated revenue loss associated with offering free parking during the 2021 Platform Improvement Project is approximately \$13,000. There will be no operating subsidy impact to the jurisdictions. Staff recommends waiving all parking fees at Addison Road Metro station.

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FUNDING IMPACT:

Define current or potential funding impact, including source of reimbursable funds.	
Project Manager:	Belinda Barrett
Project Department/Office:	CFO/LAND

TIMELINE:

Previous Actions	
Anticipated actions after presentation	<p>Decemer 2021-Customer notification of 2021 Plaform Shutdown Schedule at Addison Road</p> <p>February 13-May 14, 2021- Period that Metro would not collect the daily parking fee at Addison Road Metro Stations</p> <p>May 15, 2021 - Parking fees would be automatically reinstituted</p>

RECOMMENDATION:

Approval to waive all parking fees at Addison Road Metro Station during the 2021 Platform Improvement Project.-

SUBJECT: WAIVER OF COLLECTION OF PARKING FEES AT ADDISON ROAD DURING
BLUE LINE AND SILVER LINE PLATFORM IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

RESOLUTION
OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE
WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Compact § 60 the Board of Directors has sole and exclusive jurisdiction over service performed by transit facilities owned or controlled by WMATA, and the rates and fares to be charged for such service; and

WHEREAS, Certain Blue Line and Silver Line stations will undergo platform improvements scheduled to begin on or about February 13, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Staff recommends temporarily waiving collection of parking fees at Addison Road Metrorail Station during the platform improvement project;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors waives collection of all parking fees at Addison Road Metrorail Station parking facilities during the platform improvement project on the Blue Line and Silver Line for up to the earlier of six months from implementation of the waiver or when the General Manager and Chief Executive Officer terminates the waiver; and be it finally

RESOLVED, That this Resolution shall be effective 30 days after adoption in accordance with Section 8(b) of the WMATA Compact.

Reviewed as to form and legal sufficiency,

/s/ Patricia Y. Lee

Patricia Y. Lee

Executive Vice President and General Counsel