

SERVICE PROPOSALS FOR PUBLIC INPUT AND CONSIDERATION

The proposed budget assumes that during the second half of the fiscal year the proposed service reductions would need to take place to balance the FY2022 budget.

Specific Metrorail and Metrobus service changes include:

Proposed Metrorail Service Changes

Under this proposal, Metrorail would operate the February 2021 service levels (approximately 80 percent of pre-pandemic levels) for the first six months (July – December 2021) of FY2022, and then would need to reduce service to approximately 30 percent of pre-pandemic levels beginning January – June 2022 to achieve a balanced budget.

1. Standardize Weekday Rail Service Frequencies

Blue, Orange, Green, Yellow and Silver Line weekday headways would increase to 30 minutes all day from 12 minutes all day.

Red Line weekday headways would increase to 30 minutes all day from 6 minutes all day.

2. Standardize Weekend Rail Service Frequencies

Blue, Orange, Green, Yellow and Silver Line weekend headways would increase to 30 minutes all day from 15 minutes all day.

Red Line weekend headways would increase to 30 minutes all day from 12 minutes all day.

3. Implement Turnbacks on the Red Line

Additional 30-minute service would operate between Grosvenor-Strathmore and Silver Spring only, for a combined headway of 15 minutes on the Red Line between these stations, 7-days per week, Monday through Sunday. Headways from Grosvenor-Strathmore to Shady Grove and Silver Spring to Glenmont remain at 30-minutes. If Grosvenor-Strathmore is closed, the last station to transfer to a train to continue to Shady Grove would be Medical Center.

4. Implement Turnbacks on the Yellow Line

All Yellow Line trains operate between Huntington and Mt Vernon Sq 7-days per week, Monday through Sunday. If Mt Vernon Sq is closed, the last station to transfer to a train continuing to Greenbelt would be Gallery Place.

5. Close Rail Earlier Monday Through Sunday

The Metrorail system would close at 9 pm Monday through Sunday instead of 11 pm.

6. Close 22 Metrorail stations

Due to low ridership levels and to save resources, the following 22 Metrorail stations are proposed to be closed to customers for FY22.

1. Smithsonian
2. Arlington Cemetery

3. Federal Center SW
4. Federal Triangle
5. Mt Vernon Sq
6. Judiciary Sq
7. Archives
8. Greensboro
9. Eisenhower Ave
10. Virginia Sq-GMU
11. Cleveland Park
12. Grosvenor-Strathmore
13. Cheverly
14. Clarendon
15. East Falls Church
16. College Park-U of Md
17. McLean
18. Morgan Blvd
19. Van Dorn St
20. Reston Town Center
21. Innovation Center
22. Loudoun Gateway