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# Notice of Public Hearing

## Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Proposed Changes to Braddock Road Metro Station Alexandria, Virginia Docket R26-01

### Purpose

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority on proposed changes to transit facilities at the Braddock Road Metro Station as follows:

#### Open House 6:30 p.m.

Hearing No. 675

**7:00 p.m., Monday, April 20, 2026**

Charles Houston Recreation Center

901 Wythe Street

Multipurpose Room

Alexandria, VA 22314

Please note that this date is subject to the facility's cancellation policy. In the event of a cancellation, Metro will post information about a new hearing on [wmata.com](http://wmata.com).

The location for this public hearing is wheelchair accessible. Sign language interpretation will be provided. Any individual who requires special assistance or additional accommodation to participate in this public hearing, or who requires these materials in an alternate format, should contact the Office of Board Affairs at 202-962-2511 or TTY: 202-962-2033 as soon as possible in order for Metro to make necessary arrangements. For language assistance, such as an interpreter or information in another language, please call 202-962-1082 at least 48 hours prior to the public hearing date.

For more information, please visit [wmata.com/braddockhearing](http://wmata.com/braddockhearing).



In accordance with the requirements of Section 15 of the WMATA Compact, Metro will conduct a public hearing at the location listed in this notice. Information on this hearing will be provided in nearby Metrorail stations, and online at [wmata.com](http://wmata.com).

### **HOW TO REGISTER TO SPEAK AT THE PUBLIC HEARING**

All organizations or individuals desiring to be heard with respect to this docket will be afforded the opportunity to present their views, make supporting statements and to offer alternative proposals. Public officials will be allowed five minutes each to make their presentations. All others will be allowed three minutes each. Relinquishing of time by one speaker to another will not be permitted.

Individuals can provide testimony at the hearing in one of three ways:

**In person:** Those wishing to testify in person are encouraged to pre-register by emailing [speak@wmata.com](mailto:speak@wmata.com) or calling **(202) 962-2511** by **12 p.m. on the day of the hearing**. Only one speaker's name should be submitted per request. Individuals may also sign up at the hearing; advance registration is encouraged but not required.

**By videoconference:** To testify via videoconference, individuals must submit their name and organizational affiliation (if any) in writing to [speak@wmata.com](mailto:speak@wmata.com) by **5 p.m. the day before the hearing**. Only one speaker's name should be submitted per request. Advance registration to provide video testimony is required.

**By telephone:** To testify by phone, individuals should call **(206) 899-2028** during the hearing and enter the **Meeting Code 280 083 041#**. Advance registration is not available for telephone testimony.

### **HOW TO SUBMIT TESTIMONY NOT AT A PUBLIC HEARING**

You may submit testimony regarding this proposal online via survey at [wmata.com/braddockhearing](http://wmata.com/braddockhearing). This survey will open by **9 a.m. on Saturday, March 21, 2026** and close at **5 p.m. on Thursday, April 30, 2026**. It will also allow you to upload documents and provide written comments. This option is in addition to the opportunity to speak at a public hearing.



If you do not have access to a computer or the internet, you may mail your testimony to:

**Office of Board Affairs, SECT 2E**

Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority

P.O. Box 44390

Washington, DC 20026-4390

All mailed comments must be **received by 5 p.m. on Thursday, April 30, 2026** to be included in the official record. Please reference **“Braddock Road”** in your correspondence.

All comments submitted—whether online, by mail, or at the public hearing—will be provided to the Board and included in the official public hearing record. Please note that all statements are releasable to the public upon request and may be posted on WMATA’s website, without change, including any personal information provided.

For those without internet access, a complete copy of the docket may be requested by calling **202-962-2511** or inspected in person during regular business hours at Metro’s Headquarters:

**Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority**

300 7th Street SW

Washington, DC 20024

Please call **202-962-2511** in advance to schedule an appointment.

**WHAT IS PROPOSED**

Metro proposes changes (“Modifications”) to the Braddock Road Metro Station (“Metro Station”) transit facilities to enable joint development and increase ridership. The recommended changes are made after evaluation of future demand for the transit and Kiss & Ride facilities at Braddock Road Metrorail Station.



The Modifications include:

- Reconfiguration of the bus loop; and
- Closure of the off-street Kiss & Ride facility.

The changes to the transit facilities will be constructed in coordination with Metro’s future joint developer, which will be selected through a future solicitation.

In accordance with the WMATA Compact, the Modifications require an Environmental Evaluation (“EE”) to assess the potential effects of this action on the human and natural environment in terms of transportation, social, economic, and environmental factors.

Impacts identified in the EE are summarized below in Table 1.

For more information, please refer to the provided Environmental Evaluation.

**Table 1. Environmental Impacts of Modifications**

| <b>Environmental Feature</b> | <b>Permanent Impacts</b>   | <b>Construction-Related (Temporary) Impacts</b>                                  | <b>Minimization &amp; Mitigation Efforts</b>  |
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| Transportation               | <p>The on-site bus recirculation lane will be removed. This will add 1.0 to 2.5 minutes to bus travel times circulating around the block, depending on time of day.</p> <p>The Kiss &amp; Ride lot will be permanently closed.</p> | Disruption to pedestrian, bicycle and vehicular circulation during construction. | <p>Interim locations for bus services, pick-up/drop-off, and bicyclist and pedestrian access will be maintained at all times during construction.</p> <p>Busway will be realigned and will include two (2) new bus layover spaces and a</p> |



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|                       | Short-term pick-up/drop-off parking will be relocated to on-street.                                    |  | longer bus bay for articulated buses.<br><br>New curbside lanes will be created along N. West Street and E. Braddock Road with approximately 14-18 spaces for pick-up/drop-off activity. |
| Stormwater            | None – proposed modifications will not increase the overall amount of impervious surfaces at the site. | Minor sediment or erosion risk.                                  | Controls to be applied per Virginia and City of Alexandria requirements.   |
| Air Quality and Noise | No impacts resulting from changes to transit facilities.   | Dust or noise from construction-related equipment and operation. | Cleaning, minimizing night-time work, noise control measures.  |

**REFERENCE MATERIAL AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION**

The docket consists of this Notice of Public Hearing, an environmental report, and general plans for the proposed changes to the Braddock Road Metro Station. These documents are available online at [wmata.com/braddockhearing](http://wmata.com/braddockhearing) and may be inspected during normal business hours at the following location:



WMATA, Office of Board Affairs  
300 7th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20024  
202-962-2511  
(Please call in advance to coordinate)

You can also request to have these materials mailed to you by calling the Office of the Secretary at 202-962-2511.

### **WMATA COMPACT REQUIREMENTS**

WMATA's Compact requires that the Board, in amending the mass transit plan, consider current and prospective conditions in the transit zone should the project be built. The transit zone includes the City of Alexandria and considerations include, without limitation, land use, population, economic factors affecting development plans, existing and proposed transportation and transit facilities, any dislocation of families or businesses; preservation of the beauty and dignity of the DC Metro Area; factors affecting environmental amenities and aesthetics, and financial resources. The mass transit plan encompasses, among other things, transit facilities to be provided by WMATA, including stations and parking facilities, and the character, nature, design, location and capital and operating cost thereof. The mass transit plan, in addition to designating the design and location of transit facilities, also provides for capital and operating expenses, as well as "various other factors and considerations, which, in the opinion of the Board, justify and require the projects therein proposed" all as more particularly set forth in WMATA's Compact.

The environmental report and general plans for the project are available for public review at the locations identified in the reference materials section above.

The work and changes depicted in this information package constitute the proposed amendment to the Mass Transit Plan for purposes of the WMATA Compact.