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## **Notice of Public Hearing**

**Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority**

### **Docket R16-02: Proposed Changes to WMATA Facilities at King St-Old Town Metro Station**

**Purpose**

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority on the docket mentioned above as follows:

Hearing No. 609  
Wednesday, October 5, 2016  
Durant Arts Center  
1605 Cameron St.  
Alexandria, VA

**Information Session at 6 p.m. – Public Hearing at 6:30 p.m.**

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

The locations for all public hearings are wheelchair accessible. Any individual who requires special assistance such as a sign language interpreter or additional accommodation to participate in the public hearing, or who requires these materials in an alternate format, should contact Danise Peña 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 202-962-2582 at least 48 hours prior to the public hearing date.

**For more information please visit [www.wmata.com/plansandprojects](http://www.wmata.com/plansandprojects).**



**PURPOSE OF THE PUBLIC HEARING** – Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) to propose amending its mass transit plan. In order to create better connections for all modes of transit and accommodate additional ridership demand, Metro and the City of Alexandria have developed a reconfiguration of the King St-Old Town bus bay area next to the King St-Old Town Metrorail station. This reconfiguration includes an increase in the number of bus bays from 6 to 10 and creates a separate area for private shuttles, Kiss & Ride, and taxi stands. The project would provide critical infrastructure upgrades that would reduce vehicle and pedestrian conflicts.

~~Thirty~~ **All** short-term metered parking spots currently located in the Kiss & Ride lot would be permanently eliminated in order to implement the proposed reconfiguration plan. Additionally, the use of the Kiss & Ride lot for drop-off would be closed during the 2-year period of construction, and would re-open upon completion of the project.

**WMATA COMPACT REQUIREMENTS** – WMATA’s Compact requires the Board, in amending the mass transit plan, to consider data with respect to current and prospective conditions in the Transit Zone (which includes Alexandria, Virginia), including, 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; and 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.

**INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC** – The docket contains the Notice of Public Hearing and General Plans, and is available online at [www.wmata.com/plansandprojects](http://www.wmata.com/plansandprojects). In addition, the docket is available for inspection at the following locations:

Kate Waller Barrett Branch Library  
717 Queen Street  
Alexandria, VA 22314  
703-746-1703

WMATA’s Headquarters  
600 Fifth Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20001  
202-962-2511  
during normal business hours, please call in advance to coordinate

The work and changes to the King St-Old Town station depicted in this information package constitute the proposed amendment to the mass transit plan for purposes of the WMATA Compact.

**HOW TO REGISTER TO SPEAK** – All organizations or individuals desiring to be heard with respect to the proposed amendment to the mass transit plan as it relates to the Station will be afforded the opportunity to present their views and make supporting statements and to offer alternative proposals. In order to establish a witness list, individuals and representatives of organizations who wish to be heard at this public hearing are requested to furnish in writing their name and organizational affiliation, if any, via email to [speak@wmata.com](mailto:speak@wmata.com). The request may also be mailed to the Office of the Secretary, Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, 600 Fifth Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20001, or can be made by calling 202-962-2511. Please submit only one speaker's name per letter. Lists of individual speakers will not be accepted. Please note that all comments received are releasable to the public upon request, and may be posted on WMATA's website, without change, including any personal information provided. Public officials will be heard first and 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.

**HOW TO SUBMIT WRITTEN STATEMENTS** – Written statements and exhibits must be received by 9 a.m. on Monday, October 17, 2016, by the Office of the Secretary and may be emailed to [writtentestimony@wmata.com](mailto:writtentestimony@wmata.com). They may also be mailed to the Office of the Secretary, Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, 600 Fifth Street NW, Washington, DC 20001. Please reference KING ST in the subject line of your submission. Please note that all comments received are releasable to the public upon request, and may be posted on WMATA's website, without change, including any personal information provided.

**SURVEY** – Additionally, if you wish to participate in a survey on this project, please go to [www.wmata.com/plansandprojects](http://www.wmata.com/plansandprojects). The survey will open by 9 a.m. on Saturday, September 3, 2016 and will close on Monday, October 17, 2016 at 9 a.m. You will be asked to provide feedback on the proposal and related service changes, as well as some demographic questions. The information collected through the survey will be maintained anonymously. This option is in addition to your ability to speak at a public hearing and to submit a written statement. The survey results, along with written statements and public hearing comments, will be presented to the Board and will be part of the official public hearing record.