

The Bus Transformation Project

Jurisdiction and Agency Meetings*

Meeting	Date
WMATA Safety and Operations Committee	12/12/2019
Transportation Planning Board (TPB) Tech Committee	12/6/2019
Transportation Planning Board (TPB)	12/18/2019
City of Alexandria Transportation Commission	1/15/2020
WMATA Board	1/16/2020
Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC) MAC	1/21/2020
City of Falls Church City Council	1/27/2020
City of Fairfax City Council	2/4/2020
Prince George's County Council	2/6/2020
Montgomery County Transportation and Environment Committee	2/6/2020
Arlington County Transportation Commission	2/6/2020
Fairfax County Transportation Committee Supervisor: Transportation Committee Chair	2/14/2020
District of Columbia Committee on Transportation and the Environment/Committee on Facilities and Procurement	2/20/2020 3/2/2020
Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC)	3/5/2020
Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) and Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT)	3/5/2020
Loudoun County Board	TBD
Washington Suburban Transit Commission (WSTC) Board	Briefed via above meetings

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Briefing Objectives

- Present Strategy and seek endorsements from local and regional councils/boards on Strategy
- Empower Metro, bus providers, jurisdictions, and agencies to:
 - Lead on actions within their control
 - Partner to implement regional actions
 - Recognize current financial realities, while showing progress of a fast, frequent, reliable, affordable bus system that feels unified

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WMATA Safety and Operations Committee	12/12/2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Service standards and flexibility. Capital budget for bus improvements. Jurisdictions' and agencies' support of BTP as WMATA Board moves to endorse in January. <p>A Discuss endorsement next steps with staff</p>	Agenda	Audio	
Transportation Planning Board (TPB) Tech Committee	12/6/2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Draft WMATA FY2021 budget that recommends Metrobus service reductions. Purpose of the Task Force recommendation. <p>A Path to TPB endorsement following endorsement by jurisdictions.</p>	Agenda	Minutes	
Transportation Planning Board (TPB)	12/18/2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interested in idea of accountability and how that ties in with other regional bodies. Draft WMATA FY2021 budget that recommends Metrobus service reductions, particularly about transparency of data behind the decision-making. Importance of equity and reduced fares, including how to support the unbanked. Areas of the MWCOG region that are outside the WMATA service area that was included in the BTP. A variety of service types, including BRT and services that can be effective during off-peak hours. <p>A After briefings of member jurisdictions TPB could discuss potential action.</p>	Agenda	Audio	

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City of Alexandria Transportation Commission	1/15/2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A variety of recommendations, including the Task Force, the report card, the potential for bus lanes, bus-to-rail discounts, off-board fare payment, and cross jurisdictional bus priority. Interest in accountability through report card, civic pressure, and the business community. BTP connection with other with City plans – Transit Vision, BRT. The Commission unanimously passed a two part A motion to endorse the Strategy and encourage the City to incorporate BTP recommendations into its activities. 	Docket	Video	Resolution
WMATA Board	1/16/2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quantifying the progress and impact of the project recommendations. Board endorsed BTP recommendations A except for Task Force recommendation 	Agenda	Video	Resolution Document/ Endorsement
Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC) MAC	1/21/2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Where NVTC can lead and work with jurisdictions. Role of roadway owners, particularly VDOT and MDOT. Role of WMATA in setting service standards and role of Board. Seeking NVTC Board resolution at March meeting. A 	n/a	n/a	
City of Falls Church City Council	1/27/2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Draft WMATA FY2021 budget that recommends Metrobus service reductions. Interest in supporting low-income fare subsidies. Discuss endorsement next steps with staff A 	Agenda	Video	

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City of Fairfax City Council	2/4/2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> How to get all jurisdictions and agencies to engage collaboratively and interest in how technology can reduce barriers. MWCOG's role, role of the Task Force, and peer regions' success with a regional approach. General interest in bus priority options, application, and benefits. Agreement with presentation and feeling that City needs to take action and lead where feasible. A Council asked staff to come back with a resolution of support. 	Agenda	Video	Resolution Document/ Endorsement
Prince George's County Council	2/6/2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bus ridership and need for transit oriented development. BTP progress report. Potential to increase funding for County's transit vision. A Plan for committee agenda item later this year. 	Agenda	Video	
Montgomery County Transportation and Environment Committee	2/6/2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Draft WMATA FY2021 budget that recommends Metrobus service reductions. Need to match transit funding with service provided if WMATA service transferred to local operators. Support of WMATA capital program for bus priority improvements. A Discuss endorsement next steps with staff 	Agenda	Video	
Arlington County Transportation Commission	2/6/2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General support for BTP recommendations. Bus dwell times and BTP recommendations for mobile apps to plan and pay for trips and bus priority implementation to speed travel. A Discuss endorsement next steps with staff 	Agenda	Video	

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Fairfax County Transportation Committee Supervisor: Transportation Committee Chair	2/14/2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Low-income fare concepts and preference that any fare discounts are for people who need them, not everyone. New mobility and how private sector innovation can be incorporated. <p>A Provide briefing to the Transportation Committee in May</p>	n/a	n/a	n/a
District of Columbia Committee on Transportation and the Environment/ Committee on Facilities and Procurement	2/20/2020 3/2/2020	<p>Councilperson Cheh:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interest in specifics about how Task Force would be “empowered” Draft WMATA FY2021 budget that recommends Metrobus service reductions. Interest in service standards, cross jurisdictional service, improved coordination, flexible service. <p>Councilperson Allen:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Very interested in taking action and making progress towards transformation, including the Task Force. Groundswell of support to move forward should start from business community. Ready to take action through various Council events, internally, with Mayor, and with ANCs. <p>A Agreed to support a resolution by the Council to endorse the Strategy.</p> <p>Councilperson White (Chief of Staff and Legislative Assistant):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Draft WMATA FY2021 budget that recommends Metrobus service reductions. How the public was engaged during the development of the BTP. Existing and planned bus priority projects in DC. 	BTP Presentation	n/a	n/a

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Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC)	3/5/2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ NVTC can lead by convening agencies for more effective/extensive bus priority implementation. ▪ Supportive of Task Force but needs to ensure local representation as those jurisdictions fund and operate local bus systems <p>A Resolution of support – broad language to be updated to include specific support of Task Force.</p>	Agenda	Video	Resolution
Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) and Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT)	3/5/2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bus priority and balancing traffic delay at the regional scale. <p>A DRPT considering a broad endorsement but feel BTP not appropriate for consideration by Commonwealth Transportation Board.</p> <p>A VDOT considering similar broad endorsement.</p>			
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