



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (December 12, 2022) – Public transit riders in Allegheny County are invited to provide feedback on service changes related to Pittsburgh Regional Transit's upcoming Downtown-Oakland-East End Bus Rapid Transit project.

Comments will be accepted beginning Thursday, December 15 through February 1, 2023.

The nearly \$300 million BRT project will provide enhanced public transit service and better rider amenities along Fifth and Forbes avenues between downtown Pittsburgh and Oakland using dedicated bus lanes in both directions, improve safety with the addition of wider sidewalks and bike lanes, and upgrade existing infrastructure throughout the corridor. There will be 23 new transit stations constructed within the corridor.

The improvements are expected to reduce congestion, boost service reliability, and help unlock development opportunities.

In addition to major service changes directly associated with BRT routes, there will also be minor changes to an even greater number of routes. The changes are expected to go into effect as early as June 2023 to coincide with the first phase of construction.

To help riders better understand both the major and minor route changes, staff from PRT's Planning & Service Development Department will provide an overview and answer questions at an online information session at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, January 10 in advance of three public hearings to be held in-person at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., and online/phone only at 6 p.m., all on Wednesday, January 18, 2023.

Information about the project is also available at www.rideprt.org/brt.

Comments will be accepted online at www.rideprt.org/brt, by calling 412-566-5335 or via U.S.

Mail to:

Pittsburgh Regional Transit
RE: BRT Service Changes
Heinz 57 Center
345 Sixth Avenue, Third Floor
Pittsburgh, PA 15222

To sign up to attend the information session or to listen or to provide testimony at the hearings, visit www.rideprt.org/brt or call PRT Customer Service at 412-442-2000.

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