



Planning & Stakeholder Relations Committee

July 20, 2023

Board Committee Members

John Tague, Jr., Chair – in person
Ann Ogoreuc – in person
Stephanie Turman – in person

Other Board Members

Nicholas Pisciotano - virtual
Michele Zmijanac - virtual
Lori Mizgorski - virtual

1. **Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the May 18, 2023, Planning & Stakeholder Relations Committee were approved. There was no committee meeting in June.

2. **Wilksburg and Brushton Stations Conceptual Design and Visioning (Maira Egler)**

Part of the Station Area Plan for the Building on the East Busway project, a multifaceted planning effort to evaluate, conceptually design additional stations, and redesign existing stations on the existing fixed guideway of the East Busway, PRT is proposing to relocate Wilksburg Station by shifting it closer to Penn Avenue and create a new station at Brushton Avenue.

Following several rounds of public engagement, the designs would improve station access for all riders, and the two stations would be connected through a multi-use pathway with green infrastructure and public art.

The \$7.8 million Wilksburg Station portion has been fully funded by grants, state, and county funds, and is expected to begin construction in late 2025 or early 2026.

The Brushton Station portion of the project is to be determined, as PRT is actively pursuing funding.

3. **October 2023 Service Changes (Phillip St Pierre)**

Effective Oct. 1, 2023.

In advance of the BRT construction that will impact Downtown and Uptown, Routes 61D-Murray and 71A-Negley, 71C-Point Breeze, and 71D-Hamilton will terminate in Oakland and no longer serve Uptown and Downtown Pittsburgh.

- Routes will terminate and turn around at Fifth Ave and Robinson St

- 61D will use Craft Ave to Forbes Ave
- 71A/C/D will continue to use the contraflow lane on Fifth
- Routes will have “Short” added to their route names and head signs

Frequency changes:

- 61A, 61B, 61C, 61D, 71A, 71B, 71C Short, 71D Short, 82, 87, P1, P7

Running time adjustments:

- 61A, 61B, 61C, 61D, 65, 67, 91, P12, P76

Trip time adjustments:

- 14, 19L, 51, 54, 65, 86, 87, 88, Blue, Silver

Routing changes:

- 2, 58, 59, 65, 77, 89, 93, P17, 79, 61D, 71A, 71C, 71D

A major service addition will be made to the P17-Lincoln Park Flyer, with some peak route 79-East Hills trips being converted into full P17 trips. A Title VI analysis to be presented in September.

The P2-East Busway Short route will also be discontinued and replaced with increased P1 trips.

With no further business, the Planning & Stakeholder Relations Committee meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 21, 2023, in the fifth floor Board Room at Pittsburgh Regional Transit offices.