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Nashville MTA to initiate short-term service reduction on some routes *Temporarily reduced frequency during afternoon peak only*

NASHVILLE – Effective Monday, June 25, and continuing through the end of July, eight Nashville MTA bus routes will experience reduced frequency during afternoon peak.

Buses on the following routes will operate one less trip between 2 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., causing a five to 10-minute longer wait time. In some cases wait times could be longer depending on conditions.

- Route 6 Lebanon Pike
- Route 3 West End/White Bridge
- Route 5 West End/Bellevue
- Route 52 Nolensville Pike BRT lite
- Route 60 Music City Blue Circuit

BRT lite routes operating along Murfreesboro Pike (Route 55) and Charlotte Pike (Route 50) will operate as local service, stopping at all bus stops. Customers who generally use routes 10 and 15 should use routes 50 and 55, respectively, between the hours of 2 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Customers typically using these routes can temporarily expect longer travel times and should plan accordingly.

Customers are encouraged to call Customer Care at 615-862-5950 for specifics about the impacted routes or use existing real-time information tools, such as Transit app, for up-to-date arrival information during this period.

“We understand this is a huge inconvenience to some customers as we work to strengthen our bus fleet and increase safety and reliability,” Nashville MTA COO India Birdsong said. “Our preventive maintenance staff has worked hard to meet the demands of everyday service, but our fleet is well past its life expectancy. Fortunately, this is only a short-term problem as thirty-one replacement buses are on their way and will be put into service beginning in July.”

Thanks to past Metro Nashville budgets, Nashville MTA was able to place an order to replace 20 percent of its fleet. This will provide much needed improvements to service reliability and help replenish our aging fleet with more reliable transit vehicles. These new buses are accompanied by 19 paratransit vans, which are also slated to hit the street this summer.

To learn more about alternative bus routes, please visit our website at nashvillemta.org.

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