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System Improvements Coming to MTA October 1 *Better service to North Nashville, improvements to many other routes*

NASHVILLE – Starting October 1, the Nashville Metropolitan Transit Authority will implement improvements to nearly half of the system's 47 bus routes as part of their fall system changes.

The most significant improvements will bring better, more frequent bus service to the North Nashville community, including:

- **60 Music City Blue Circuit Replacement of 29 Jefferson:** Replacing Route 29 with Route 60 and extending service on the Blue Circuit from Downtown to Tennessee State University along Jefferson Street provides a free service to North Nashvillians.
- **19 Herman Route Extension** – Extending the service past the current end of line at 51st Avenue North and Tennessee Avenue along Tennessee Avenue and south through The Nations to Charlotte Avenue now connects more communities to other frequent services; and
- **22 Bordeaux Increased Frequency:** Service frequency improvements to every 15 minutes service during weekdays and every 30 minutes nights and weekends offers another route to residents with more connectivity.

"We are proud to bring so many service improvements to public transit here in Nashville," said MTA Board Chair Gail Carr-Williams. "The amount of support and excitement MTA has seen from riders, the community, and from Metro Government since nMotion was passed last September is electrifying. We look forward to growing the MTA system alongside Nashville to provide real mobility options for those who live, work, and play in this incredible city."

Information on the full list of system improvements can be found by visiting Nashville MTA's website.

In addition to MTA's bi-annual system changes, the agency is also changing the way detours are reported by eliminating the published PDFs on the nashvillemta.org website and moving exclusively to communicating detours through real-time bus information feeds*. Detour information can now be accessed through the trip planner on the nashvillemta.org website, or third party apps such as Transit and Google Transit.

"We were spending an inordinate amount of time trying to publish detour information that really wasn't reaching affected customers" MTA CEO Steve Bland said on the topic. "We are working hard to use technology to solve many of the challenges our customers experience every day. In the coming months, MTA plans to pilot technological solutions to continue bringing convenience and accessibility to our real-time information options for riders. The sum of these efforts underscores the notion of moving forward to improve the mobility of Middle Tennessee."

**Exceptions to this rule being for major event detours, long-term detours, snow routes, etc. These will still be published online.*

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