



MEDIA ADVISORY

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MTA buses to operate from 6th Avenue on Wednesday, March 15 *Music City Central to close due to President Trump's visit*

NASHVILLE – Effective Wednesday, March 15, 2017, all bus routes will be on detours, Music City Central (MCC) will close at 9:45 a.m., and bus service will transition to 6th Avenue due to President Donald Trump's visit to Nashville. He will be speaking at Municipal Auditorium Downtown and stopping at The Hermitage on Old Hickory Boulevard in Hermitage. The exact route and closures will not be announced.

On Wednesday, service will move to 6th Avenue between Korean Veterans Boulevard and Demonbreun Street. The first buses will depart from this location after 9:45 a.m. and will operate from there for the remainder of the day. Bus bays will be grouped in threes and marked with signs along 6th Avenue. In addition, MTA/RTA staff will be available on-site to assist customers.

Buses that normally depart from the upper level at MCC will pick up and drop off passengers on 6th Avenue northbound facing Demonbreun Street:

- A (Bays 1-3)
- B (Bays 4-6)
- C (Bays 7-9)
- D (Bays 10-12)

Buses that normally depart from the lower level at MCC will pick up and drop off passengers on 6th Avenue southbound facing Korean Veterans Boulevard:

- E (Bays 13-15)
- F (Bays 16-18)
- G (Bays 19-21)
- H (Bays 22-24)

Customers working in and around MCC who need to get to 6th Avenue to catch their bus should proceed to the nearest Music City Circuit bus stop for transportation to the temporary bus station. Circuit service will be subject to change due to rolling road closures, police activity, and potential sidewalk and street crowding concerns. MTA will keep riders updated on affected routes and stops via Twitter, Facebook, our real-time bus information apps, and Customer Care representatives.

Due to concerns about the traffic impact of President Trump's visit to Nashville and The Hermitage, the 3:20 p.m. trip to Nashville of the Music City Star has been cancelled.

Heavy congestion and detours on downtown streets will likely result in delayed buses bringing train passengers to Riverfront Station. When possible, all trains will depart on time, so we ask that riders please plan ahead.

The closure of MCC is a requirement of the Secret Service and will affect all building operations, including parking, Dunkin' Donuts and the Music City Market on the 4th Avenue level of the building.

Customers should purchase all bus passes before Wednesday as ticket vending services will not be available at the temporary bus terminal location, and they should expect major service delays due to wide-spread road closures, traffic and service interruptions during the President's arrival and departure, especially near the airport, in Hermitage, and Downtown.

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