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<b>Committee:</b> Transit Commission	<b>Date:</b> 2/4/2016
<b>Common Council Item Number:</b> 16-124	<b>Date:</b> 2/16/2016
<b>Submitted By:</b> Fred Abadi- Public Works	<b>City Administrator Approval:</b> Kevin Lahner, City Administrator KL
<b>Finance Department Review:</b> Rich Abbott, Finance Director RA	<b>City Attorney's Office Review:</b> Brian Running, City Attorney BER
<b>Subject:</b> Approval to Change Route 1 Weekday Morning Trips	

**Details:**  
 This item is to seek approval to eliminate the 8:05 am weekday Route 1 trip and add a new 5:35 am weekday trip. These two measures are part of a re-configuration plan of the Route 1 early weekday morning trips that are to help better serve passengers of Route 1 that travel between Waukesha and Brookfield. Currently only two buses operate the Route 1 in the early weekday mornings but at all other times (daytime, night, and weekends), the Route 1 operates three buses. The current schedule for the early morning Route 1 trips is tight and is difficult to operate given the morning rush hour traffic and ridership volume making it difficult for passengers to make their transfers on time. Further pressure will be added when E. Moreland Blvd. construction begins which will result in detours and slower traffic this Spring. The third bus would allow for more time for these trips like at other times of the day and week that Route 1 operates. In order to make the changes, the 8:05 am trip would need to be eliminated but a side benefit is that a 5:35 am can be added which would be a great benefit as there have been requests for early bus service to Brookfield. It should be noted that the next Route 1 trip leaving the Transit Center is at 8:15 am so the elimination of the 8:05 am would only result in passengers to wait 10 extra minutes. The change would be effective March 7, 2016.

**Options & Alternatives:**  
 The only alternative would be to keep the current schedule in tact but with the pending road construction on E. Moreland, it would make operating Route 1 in the weekday morning even more difficult.

**Financial Remarks:**  
 Transit budgeted for 2016 to add the third Route 1 bus for early weekday mornings in March to address the timing pressure on these trips. As proposed, the plan that includes elimination of the 8:05 am trip and adding the 5:35 am trip would add approximately 1.75 hours per weekday which is below the 3 hours/weekday Transit had budgeted. Some previously unforeseen efficiencies in the schedule have been discovered that will allow for a smaller increase in hours.



**Executive Recommendation:**  
Recommend approval.