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City Administrator Approval: Gina Kozlik, Interim City Administrator GK
City Attorney's Office Review: Brian Running, City Attorney BR

Subject:

Review and Act on Proposed Bus Stop Changes

Details:

This item is to review and act on proposed bus stop changes that include adding a bus stop at Main St. at Manhattan Dr. at the southwest corner of that intersection on Route 1. Passengers have been requesting a stop in that area to go to Woodman's and a stop in that area was recommended by SEWRPC in the 2023-2027 Transit Development Plan.

The other recommended changes are to eliminate bus stops listed below that have low ridership and have other stops in close proximity.

Side of Street

Route 4

College Ave @ Barstow St. Both sides of street

Route 5

Clinton St. @ Main St. East

West Ave @ Elizabeth St Both sides of street

Route 7

Michigan Ave. @ Michigan Ct. North

Route 15

Fleetfoot Dr @ traffic circle (north of Blackhawk Trail) Both sides of street

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The only alternative would be to not approve the bus stop changes, however not adding the bus stop at Main @ Manhattan would continue to make it more difficult for passengers. Adding the stop allows passengers more frequent and a longer span of hours to go to Woodman's and the other businesses in that area. Retaining the bus stop at Clinton @ Main would be problematic as it is a very difficult to drop or pick someone up safely as the area is very tight. The College @ Barstow stops also present some safety concerns as stopping on College Ave halts traffic. While the other stops proposed for elimination do not present safety issues, there is no real benefit in retaining them as they have very low ridership and have other stops in close proximity.

Financial Remarks:

The new bus stop installation would cost less than \$200 in materials which transit has in its budget. Removal of the other bus stops would only involve some staff time. Long term there is savings in removing the bus stops as there are less materials to be replaced.

Executive Recommendation:

Recommend approval.