

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING WAUKESHA TRANSIT COMMISSION

Proposed Service Changes Effective Monday, January 12, 2026

A public hearing has been scheduled by the City of Waukesha Transit Commission for **Thursday, October 9, 2025 at 5:30pm in the Common Council Chambers at Waukesha City Hall, 201 Delafield Street, Waukesha**, for the purpose of considering proposed service changes effective Monday, January 12, 2026 including: reductions in service levels of Route 1, slight reductions in span of service hours for Metrolift, reductions of service and minor routing changes of Route 6 and minor weekend trip reductions to Routes 5 and 9. The changes are designed to make the service more efficient and reduce expenses to within budgetary parameters.

At the hearing, the Waukesha Transit Commission will afford an opportunity for interested parties to be heard with respect to the proposed changes. Comments may also be submitted up to the time of the public hearing via e-mail at transit@waukesha-wi.gov or via mail to Waukesha Metro Transit, Public Hearing Comments, 2311 Badger Drive, Waukesha, WI 53188.

Route 1 Service Levels. The proposal is to operate Route 1 every 28 minutes instead of the current 24 minutes on weekdays and every 35 minutes instead of the current 27 minutes on Saturdays. Weekday service would have slight adjustments starting later at 5:30 am and end earlier at 11:30 pm on weekdays, start later at 7 am and end earlier at 11:15 pm on Saturdays and end service at 9pm on Sundays. Route 1 service reductions are proposed as a way to reduce costs without having major impacts on passengers.

Metrolift Hours. Metrolift hours would operate slightly less hours from 5:30 am – 11:30 pm weekdays, 7:00 am – 11:15 pm Saturdays and 7 am- 9 pm on Sundays.

Route 5 & 6 Changes. It is proposed to eliminate the following Route 6 trips due to low ridership: Weekdays 9:15 pm, Saturdays 5:20 pm & 6:20 pm, Sundays 3:20 pm, 4:20 pm & 5:20 pm. Route 5 proposed changes include adding a 5:20 pm Saturday trip, eliminating 3:50 pm & 4:50 pm Sunday trips. Route 6 is proposed to continue to operate to Badger Drive for the morning and afternoon peak trips on weekdays but would not operate to Badger Drive midday on weekdays nor on weekends. This is being proposed due to lower ridership to Badger Drive on off peak weekday and weekend times and to help keep Route 6 on time.

Route 9. It is proposed to eliminate the 5:50 pm Saturday Route 9 trip due to low ridership.

Additional service changes planned for January 12, 2026 include:

Route 15. It is planned to have Route 15 operate every hour like prior to June 2nd vs the current 45 minutes due to significant traffic delays from the East Bypass construction project. The first weekday inbound trip at 6:17 am is proposed for elimination due to low ridership.

Route 1. It is planned to operate Route 1 around the Milwaukee Regional Medical Center in the eastbound direction only which will save 5 minutes on the westbound trip back to Waukesha.

A complete list of the proposed changes and maps are available on the Waukesha Metro Transit website, www.waukeshametro.org and are posted at the Transit Center.

Any person that has a qualifying disability under the Americans with Disabilities Act that requires the hearing to be in an accessible format should contact the Transit Manager at the address above or telephone 262.524.3636 by no later than October 3, 2025 so that arrangements may be made to accommodate your request.