

Planning Board Report

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Ridership 1-pager Notes

- Lines 4, 7, 10, 17: Subtotals to better compare current month totals to prior years when fare types were different.
- Line 18: Full Fare, Reduced, and Student ridership were all up in January, leading to increased ridership for the month and year-to-date.
- Line 20: A reminder that the run cut that will go into effect in early May should help shift ambulatory lift passengers back to Capitol City Taxi.

USD 501 Update

- USD 501 ridership in January 2018 continues a similar trend.

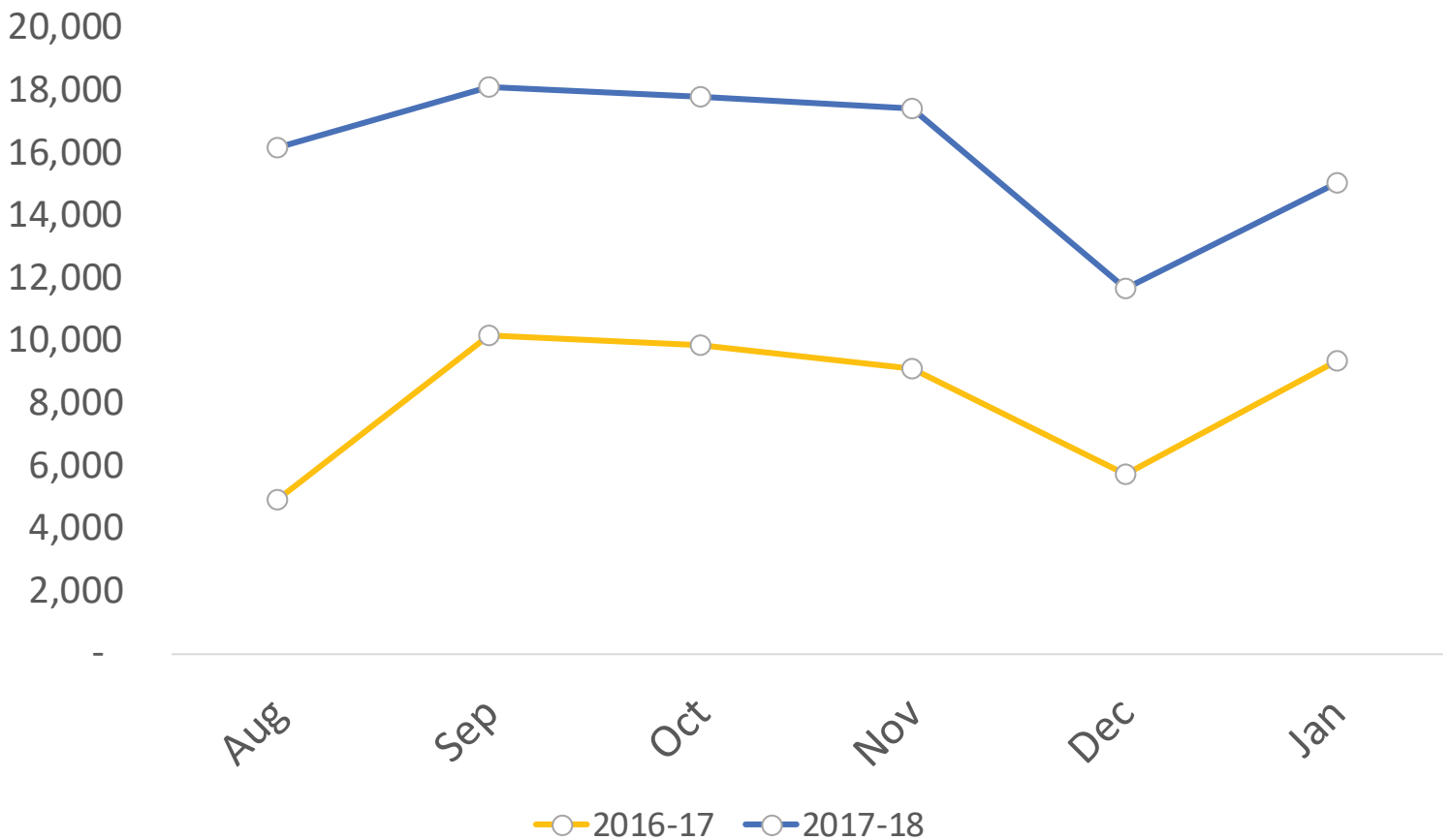
Total USD 501 ridership Aug 2016- Jan 2017

49,081

Total USD 501 ridership Aug 2017- Jan 2018

96,189

USD 501 Ridership 2016-17 vs. 2017-18



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MAY 2018 ROUTE & SYSTEM UPDATES

The following proposals have been discussed with operators on 2/8 and revised based on their feedback. These proposals will be presented to the public for input on:

- 2/16 at QSS from 7a-9a
- 2/19 at QSS from 11a-1p
- 2/21 at the Public Library from 4p-6p
- 2/22 at Avondale East from 5p-7p

***Please see attached PowerPoint slides for greater detail on each proposed change.**

ELIMINATION OF WEST 29TH SPECIAL

Low ridership along the route indicates service hours can be better used elsewhere in the system.

IMPROVED SATURDAY TIMING

Routes 12 & 17 will depart QSS at :45 after the hour, providing more frequent options for passengers traveling crosstown East-West.

MORE CONSISTENT DEPARTURE TIMES

Final outbound trips on Routes 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 10, 17, 21, and 29 will depart at 6:45p instead of 6:50p.

NEW SERVICE ADDED ON FIVE ROUTES

Routes 3, 6, and 12 will see added peak service. Routes 17 and 21 will see extended evening service until 7:40p.

ROUTE 5 REALIGNMENT TO SERVE FUTURE EAST TOPEKA LEARNING CENTER

The new route alignment will serve the future East Topeka Learning Center near 21st & Indiana and bring passengers closer to Hillcrest Park.

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METRICS

All proposed changes are revenue neutral, and fares are not increasing.

	<i>Current</i>	<i>Proposed</i>
<i>Weekday service hrs</i>	212.13	212.76
<i>Weekday non-rev hrs</i>	21.02	20.13
<i>Saturday service hrs</i>	119.0	119.0
<i>Saturday non-rev hrs</i>	6.0	6.0
<i>Total weekly hrs</i>	1,290.75	1,289.45

Other Projects in Motion

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- LONG RANGE TRANSIT PLAN
 - Statistically valid survey to begin week of 2/19. Results by early March.
 - Staff revising MetroQuest online public engagement tool. Available to public in early March.
 - Steering committee to be finalized soon.
 - Board/Steering Committee kickoff meeting & public open house first week of April.
- SOTO
 - 496 trips through 1/31/18
 - 1/16- 1/31 average rides per day = 22
- BUS TECHNOLOGY
 - Wi-Fi
 - AVL
 - Remote update Headsigns and Annunciator
 - 5339 Grant due Feb 16, 2018, decision made in Apr 2018, funding available Jul 2018.
- TRANSIT APP (Where's my bus?)
 - Estimated completion date dependent on AVL capability.
- CITY PLANNING PROCESSES
 - Momentum 2022: Andy Fry attending meetings as part of Infrastructure/Mobility/Quality of Place subcommittee.
 - Complete Streets Design Guidelines, next staff work group meeting: 2/28/18
 - Transportation Safety Plan: next staff work group meeting: 2/26/18