

DC Circulator Proposed Expansion: Public Hearing



East of the River Expansion: Skyland to Potomac Avenue via Barracks Row



August 2, 2011

Agenda



- Welcome
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- Public Hearing
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About DC Circulator



- Started 2005 with 2 routes
- Currently operating 6 routes
- High frequency service
- Low fare structure
- Short routes—no longer than 55 min. long
- Limited stops—3 to 4 stops per mile
- Fast connectivity, mobility and access to activity centers

Service

DC Circulator vs. Metrobus

DC Circulator

- Operates on a 10 minute headway
 - East of the River Expansion will operate from 6 AM – 7 PM
- Limited stop service—3-4 stops per mile
- Transfers between Circulator routes is free
- Easy to understand routes, schedule and fare structure

Metrobus

- Operates on a 10-15 minutes during peak hours; and 20-30 minutes during off peak.
- 8-10 stops per mile

Recommended Expansion

Phase I: Near-Term (FY 2012-2015)

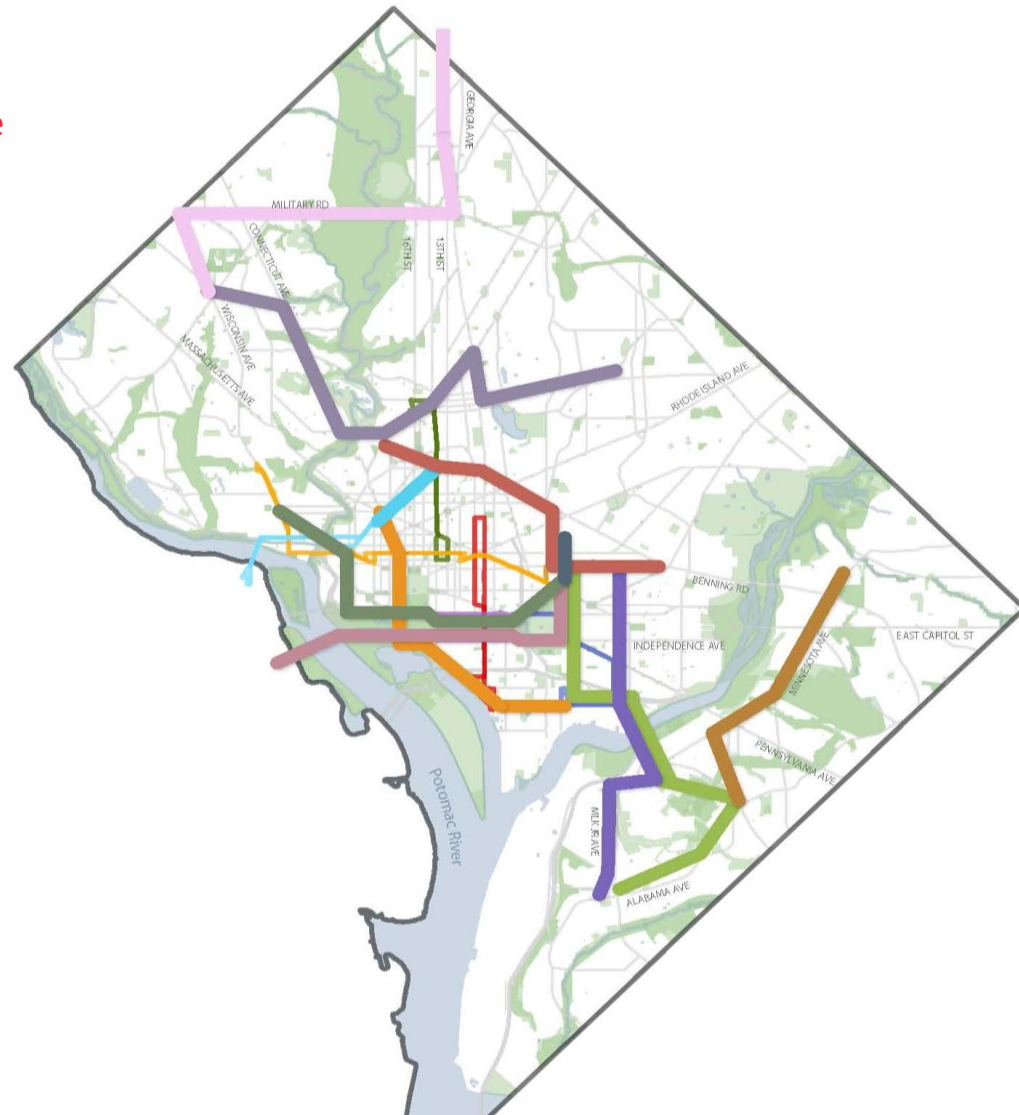
- East of the River Expansion—Skyland to Potomac Ave via Barracks Row
- Union Station—Navy Yard extension to NoMa
- Dupont Circle-Georgetown-Rosslyn extension to U St/Howard University
- North Mall—Union Station to Georgetown
- South Mall—Union Station to Arlington Cemetery
- Dupont Circle—Southwest Waterfront – Navy Yard

Phase II: Mid-Term (FY 2016-2018)

- Adams Morgan—H St NE
- St. Elizabeth's Campus/Congress Heights—H St NE
- Tenleytown—Brookland

Phase III: Long-Term (FY 2019-2020)

- Tenleytown—Silver Spring
- Minnesota Avenue to Skyland



Planning Process:

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- The Circulator Transit Development Plan called for ending service on the Convention Center-SW Waterfront line and introducing a new Circulator route connecting the activity center at Skyland to the activity center at Barracks Row/Eastern Market/Potomac Avenue.
- At the first community meeting held on **June 6th** residents greatly preferred a crossing on the 11th Street Bridges versus South Capitol Street. Interest was expressed in service to the Harris Teeter in Ward 6.
- At the second community meeting on **July 12th** DDOT introduced separate new routes instead of extending the current Navy Yard route, because of the desire to go across 11th Street Bridge.

Proposed Changes:

to Service

- DDOT proposes to reroute Union Station buses:
 - Right turn on Constitution and left on 2nd Street; establishing a new turnaround adjacent to Union Station.
- Union Station – Navy Yard route will no longer serve the Union Station garage level:
 - it will proceed from 2nd and Massachusetts Avenue NE to 1st and Massachusetts, stop at the new stop location on Columbus Circle at the flagpoles, turn right on F Street NE, and return southbound on 2nd Street.
- Transfers to the Georgetown—Union Station route:
 - Passengers may transfer at this new stop and ride it up into the garage, or walk across the front of Union Station to the other side to access Georgetown-bound buses.
- Stops located at Louisiana and D Streets NE will no longer be served.
- DDOT analysis shows this routing will be 5 minutes shorter than the current routing. As a result this service change should improve the on-time performance and reliability of this route considerably.

Proposed Changes:

Stop Consolidations

Eliminations

- EB Wisconsin @ P St NW
- WB Wisconsin @ P St NW
- WB Wisconsin @ N St NW
- EB M @ 31st NW

Consolidations

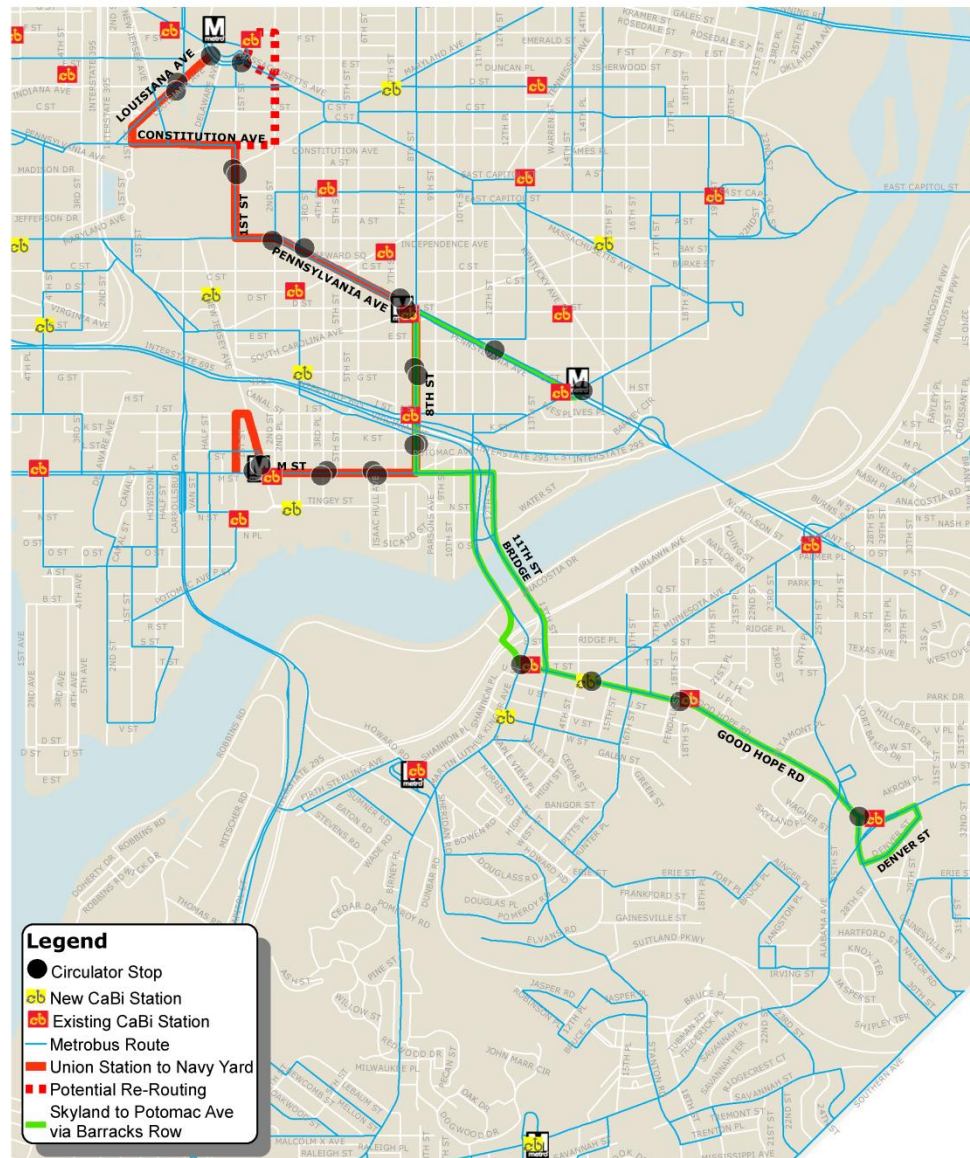
- Consolidate WB stops at K @ 18th, K @ 19th, and K @ 20th into one stop at K @ 19th
- Consolidate EB stops at K @ 18th and K @ 19th into one at K @ 19th

Additional Stop(s)

- 35th and Wisconsin stop

Skyland to Potomac Avenue Metro Expansion

Proposed East of the River Expansion



Q & A

Next Steps



- DDOT will host a second public hearing which will be a continuation of today's hearing, **Thursday, August 4th 2011** at the Anacostia Library from 6:00-7:30p
- DDOT will host their 2nd Semi-Annual DC Circulator Meeting in **Early Fall 2011**.
- Service for the East of the River Expansion will commence **October 3, 2011**.

Public Hearing



- Each person will be given two (2) minutes to provide their testimony on service changes and/ or expansion
 - Please state your name, street address and ward prior to providing you testimony
- Should your time expire if time permits after all who wish to testify have completed you may return to conclude your testimony
 - Maximum 2 minutes additional time per person
- If you do not wish to testify before the public verbally please feel free to take a comment form to provide written testimony.

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