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Dates Set for Information Sessions and Public Hearing for Proposed Service Changes associated with the RTS Transit Center

Public can speak out, weigh-in, and ask questions about the proposed new route patterns and schedules when the new RTS Transit Center opens on November 28, 2014.

When the Transit Center opens on November 28, 2014, Regional Transit Service (RTS) is proposing to adjust the bus lineup schedule and route structure to accommodate the additional time required to travel through the Transit Center and to enhance the customer experience. RTS is inviting customers to learn more about the proposed changes online at grta.com and during eight Public Information Sessions from April 3 – May 1. Customers will be able to weigh in and ask questions.

An official Public Hearing for customers' comments, concerns, and questions is set for May 8. At the Public Hearing, the public will be required to register to speak in advance and all comments will be presented to the Rochester Genesee Regional Transportation Authority (RGRTA) Board on June 5.

Dates, times and locations for the Public Information sessions are:

- Thursday, April 3, 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
Neighborhood Service Center South East, 320 North Goodman Street, Rochester
Accessible via [RTS Route 9 - Bay / Webster](#)
- Wednesday, April 9, 12 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Gates Public Library, 902 Elmgrove Road, Rochester
Accessible via [RTS Route 9 - Jay / Maple](#), [RTS Route 9 - Bay / Webster Ave](#), [RTS Route 20 - Brockport](#)
- Wednesday, April 16, 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
Cherry Ridge Community Center Room, 900 Cherry Ridge Boulevard, Webster

Accessible via [RTS Route 30 - Webster](#)

- Thursday, April 17, 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Gleason Auditorium, across from street from the Rochester Central Public Library, in the Bausch & Lomb Building, 115 South Avenue, Rochester
Accessible via [RTS Route 5 - South Ave](#), [RTS Route 11S - S. Clinton Ave](#), [RTS Route 24 - Marketplace](#)
- Monday, April 21, 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
Neighborhood Service Center North East, 500 Norton Street, Rochester
Accessible via [RTS Route 7 - Clinton](#)
- Thursday, April 24, 5:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.
RGRTA Administration Building, 1372 East Main Street, Rochester, Board Conference Room 116
Accessible via [RTS Route 8 – East Main St.](#)
- Thursday, May 1, 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
University of Rochester Medical Center/Strong Memorial Hospital, 601 Elmwood Avenue, Conference Room ACS C&D (on second floor off of main lobby of hospital)
Accessible via [RTS Route 5 - South Ave](#)
- Thursday, May 1, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.
Maplewood Public Library, 1111 Dewey Avenue, Rochester
Accessible via [RTS Route 10 - Dewey Ave](#), [RTS Route 10 - Portland](#)

Date, time and location for the Public Hearing is:

- The Public Hearing is scheduled for 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Thursday, May 8, at S.U.N.Y Brockport Metro Center, 55 St. Paul St., Rochester
Accessible via all RTS Routes heading to downtown

For more information on the information sessions or public hearing, please visit www.rgrta.com/planning

About the RTS Transit Center

Located in the heart of downtown Rochester, the enclosed, one-story RTS Transit Center spans the block between North Clinton Avenue and St. Paul Street. The LEED-certifiable structure will provide modern amenities in a secure, climate-controlled environment that is fully ADA-accessible. Customers will transfer and wait for buses indoors—replacing the outdoor lineups that now occur along Main Street, St. Paul Street and North Clinton Avenue, and on Broad Street.

Designed to serve as a modern transportation hub, the 87,000 square foot building will feature electronic displays of bus departure times, ticket vending machines, public rest rooms, and an information center staffed to assist bus customers as well as visitors to Rochester. With 30 bus bays, the Transit Center will accommodate as many as 100 buses per hour during peak times for service throughout Monroe County.

The RTS Transit Center is scheduled to open on November 28, 2014—five months ahead of its original schedule. Groundbreaking for the RTS Transit Center took place on Nov. 20, 2012. The \$50 million building is being funded by Federal Transit Administration funds (80%), New York State Department of Transportation funds (10%), and RGRTA (10%).

For more information, visit www.rgrta.com/transitcenter.

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