

MCTS NEXT
Phase 3 – August 29th, 2021
Text Description of Route Changes

The **BlueLine** (Fond du Lac-Mill) will travel between downtown (Clybourn & N. 5th) and N. 124th & Bradley primarily via Wisconsin Avenue, N. 17th Street, Fond du Lac Avenue, N. 64th Street, Mill Road, and N. 107th Street.

The BlueLine will continue to provide high frequency service (every 15 minutes) on Fond du Lac Avenue between downtown and N. 60th & Congress as it does today.

BlueLine service on Congress Street will be removed, but riders will continue to have service by Route 34 (Hopkins – Congress).

BlueLine service on N. 92nd Street will be removed, but riders will continue to have service with the new Route 92 (92nd Street). Buses on these routes will operate during the same service span and at a similar level of frequency as the current BlueLine.

A new route – Route 18 (National-Greenfield) – will replace former BlueLine service between downtown (Kilbourn & Water) and S. 70th & National. It will also be extended further west on both National Avenue and Greenfield Avenue.

The new BlueLine will also be extended past the northern endpoint at Park Place & Liberty to N. 124th & Bradley to reach multiple unserved businesses including Woodman's, Aldi, and Sam's Club.

The digital destination signs on the outside of northbound buses will display and announce: BLUE TO 124TH/BRADLEY / BLUE FOND DU LAC / BLUE MILL ROAD or BLUE TO FDL/HAMPTON / BLUE FOND DU LAC. The digital destination signs on the outside of southbound buses will display and announce: BLUE TO DOWNTOWN / BLUE FOND DU LAC

The new **Route 18** (National-Greenfield) will replace the BlueLine between downtown and West Allis primarily via Water Street / S. 1st Street, National Avenue and Greenfield Avenue.

Route 18 will provide high frequency service (every 15 minutes) to Greenfield Avenue & S. 84th.

Route 18 buses west of S. 84th Street & Greenfield will alternate between serving segments of both Greenfield Avenue and National Avenue.

Route 18 will operate west on Greenfield Avenue from S. 84th to S. 124th Street. It will replace Route 56 service which is also being modified.

Route 18 will replace current Route 54 service on National Avenue from S. 84th to S. 112th Street.

Service on S. 2nd Street-Plankinton-St. Paul is shifted to Water-S. 1st Street.

Service will run from 5:00 am to 1:30 am.

The digital destination signs on the outside of eastbound buses will display and announce: 18 TO DOWNTOWN / 18 GREENFIELD / 18 NATIONAL. The digital destination signs on the outside of westbound buses will read: 18 TO 124TH ST / 18 NATIONAL / 18 GREENFIELD or 18 TO 124TH ST / VIA INDUS. FOR BLIND / 18 NATIONAL / 18 GREENFIELD or 18 TO NATIONAL/112TH / 18 NATIONAL / 18 GREENFIELD.

The new **Route 60** (60th Street) is named for the street that it operates on (i.e. N. and S. 60th Street). It will provide new high frequency service (every 15 minutes) from Brown Deer to National Avenue and a similar level of service from National Avenue to Southridge. Current Route 60 service on Burleigh Street will be renamed Route 66. Route 64 will be retired.

The new Route 60 will replace current Route 76 service on the north end (N. 60th – S. 70th) and will replace Route 64 service on the south end (S. 60th Street).

The frequency of weekday service from Brown Deer Road to National Avenue will be approximately every 15 minutes (versus 20 min today). Weekend service will be approximately every 25 minutes (similar to today). Service from National Avenue to Southridge will be similar to today (about every 40-45 min).

Service will run from 5:00 am to 1:00 am.

The digital destination signs on the outside of northbound buses will display and announce: 60 TO BROWN DEER RD / 60 TO WALMART / 60 60TH ST. The digital destination signs on the outside of southbound buses will display and announce: 60 TO NATIONAL / 60 60TH ST or 60 TO SOUTHRIDGE / 60 60TH ST.

The new **Route 76** (76th Street) is named for the street that it operates on (i.e. N. and S. 76th Street). It will provide new high frequency service (every 15 minutes) from Brown Deer Road to Southridge. The route will also travel via a segment of N. 68th Street and S. 70th Street. Route 67 will be retired.

New Route 76 will replace current Route 67 service on N. 76th Street.

Some low frequency segments of current Route 76 will be removed due to low ridership (i.e., S. 68th Street between National Avenue and Edgerton Avenue and N. and S. 76th Street between Bluemound Road and Greenfield Avenue).

Service will also be removed on N. 96th-Allyn-Swan (N. 91st) but the current Route 88 (Brown Deer Road) nearby will remain.

Service on S. 76th south of Edgerton will now be served by the new Route 60.

The frequency of weekday service will improve to approximately every 15 minutes on N. 76th Street (versus 20 to 25 minutes currently) and on S. 76th Street (versus every 35 to 45 minutes currently). Weekend service will be approximately every 20 to 25 minutes. In comparison, service on S. 76th Street today only runs every 40 to 50 minutes. Service will run from 5:00 am to 1:00 am.

The digital destination signs on the outside of northbound buses will display and announce: 76 TO BROWN DEER RD / 76 76TH ST. The digital destination signs on the outside of southbound buses will display and announce: 76 TO SOUTHRIDGE / 76 76TH ST.

Route 22 (Center Street) will be modified and extended west to provide a new connection to Mayfair Mall and to N. 124th Street & North Avenue. Buses will travel between UWM and N. 124th & North Avenue primarily via Center Street, Swan (N. 92nd Street) and North Avenue.

The frequency of weekday service will be approximately every 20 to 25 minutes. Weekend service will be approximately every 30 to 35 minutes.

Service will run from 5:00 am to 12:30 am.

The digital destination signs on the outside of eastbound buses will display and announce: 22 TO UWM / 22 CENTER ST. The digital destination signs on the outside of westbound buses will display and announce: 22 TO 124TH/NORTH / 22 VIA MAYFAIR MALL / 22 CENTER ST.

Route 28 (108th Street) will be modified to expand access to multiple unserved and underserved job areas at both ends of the route. Buses will travel from N. Lovers Lane & Silver Spring to Speedway Drive & S. Lovers Lane (S. 108th) primarily via 124th Street and Mayfair Road-108th Street.

Service on the south end will be extended past the Hales Corners park-ride lot and past Forest Home Avenue to Speedway Drive and provide new access to numerous businesses along S. 108th Street.

Service on the north end will be modified to provide new access to Mayfair Collection and the unserved employment corridor along N. 124th Street between Capitol Drive and Silver Spring Drive.

Some segments will be removed due to low ridership (i.e. Watertown Plank Road between Mayfair Road and N. 124th, N. 124th between Watertown Plank Road and North Avenue, N. 107th between Silver Spring Drive and Hampton Avenue, and Mayfair Road between Burleigh Street and Hampton Avenue).

The frequency of service will be approximately every 35 to 40 minutes during the daytime; and hourly during the evening.

Service will run daily from 6:00 am to 11:30 pm.

The digital destination signs on the outside of northbound buses will display and announce: 28 TO SILVER SPRING / VIA MAYFAIR MALL / 28 108TH ST. The digital destination signs on the outside of southbound buses will display and announce: 28 TO FOREST HOME / 28 108TH ST.

The new **Route 66** (Burleigh Street) is being created since the Route 60 name is being repurposed for the route that serves N. and S. 60th Street. Buses will continue to travel mainly on Burleigh Street from UWM to Mayfair Mall.

Service to the Mayfair Collection and 124th & Capitol will be removed and replaced with new service via Route 28. Passengers will continue to be able to make this connection by transferring to Route 28 at Mayfair Road & Burleigh.

Weekend and Summer eastbound trips will still terminate at Humboldt.

The frequency of service will be approximately 25 to 30 minutes.

Service will run from 5:00 am to 1:00 am.

The digital destination signs on the outside of eastbound buses will display and announce: 66 TO UWM / 66 BURLEIGH or 66 TO HUMBOLDT / 66 BURLEIGH. The digital destination signs on the outside of westbound buses will display and announce: 66 TO MAYFAIR / 66 BURLEIGH or 66 TO MAYFAIR / 66 VIA WHITMAN/WEST / 66 BURLEIGH.

The new **Route 92** (92nd Street) is named for the street that it operates on (i.e. N. and S. 92nd Street). It will establish one route along this corridor (instead of three routes). It will also provide another way to travel to the Milwaukee Regional Medical Center. Buses will travel from Heather & N. 107th to Layton Avenue & S. 87th primarily via N. 91st Street and S. 92nd Street.

This route will feature new service on Discovery Drive and Swan between Watertown Plank and Center Street.

The frequency of service will be similar to today on N. 91st Street and more often on S. 92nd Street (every 30 to 40 minutes versus 60 minutes).

Service will run from 5:00 am to 12:30 am. The digital destination signs on the outside of northbound buses will display and announce: 92 TO BRADLEY/107TH / 92 VIA FROEDTERT / 92 92ND ST. The digital destination signs on the outside of southbound buses will display and announce: 92 TO LAYTON/84TH / 92 VIA FROEDTERT / 92 92ND ST.

Route 54 (Mitchell-Burnham) will be modified on the east end to provide a new connection to an unserved job area at Holt Avenue & Chase Avenue. Service on the west end will be removed but replaced with new Route 18 service. Buses will travel from National & S. 70th to Holt Avenue & Chase Avenue primarily via Burnham Street, Mitchell Street, Kinnickinnic Avenue, S. 1st Street, and Chase Avenue.

Service on National Avenue to S. 112th Street will be removed but replaced by the new Route 18 (National-Greenfield).

Service on Burnham Street west of S. 60th to S. 66th and on S. 66th will be removed due to low ridership.

Direct service to UMOS will be removed but Route 54 will have bus stops at Chase & Rosedale nearby.

The frequency of weekday service on Burnham Street and Mitchell Street will be approximately every 25 to 30 minutes.

Service will run from 5:00 am to 12:00 am.

The digital destination signs on the outside of eastbound buses will display and announce: 54 TO HOLT/CHASE / 54 MITCHELL / 54 BURNHAM. The digital destination signs on the outside of westbound buses will display and announce: 54 TO NATIONAL/70TH / 54 MITCHELL / 54 BURNHAM.

Route 55 (Layton Avenue) will be modified to provide more frequent service to riders along Layton Avenue. Buses will continue to travel from S. 108th & Layton Avenue to either Lake Drive & Kelly Senior Center or to Kinnickinnic Avenue & Lipton Avenue.

Service to Southridge via S. 76th Street will be removed due to low ridership. Passengers can continue to make this connection by transferring to the new high frequency Route 76 at S. 74th Street & Layton.

The frequency of weekday service will be approximately 35 minutes versus 40 minutes today. Service will run from 5:00 am to 11:30 pm.

The digital destination signs on the outside of eastbound buses will continue to display and announce: 55 TO KINNICKINNIC / 55 LAYTON AVE or 55 TO LAKE DRIVE / 55 LAYTON AVE. The digital destination signs on the outside of westbound buses will continue to read: 55 TO 108TH ST / 55 LAYTON AVE.

Route 56 (Greenfield-S. 43rd) will be modified to expand access to the underserved job corridor along Miller Park Way-S. 43rd Street and provide new service to Alverno College. Buses will travel from S. 1st & Mitchell Street to Loomis Road & S. 29th primarily via Greenfield Avenue, Miller Park Way-S. 43rd Street, Morgan Avenue, S. 27th Street, and Loomis Road.

Service on Burnham Street between Miller Park Way and S. 60th will be removed, but Route 54 will continue to provide service in this segment.

Service on Greenfield Avenue between S. 60th and S. 124th Street will be removed but replaced by the new Route 18 (National-Greenfield).

Route 18 will provide high frequency service on Greenfield Avenue between S. 60th Street and S. 84th Street.

The frequency of weekday service on Greenfield Avenue east of Miller Park Way will be approximately 25 to 30 minutes.

Service will run from 5:00 am to 12:00 am.

The digital destination signs on the outside of eastbound buses will display and announce: 56 TO 1ST/MITCHELL / 56 S. 43RD ST / 56 GREENFIELD. The digital destination signs on the outside of westbound buses will display and announce: 56 TO ALVERNO / 56 GREENFIELD / 56 S. 43RD ST.