

FY23 DURHAM ANNUAL TRANSIT WORK PROGRAM PUBLIC COMMENTS

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Great to see additions and expansions to bus routes. Additional funding towards sidewalks would be welcome as well.

Routes to/from the RDU airport (NOT the Triangle Bus Hub in RTP) itself on a regular basis would encourage "new" ridership. The routes served to/from the airport would include the ability to drive to a parking lot where you could leave your car (at no cost) and take the bus to/from the airport. This has worked well in many, many smaller cities like Durham and Raleigh and is well accepted in larger cities like Atlanta, Boston, etc.

To save folks on the northern side of Durham some time, why cannot you not have at least one of the route 9 buses turn right on Club Blvd when it comes off Dearborn and go to the Walmart at Glen Station? Would save us from having to go downtown and transferring to the 3. Just a thought.

For short term improvements, this certainly seems like a laudable list. I am concerned that we need more dramatic, city-defining plans, such as closing the Durham freeway through downtown and converting that right-of-way into transportation options outside of the single occupancy car, but that is a long project.

The increase in service on the 11 has served us very well and I am glad to see similar levels of service being added elsewhere in the city.

Expanding service on the 800, ideally to account for people who want to take early morning (6/7 am) flights from RDU, would really help. Likewise, expanding evening service between Durham and Chapel Hill on the weekends (an "owl" express bus that leaves every hour from 11 pm to 3 am, going between downtown Chapel Hill and downtown Durham, would be fantastic) would be a smart investment, particularly if you do it in partnership with downtown businesses in both places.

I am in support of the work plan as shown. It looks like Durham is trying to meet the needs of the community. We need more bus service and we need Commuter Rail. Surprised that GoTriangle is only asking for .25 of a position. Been following the work they do and some of their presentations.

I like the plan. Durham and the Triangle needs much improvement in its public transportation services. Compared to other major cities, the Triangle is lacking in this area.