



#### SEPTA Forward: SEPTA Bus Revolution

Virtual Community Conversation: West Philadelphia

# Agenda

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2 Intro to SEPTA's Bus Revolution

- **3** Draft Bus Network
- 4 Q&A
- 5 Next Steps

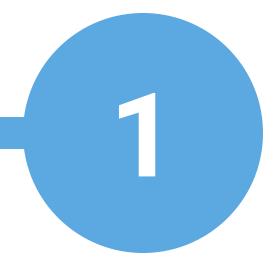


# Your ride is about to get easier.

See how SEPTA's bus network is changing!



# Welcome



### **Ice Breaker time!**

**Share in the chat:** Your name and neighborhood

#### **Registration Question:**

What bus route(s) do you take most frequently? *Most cited:* 

- 31 City Hall to 76<sup>th</sup> & City Ave
- 42 Penn's Landing to Wycombe or 61<sup>st</sup> & Pine
- 21 Penn's Landing to 69<sup>th</sup> Street TC
- 40 2<sup>nd</sup> & Lombard to Conshohocken & Monument

Route	Count
31	25
42	23
21	23
40	22
44	15
52	12
38	12
103	9
64	8

SEPTA bus routes cited most among registrants, as of 11/28/22, 10 am

# **Purpose of our Conversation Today**

#### We're here together to:

- Catch you up on the Bus Revolution
- Discuss how Draft Network would affect travel in West Philly
  - Presentation & Interactive Map
  - Polling questions
  - Q&A Ask us about your route! (Chat box)

#### Ground rules:

- Please remain muted to avoid accidental interruptions.
- Submit your questions and comments in the Chat box. When posting questions, try to keep them concise, so we can get to as many as possible.

# SEPTA's Bus Revolution

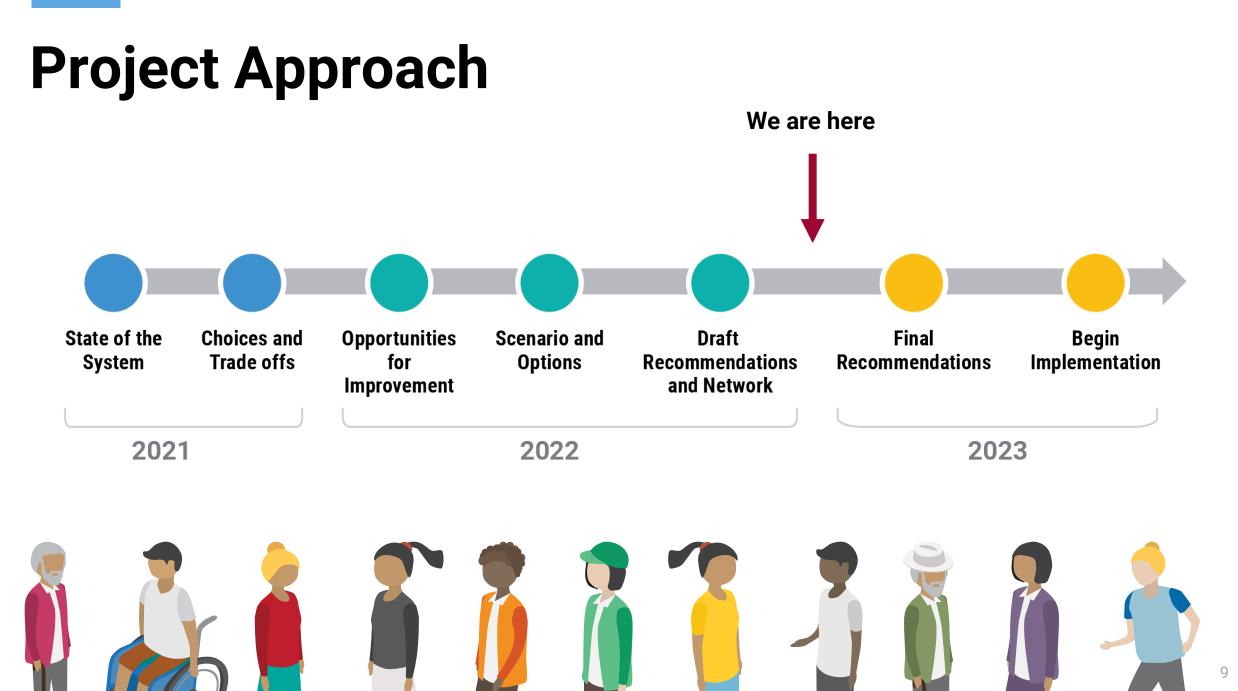
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"Blank Slate" redesign of SEPTA's fixedroute bus network

# Why Now?

- SEPTA Forward all working together towards a more fully integrated network serving a wide variety of trips
- SEPTA has never looked at its network comprehensively before
- Between 2013 & 2019 ridership dropped 13% but operating costs went up 10%
- Elimination of transfer penalty in 2020 offers opportunity to rethink how people can use the system
- Bus ridership is 30-40% below pre-COVID levels

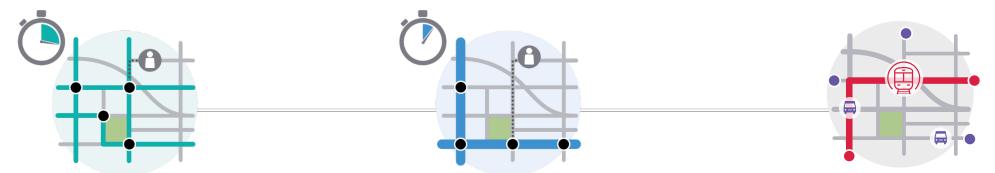




# Introducing the Draft Bus Network

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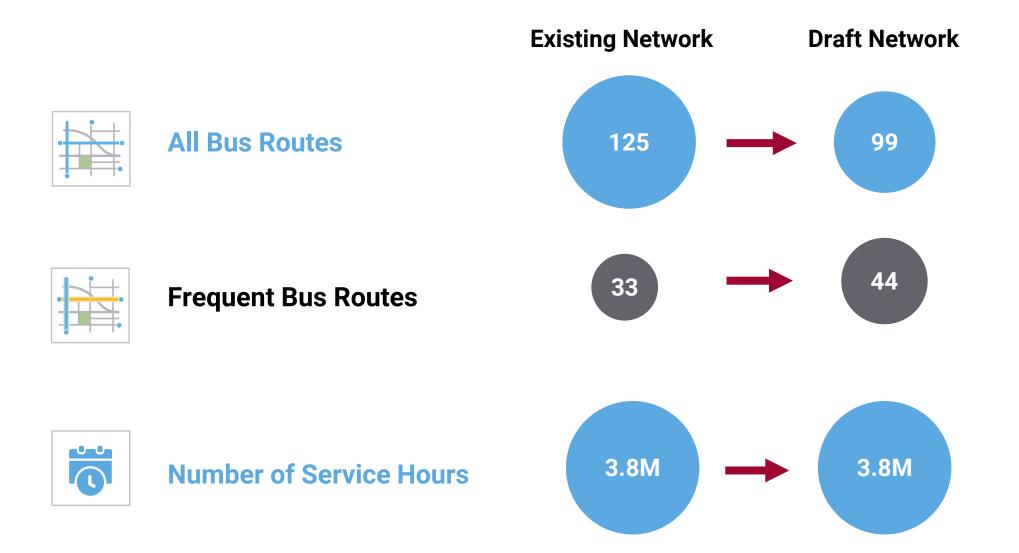
### SEPTA's Draft Bus Network: Strategic Approach



 More frequent bus service all day, every day  More consistent schedules  Straighter, more direct bus routes Better

 connections
 to other
 SEPTA
 services

### **Bus Revolution Draft Network**



# **Draft Bus Network**

Includes:

**Overall fewer routes** 

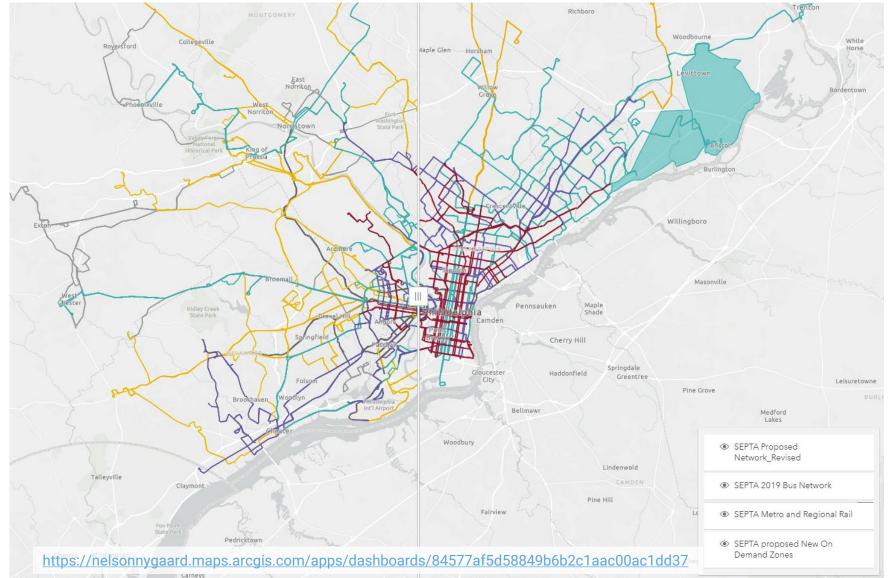
Straighter lines

More red & green routes

Fewer gold routes

Looks more like a grid

On-demand transit zones



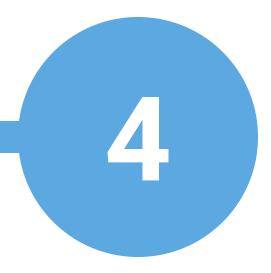
# **Understanding the MAX Series**

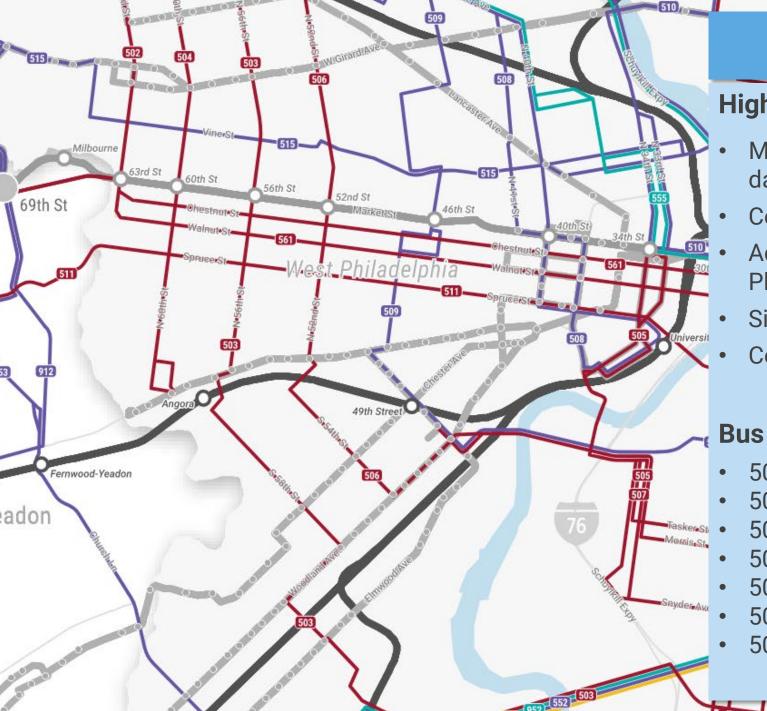
- The Bus Revolution uses the "MAX series" to talk about bus routes.
- MAX means the <u>maximum</u> time between buses. For example, a 10 MAX route will arrive at least every 10 minutes.
- All bus routes are described as:
  - 10 MAX l
  - 15 MAX 🦵 🗗
- Frequent Bus Service
  - 30 MAX
  - 60 MAX



Bus Revolution defines a "frequent" bus route as one that operates every 15 minutes or better.

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#### **Highlights**

- Most routes have all-day frequent service, 7 days/week
- Consistent schedules throughout the day
- Additional connections to North and South Phila. and other neighborhoods
- Simplified and straighter alignments
- Consolidated service on some streets

#### **Bus Routes Serving West Philadelphia**

- 502 (65)
- 503 (7 & G)
- 504 (46)
- 505 (49 and 79) •
- 506 (52)
- 507 (29)
- 508 (38 & 40)

- 509 (64)
- 510 (32 & 49)
- 511 (40 & 42)
- 515 (30 & 43)
- 555 (38 & 40)
- 561 (21 & 42)

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# **Major Changes**

#### • 10 MAX 511

Combines parts of Routes 40 and 42 via
 Spruce Street and South Street Bridge

#### • 15 MAX 515

 Combines parts of Routes 30 and 43 via Vine Street, Haverford Avenue and Spring Garden Street

#### • 15 MAX 508

- More frequent service between University City, Mantua and Wissahickon TC
- Combines parts of Routes 38 and 40 via Belmont Avenue and 40<sup>th</sup> Street



# **Polling Questions**

Log in to <u>www.menti.com</u>

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www.menti.com/alywj227qkt9



# Learn More



### How to Learn More

- 1. Talk to us at an open house
- 2. Participate in a virtual meeting
- 3. Visit the website
- 4. Invite the Bus Revolution team to one of your meetings



#### Tell us what you think.







### Talk to Us at an Open House

Date	Location	
<del>10/18 Tue</del>	Montgomery County-Norristown Library	
<del>10/19 Wed</del>	Phoenixville Rec Center	
<del>10/20 Thu</del>	American Legion #366 (Fox Chase)	
<del>10/25 Tue</del>	Vogt Rec Center	
<del>10/26 Wed</del>	Cliveden Carriage House	
<del>10/28 Fri</del>	Finnegan Rec Center	
<del>11/3 Thu</del>	Peak Center - North Penn Commons	
<del>11/3 Thu</del>	Chester City Hall	
<del>11/5 Sat</del>	East Passyunk Community Center	
<del>11/9 Wed</del>	Lucien Blackwell Community Center	

Date	Location
<del>11/10 Thu</del>	Bucks County Community College (Bristol)
<del>11/10 Thu</del>	Kingsessing Rec Center
<del>11/12 Sat</del>	Upper Darby Free Library Municipal Branch
<del>11/15 Tue</del>	Lower Merion Administration Building
<del>11/16 Wed</del>	Indian Valley Public Library
<del>11/16 Wed</del>	The Liacouras Center
11/29 Tue	Anderson Hall (6361 Lancaster Ave)
11/30 Wed	Esperanza Arts Center
12/1 Thu	Greater Olney Library
12/6 Tue	Wolcoff Auditorium Roxborough Memorial Hospital (5000 Ridge Avenue)
12/8 Thu	SEPTA, 1234 Market St.

#### Check for updates at septabusrevolution.com

# **Virtual Community Conversations**

Date and Time	Time	Focus Area
Monday, October 17	<del>6:30 PM – 7:30 PM</del>	Chester & Delaware Counties
Monday, October 24	<del>6:30 PM – 7:30 PM</del>	Northeast Philadelphia
Monday, November 7	<del>6:30 PM – 7:30 PM</del>	Northwest Philadelphia
Monday, November 14	<del>6:30 PM – 7:30 PM</del>	South Philadelphia
Monday, November 21	<del>6:30 PM – 7:30 PM</del>	Bucks & Montgomery Counties
<del>Tuesday, November 22</del>	<del>6:30 PM – 7:30 PM</del>	Northwest Philadelphia
Monday, November 28	6:30 PM – 7:30 PM	West Philadelphia
Monday, December 5	6:30 PM – 7:30 PM	North Philadelphia
Monday, December 12	6:30 PM – 7:30 PM	Center City
Tuesday, December 13	6:30 PM – 7:30 PM	River Wards / Kensington

#### **Register at septabusrevolution.com**

### Visit our website



#### SYSTEM MAP

The SEPTA system map shows all routes color coded by frequency. View the map online or pick up a printed version.



#### INDIVIDUAL ROUTES

Look up your bus route to see if it's changed. These information sheets show any proposed changes to each specific route, frequency, or schedule.



#### TRANSIT

SEPTA Network

legional Rail Line

7 - 60 Minute Servio 0+ Minute Service

Compare your current trip with the proposed network in the Transit App.

#### WEBSITE

Visit **our website** for all this information and more! You'll find more information about the proposed changes and how to give feedback.

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#### Find out what we're proposing.



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