

From the Interim Director, Department of Transportation, and the President and Managing Director, Milwaukee County Transit System, requesting authorization to extend Route 67 to South 84th Street and the Layton Avenue mixed-use development, by recommending adoption of the following:

AN AMENDED RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, a 48-acre, mixed-use development was created between South Interstate (I) 894 and Layton Avenue near South 84th Street in the City of Greenfield in the past year; and

WHEREAS, the development includes retail stores, restaurants, and office space at which there are hundreds of existing jobs and new job openings are expected in the coming years as the development continues to be built out; and

WHEREAS, the Milwaukee County Transit System (MCTS) currently serves this area with Route 55, which operates east-west on Layton Avenue, and requests from passengers seeking a north-south connection to the development have been received; and

WHEREAS, Route 67 is a major north-south bus route that is currently providing over 3,000 passenger rides each weekday, and the route's southern terminus is at West Howard Avenue about 1.5 miles north of Layton Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the benefits of extending Route 67 include improved mobility for riders and increased ridership, both of which are achievable as a budget neutral initiative; and

WHEREAS, similar to the extension of Route 67, the extension of Route 12 or 49 could ensure continued service to the eliminated Route 276 service area, at no additional cost to Milwaukee County; and

WHEREAS, MCTS is proposing to eliminate what they characterize as low performing every-day bus service on Route 276 (Brown Deer Business Park) in March 2018; and

WHEREAS, extending Route 12 or 49 to preserve the service of the eliminated Route 276, will ensure service to a dense area of employment and housing, that continues to experience further development and job growth, at no additional cost; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Transportation, Public Works, and Transit, at its meeting of January 17, 2018, recommended adoption of File No. 18-81 as amended (vote 5-0); now, therefore,

47 BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Transit System (MCTS) is authorized
48 to extend Route 67 buses to South 84th Street and Layton Avenue beginning in the first
49 quarter of 2018; and

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51 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, MCTS is authorized to extend Route 12 or 49 to
52 preserve service to dense areas of employment and housing, previously covered by
53 Route 276, beginning in the first quarter of 2018; and

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55 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, MCTS staff will conduct outreach activities with
56 stakeholders and riders to inform them of the changes to Route 67, and Route 12 or 49.

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