



Project Public Workshops – Comment Summaries

**Tuesday, November 19, 2013 – St. Leo The Great School, 885 Sweet Home Rd, Amherst, NY
5:00 PM – 8:30 PM**

Amherst Meeting Comment Forms/Sheets Summaries

- The population of Buffalo metro area is declining –why do we need more service?
- Focus service where people are living – follow density
- Better timed transfers
- More east-west routes
- BRT has the strongest/greatest potential to support development (3)
- Feeder buses/better bus service will be needed to serve village centers and industrial parks to give the service the most flexibility and connect train lines (2)
- Suggest mini-bus system to get more door-to-door service
- Extend LRT to outer harbor rather than proposed Buffalo River bridge
- Extend LRT to inner harbor, outer harbor, East Side and Cheektowaga
- Love the idea of LRT down Niagara Falls Blvd to I290 and then along I290 and I990 to UB North Campus
- Utilize rail rights of way when possible
- Would enhanced bus down Grover Cleveland or Bailey require widening the street?
- Run the current buses more frequently – Route 44, Route 40, extend Metro to UB Campus north on weekends (5)
- Main transit areas should include UB North Campus, Boulevard Mall, links to Williamsville and Clarence
- Another area needing transit connection's is a route to the Senior Center, Courts, Library and Audubon Park, Grand Island

Would like to see Light Rail above ground from UB South to UB North to Audubon to Crosspoint

- Likes service every hour to Niagara Falls Blvd to UB north to Center
- New rail would mean our City would not look like we are 'behind the times'
- Park N Ride transfer points will be important
- Why will this take so long – 2015 for a final recommendation? Process is too long.
- Concerned if LRT, bus service will be cut
- Would like to be able to connect to transit to Airport, Youngstown, Niagara Falls, Williamsville, Clarence (Eastern Hills Mall), McKinley Mall, ECC South, Wilson Stadium, Southgate Plaza
- Prefer Metro Rail expansion to: Inner City – Broadway/Market/Central Terminal, Corridor, Genesee St, Allentown; Elmwood Village; north to Black Rock and Riverside; south to Seneca St.; east to Cheektowaga, Airport, ECC north, Galleria

Non-travel related:

- Don't cut down trees to install the service
- Look at using the DL&W as a home for the Buffalo Convention Center
- NFTA has not maintained the current rail system – long time wait for down escalator repair
- Would like a copy of study flow chart (Charles Gilbert – ECO)
- No overhead lines (catenary?)
- No breaking up any neighborhoods
- Suggest interactive website be set up for mapping ideas
- Bring the boards to UB campuses again to gain student support

Where Do You Live/Work/Go Boards Summary

Amherst Meeting Board – Dot Locations

Location	Live	Work	Destinations
Route 102/Maple Rd. north to the northern study limits	3	5	7
Between Wehrle Drive and Route 102	20	11	13
Williamsville	0	3	4
Between Wehrle Drive and the southern study limits	7	6	15
Outside study area – west	4	2	3
Outside study area east	4	6	6
Total	38	33	48

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