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### Propose:

Mesquite COMPASS Service Changes Addition of Mobility on Demand

#### **Meeting Goals**



- **Explain** proposed service changes.
- Receive input from the public about the service.



#### STAR Transit Basics



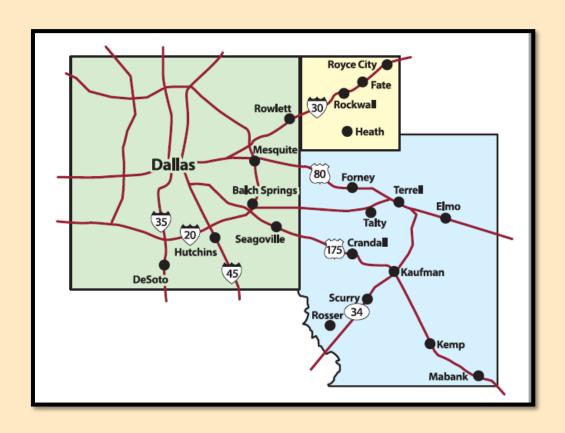
- STAR Transit is a political sub-division of the state of Texas providing over 200,000 rides per year with a staff of 102 and a fleet of 55+ vehicles.
- Based in Kaufman County operating as a Rural Transit District.
- Agreements in place with 10+ entities (as big as Mesquite and as small as Fate) with service ranging from Royse City to Navarro County.
- Serving Mesquite, Hutchins, Balch Springs, DeSoto and Seagoville in Dallas County.
- 4<sup>th</sup> largest transit agency in greater North Texas, with no dedicated sales tax.
- LogistiCare Gold Star Provider (2015, 2016, 2017, 2018) and was named the 2017 Provider of the Year.
- 2012 and 2019 Texas Transit Association Outstanding Rural Transit System.

#### STAR Transit Service Area



- Kaufman County
- Rockwall County

- Seagoville
- Balch Springs
- Mesquite
- Hutchins
- DeSoto



#### City of Mesquite Transit



#### **Current Service Details**

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#### **Demand Response**

6:00 am – 6:00 pm

10 Buses @ 8 Hours

#### COMPASS

• 5:02 am - 9:00 am

• 3:29 pm - 7:16 pm

2 Buses @ 4 Hours

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**96 Total Hours Daily** 

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### Mesquite COMPASS

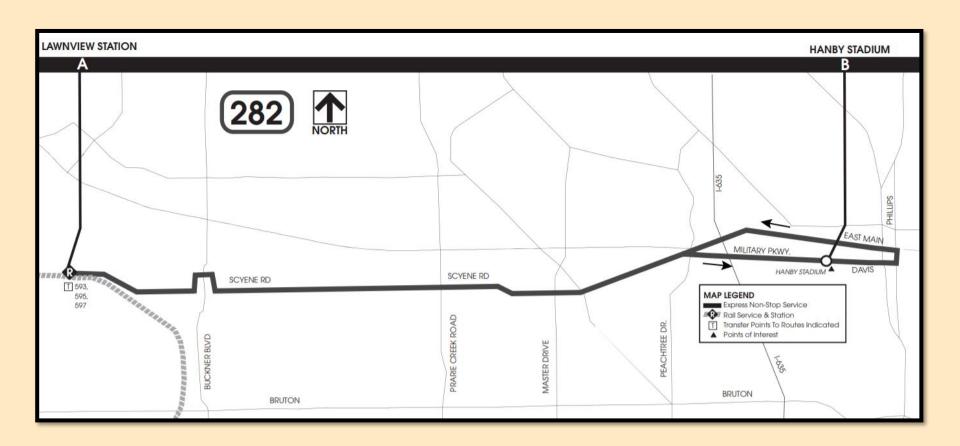


#### **Current Service Details**

- STAR Transit operates this weekday express bus service between Mesquite's Hanby Stadium and DART's Lawnview Station on the green line.
- The first bus leaves Hanby Stadium at 5:02 am & the last bus departs Lawnview Station at 6:56 pm.
- Peak period service operates every 30 minutes. No midday service.
- DART's fare structure is followed.



Map





#### Schedule

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**WEST** 

**EAST** 

MESQUITE PARK & RIDE		LAWNVIEW STATION		LAWNVIEW STATION		MESQUITE PARK & RIDE	
5:02 am	3:29 pm	5:22 am	3:51 pm	5:39 am	3:58 pm	5:57 am	4:18 pm
5:35 am	3:59 pm	5:55 am	4:21 pm	6:06 am	4:34 pm	6:24 am	4:54 pm
6:03 am	4:29 pm	6:25 am	4:51 pm	6:39 am	5:04 pm	6:59 am	5:24 pm
6:33 am	4:59 pm	6:55 am	5:21 pm	7:06 am	5:34 pm	7:26 am	5:54 pm
7:03 am	5:29 pm	7:25 am	5:51 pm	7:36 am	6:04 pm	7:56 am	6:24 pm
7:33 am	5:59 pm	7:55 am	6:21 pm	8:06 am	6:38 pm	8:26am	6:58 pm
8:03 am	6:29 pm	8:25 am	6:51 pm	8:36 am	6:56 pm	8:56 am	7:16 pm
8:33 am		8:55 am		9:00 am		9:20 am	

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## Revisions & Proposed Ideas



#### Revisions

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Beginning October 1 the following revisions will take place:

- DART Express Bus Route 282 = Mesquite Compass:
  - No longer a DART route.
  - DART fare structure will no longer apply.
  - DART passes will not be accepted.

#### Fare:

- General public = \$1.00 each way
- Qualified 60+/Veterans/Disabled Riders = No fare
- October = No Fare



#### Proposed Ideas

- Option #1 Keep route and reduce operating hours.
- Option #2 Add a Town East area stop to the current route, revise schedule to accommodate the addition.
- Option #3 Route from Town East area to Lawnview, no longer stop at Hanby.

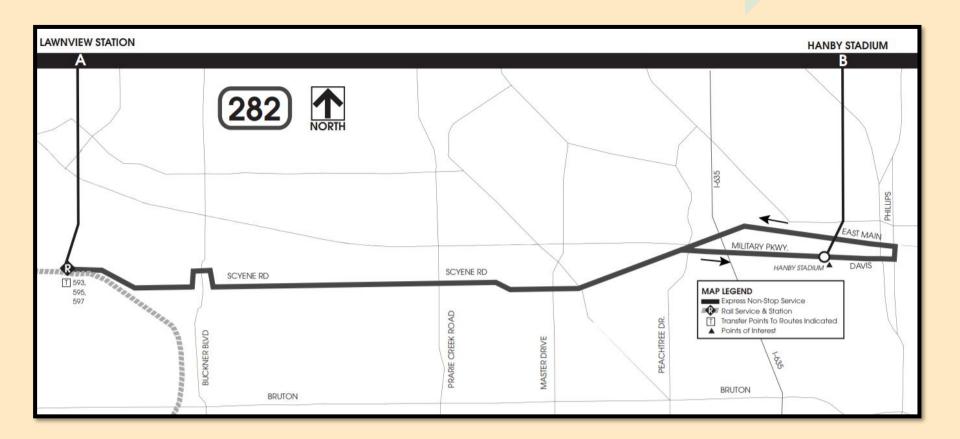


#### Potential Service Option #1

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Hanby Stadium

Lawnview

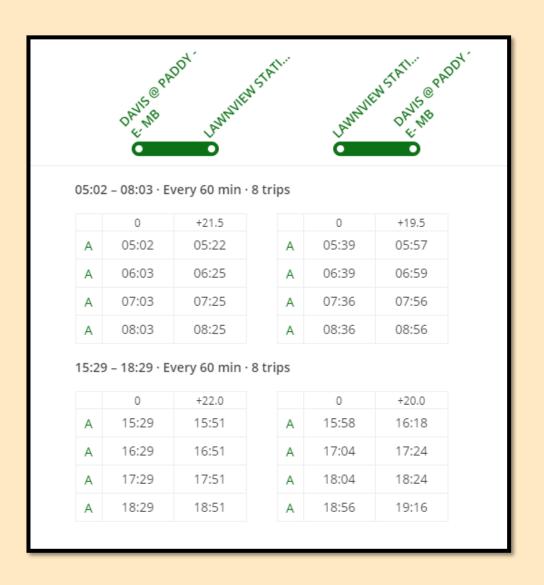


Trip Length – 8 Miles

Trip Length – 24 Minutes



#### **Potential Service Option #1**





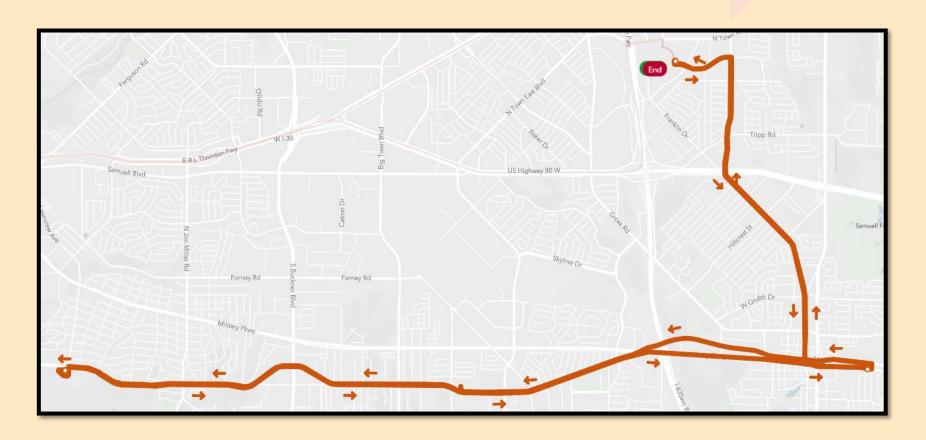
#### **Potential Service Option #2**

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Town East area

Hanby Stadium

Lawnview





#### Potential Service Option #2

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#### 04:45 - 09:15 · Every 90 min · 8 trips

	0	+15.0	+24.3
Α	04:45	05:00	05:22
Α	06:15	06:30	06:55
Α	07:45	08:00	08:25
Α	09:15	09:30	09:55

	0	+21.0	+14.0
Α	05:39	06:00	06:14
Α	07:06	07:27	07:41
Α	08:36	08:57	09:11
Α	10:06	10:27	10:41

#### 15:15 - 18:15 · Every 90 min · 6 trips

	0	+15.0	+24.3
Α	15:15	15:30	15:51
Α	16:35	16:50	17:21
Α	18:15	18:30	18:51

	0	+22.7	+14.7
Α	15:58	16:20	16:34
Α	17:34	17:57	18:12
Α	18:56	19:19	19:34



#### **Potential Service Option #3**

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Town East area

Lawnview

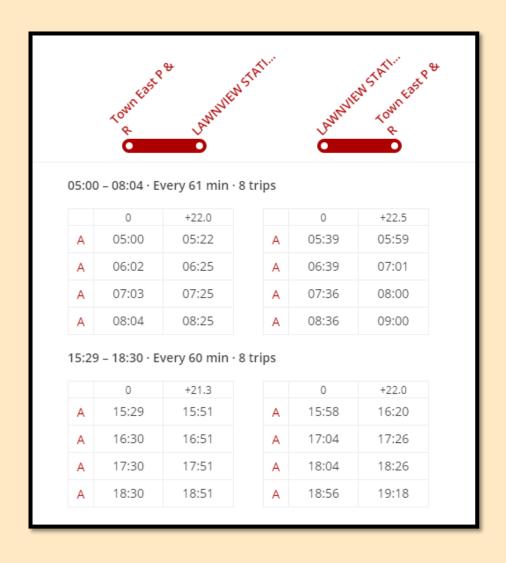


Trip Length – 20.6 Miles

Trip Length – 35 Minutes



#### **Potential Service Option #3**





#### **Proposed Timeline**

- July 22 Public Meeting
- August 5 Close of Public Comment period
- October 1 Revisions implemented

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# Questions or Comments



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### Mobility on Demand

#### Service Type: MOD



#### Standard Service Model

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- Customer calls; We arrive within 15 minutes and provide service.
- Fare structure:
  - Rides within travel zone = \$3.00
  - Rides to a STAR Transit bus route within travel zone = \$1.00
    - i.e., Hanby Park & Ride
  - No fare discounts
  - Cash pay and prepaid option in place.
- Shared ride service with trip purpose freedom.
- Operated by a STAR Transit driver in a smaller vehicle.



Passenger age requirement = 13 and above.

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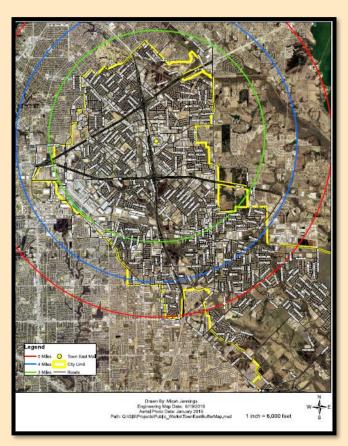
#### Proposed Standard Service Model Connecting you to where you want to go.

- Max trip length rule will depend on travel zone.
  - City limits exceed industry standard for MOD service zone.
- Trip origin/destination = Pre-determined travel zone.
- Advanced scheduling options available.
- Ride scheduling mobile app option.
  - COMING SOON
  - We'll work with technology providers to determine realistic long-term service zone structure.
- Service Hours:

4:00 am – 1:00 pm	
11:00 am – 8:00 pm	1

9 Hours, 1 Bus

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#### Service Type: MOD



#### **Proposed Timeline**

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July 22

Public Meeting

August 5

Close of Public Comment period

Fall

Launch Mobility on Demand service

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# Questions or Comments



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## Final Thoughts

#### Service Hour Breakdown



#### Weekday Service

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#### Demand Response (No Changes)

6:00 am – 6:00 pm

10 Buses @ 8 Hours

#### **COMPASS**

4:30 am - 8:30 am

1 Bus @ 4 Hours

• 3:15 pm - 7:15 pm

1 Bus @ 4 Hours

#### **Mobility On Demand**

4:00 am – 1:00 pm

1 Bus @ 9 Hours

• 11:00 am – 8:00 pm

1 Bus @ 9 Hours

96 Hours ► 106 Total Hours Daily

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## Thank You!