

FALL SUMMIT

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2021

ROMA K. IVEY COMMUNITY ROOM

GARY PUBLIC LIBRARY AND CULTURAL CENTER

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DISCUSSION TOPICS

TRANSIT AND THE PANDEMIC

NEW VEHICLES (vans, buses)

PARATRANSIT BRANDING

SHELTER and BUILDING PROJECTS

MOBILE APPS (and how to use them)

ODDS AND ENDS (South Shore projects, development, tactical urbanism)

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TRANSIT AND THE PANDEMIC

STILL UNDER EMERGENCY ORDERS (THROUGH JANUARY 18TH)

APRIL/MAY 2020: GPTC RIDERSHIP 60% DOWN

CURRENT: 45% DOWN (still down 60% nationally)

GPTC MASK PROTOCOLS ARE STILL IN EFFECT AT SHELTERS, ON BUSES, AT METRO CENTER

**WEARING
IS CARING**



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GPTC VEHICLE STATUS

AGING FLEET OF IN NEED OF REPLACEMENT

BUSES: Useful life of twelve years. GPTC average bus age: 11 years.

Seven buses ordered for delivery in 2022.

VANS: Useful life of four years. GPTC average van age: four years.

Three vans ordered for delivery in winter 2021.

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GPTC VEHICLE STATUS

BUS REPLACEMENT:

Bmx ELECTRIC BUS PROGRAM



State award assisting with purchase

Four electric buses and charging stations to be installed/delivered in spring 2022

Will make Gary/NWI healthier

Bmx will be Indiana's second electric Rapid Bus line and third Hoosier agency with electric buses



BROADWAY
metroexpress

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GPTC VEHICLE STATUS

VAN REPLACEMENT

THREE NEW PARATRANSIT VEHICLES WILL LAUNCH NEW BRAND!



PARATRANSIT DESERVES EQUAL FOOTING

GPTC began process in early 2020, working with stakeholders and design team. Board approved in early 2021.

New brand will distinguish mode and highlight accessibility.

Riders: Look for letters, magnets with new logo!

Better scheduling platform is being created, too!

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NEW SHELTERS AND FACILITIES

BROADWAY SHELTERS

REGIONAL PROGRAM

DRIVER RELIEF FACILITY



Damaged Bmx shelters to be replaced in 2022

New shelters targeted for 19th, Library area, 61st Avenue area

Shelters to be more durable, with larger setbacks

Replacement program by Gary-based company

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New and replacement shelters targeted for:

- East and West of downtown (2)
- Miller Beach (2)
- University Park (2)
- Downtown Hammond (1)

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NEW SHELTERS AND FACILITIES

BROADWAY SHELTERS

REGIONAL PROGRAM

DRIVER RELIEF FACILITY

- LOCATION: West side of 20th and Broadway
- New state-of-the-art facility will provide expanded amenities for drivers and staff
- Will provide additional administrative space
- Planned to include vehicle chargers for electric buses
- Design work to begin in early 2022

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MOBILE APPS AND MOBILITY as a SERVICE

GPTC'S SUITE OF MOBILE APPLICATIONS CONTINUES TO GROW

- Token Transit: 2018 launch with service changes
- GTFS Project: 2020 launch to add new capabilities; completed in spring 2021.
- Moovit: App allows for trip planning, fare purchases.
- Google Directions: Get transit recommendations in Google, pay for trips
- Transit App: Future deployment to be announced.



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MOBILE APPS AND MOBILITY as a SERVICE

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Chicago, IL

DIRECTIONS LINES ALERTS

Start Choose starting point

End Choose destination

Add origin and destination locations to get a list of suggested routes between them

Translate

GPTC'S WEBSITE TRIP PLANNER

- Built by Moovit, functions just like app.
- Provide: location, destination, time of ride
- Trip Planner will give routes, boarding location, trip times
- Moovit App version will tell you when you are approaching your stop!

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MOBILE APPS AND MOBILITY as a SERVICE

FUTURE MOBILITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

- Special program with new developers downtown
- Transit App capabilities
- Integrating with “microtransit” – scooters and bikes



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IN OTHER NEWS



SOUTH SHORE DOUBLE TRACK

- New Miller Beach commuter rail station
- More trains from Miller
- US12 re-routed to make room
- Oak/County Line (L2) route adjustments
- Project completion in 2024



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IN OTHER NEWS

GPTC DOWNTOWN TACTICAL URBANISM

- Crosswalks: installation of pedestrian pathways to improve safety by funneling riders/shoppers and alerting drivers
- Improve infrastructure at/near passenger facilities
- Improve pedestrian environment in adjacent businesses
- Promote transit use and connectivity to/between activity centers, art installations, bike trails and transit nodes
- Artists selected for spring improvements



**THE DOWNTOWN GARY
TACTICAL URBANISM
LABORATORY**
Model Improvements for the Broadway Corridor



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IN OTHER NEWS

TARGET LOCATIONS

- 9TH and BROADWAY
- METRO CENTER
- STADIUM AREA
- UNION STATION



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THAT'S THE END

QUESTIONS?

BREAKOUT TABLES with info on:

- Electric Buses
- ACCESS219
- NICTD DOUBLE TRACK
- MOBILE APP HELP STATION

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