

# Business Item – 2026-43

Transportation Committee



## Attachment 1

### Proposed Fare Policy Changes

Fare Policy	Current Fare or Policy	2026 proposal
<b>1.Reduce base fares</b>	Peak Express Fare: \$3.25 Off-peak Express: \$2.50  Reduced Peak Express \$1.00* *Only during non-rush	Consolidate Express Fares \$3.00 Per Ride  Consolidate Reduced Express Fare \$1.00 Per Ride
<b>2. Expand age range for \$1 youth fare</b>	6 – 12 yrs - \$1 youth fare	Increase age range to 6 – 18 yrs for \$1 youth fare
<b>3. Establish separate Metro Micro fare – Metro Transit Only</b>	\$3.25 Peak Fare / \$2.50 Off-peak	<b>Single Fare Pricing</b>  \$4.00 Fare  \$1.00 TAP  Transfer <b>To</b> and <b>From*</b> fixed route No Institutional or Period Passes, no Fare Capping  *surcharge where applicable

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### Proposed Changes to Fare Categories and Payment Methods

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<b>1. Standardize reduced fare rider programs to \$1 fare</b>	Reduced Peak Express \$3.25* *\$1.00 during non-rush	All Reduced Fares \$1.00 Youth / Seniors, Limited Mobility, TAP all \$1.00 per ride
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<b>2. Introduce fare caps</b>	Not applicable	<p><b>Fare caps replace prepaid passes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pay as you go, never overpay</li> <li>• Unlimited rides after daily or monthly cap</li> <li>• Implementation of fare capping is technology dependent and anticipated in 2027</li> </ul> <p><b>Local Fare Cap</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Daily Cap</b> - \$4 Regular fares, \$2 Reduced</li> <li>• <b>Monthly Cap</b> - \$64 Regular, \$32 Reduced</li> </ul> <p><b>Express Fare Cap</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Daily Cap</b> - \$6 (New), \$2 Reduced fares</li> <li>• <b>Monthly Cap</b> - \$96, \$32 Reduced</li> </ul>

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<b>Introduction of new Payment Method - 2027</b>	
<b>Open Payments</b>	Supports payment with personal bank cards and mobile phones <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Accepts all major credit cards for onboard and offboard payments</li><li>• Accepts mobile wallets</li><li>• Works with Google Pay and Apple Pay</li><li>• Supports fare capping</li></ul>