PUBLIC MEETING Proposed City of Norman Transit Service Changes



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- Summary of Service Changes
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Background

- University of Oklahoma transferred operations of City public transit service on July 1, 2019.
- In July 2020, the City hired a consultant,
 Nelson/Nygaard, to assist with updating the
 Long Range Transit Strategic Plan.
- On June 22, 2021 the Go Norman Transit Plan was unanimously adopted by City Council following an 11 month process of collecting data and receiving feedback from stakeholders, City staff, City Council, and the public.



Final Report

June 2021





Background continued

- Projecting 10 years into the future, the Go Norman Transit Plan identified many recommendations for transit improvements in Norman. These recommendations included additional frequency, Sunday service, expanded service coverage, and expanded hours on weekdays and Saturdays.
- The recommendations were put into phases to help guide the City in making improvements strategically as funding became available. The first phase of improvements was to revamp the current route network to better serve existing areas within or near the existing budget.





Public Notice

- The City of Norman hereby provides notice of three Public Meetings in order to receive comments on proposed summer 2023 transit service modifications planned for implementation in August 2023.
- Based on input gathered at the public meetings, it is anticipated that the City of Norman Council will act on these changes on December 13, 2022.
- These service changes will affect the entire Norman Transit service.
- Public Meeting Schedule
 - November 15, 2022: 12:00 1:00 p.m.

Virtual Meeting (Zoom)

Join: tinyurl.com/NormanTransitMeeting

Call in: 888-475-4499

Meeting ID: 873 4614 7180

— November 16, 2022: 2:30-3:30 p.m.

Norman Central Public Library Oklahoma Redbud Room 102 W Acres St, Norman, OK 73069

November 17, 2022: 6:30-7:30 p.m.

City of Norman City Hall Council Chambers 201 W Gray St, Norman, OK 73069



How to Submit Official Comments

- The City of Norman encourages public comments at public meetings or in writing on or before November 21, 2022. It is anticipated that Council will act on the proposed changes on December 13, 2022.
- All comments should include name, address, email, and phone number.
- Comments may also be submitted online at <u>tinyurl.com/NormanTransitChanges</u>, by emailing <u>transit@normanok.gov</u>, calling 405-307-7219, or by mail to:

City of Norman Transit

ATTN: 2023 Summer Service Changes

P.O. Box 370

Norman, OK 73070



Summary of Service Changes

- All routes will be operated out of a new City Transit Center, located at 320 E Comanche St.
- All routes will be reconfigured to improve service operations and passenger usability. This includes having routes mostly operate bidirectionally.
- Some route segments will be eliminated or realigned, resulting in both discontinued and new bus stops.
- In this presentation, there are more details about the new Transit Center and maps to help summarize the changes and to detail each route change.

New City Transit Center

- Currently utilizing OU/CART's Brooks Street Transfer Station.
- Purchased property at 320 E. Comanche St in April 2022 to remodel into a City Transit Center.
- Remodel will include many improvements, such as:
 - Exterior: Bus bays, ADA compliant site circulation, benches, trash cans, and shelters.
 - Interior: Public and staff restrooms, waiting area with vending machines and water fountain, staff breakroom.

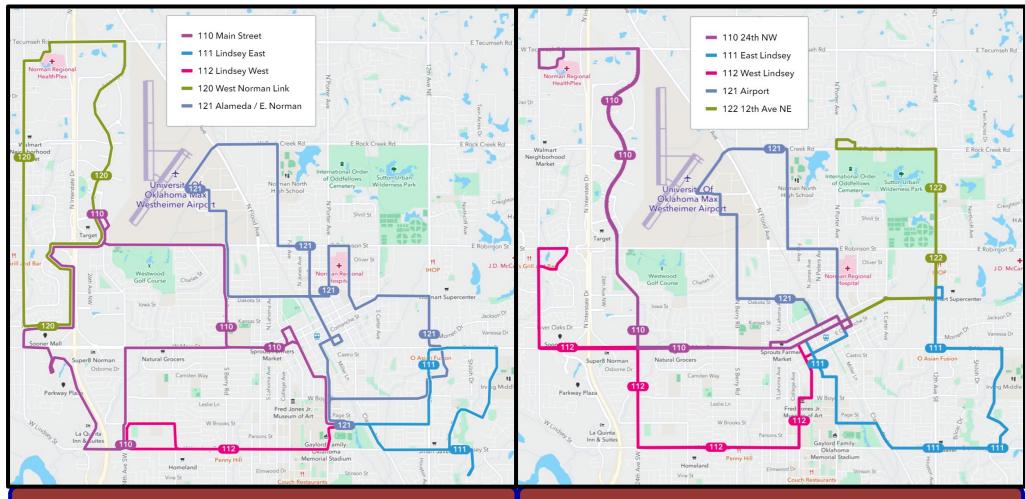


Current Exterior of 320 E. Comanche St



Rendering of Remodeled Exterior of 320 E. Comanche St

Current and Proposed System Maps

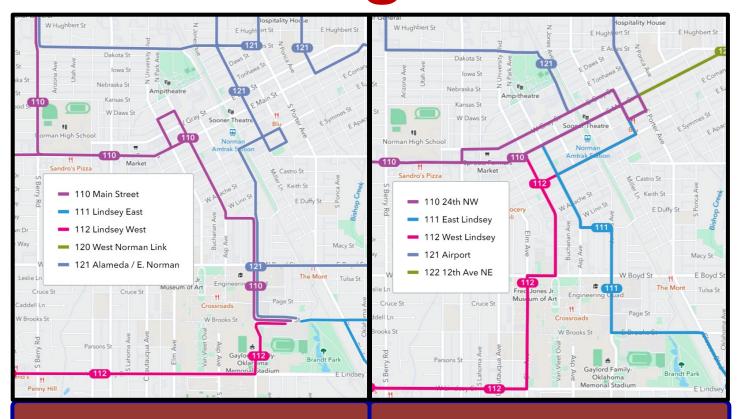




Current Routes

Proposed Routes

Changes in Central Norman



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All routes will be operated out of the new City Transit Center (320 E Comanche St), requiring various changes around the Porter Ave and Comanche St area.

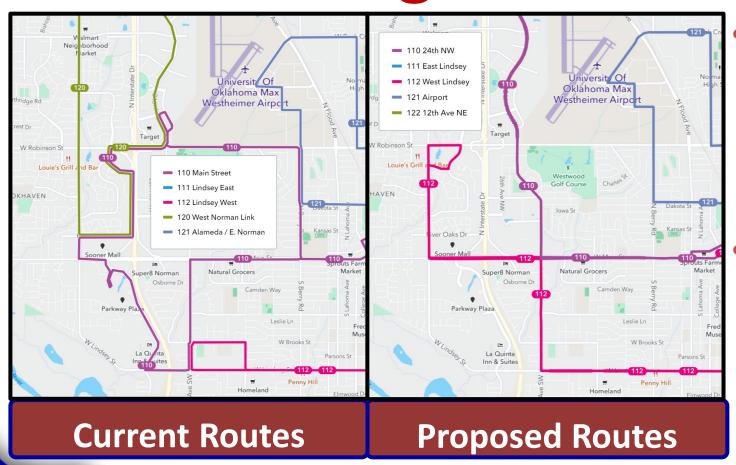
New/Additional Service:

- Gray St between Crawford Ave and Flood Ave (route 110).
- University Blvd between Main St and Boyd St (route 112)
 Elm Ave between Boyd St and Lindsey St (route 112)
- James Garner Ave between Acres St and Gray St (route 121).
- Eufaula St between Crawford Ave and University Blvd (routes 111 and 112).

Discontinued service:

- James Garner/Jenkins Ave between Eufaula St and Duffy St (route 121).
- Berry Rd between Acres St and Main St (route 110)

Changes in West Norman



 Proposed routes 110 and 112 would operate on a 60 minute frequency.

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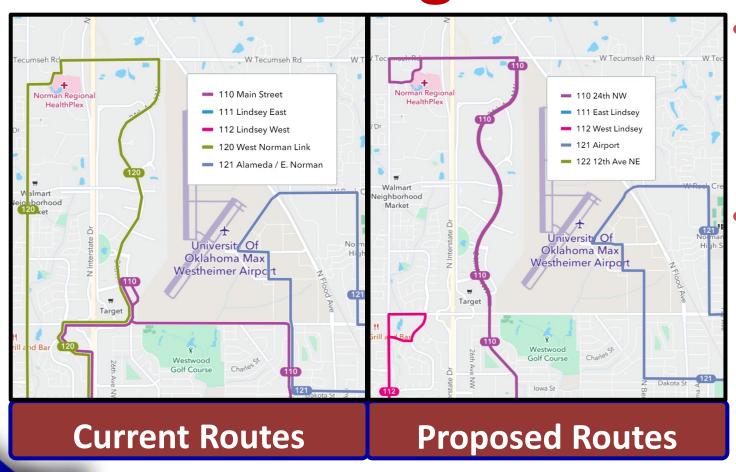
- Main St between 36th Ave and Berry Rd (routes 110 and 112).
- Rambling Oaks Dr and Havenbrook St between Robinson St and 36th Ave NW (route 112).

Discontinued service:

- Interstate Dr between Robinson St and Main St (routes 110 and 120).
- River Oaks Dr between Interstate Dr and 36th Ave NW (routes 110 and 120).
- Ed Noble Pkwy between Main St and Lindsey St (route 110).
- Brooks St and McGee Ave between 24th
 Ave SW and Lindsey St (route 112).



Changes in NW Norman



New/Additional Service:

- Tecumseh Rd between 36th Ave NW and 24th Ave NW (route 110)
- 24th Ave NW/SW between Tecumseh Rd and Lindsey St (routes 110 and 112).

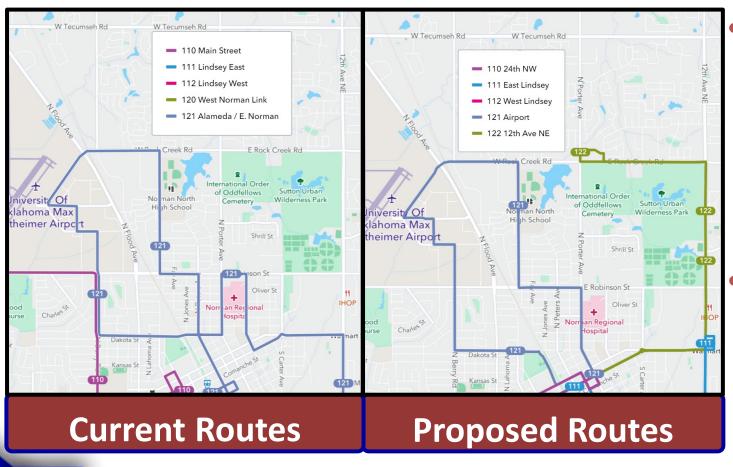
Discontinued service:

- Mt Williams Dr at Crest bus stop (route 110)
- Robinson St between 24th Ave NW and Berry Rd (Route 110)
- 36th Ave NW between Robinson St and Healthplex Pkwy (route 120).



 Proposed routes 110 and 112 would operate on a 60 minute frequency.

Changes in North/NE Norman



New/Additional Service:

- Rock Creek Rd between Porter Ave and 12th Ave NE (route 122).
- 12th Ave NE between Rock Creek Rd and Main St (route 122).
- Porter Ave between Robinson St and Comanche Ave (route 121).

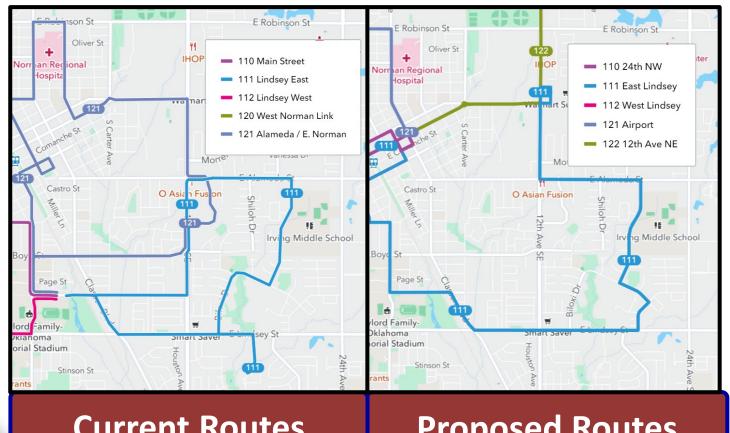
Discontinued service:

- Findlay Ave between Main St and Robinson St (Route 121).
- Peters Avenue between Robinson St and Symmes St (Route 121).



 Proposed routes 121 and 122 would operate on a 60 minute frequency "figure 8".

Changes in East Norman



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Proposed route 111 would operate on a 30 minute frequency.

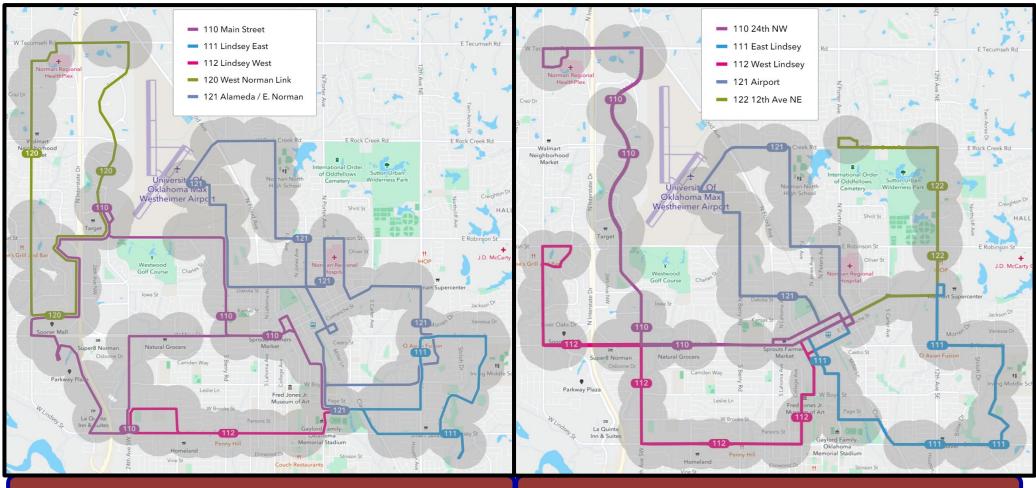
New/Additional Service:

- 12th Ave NE between Paloma Pl and Main St (route 111).
- Beaumont Dr to Brandywine Ln between Vicksburg Ave and Lindsey St (route 111).

Discontinued service:

- Brooks St between Classen Blvd and 12th Ave SE (Route 111).
- Beumont Dr to Biloxi Dr between Vicksburg Ave and Lindsey St (route 111).
- Creekside Dr between Lindsey St and Windchime Dr (Route 111).
- Boyd St between Jenkins Ave and 12th Ave **SE (Route 121)**
- Triad Village Dr between Alameda St and 12th Ave SE (route 121).

Current and Proposed System Maps with ¼ Mile Walkshed

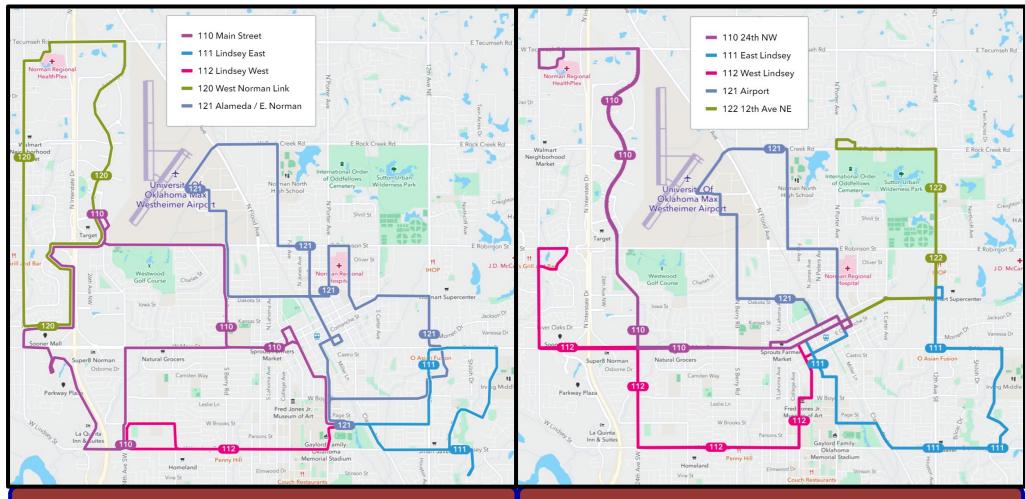




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Questions?

Transit and Parking Division

Department of Public Works

City of Norman

<u>www.normanok.gov/residents-visitors/transit-parking</u> <u>tinyurl.com/NormanTransitChanges</u>

> transit@normanok.gov (405) 307-7219

