Agenda – Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works – December 4, 2020

REPORTS

Item No. 2 Extension of Transit Route 676 Bridgwater – River Road

WINNIPEG PUBLIC SERVICE RECOMMENDATION:

- 1. That the changes to transit service on Route 676 Bridgwater-River Road be implemented as shown in the attached Figure 2 when the Spring 2021 schedule goes into effect, tentatively scheduled for April 18, 2021.
- 2. That the Proper Officers of the City do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Title: Extension of Transit Route 676 Bridgwater - River Road

Critical Path: Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works

AUTHORIZATION

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Winnipeg Transit is proposing that Route 676 Bridgwater - River Road be extended within the Bridgwater Trails neighbourhood. This will provide closer transit access to area residents, most notably a soon-to-be completed 277-unit condo complex at the corner of Bison Drive and Appleford Gate. Route 676 will be extended by approximately 900 m as shown in Figure 2. Two new stops will be added in order to provide service to residents:

- 62023: WB Bison Drive, near-side Appleford Gate
- 62024: EB Bison Drive, near-side Bridge Lake

This short route extension adds about one minute to the overall run-time of the route, and is only possible due to the presence of roundabouts in the neighbourhood which were designed to accommodate transit. There is sufficient recovery time at the end of each trip to absorb this impact without requiring additional run-time for the route.

There are no financial impacts associated with the route change.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. That the changes to transit service on Route 676 Bridgwater-River Road be implemented as shown in the attached Figure 2 when the Spring 2021 schedule goes into effect, tentatively scheduled for April 18, 2021.
- 2. That the proper officers of the City do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.

REASON FOR THE REPORT

Changes to transit routings require the approval of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works.

IMPLICATIONS OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS

Route 676 will be extended by approximately 900 m as shown in the attached Figure 2. The route change occurs along Bison Drive between the Bridgwater Trails and Bridgwater Lakes neighbourhoods.

Two new stops will be added in order to provide service to residents:

62023: WB Bison Drive, near-side Appleford Gate
 62024: EB Bison Drive, near-side Bridge Lake

The short route extension adds approximately one minute to the overall run-time of the route. It is only possible due to the presence of roundabouts in the neighbourhood which were designed to accommodate transit. There are no financial impacts associated with the route change.

HISTORY/DISCUSSION

There is a 277-unit condo complex being constructed at the corner of Bison Drive and Appleford Gate, with occupancy expected to begin in Spring 2021.

Winnipeg Transit is proposing that Route 676 Bridgwater - River Road be extended to provide closer transit access to residents of this property, as well as other residents in the surrounding area, where there are numerous single-family homes in the immediate vicinity of the proposed route extension.

The increase of the run-time of Route 676 from this route change is approximately one minute. There is sufficient recovery time at the end of each trip to absorb this impact without requiring additional run-time for the route.

There are therefore no financial impacts associated with the route change.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Financial Impact Statement Date: November 5, 2020

Project Name:

Extension of Transit Route 676 Bridgwater - River Road

COMMENTS:

There is no financial impact from the recommendation in this report.

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CONSULTATION

This Report has been prepared in consultation with:

Ward Councillor - Waverley West

OURWINNIPEG POLICY ALIGNMENT

Transportation Master Plan (2011)

Key Strategic Goal Five:

A transportation system that is financially sustainable.

Key Strategic Goal Six:

A transportation system that reduces its greenhouse gas emissions footprint and meets or surpasses climate change and emissions reduction goals set by the City and the Province.

WINNIPEG CLIMATE ACTION PLAN ALIGNMENT

This report is in accordance with the Winnipeg Climate Action Plan (WCAP) as per Direction 3.1 *Increase Use and Efficiency of Public Transit Systems* (page 37).

SUBMITTED BY

Department: Transit

Division: Service Development

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Date: November 5, 2020

Attachments:

Figure 1: Current Routing of Route 676 Figure 2: Proposed Routing of Route 676

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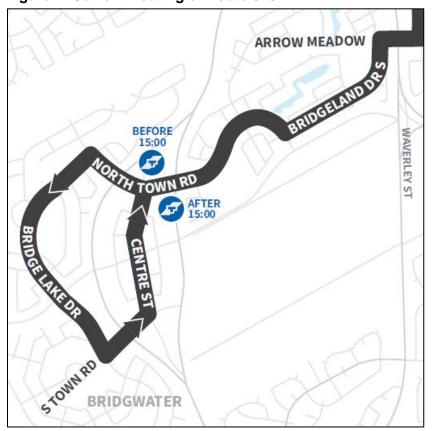


Figure 2: Proposed Routing of Route 676

