



City of Arlington Transit Expansion Plan



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The City of Arlington Transit Expansion Plan (TEP) includes goals to improve transit coverage within the City. The City of Arlington as part of their Complete Streets Plan has taken a deeper look at the existing transit system and needed improvements for connectivity and coverage. This plan will be used in conjunction with Community Transit in order to work towards common goals. It is included as a part of the Complete Streets Plan, and is anticipated to be included into the Comprehensive Plan in the future.

Existing System Overview

Existing transit service is centered on the Smokey Point Transit Center, a hub for transportation south to the greater Seattle area. Existing bus routes serve the downtown neighborhoods and businesses with connections to Darrington and Stanwood. Commuter service to Boeing is provided from the downtown park and ride twice in the morning and twice in the evening. Service to the Everett Transit Center is currently available about every fifteen minutes.

First Mile/Last Mile

In an effort to bridge the gap between existing service and the riders' final destination, the city has created a Pedestrian Improvement Plan and Bike Improvement Plan to provide safe and convenient pathways to neighborhoods, businesses, and employment areas.

Limited Service

After reviewing the existing system a large area of the City, shown on the map below, does not currently have bus service. This area includes a large area of single family residences, Arlington High School, Weston High School, the Arlington Food Bank, the Boys and Girls Club, including the sports field complex, and several City parks. This area of the city will also be the center of significant growth in the coming years, including multifamily residential developments and industrial business growth. An additional limiting factor to transit ridership is the lack of parking at the Smokey Point Transit Center. Increasing service will reduce the need for parking and increase potential ridership.

Connectivity

The City of Arlington is partially defined by the airport situated at the center of the City. The airport community, also serves as a partial barrier to connectivity between the Smokey Point Neighborhoods and businesses and neighborhoods that surround the historic downtown business district. Another priority to connectivity for the City is providing safe direct routes to the Transit Center is Smokey Point. By ensuring this is accessible, the city is able to widen connectivity to the greater Seattle area. In order to create connectivity throughout the City, several routes have been identified as vital for transit improvements. Proposed improvements on SR531 (172nd Street NE) in conjunction with a combination of trail improvements and sidewalks along Cemetery Road and 188th St. NE would go a long way towards connectivity. Other areas identified as critical to city wide connectivity include Smokey Point Blvd., 204th St NE, and Highway 9.



Transit Expansion Plan (TEP)

The City has created a draft transit expansion plan to increase service to areas currently underserved, and increase ridership. The City of Arlington will work with Community Transit to identify needed routes and stops, and evaluate ridership needs. Refer to the attached TEP.

City of Arlington
Transit Improvement Plan

Proposed Improvements

-  Proposed Transit Stop Locations
-  Proposed Hourly Transit Route
-  Transit Improvement Area

Legend

-  Schools
-  Community Transit Bus Stop
-  201 202 to Everett Station (Every 15 min)
-  240 to Stanwood (Hourly)
-  220 Arlington Local Route (Hourly)
-  230 to Darrington (1 AM/PM)
-  227 to Boeing (2X AM/PM)
-  209 to Everett (30 min)
-  Existing Sidewalks
-  Existing Trails
-  Streets
-  City Parks
-  City Limits



Arrows show connections to County trails

Community Transit GIS data provided via FTP October 2018

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 1 in = 2,481 feet

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