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## RTC seeks community input on the Maryland Parkway Bus Rapid Transit Project

Survey seeks feedback on transit shelter design options

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**LAS VEGAS** - The Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada (RTC) is asking for public input as it moves forward with planned transportation improvements along Maryland Parkway. A new survey, available Thursday, May 19, seeks feedback on design concepts for new transit shelters and shared bus-bike lanes.

With the goal of improving mobility and safety along the Maryland Parkway corridor, the RTC is designing a 13-mile Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) line that extends from the South Strip Transit Terminal in the south, to the Las Vegas Medical District in the north. Maryland Parkway is home to 90,000 residents and 80,000 jobs, and carries approximately 9,000 transit riders and 35,000 vehicles daily. It is a vital corridor for the Las Vegas Valley, connecting many high-activity centers including the Harry Reid International Airport, the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV), The Boulevard Mall, Sunrise Hospital, as well as commercial and residential areas.

Two shelter concepts have been designed and a <u>short survey</u> seeks feedback on various aspects of those designs such as lighting, shade, seating options, comfort, safety, and security. The survey is now open and can be accessed through Thursday, June 30, 2022.

"We are thrilled to move forward with this project and invest in these much-anticipated improvements along the Maryland Parkway corridor," said RTC CEO M.J. Maynard. "This initial phase of planning and design includes an inclusive and accessible public involvement process that will engage all interested parties throughout the duration of the project."

Preliminary engineering and design began in October 2020, and construction is anticipated to begin in 2023, subject to federal funding availability. The project will include extending service from Maryland Parkway's current Route 109 further into downtown and over to the Las Vegas Medical District, upgraded traffic signal control, enhanced transit shelters, landscaping, shared bus-bike lanes, upgraded pedestrian crossings and wider sidewalks. Construction is expected to be complete in 2025.

More information on the entire project can be found on the <u>Maryland Parkway Bus Rapid Transit Project</u> website.

## **About the RTC**

The RTC is the transit authority, designated metropolitan planning organization, regional traffic management agency and administrator of the Southern Nevada Strong comprehensive regional plan for the Las Vegas valley. The RTC's vision is to advance regionally transformative mobility solutions through equitable, innovative and sustainable infrastructure development. The RTC's mission is to elevate quality of life for residents and visitors through sustainable planning, collaborative problem-solving, and safe and equitable transportation service. For more information about the RTC and its major initiatives or to download its transit app rideRTC, visit rtcsnv.com and stay informed by subscribing to our blog.