

MEDIA ADVISORY

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WeGo announces strategic planning for the Star Survey, public meetings begin in July

NASHVILLE – WeGo Public Transit is launching a strategic planning process to optimize and improve WeGo Star service and infrastructure investments over the next few years and into the future. Public meetings have been announced for July.

The strategic planning process seeks to ensure that the Star regional rail line meets changing customer needs, is maintained in a state of good repair, provides for sustainable financial operations, and coordinates effectively with the owners and freight operators of the rail corridor.

Understanding that passenger rail is a critical element in the region's toolbox for mitigating traffic congestion, the strategic planning process will examine how train service can be maximized to enhance regional livability, affordability, and quality of life. The partners include communities along the rail corridor in Davidson and Wilson counties. WeGo wants input from riders, non-riders, and other stakeholders to assess needs and opportunities for improving train service and creating accessible, connected, and supportive communities around train stations. The first round of community meetings will be held along the corridor at the locations and times below:

Riverfront Station & Downtown – Tuesday, July 18 from 6-7:30 p.m., Nashville Chamber of Commerce, 500 11th Ave. North, Suite 200, Nashville, TN 37203

Donelson & Hermitage Stations – Wednesday, July 19 from 6-7:30 p.m., Fifty Forward, 108 Donelson Pike, Nashville, TN 37214

Martha & Hamilton Springs Stations – Thursday, July 20 from 6-7:30 p.m., Body Kneads Coffee, 1050 Hamilton Station Blvd., Unit 103, Lebanon, TN 37087

Mt. Juliet Station – Tuesday, July 25 from 6-7:30 p.m., Mt. Juliet Chamber of Commerce, 2055 North Mt. Juliet Road #200, Mt. Juliet, TN 37122

Lebanon Station – Wednesday, July 26 from 6-7:30 p.m., City Hall – Town Meeting Hall, Administration Building, 200 North Castle Heights Ave., Lebanon, TN 37087

Additional meetings will be held throughout the strategic planning process. Learn more information about the project, find ways to get involved, and sign-up for updates at the WeGo website: http://bit.ly/wegostarfuture.

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About WeGo Public Transit

The Nashville Metropolitan Transit Authority (Nashville MTA) and the Regional Transportation Authority of Middle Tennessee (RTA) are operating bodies of WeGo Public Transit, which serves 26 local bus routes, eight regional bus routes, and one train serving Davidson and Wilson Counties.

