



City of Cambridge

Comms. & Rpts. from City
Officers #3

IN CITY COUNCIL

March 23, 1998

COUNCILLOR DAVIS

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to formulate a letter of response to the MBTA with regard to service changes and highlight both the improvements and the areas that are still in need of service enhancement (e.g. West Cambridge.)

In City Council March 23, 1998.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "D. Margaret Drury".

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

<u>Route</u>	<u>Recommended Action</u>
66 Harvard - Dudley via Brookline Vil.	Route all outbound trips via Harvard tunnel Improve morning peak frequency by 1 minute
68 Harvard - Kendall	New service with 40 minute frequency via Broadway midday only
69 Harvard - Lechmere	Improve weekday midday frequency by 8 minutes
70 Waltham - Central Sq	Extend route to University Park all days, except evening services
72 Huron Ave - Harvard	End weekday service 2 hours earlier & early morning frequency increased by 15 minutes Consolidate Sunday service with route #75, Run #75 from Belmont Ctr. to Huron Ave, then #72 route to Harvard
74 Belmont Ctr - Harvard via Concord	Reduce Saturday service by 8 trips (move to route #75) Eliminate Sunday service, replace with #75/72 route consolidation.
75 Belmont Ctr - Harvard via Huron Towers	improve Saturday frequency by one hour Consolidate Sunday service with route #75, Run #75 from Belmont Ctr to Huron Ave, then #72 route to Harvard
76 Hanscom AFB/Alewife	Consolidate Saturday with #62, Operate Alewife - Lexington Ctr via #62, Lexington Ctr - Hanscom via #76, then Hartwell Ave to Bedford V.A. Hosp via #62.
77 Arlington Hgts/Harvard	Add two trips between 6:00 - 7:00pm weekdays
78 Arlmont - Harvard	Reduce service on Saturday by increasing headway by 30 minutes & delay start of service by one hour
84 Arlmont - Alewife	Shift morning trips 6 minutes earlier
86 Sullivan/Cleveland Cir	Start Sunday service 2 3/4 hours earlier, end service 15 minutes later & improve frequency by 30 minutes
90 Davis sq - Wellington	Start weekday service 30 minutes earlier
93 Sullivan - Downtown	End Sunday service 2 hours earlier
94 Medford - Davis Sq.	Reduce service on Saturday evening by increasing frequency by 20 minutes Red. service on Sun. eves by increasing frequency by 20 minutes



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Committee on Public Service
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March 16, 1998

To the Honorable, the City Council:

After much discussion with Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority Chairman Patrick Moynihan, I would like to take this opportunity to announce scheduling improvements of MBTA bus service within the city of Cambridge. These improvements are the result of the public process that involved input from citizens and elected officials.

First, one route that has received a large amount of notoriety, the #75 bus route from Belmont Center to Harvard Square, is one of the many routes that will see an improvement in service. In particular, the Huron Towers segment of this route will receive an expanded all day schedule on Sundays. Also, a new hybrid route connecting the #72 bus route (Huron Ave-Harvard Sq.) with the outer segment of the #75 bus route will be established, resulting in service that covers the entire length of Huron Avenue.

Second, two routes servicing the eastern part of Cambridge will see service increases. The #68 (Harvard-Kendall) and the #69 (Harvard-Lechmere) bus routes will operate with greater frequency during the daytime hours. In addition, the #70 route (Waltham-Central Sq.) will be extended to include a stop at University Park.

Attached is a copy of the recommended action that the MBTA will undertake in Cambridge. Please contact my office if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

TIMOTHY J. TOOMEY, JR.
Chairman
Joint Committee on Public Service

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