

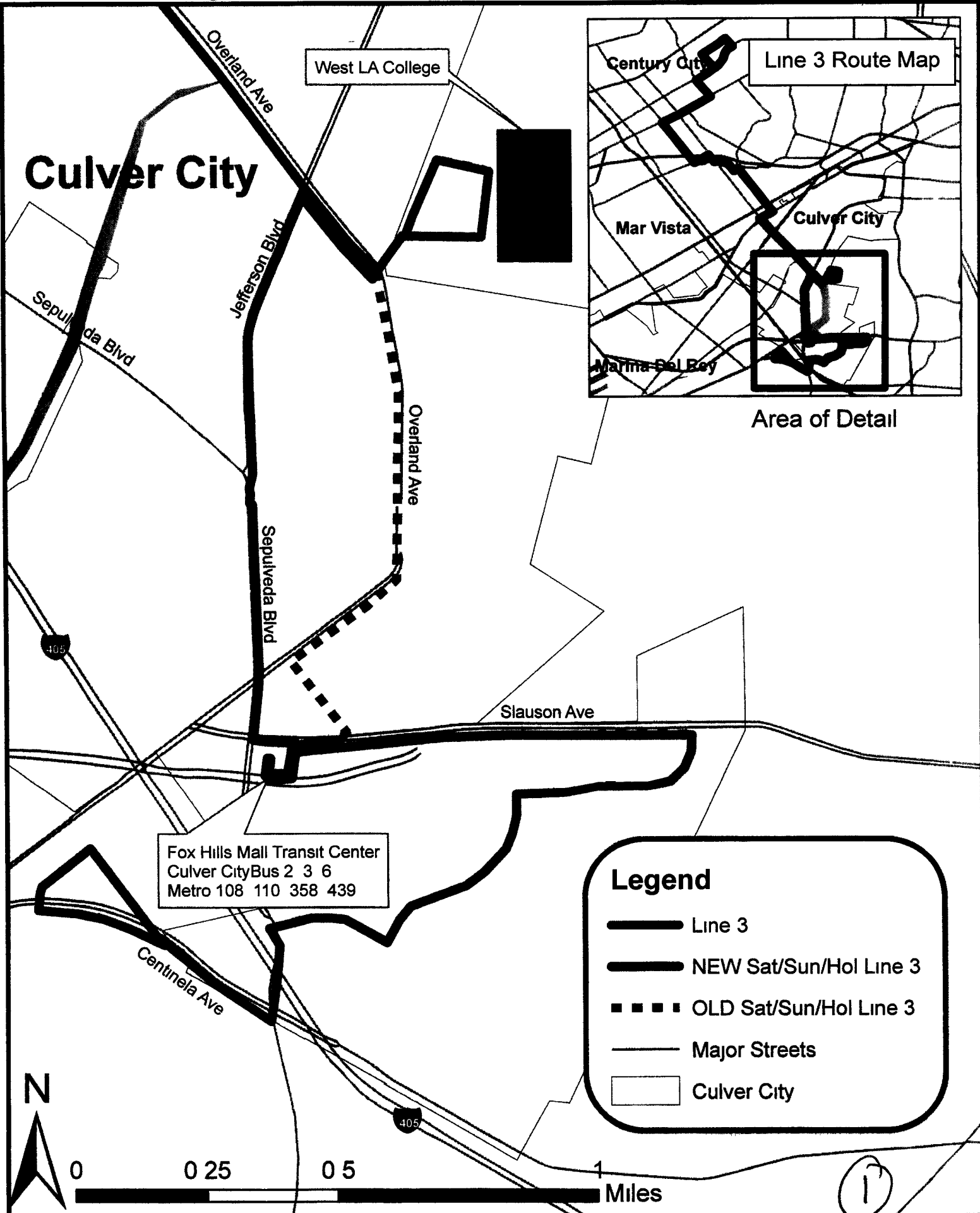
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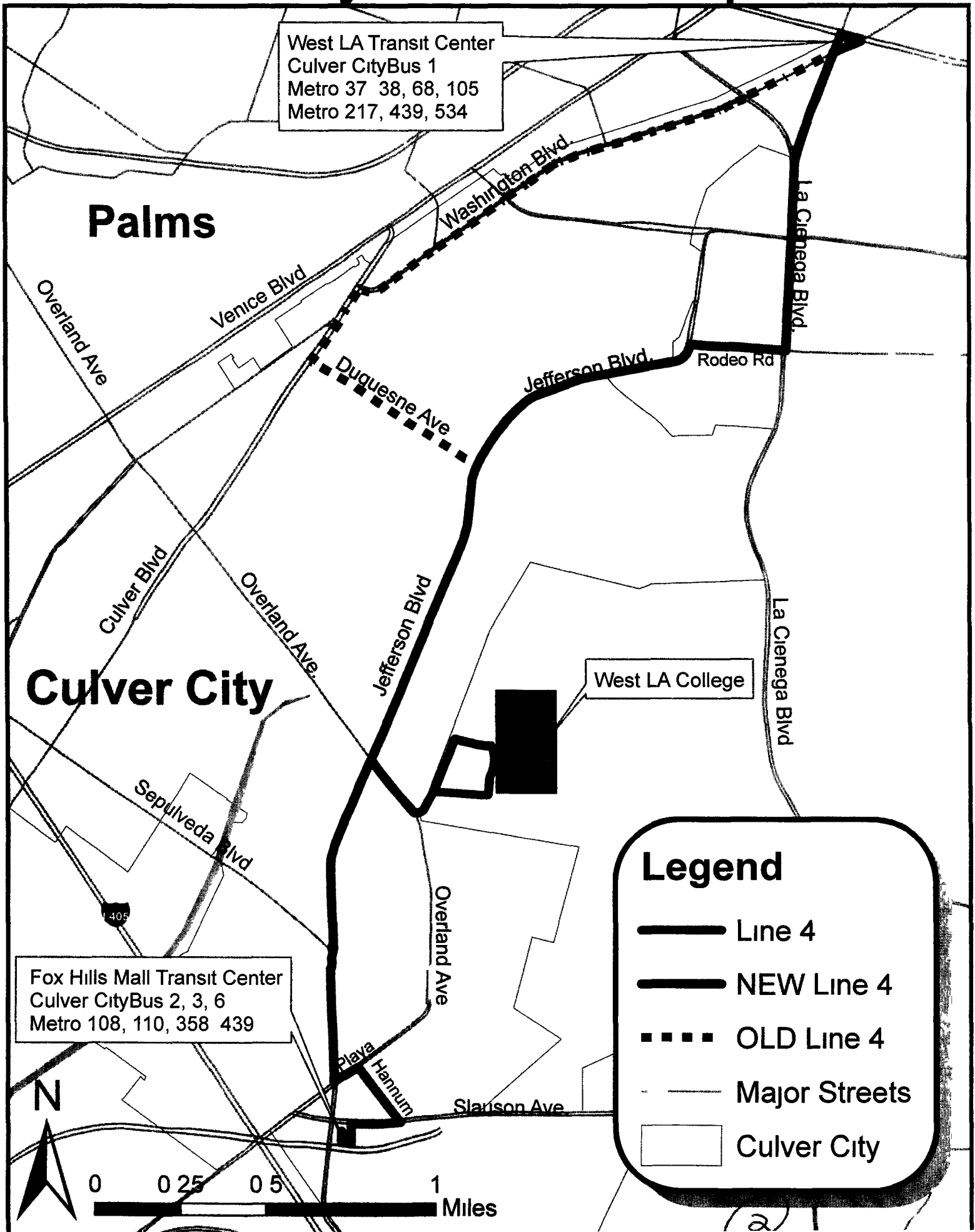
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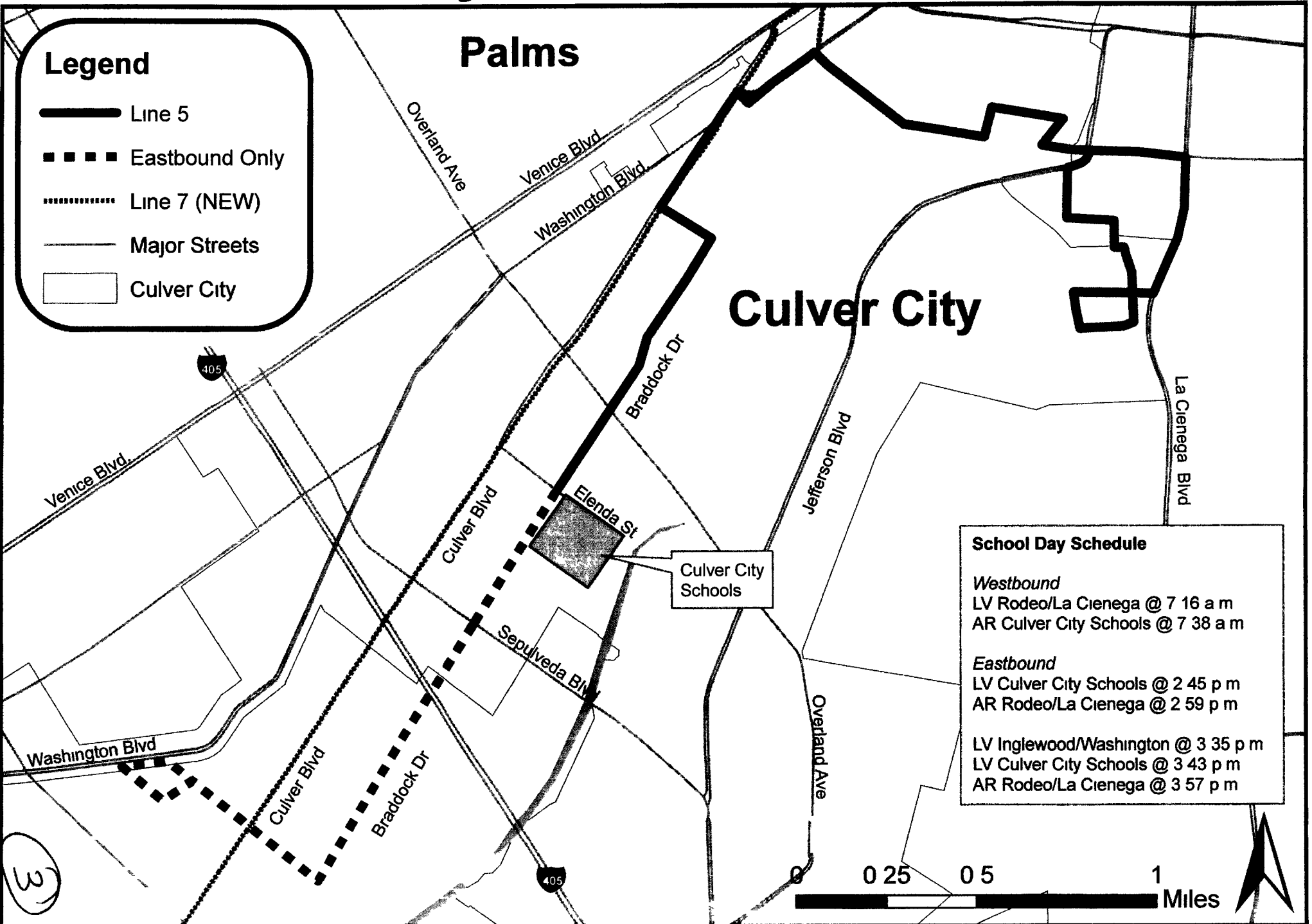
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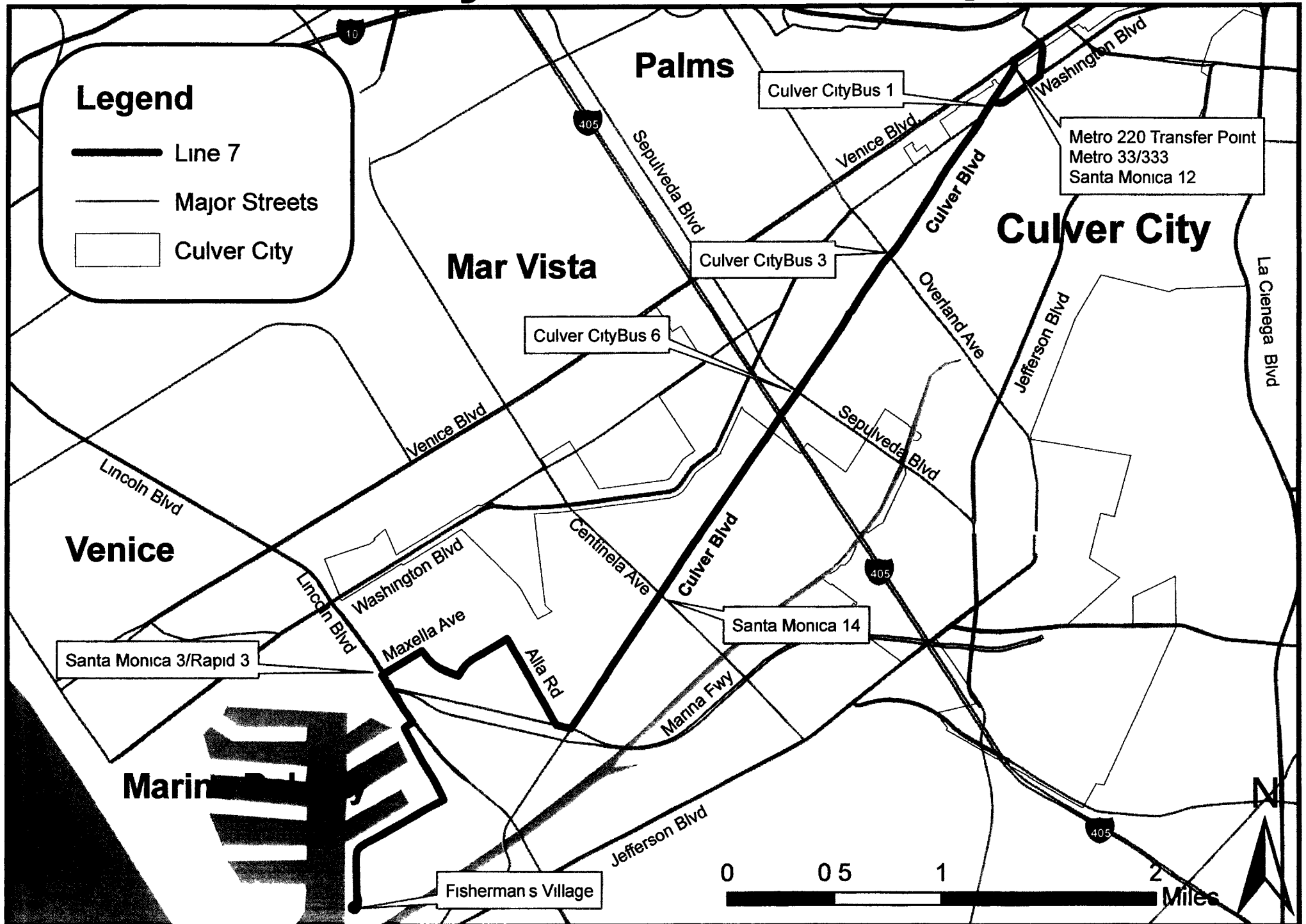
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Service Change Comments email (17)

Name Susan Haroutunian

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Comments Hi I have 3 children the oldest of which is about to begin middle school at CCMS We live in East Culver City at McManus Washington I just reviewed your bus service changes and noticed that you are discontinuing the #4 Now the best option for children in East Culver City (past National Blvd) to get to the middle school and high school campuses The School District has also stopped their own bus service to this part of town Soon the Metro Rail construction and trains will be starting on National This means the best option for East Culver City children is still in individual cars The school district and the city need to work on giving this part of town more transportation to schools not less I'm sorry I didn't see your changes until it was too late to comment

Thank you

Susan Haroutunian

(CCB is proposing to continue to run one AM westbound and two PM eastbound buses on school days)

Name Manjit Kapany

Email Address manjit@lalalawyer.com

Comments If my voice counts I would like to go on record as saying I am a Culver City resident (10803 Kelmore Street) who takes the 3 to work and to school WLAC on weekends I am one of those folks who would prefer Line 3's route stay the way it is weekends Thank you
Manjit Kapany

Dear Citybus

I live in Blair Hills and use the bus from time to time so I am very unhappy about the proposed changes eliminating our service entirely I use the bus when there I have no car and no one else to drive me I ask that you reject these proposed changes

Bobbi Gold

One of the reasons I have remained in my home in Blair Hills is the availability of the bus line What can be done to prevent the proposed change that would effectively close that availability?

Please reply to

Rosalie Kirsch

Thank you

Name Russell Haines

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Comments Y all need to serve Fox Hills better I live at the extreme south end of Green Valley and it takes me 15 minutes to walk to the nearest bus stop to get the #3 bus The 3 bus doesn't even come near most of the residential parts of Fox Hills I would suggest bringing the #3 bus up Green Valley to Buckingham that way it would be a lot easier for Fox Hills residents to catch the bus Or bring the #6 bus up Green Valley

Just a thought

By the way don't reduce the frequency of the #3 bus Every 30 minutes just doesn't cut it 20 minutes is bad enough

When was the last time you had to take the bus? For those of us that depend on buses to get around any reduction of service is a bad thing

Name Denise Pierre

Email Address denise2pierre@yahoo.com

Comments I am very concerned about changes to Route 5 which serves Blair Hills My son takes that bus almost daily from the middle school The 2:30 bus is very crowded and many kids take the later buses if they have any afterschool activities The loss of alternate times to take the bus (other than 2:30) would have a major impact on many families

Name Ernest Ptashne

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Comments Why would you offer different routes for weekend services from the weekday services? There is no rational reason This will cause your riders mass confusion Other proposed changes appear OK although any reduction in service such as 20 minutes to every 30 minutes DISCOURAGES TO LOWER MIDDLE CLASS FROM using public transportation

Name Valerie Kiefer

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Comments We use line 3 frequently mostly during the week and the existing route is perfect My understanding of the changes you propose for line 3 is that the bus route will change to Sepulveda from Overland only on weekends and holidays Is that right? So on a weekday Tuesday for example a southbound bus will exit West LA College and travel south on Overland to Playa then to Hannum?

Thank you for clarifying

Valerie

(Correct Line 3 proposed route changes would only be for weekends)

Steve-

Thanks for the confirmation So basically service between Blair Hills and the Middle and High School will remain unchanged as to route Will there be changes in the scheduled times?

The way the information is stated on the website is confusing and led many of us to believe that line 5 was being discontinued entirely That's certainly the impression one gets from the first sentence Thank goodness that's not happening Maybe you should restate it

Bobbi

I work at 9599 Jefferson Blvd Culver City Ca 90232 I wanted to know if the 4 will still be able to drop me off at the corner of Jefferson and Duquesne Many people work near that area and they drop us off at that stop If this stop is being taken out of the route you will be causing hardship on many people who depend on the 4 to get them to work If this stop is being kept on the route I suggest you have it run every 30 minutes

Michelle Jefferson
Veterinary Cancer Group
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Thank you Thank you Thank you!!! for the proposed change to the #4 bus line to run down La Cienega Blvd and Rodeo and Jefferson Blvd
Our employees thank you as they will be able to get to work even faster A bus line has been sorely needed on this part of Jefferson
Thank you again for this great change and all the other ones coming to the Culver City bus system It really looks like you studied the situation in depth and made great enhancements!!!
Can you tell we are very happy?!!!!

Cathie Flanigan
VP Operations
Flanigan Farms Inc
9522 Jefferson Blvd
Culver City CA 90232

Name Jason Wyland
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Comments I believe that perhaps the proposed line 7 should be extended a little bit further to reach Playa Vista I think this would aid in reaching out to the residents of that community

As far as service enhancements the one proposal that I would think would make the most sense is not even up for discussion The Line 6 service southbound should be extended further into the evening to help swing shift and graveyard shift workers While it is not realistic to expect 24-hour service (which would not be a bad idea) I think transit needs would dictate at least expanding service to 1 am It would help LAX/Fox Hills/Howard Hughes Promenade employees on the south end as well as those heading south from the Valley/UCLA and the Westside For instance this would probably be helpful to the ING Direct office located near Santa Monica and Sepulveda

(Based on ridership and continued construction in Playa Vista CCB is keeping open the possibility of routing Line 7 to Playa Vista)

As a resident of Playa Del Rey for over 25 Years I was shocked to learn of the #7 route that has been proposed by the Culver City Bus Company It is very obvious that very little thought planning and consideration was put into the proposed new#7 route that will start at Venice and Culver and end at Fishermans Village So you say they can take the Number #220 transfer to the #7 transfer to the Blue Line #3 get off at Lincoln and Manchester and then transfer to the #115 to get home or to work in Playa Del Rey or the Airport

I would suggest that your planners get out of their automobiles and take the bus route that has been planned Did your planners believe that persons that live in Playa Del Rey and the far Northwest portion of El Segundo or those individual who work at the back of the Airport did not need bus transportation

I don't believe that our Supervisors City Councilman Mayor and Governor would support we Seniors school children (under 16) and day workers all getting driver licenses and start to drive to the doctors appointments school work or even trying to get home in the evening

I would suggest that the Culver City Buss Planners and the MTA Planners sit down at the table again and create a new and better Route Plan The #7 line ending at Fishermans Village makes me wonder about the mentality of your planners But if they drive to work every day in their automobiles and sit at their computers all day then it is understandable that they couldn't care less about the residents of Playa Del Rey and North west El Segundo The #220 as you know runs along Pershing to Worldway West and to Imperial Highway to the Airport

I know the argument will be Well there is the #115 on Manchester Ave once an hour the individuals that live in El Segundo can take the Line# 439 once and the individuals that work at the back of the airport can take the #625 shuttle which does not start until late afternoon Even though MTA stated that this is supposed to be providing good service It is better than NO SERVICE THAT IS PROPOSED BY THE CULVER CITY BUS LINE #7 Be brave you and your planners get out of your automobiles and try taking those routes

(Culver CityBus is not responsible for service decisions made by Metro Culver CityBus is only proposing to assume a discontinued portion of Metro Line 220 Service to Playa Del Rey did not make sense from either a financial or passenger perspective)

Name Elisabeth Henneberg

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Comments Please bring a bus to Cadillac and Venice to service the many people going to Kaiser Hospital and Medical Offices as parking is difficult and sometimes they do not want you to drive home after taking medicine

Name Denise Pierre

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Comments I have previously sent comments regarding changes to bus route #5 but want to add a few words but as I will be unable to attend the meetings tomorrow We will miss the convenience of having #5 coming directly to our neighborhood This is not only a convenience but we depend on it weekdays for our son to come home after middle school The 2 30 bus is extremely overcrowded right now With this being the only choice it will not have the capacity to contain all the students who need to use it Having alternative times at 3 10 and 4 10 make a big difference Plus they allow students to participate in afterschool activities and still have a means of transportation home at a reasonable time I would like to suggest that there be at least one or two additional time slots for the #5 bus to run in the afternoon -- once is not enough!! Although the new bus line will run near Blair Hills students will need to walk quite a long distance to get on it (from the school complex at Elenda & Farragut to the corner of Overland and Jefferson) This will present potential safety as well as health issues in inclement weather

Respectfully

Denise Pierre

Blair Hills resident since 1992

(After learning CCB is proposing to run two buses in the afternoon)

Thanks for letting me know I'm sure both of those buses will be plenty full of kids!

Denise Pierre

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Name Steve Sutor

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Comments I live near Jackson/Braddock

To go to USC I would walk 3 blocks to braddock/duquesne to WLA Transit and 38 bus

Now I would have to walk another 4 miles or take #5 bus to #1 bus to WLA transit center

At present Line 4 provides service for Raintree residents to downtown Culver City and to the Post Office Coco's Restaurant Target and Pavillions El Pollo Loco Bank of America and Fox Hills Mall The proposed new line would only make service faster from the Fairfax bus terminal to West LA College and serves no other purpose

Bob Uyetani

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Culver City CA 90230

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(Line 4 will still provide access to Target Pavillions El Pollo Loco B of A and Fox Hills Mall It will not provide direct access to downtown Culver City if the changes are implemented)

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Service Change Comments voice mail (2)

Concerned Line 4 will no longer take passengers to downtown Culver City from Jefferson and Overland

- Sandra Coopersmith

(Can take Line 3 to Washington/Overland and transfer to Line 1 instead)

Concerned about Line 3 changes that would reduce midday service Says midday trips are packed with students Would like to see Line 3 run every 15 minutes

- Barbara Myers

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Service Change Comments mail (3)

The idea of eliminating Line 5 service on Braddock is very bad and punished the senior people who live on or near Braddock. Line 5 was in existence when I moved to Culver City more than 50 years ago. Another bad idea is to reduce service on Line 3 on weekdays. It wouldn't hurt to reduce it after 6p and on weekends but certainly not on weekdays. My doctor is at Braddock and Overland and the senior center is at Braddock and Culver. I take Line 5 to see my doctor on a five to ten minute trip. For the Senior Center I take Line 5 and change to Line 3. It would take me an hour to take Line 6 and change to Line 3 at Fox Hills Mall. Taxi service is unreliable. It would hurt me greatly to kill Line 5.

Lionel Leon

(Line 7 Culver Blvd would replace Line 5 service. Passengers would need to walk two blocks north from Braddock to Culver Blvd.)

I like the idea of Line 7 and would like to see the addition of Sunday service. In regards to Line 5 I would like to see it turn off Washington Blvd on Higuera and go up Blair Hills (Like Line 5) and then to the Transit Center via La Cienega.
Jose Malendez

(Unfortunately the additional travel time for the route suggested would preclude hourly service)

I want to protest the changes you are planning on making to the number 5 line.

For the past six years I have used the 8:20 AM and 5:20 PM buses coming to work and going home from work. If you are successful in making this change I will have to quit my job as of June 26, 2006 making my financial situation more disastrous than it already is. I have a son to support who has an illness and cannot work at all. Walking is not an option nor is getting a ride from someone as no co-worker lives near where I live. I don't drive so have to take 3 buses to work.

It would be better if you have at least one (or even two) more runs. 7:15 and 2:30 are weird hours. An 8:15 and 5:15 bus would be better. 7:00, 8:00, and 9:00 in the morning and 3:00, 4:00, and 5:00 in the afternoon would be ideal.

If you must curtail some of your service, can you possibly offer a little variety? Also, you say you are stopping the bus when school is out, but the school has a summer schedule also. I have also noticed that many times students miss the early bus and take a later one. Your schedule would really mess everyone up, including the students.

Hopefully this change will be voted down unless you can add more convenient trips.

Sincerely,

Edith Kott

(Have mailed resident letter asking for place of employment – hopefully another CCB line serves the area in which she works. Possibly Line 4/7)

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Public Outreach Meeting Comments
2 p m April 25, 2006

19 members of the public were present

Question Will we only be able to use the day pass on Culver CityBus in the future?

Question Will the City have a program with Target and possibly the Fox Hills Mall that would allow passengers to ride for free if they purchased 50 items?

Comment There will be less people riding Line 3 on Sundays since the service will run every 40 minutes versus every 30 minutes Line 6 runs faster therefore more people ride it

Comment With gas prices going up people will ride but if you re not there when they want to take the bus people may not ride

Comment The buses on Line 3 don t connect very well with those of other transit agencies

Question What s going to be the new frequency on Line 4?

Question Jefferson Blvd is very busy and many are afraid of being hit Where are the Line 4 bus stops going to be at Jefferson Blvd and Duquesne Ave?

Comment The walk sequence at Jefferson Blvd and Duquesne Ave doesn t give a lot of time for crossing the street

Question Will Line 5 still service Venice High?

Question How will the service be changed in order to accommodate the various school schedules?

Question With Line 5 no longer on Braddock will we need to walk to Culver Blvd ?

Comment Many seniors are very happy with the new faster service being offered for the proposed Line 7

Question Will Metro drop the 220?

Question Will there ever be a Rapid bus on Sepulveda Blvd ?

Question Since the buses are CNG are your costs going up?

Question Will you distribute new schedules and maps?

Question The traffic at UCLA is very heavy especially after a game Can the buses take another route?

Question Why not use smaller buses?

Question Line 7 will go to Fisherman s Village Does that mean more people are going there?

Question Will there be bike racks on the buses along Line 7?

Question Have you seen any ridership increases due to rising gas prices?

Question Will all of the bus stops eventually have benches and shelters?

END Public Outreach meeting

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Public Outreach Meeting Comments
7 p m April 25, 2006

9 members of the public were present

Comment I like the Sat/Sun/Hol changes being proposed for Line 3 I do not like the reduced service frequency however

Comment I do not want to see Line 4 taken off Duquesne however I understand the reasoning behind the move

Comment I am affected by the Line 5 change The move from Braddock to Culver will make me have to walk one block more and cross Culver I am concerned about the safety of crossing a four lane street

Question When is will a Rapid Line 6 be introduced?
SC 2008 is when we are scheduled for Rapid service on Sepulveda

Question Technology in public transit why has it taken so long?
SC The United States has not put much effort into public transit for so long that we ve fallen behind and it s taking a while to catch up But we are finally catching up

Question I live off Culver Blvd will Line 7 have more stops than Metro Line 220? I appreciate the change (Line 7)

Question Why does Line 4 have to change? I like the direct service to Fox Hills Mall

Comment On Line 6 the buses are crowded I think crowded buses are good That should not dictate service

Question Why doesn t Culver CityBus accept ads?

Question When will Line 3 run between 930 a m and 2 p m ?

Question When will Line 3 run after 2 p m ?

Question Could Line 3 run every 15 minutes during rush hour?

Question On Line 1 is there any way to fix the westbound portion past Sepulveda and Washington? Sometimes I have to wait 50 min for a bus

Question Regarding Line 5 could you run buses less than once an hour?

Question Many times I see full buses followed by empty buses why is that?

Comment Thank you for the Hollywood Bowl service

END Public Outreach meeting