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Wake Bus Plan: 10-Year Operating & Capital Plan

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The Wake Bus Plan recommends the development and phasing of bus transit service investments between 2019 and 2027. The recommended operating service investments create a service hierarchy that largely reflects a system of four route types: Frequent Transit Routes, Local Routes, Community (Core Regional) Routes, and Express Services. The recommended service investments increase bus service expenditures throughout Wake County from \$30 million (roughly 300,000 annual hours of bus service) in 2018 to \$85 million (roughly 900,000 annual hours of service) in 2027. These operational investment recommendations align with the original four big moves that were defined in the Wake Transit Plan. Capital investments are coordinated with transit service investments as much as possible, so passengers will have safe, comfortable facilities that are accessible on foot and, if appropriate, accessible by car. The 10-Year Capital Investment Plan funds nearly \$300 million in capital projects. The largest portion of the funding will be used to purchase buses, develop transit centers and build maintenance facilities. The programming of bus services and supporting capital investments in the Wake Bus Plan will drive year-by-year project funding decisions in future Wake Transit Work Plans. The draft Wake Bus Plan: 10-Year Operating & Capital Plan is attached.

Both the TPAC and the TCC unanimously recommended approval of the Wake Bus Plan: 10-Year Operating & Capital Plan on Wednesday, November 14, 2018, and Thursday, January 3, 2019, respectively. A CAMPO-administered 30-day public comment period was opened on January 8, 2019, and closed on February 6, 2019. No public comments were received during this time. The Executive Board scheduled a public hearing for February 20, 2019, to coincide with its consideration of the Wake Bus Plan.

Requested Action: 1) Hold a public hearing; and 2) Consider approval of the Wake Bus Plan: 10-Year Operating and Capital Plan.