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WAUSAU CITY COUNCIL TAKES METRO-RIDE BUS TRANSIT TOUR

Mayor Robert Mielke and the City Common Council members will be provided an opportunity to tour various bus routes starting at 3:55 p.m. on Tuesday, September 13, 2016.

As outlined in a city council retreat earlier this year, public transportation ranked high on their list of priorities and this is one step in experiencing first-hand how the system works. Mayor Mielke said “This tour will allow us to understand the transit challenges from the perspective of the system’s users as we commute on actual routes during the regular daily route schedules.”

The idea for the tour was suggested by Alderperson Pat Peckham, as the council continues working with departments within the city to understand operations and services provided. Council President Lisa Rasmussen worked with Peckham and Transit Director Greg Seubert to organize the tour, stating “The council continues to set goals and prioritize needs to align the city’s priorities with those of our residents. Transit cuts have created economic impacts beyond just inconvenience for users. Since expanding transit opportunities and building partnerships with stakeholders is one of our key initiatives this term, the tour is an important first step.”

Below is the bus tour schedule and the media is invited to tour along.

<u>Time</u>	<u>Boarding Location</u>	<u>Bus Route</u>	<u>Alighting Location</u>
3:55 p.m.	City Hall bus stop - on Grant St. @ 5th St.	D - Bridge St./West High	Transit Center
4:00 p.m.	Transit Center	G - Sherman St./Shopko	Transit Center
4:30 p.m.	Transit Center	A - Grand Ave./NCHC	Transit Center Bus Stop - on 3rd St.
5:00 p.m.	Transit Center	D - Bridge St./West High	@ Grant St.