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TRANSIT**

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Monthly Meeting

May 15th, 2025



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for our email list.**



Agenda

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| 6:00pm | Doors Open |
| 6:30pm | Meeting Start |
| 6:32pm | The News |
| 6:50pm | Events |
| 7:00pm | Projects |
| 7:15pm | Transit App Update |
| 7:30pm | Danny Katz |
| | 15 Minute Buses |
| 8:15pm | Terminal Bar Drinks |



The News



May 2025 Service Changes

Sun May 25th



Station	Gate	Time	Station	Gate	Time	Station	Gate	Time
Lakewood Commons	Gate B5	07:03 AM	106th & Melody	Wewatta St & 17th St	07:16 AM	Civic Center Station	Wewatta St & 17th St	07:32 AM
Bross & Bth	Gate B18	07:03 AM	Colfax & Billings	Gate B6	07:19 AM	Billings via E Colfax Ave	Gate B8	07:32 AM
Englewood Station	Gate B7	07:05 AM	Englewood Station	Gate B7	07:20 AM	9th Clermont via 12th Ave	Gate B9	07:34 AM

Body Shop Techs
 \$30.26/Hour
 \$4K Signing Bonus
 Apply at rtd-denver.com

Free MetroRide
Peak only 10 min. frequency

N Line
New 11:26pm Fridays only trip

NB1 / 2 (Boulder - Nederland)
Eldora ski service ends

P (Parker - Denver)
Renamed to "PD"

Route 16 (West Colfax Ave)
10 min weekday frequency

Route 19 (North Pecos St)
Serves Pecos Jct. Station

Route 44 (44th Ave)
Additional am and pm trips

Route 73 (Quebec St)
15 min weekday frequency

Route 153 (Chambers Rd)
15 min weekday frequency

Routes 225, 225D, 228A and DASH
Route changes

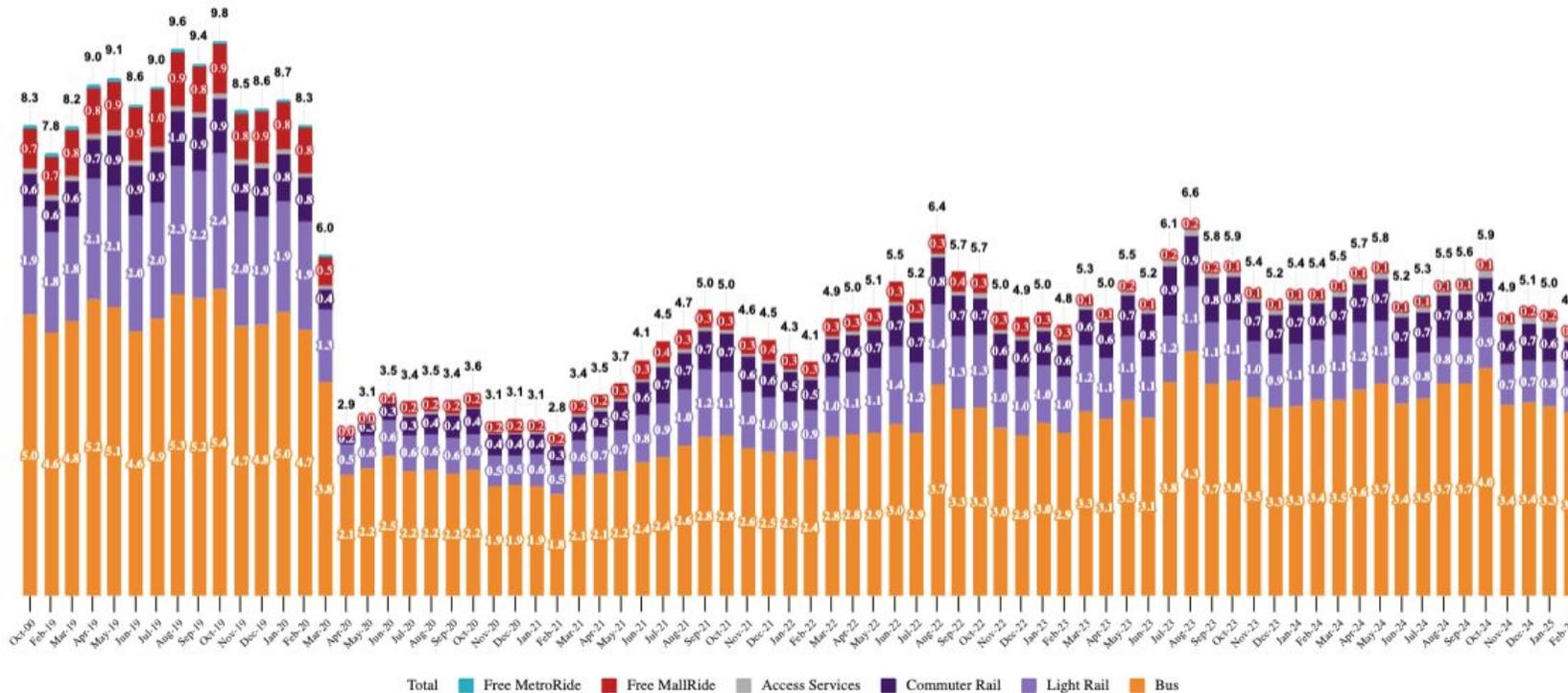
Lines D, E, H, R, N, W and Routes 1, 9, 11, 12, 20, 24, 28, 42, 45, 65, 66, 93L, 121, 169L, 483, BOLT, JUMP, SKIP
"Minor schedule adjustments", school tripper service ends



Ridership Analysis - Feb 2025



RTD Ridership by Mode (millions of boardings)



YoY % Growth*

Bus **+3%**

Light Rail **-22%**

Heavy Rail **-9%**

Total **-3%**

* Growth rates adjusted for equalized work week days on a year-over-year basis

February 2019
8.2m riders

February 2021
2.8m riders

February 2025
4.7m riders

RTD Operator Shortage - Feb 2025



YoY Net Increase in Hiring*

Bus +116

Light Rail +21

Total +137

*YoY Increase (decrease) includes Full Time + Part Time operators presented net of attrition (voluntary & involuntary)

Bus

20 Vacancies

932 vs. 952 Budget

Light Rail

37 Vacancies

180 vs. 217 Budget

Bus & Light Rail

57 Vacancies

1,112 vs. 1,169 Budget



2025 Community Survey is Now Open



333 A



RTD wants your input on how you feel they are doing

Survey takes approx. 10-15 minutes to complete

Search for RTD Community Survey

Governor's Mountain Rail Announcement



The Governor of Colorado hosted an announcement on Mon May 5th regarding Mountain Rail and Burnham Yards Lead



25 year lease signed with Union Pacific, allows the State of Colorado to operate 3 additional daily passenger trains through Moffat Tunnel



GDT supplied model trains for the event



Front Range Passenger Rail Open House



The Front Range passenger Rail District (FRPR) is hosting a virtual open house with parts of the Service Development Plan released.

3 alternatives considered
6, 10 and 12 daily round trips
- see the schedules and infrastructure upgrades for yourself!

Open House runs until
Sun Jun 15th
frpropenhouse.com

FRPR Alternatives Considered



Activity	6 R/T	10 R/T	12 R/T
Midday meetings & appointments at all destinations (10am – 6pm)	X	X	X
Start work / attend an early meeting in Denver (8am)	X	X	X
Shopping, lunch & daytime activities at all destinations (10am – 6pm)	X	X	X
Catch a flight departing after 10:45am, arrive on a flight before 7:15pm	X	X	X
Start work / attend an meeting at all destinations (9am)		X	X
Start work / attend an early meeting in Denver (7am)		X	X
Have dinner in Denver (6 – 9pm)		X	X
Catch a flight departing after 9:15am		X	X
Have dinner at all destinations (6 – 9pm)			X
Attend an evening event, sports game or concert in Denver (6 – 10pm)			X

GDT Endorses Five Transit Related Bills



✔ **HB25-1007 Paratransit Services**

**Passed Senate, House
Became Law!**

✔ **SB25-030 Transportation Mode Choice**

**Passed Senate, House
Became Law!**

✔ **SB25-051 RTD Operating Costs**

**Passed Senate, House
Became Law!**

✔ **SB25-052 Railroad Report Confidentiality**

**Passed Senate, House
Became Law!**

✔ **SB25-161 Transit (RTD) Reform**

**Passed Senate, House
Became Law!**



The first station arch structure was installed at Colfax & Lafayette on Tue May 6th



L Line on Welton Street Update



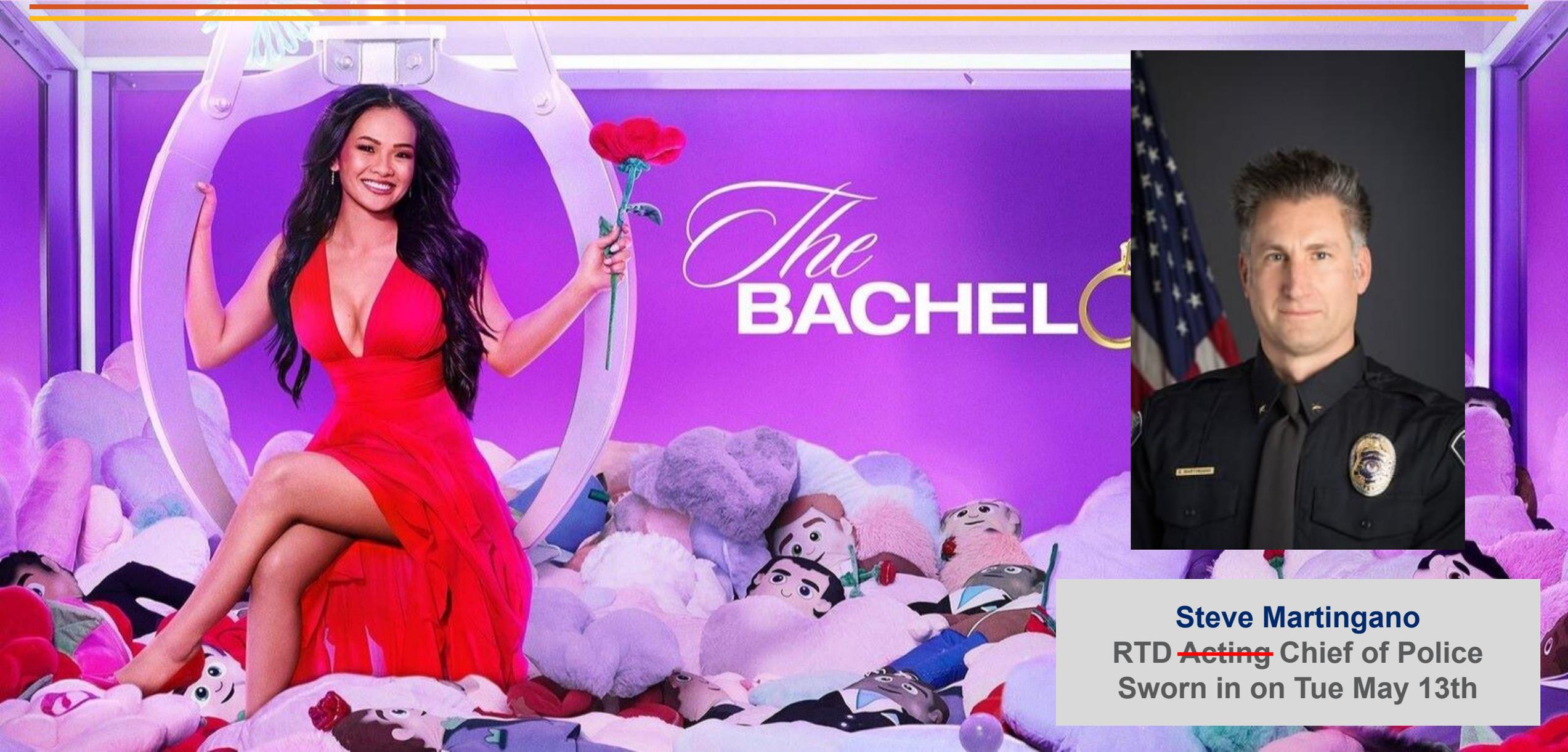
Five Points BID got Denver Mayor Mike Johnston to request RTD postpone L Line maintenance work

Conversations needed with business owners and stakeholders to identify genuine concerns

From input gained, GDT plans to release a full vision and plan for the L Line on Welton Street



Chief of Police Chosen



Steve Martingano
RTD ~~Acting~~ Chief of Police
Sworn in on Tue May 13th



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Lone Tree
FlexRide

LIGHT RAIL
BUS BRIDGE
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USE THIS STOP WHEN
LIGHT RAIL IS TEMPORARILY
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Regional Transportation District

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Events



Board of Directors Meeting



Next board meeting
5:30pm WED May 28th
1660 Blake St, Denver

Please come and give
in-person public comment
Meet outside at 5:15pm

Please speak about the
proposed 2025 - 2028 Title VI
program update

Monthly Meetings



**6pm on 3rd Thursday
of the month**

**Drinks at Terminal Bar
follow after!**

**Next meeting
6pm Thu Jun 19th**

More Meetings...



**FRONT RANGE
PASSENGER RAIL**

Front Range Passenger Rail
Board of Directors Meeting
9am Fri May 23rd



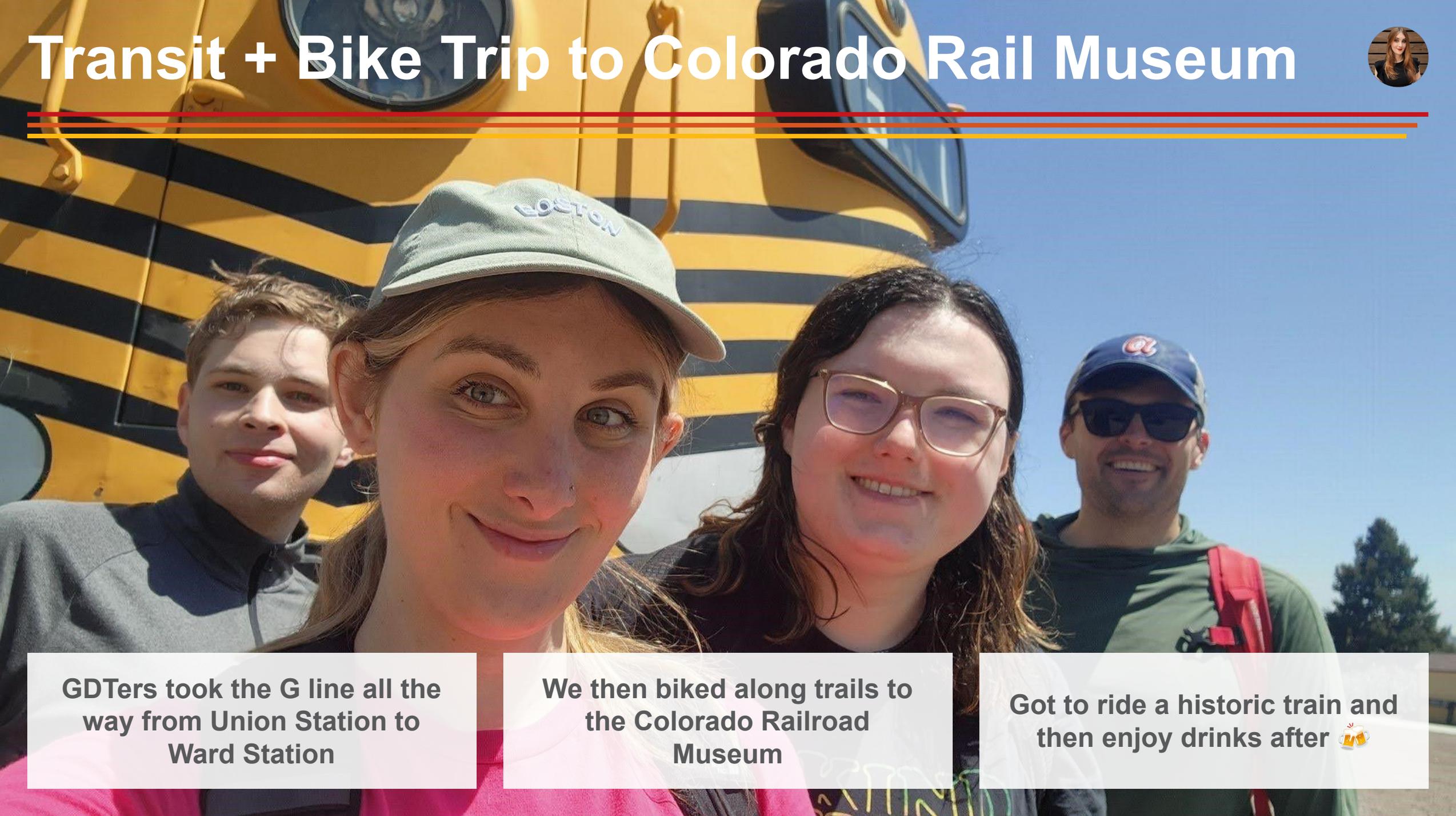
INC Transportation
Committee Meeting
6pm Thu Jul 10th

**DENVER
CITY COUNCIL**



Register for 30 minute public
comment session
5pm Every Monday

Transit + Bike Trip to Colorado Rail Museum



GDTers took the G line all the way from Union Station to Ward Station

We then biked along trails to the Colorado Railroad Museum

Got to ride a historic train and then enjoy drinks after 🍻

Transit Oriented Board Games



Transit Oriented Board Games at **Hooked on Colfax**

Ticket to Ride, Denver Monopoly, Azul, and other fun games

More to come!

Transit Oriented Hike - Apex Park



Sunday May 25th, meet at
Union Station
Light Rail Station

We are taking the **9:24 AM W
Line Westbound** to JeffCo
Gov Center and then taking
FlexRide to the park

Walk back to W Line
Eastbound for food and
drinks at **Brooklyn's** (near
Decatur / Federal) on the way
back

32, 51 and G Line Transit Tour

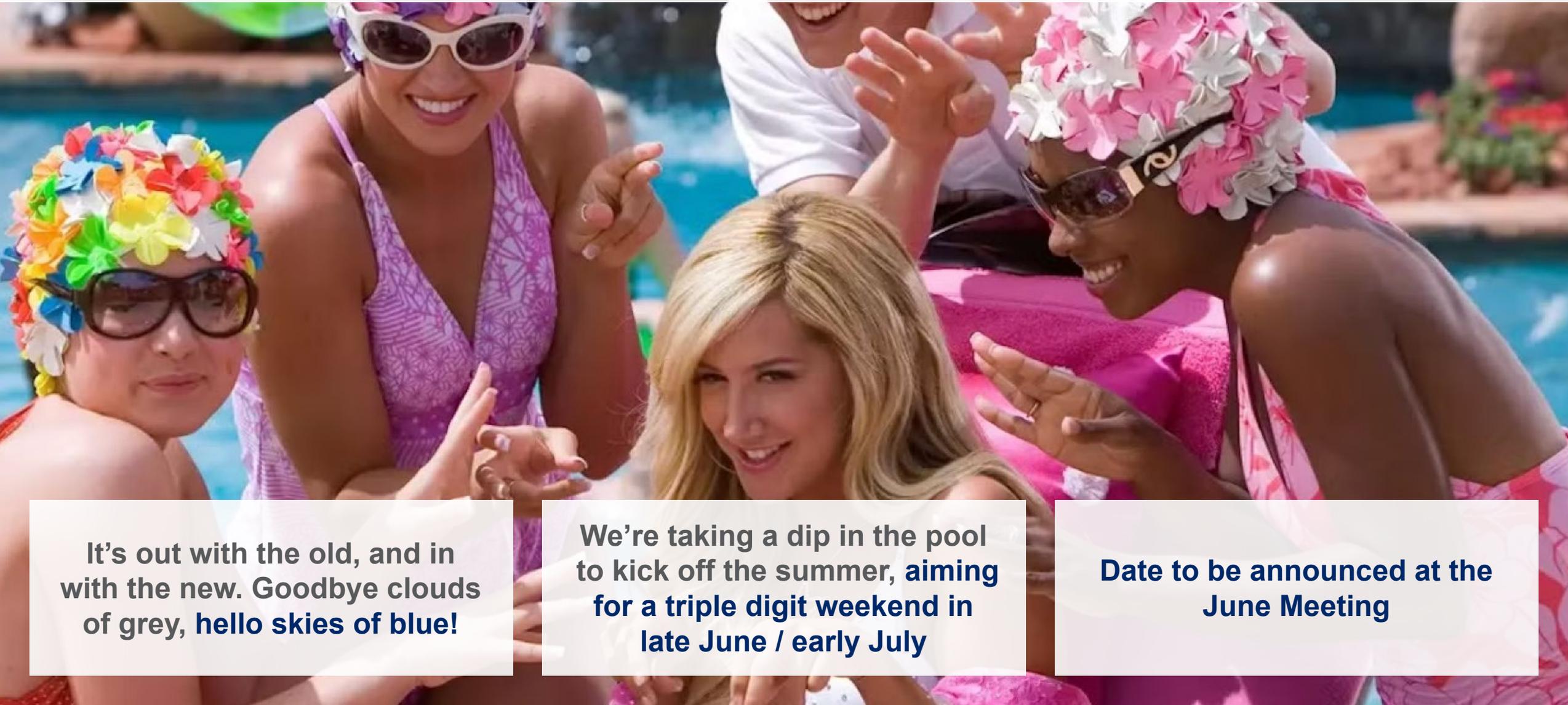


Terminal Bar
Denver Union Station
6pm Thu Jun 5th

32 to Wadsworth,
then 51 to 60th & Sheridan
Station plus 3 bars

G Line black to Downtown,
arriving 10:18pm

The Fabulous GDT Pool Party



It's out with the old, and in with the new. Goodbye clouds of grey, hello skies of blue!

We're taking a dip in the pool to kick off the summer, aiming for a triple digit weekend in late June / early July

Date to be announced at the June Meeting

Five Points First Friday Jazz Hop



FIVE POINTS
FIRST FRIDAY

HONOR THE ROOTS. ENJOY THE FRUITS

JAZZ HOP

WELTON ST. FIVE POINTS DENVER, CO

5.2 | 6.6 | 7.11 | 8.1 | 9.5 | 10.3 | 11.7 | 12.5

FIVE POINTS JAZZ DENVER WATER FIVE POINTS KUVO JAZZ THE DROP 104.7 CONJURE DENVER

Friday June 6th, from 5pm-12am at venues along Welton Street

Great reason to ride the L! Music starts **5pm at Pairadice**, til **midnight at Welton Room**



Domino's



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GDT Members
Suggested Donation
\$3 / Slice



Projects



RTD Ridership Growth Plan



A comprehensive plan to grow RTD's ridership

1. Customer Bill of Rights



2. Bus Expansion Plan



3. Rail Expansion Plan



4. Information Overhaul

- 2A. Downtown Bus Plan
- 2B. Bus Bay Reconfiguration
- 2C. Metro Area Bus Plan

- FasTracks Lines
- G Line to Golden
- Other Lines and Projects

- System Maps
- Bus Stop Signage
- Digital Signage

2A. RTD Downtown Bus Plan

Draft Version



RTD bus journeys can be made faster with safer and easier transfer experiences in Downtown via a series of inexpensive and highly-marketable routing adjustments to form transit ‘Trunks’

‘Trunks’ combine routes together to create **ultra-high frequency service** over a common stretch of street

24 RTD bus routes outlined in RTD’s System Optimization Plan should have their **Downtown “last miles” aligned between DUS and Civic Center**

The high frequency ‘Trunks’ can be further enhanced by investment in **block-long bus stops** to make transfers safer, easier and quicker

2B. RTD Bus Bay Reconfig.

Draft Version



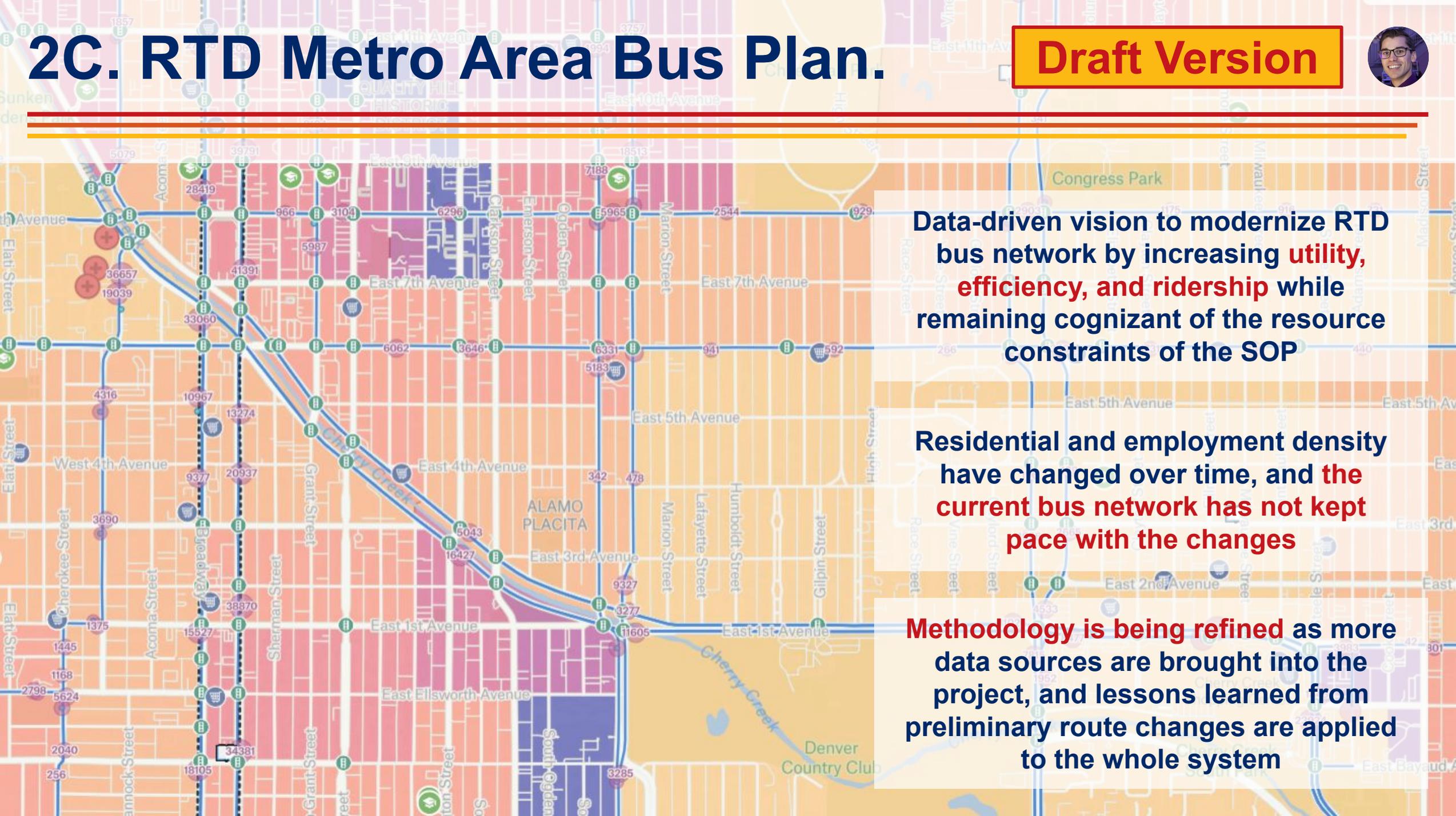
The expanded service proposed in the Downtown Bus Plan is made possible by re-assigning bus gates at both Denver Union Station (DUS) and Civic Center Station (CCS)

Bus travel times can be cut down by re-assigning bus gates at both DUS and CCS to cut out excessive run-around bus movements currently stretching journeys

Transfers between buses to / from rail at DUS are made easier for customers by shorter distances between gates and tracks

2C. RTD Metro Area Bus Plan.

Draft Version



Data-driven vision to modernize RTD bus network by increasing **utility, efficiency, and ridership** while remaining cognizant of the resource constraints of the SOP

Residential and employment density have changed over time, and **the current bus network has not kept pace with the changes**

Methodology is being refined as more data sources are brought into the project, and lessons learned from preliminary route changes are applied to the whole system

New Train For Colorado



A 'deep dive' into all the options for a train to serve Colorado's rail projects



Power Sources



Interiors



What's Available?



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Transit App

Update on Royale



The Transit App



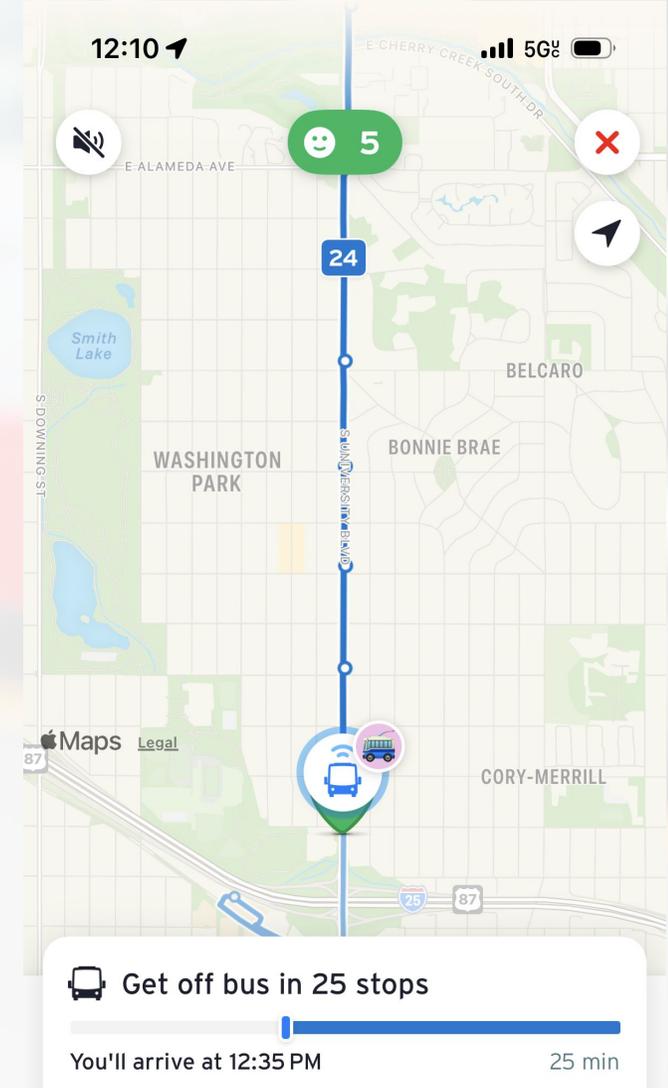
Mobile app providing real-time public transit data

Developed in Montreal, Quebec, Canada

Functions globally in over 871 metropolitan areas across 25 countries

Integrates transit agencies, long-distance bus, rail & ferry operators, bike-share, scooter-share and rideshare with info, booking & ticketing

'Go' feature crowdsources transit vehicle locations





The Transit App - Royale Feature



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Where to? [Home Icon]

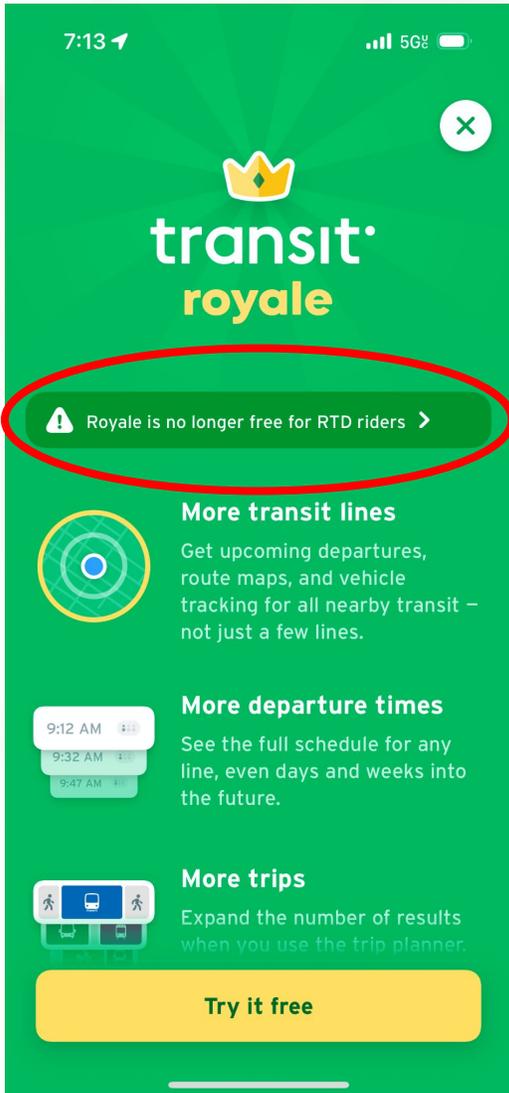
- MallRide** ⚠️ 0 minutes
Civic Center
16th Street Mall / Market St
- 10** 28 minutes
Union Station
15th St / Blake St
- 28** 9 minutes
Wadsworth
15th St / Blake St
- 44** 5 minutes
Civic Center Station
17th St / Market St
- 15** 7 min
Tower Rd ⚠️
Billings via E Colfax Ave ⚠️ 22 min
Tower Rd ⚠️ 37 min
17th St / Market St

Full access to Transit app features is behind a paywall

- 1** 54 minutes
Civic Center Station
Market St / 16th Street Mall
- 43** 1 minute
Central Park via MLK Blvd
Market St / 16th Street Mall
- 15L** 4 minutes
Aurora Metro Center Station
Market St / 16th Street Mall
- 6** 21 minutes
Auraria via 6th
15th St / Larimer St
- 20** 1 minute
Colfax / Billings
17th St / Lawrence St
- W** 12 min
Jeffco
Federal Ctr 27 min
Jeffco 42 min



The Transit App - Royale Feature



Pay the \$25 / year subscription

Write a begging letter to the Transit App

Lobby RTD to continue paying for it



The Transit App - Royale Feature



9:22 5G%

Where to?

- 13** minutes
East to Shiloh Scott
Lambert Airp Terminal #1
- 49** minutes
South County Mall
Natural Bridge / Aero Space WB
- 100** minutes
Tradeport
McDonnell / Genaire NB

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Metro upgrades its riders for free

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St. Charles Rock Road / St. Gregory EB

Find another transit agency and interact with it!

11:12 5G%

Where to?

- 7** minutes
Shrewsbury Lansdowne I-44
Convention Center
- 17** minutes
West to Lambert Airport
Convention Center
- 40** minutes
Civic Center TC
Broadway / Locust SB

46 minutes

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Clayton TC
Tucker / Pine NB



Fresh off the Bustang: An Offgrid Urbanist



Introducing **Connor Roth**, fellow rail and low-carbon living advocate based in Coaldale near Salida, CO



Connor is one of the leading voices in the **Western Rail Coalition** behind expanding the Mountain Rail concept

Check out his YouTube channel called "**The Off Grid Urbanist**"



CoPIRG
— Standing Up
To Powerful Interests

Danny Katz

**CoPIRG / Alliance to
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Alliance to Transform Transportation

Increased Transit Service Vision
Denver Metro Area

Danny Katz, CoPIRG

Who we are



COLORADO
CROSS-DISABILITY
COALITION



denver STREETS PARTNERSHIP



GREENLATINOS
Luchando por la Liberación Ambiental



Conservation **Colorado**



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SOUTHWEST ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROJECT



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Thank You!

Terminal Bar drinks are next

