Construction to begin on new transit stations in 30th Street District

BOISE, Idaho – Monday, August 23, 2021 – Bus riders and cyclists will soon see a new style of transit station as construction improvements begin this week to five bus stops along Main Street and Fairview Avenue from North 16th to North 27th streets. The design and construction are led by Capital City Development Corp, Boise’s redevelopment agency.

The new, raised transit stations, a first for downtown Boise, will create an additional buffer between vehicle traffic and cyclists and will feature amenities such as covered bus shelters with solar-powered lighting, benches, trash receptacles, railings, and upgraded ADA pedestrian ramps. Construction of the platforms will occur throughout the fall and into the winter, with full construction completed by Spring 2022. Construction updates, including pedestrian, bicycle, and vehicle access information, are available throughout the project at ccdcboise.com.

CCDC, in partnership with Valley Regional Transit (VRT) and the City of Boise, has been working over the last several months to design a safe, effective solution for the multiple modes of transportation used along this important commuting corridor. CCDC consulted with businesses and property owners along Main and Fairview, as well as commuters and other project stakeholders, to create a solution that allows buses to safely stop for passengers without crossing lanes and disrupting the flow of bike traffic.

“The city and others have been hoping to implement this idea for many years, and CCDC is pleased to make it happen,” said John Brunelle, executive director of the agency. “One of CCDC’s focus areas is to enhance and expand mobility options within our districts to support the needs of the future. We feel this design will accomplish that goal.”

Pedestrian access and business access will be maintained along Main Street and Fairview Avenue. Clear detour signs will be posted for cyclists around the work zones. Drivers can expect localized lane reductions for vehicles during construction. Some of the current stops along the Main and Fairview corridor will remain open during construction, but others might be moved to temporary locations to accommodate construction. Changes to bus stop locations are listed under Service Alerts on the Valley Regional Transit website.

“VRT is excited to work with our partners to bring improved transit amenities to the community,” said Valley Regional Transit Executive Director Kelli Badesheim. “The transit islands along Main and Fairview are part of VRT’s plan for making Fairview a premium transit corridor. These improvements will make it safer for bus riders and cyclists and speed up bus service.”

A sixth transit station to be located at 27th Street and Fairview Avenue will be constructed later in the summer of 2022 by St. Luke’s Health Systems in partnership with CCDC. The new
stations will be located in CCDC’s [30th Street District](http://30th-street.org), which was established in 2014 and runs through 2033.

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**About Capital City Development Corporation:**
Capital City Development Corporation (CCDC) is the redevelopment and urban renewal agency for Boise, Idaho, founded by the City of Boise in 1965. Today, CCDC is a public redevelopment agency serving as a catalyst for quality private development through urban design, economic development, and infrastructure investment with a goal of igniting diverse economic growth, building attractive urban centers, and promoting healthy community design. [www.ccdcboise.com](http://www.ccdcboise.com).

**About Valley Regional Transit:** Valley Regional Transit (VRT) is the Treasure Valley’s regional public transportation authority, responsible for managing various transportation solutions, including public bus transit, specialized van services, paratransit, Park & Ride, and more. VRT works with other organizations and government agencies to create accessible, affordable, and consistent options. [www.valleyregionaltransit.org](http://www.valleyregionaltransit.org/)

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