## WMATA FY24 Budget Rail Service Proposal

City of Hyattsville City Council Briefing April 3, 2023 Green/Yellow Line Proposal

Increased Green and Yellow Service with Yellow Line Short Turns

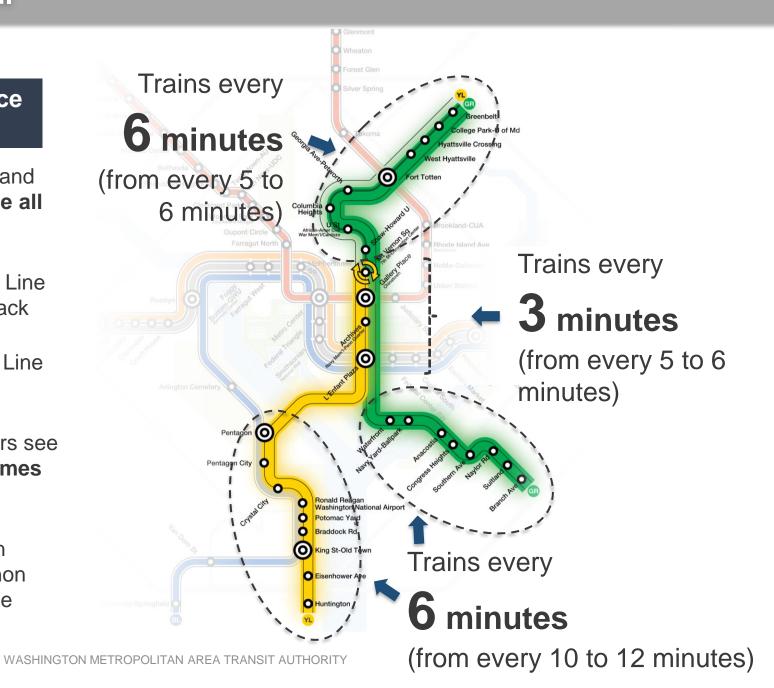
By running more trains, the entire Green and Yellow Lines will receive **6 minute service all day**, instead of only the combined parts

Balancing service requires turning Yellow Line trains at the Mt. Vernon Square pocket track

**34% more service** for Green and Yellow Line customers

3 out of 4 Green and Yellow line customers see more frequent service – **reducing wait times** 33 to 50%

Yellow Line service to resume in May with service between Huntington and Mt. Vernon Square, following reopening of Yellow Line bridge and tunnel



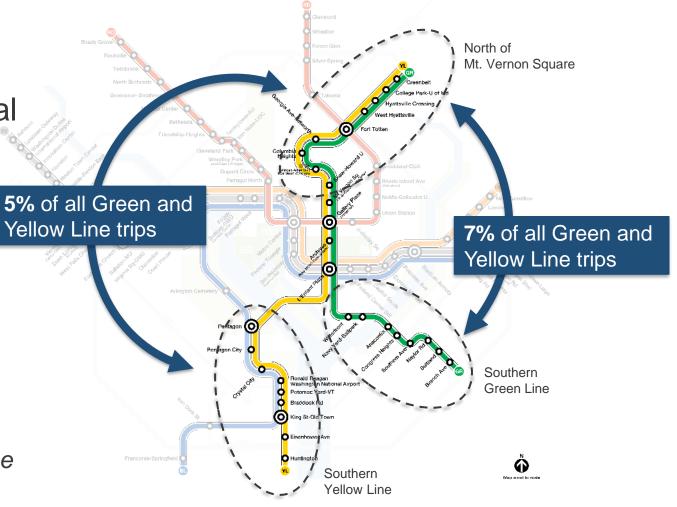


# **Green and Yellow Travel Patterns**

Most customer trips are to and from the core

GREEN AND YELLOW LINE TRIPS

- 88% of trips are to or from the central segment or within one branch
  - 65% are to or from the central part of the system
  - 23% are within the same end of a line
- 12% are from one end of the Green or Yellow line to the other
  - 7% are between northern and southern Green Line
  - 5% are between northern and southern Yellow Line – would require a 3-minute same platform transfer under proposal, partially offset by 2 to 3 minute reduced average wait for initial train

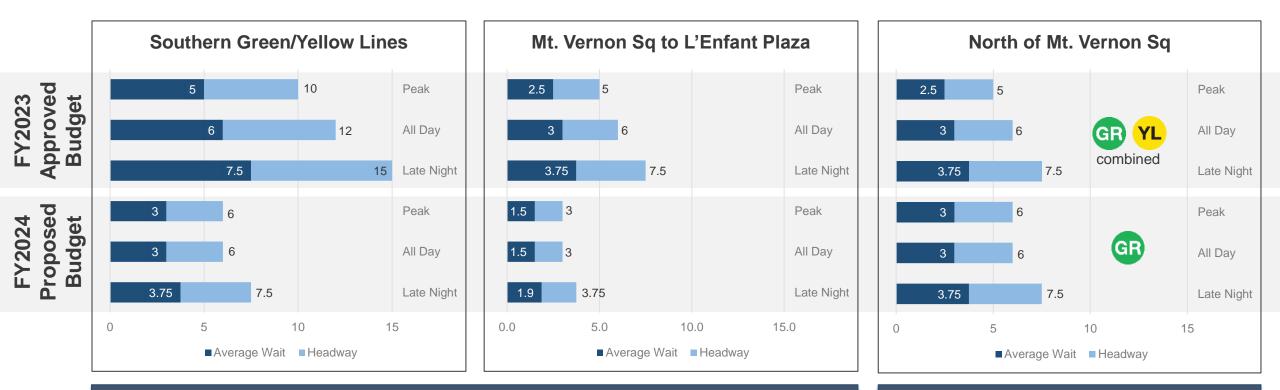


Based on customer feedback, updating service plan to run Late Night Green and Yellow Line trains every 7.5 minutes



# Headways and Average Wait Times by Segment

Shorter wait times on Southern and Central segments of the Green and Yellow Lines



Average wait times reduced 1 to 3 minutes at all times Maximum scheduled wait times reduced up to 6 minutes 0.5 minutes longer average Peak wait times Unchanged Base All Day wait times Unchanged Late Night wait times



**Peak Service:** Increased service frequency between 6:30-9:30am and 3-7pm, Monday-Friday **All Day Service:** Baseline service from Opening until 9:30pm, seven days a week **Late Night Service:** Service frequency from 9:30pm to Close, seven days a week

#### Metrorail Service Frequency Detail

		Min	Peak Headway   Minutes between trains			All Day Base Headway* Minutes between trains		
Line	Segment	August**	FY23 Budget	Proposal***	August**	FY23 Budget	Proposal***	
RD	Shady Grove to Glenmont	10	5	5	10	6	6	
GR YL	Mt. Vernon Sq to L'Enfant Plaza	7.5	5	3	7.5	6	3	
	Greenbelt Terminal****	15	5	6	15	6	6	
GR	Branch Avenue Terminal	15	10	6	15	12	6	
YL	Huntington Terminal	15	10	6	15	12	6	
BL YL	Pentagon to Reagan National Airport	7.5	5	3.75	7.5	6	4	
BL OR SV	Rosslyn to Stadium-Armory	5	3.3	3	5	4	3.75	
OR SV	East Falls Church to Rosslyn	7.5	5	4.3	7.5	6	5.5	
OR	New Carrollton Terminal	15	10	7.5	15	12	10	
BL SV	Downtown Largo Terminal	7.5	5	5	7.5	6	6	
BL	Franconia Terminal	15	10	10	15	12	12	
OR	Vienna Terminal	15	10	7.5	15	12	10	
SV	Ashburn Terminal	15	10	10	15	12	12	

<sup>5</sup> \*\*Typical Service in August 2022 (before Yellow Line construction shutdown) with reduced service due to limited availability of 7000 series

\*Until 9:30pm, 7 days a week \*\*\*Assumes railcar fleet fully available (including 7000 series) \*\*\*\*Proposal includes all Yellow Line trains terminating at Mt.

Vernon Sq; only Green Line trains serving Greenbelt



### What Service Optimization Could Accomplish



Customer Focus / Drives Ridership

- Improve customers' access to destinations and grow system ridership
  - Increase service frequency in areas with high ridership potential
  - Minimize transfer wait times

- Increase access to opportunity
  - Focus on currently under-served areas

Equitable

 Especially benefit people of color and lowincome customers



**Asset Optimization** 

- Optimize use of assets and value delivered from system investments
  - Use available railcar fleet
  - Maximize system design capacity and train throughput

