Capital Metro

- Park and Ride Program

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Park and Ride Overview

- Why Park and Rides?
- Current Status
- Future Projects and Programs
- Questions and Discussion





Why Park and Rides?

- Provide access to the transit system and destinations it serves
- Expands reach of transit to outlying areas
- Generally for commute trips to work and school via Express-type service
- Mostly focused on Mon.-Fri. peak period service
- Can be combined with transit center functions





Park and Ride Considerations

- Park and Rides can be expensive to develop and maintain
- Trip patterns can be highly directional, reducing efficiency
 - Inbound trips in a.m.
 - Outbound trips in p.m.
- Absent transit priority, buses can be stuck in traffic- reducing reliability and travel speed

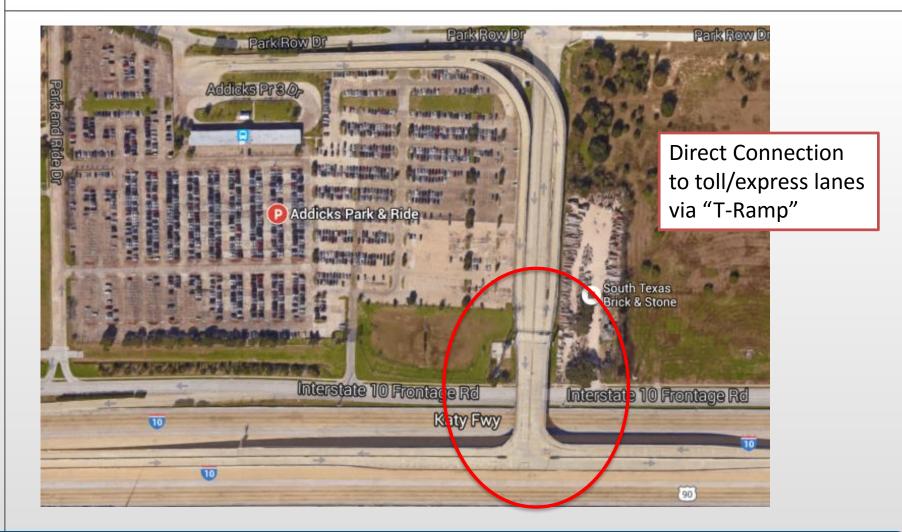


Lakeline Park and Ride





Park and Ride Best Practices





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Park and Ride Best Practices

Transition from surface parking to mixed-use development with structured parking and revenue stream









Park and Rides at Capital Metro

Highlights

- 1. 14 Park and Rides
- Size ranges from small (<50 spaces) to large (500+) spaces
- 3. Oldest- North Lamar Transit Center (1986)
- 4. Newest- Manor Park and Ride
- 5. Largest- Leander Station
- Busiest- Lakeline (served by both bus and MetroRail)



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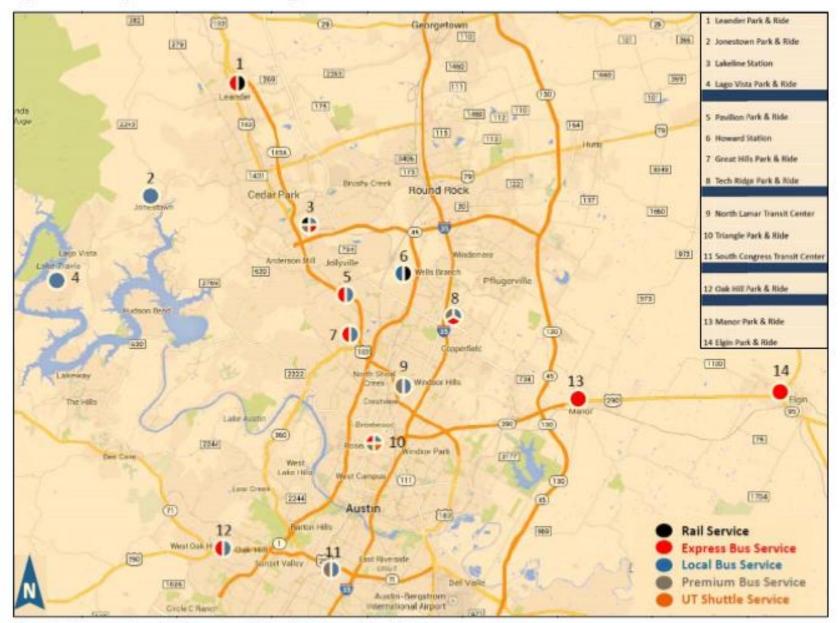
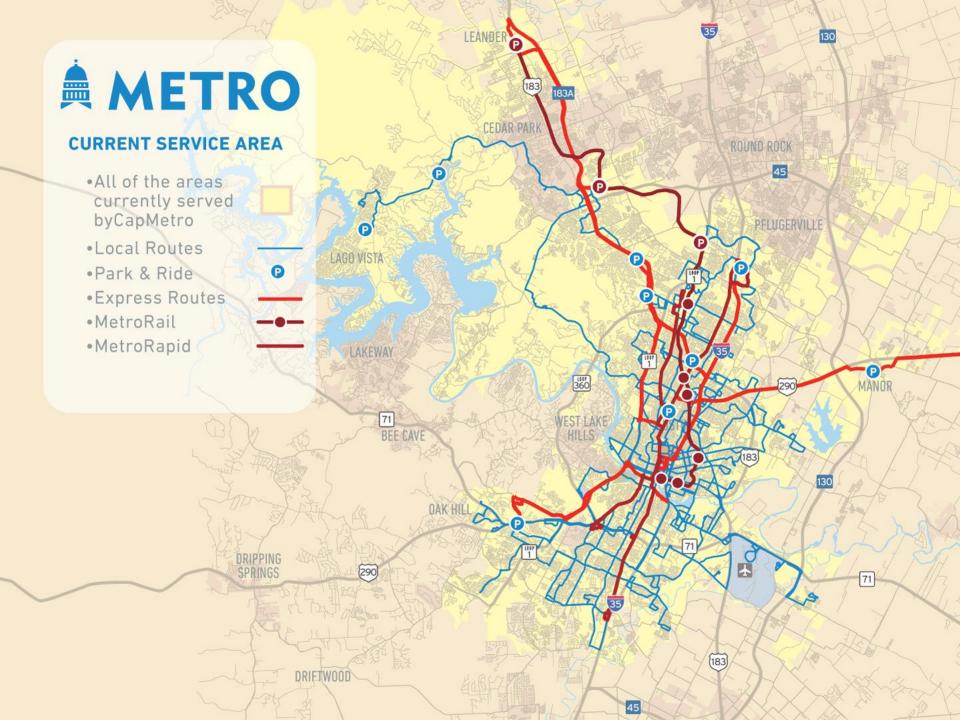


Figure 1-1: Capital Metro's Existing Park-and-Ride Locations

Note: Cap Metro services the Elgin park-and-ride, which is owned by CARTS.



Looking to the Future

Park and Ride Initiative







Planning Efforts to Date

- Initiated by ServicePlan 2020 (2010)
 - Conducted market analysis
 - Identified potential commuter markets

Origin Corridor	CAMPO Travel Demand Model Data		CAPCOG LEHD Data		Combined (Average)
	Downtown Trips	Rank	Downtown Jobs	Rank	Rank
IH-35 North	11,663	1	5,433	1	1
IH-35 South	10,453	2	4,255	2	2
Loop-360/FM-2244	6,745	3	2,026	4	3
US-183 North	4,455	6	2,455	3	4
US-290 West	5,938	5	1,611	5	5
US-290 East	6,254	4	1,062	7	6
RR-2222	4,412	7	1,323	6	7
SH-71 East	3,510	8	948	8	8
SH-71 West	2,869	9	728	9	9
US-79	1,532	10	429	10	10
US-183 South	1,440	11	135	12	11
FM-1431	1,172	12	154	11	11

TABLE 2-1: COMMUTER SHED RANKING COMPARISON

Source: Capital Metro Service Plan 2020



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Planning and Development Work

- Work continued as part of Project Connect High Capacity Transit System Plan
- Recognition of opportunities presented by agency partners
 - City of Austin / TxDOT I-35 initiative
 - CTRMA projects
- Prompt to revisit community needs after urban rail initiative
- Continued development as part of Connections2025 Study







Active Projects





1. Lakeline Station (\$1.3 m)

- 2. Howard Station (\$200 k)
 - Expansion of Park & Ride spaces due to overcapacity
 - Engineering process underway

3. Great Hills P&R

 Investigating the addition of 100 more spaces to our lease

4. South Congress TC

 Investigate expansion options due to near peak capacity

5. Oak Hill P&R • Investigate nearby lease spaces





Active Projects



Figure 5-2: Short-Term New Facility Recommendations (2015-2017)

6. Westgate

- Park & Ride/Transfer Center for 803-MetroRapid & Local Buses
- Included in Project Connect and All Systems Go plans
- Conceptual engineering for facility under Ben White (TXDOT R.O.W.)

7. Southpark Meadows Shared parking agreement now

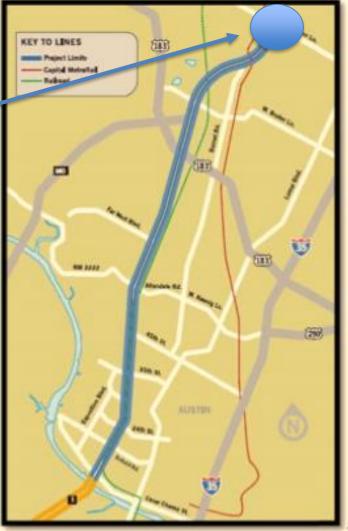
 Seeking lease agreement for 50 commuter spaces and 75 special event spaces



Active Projects

- New, leased Park and Ride at Howard and MoPac
- Re-align some services from existing Park and Rides to maximize benefit of Express Lanes



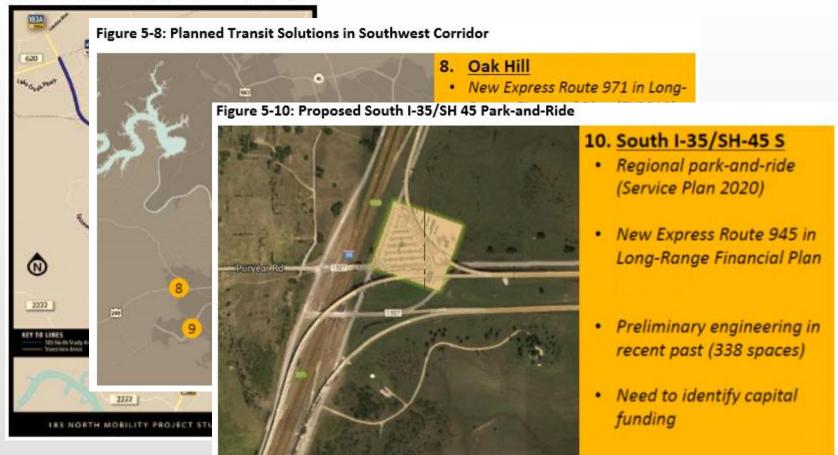






Longer Term Initiatives

Figure 5-7: 183 North Mobility Project







Longer Term Initiatives

- Coordination underway for regional Park and Rides beyond Capital Metro service area
- Local jurisdiction and transportation agency cooperation needed for success









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