



## **Denver District 9**

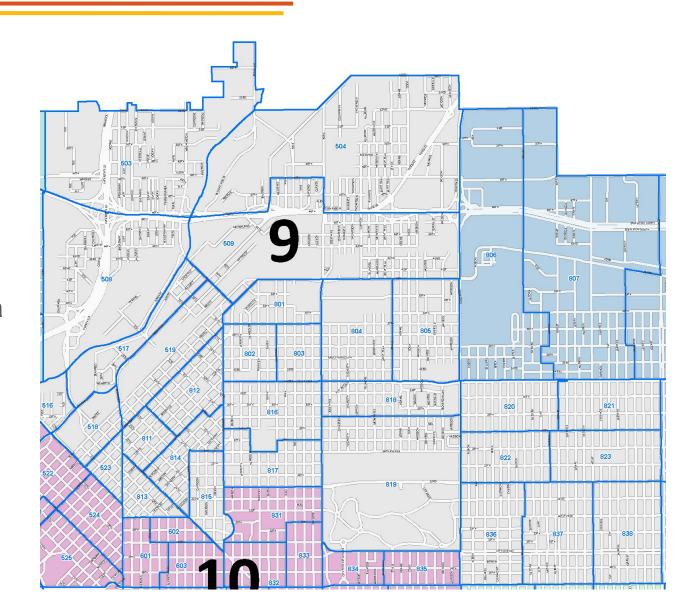
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## **Denver District 9**

Denver District 9 is located just northeast of Downtown and has the city's busiest rail line plus several major bus routes running through it.

- The A and N commuter rail lines serve the district with a major transfer station located at Union Station.
- □ The L light rail lines serves the district with a major transfer station located at 30th & Downing.
- The 7, 8, 15, 15L, 20, 24, 28, 34, 37, 38, 43, 44, 48, 49 and RX bus routes serve the district, with most using various spots Downtown as transfer point.





## **Commuter Rail in District 9**

Weekend train lengths should be increased and publicly available amenities close to stations developed.

#### **City and County of Denver Action:**

Implement 'Intelligent' Transit Oriented Development policies to encourage the building of public amenities (e.g. grocery stores, coffee shops) at or next to light rail stations.

- ☐ Introduce 4-car consists on the A Line from midday on Sundays.
- Expand availability of up-to-date integrated train, bus, and other 'last mile' transit information provided at stations.



## **Light Rail in District 9**

Light rail frequencies in the district should be increased and publicly available amenities close to stations developed.

#### **City and County of Denver Action:**

- Direct Denver departments (eg. DOTI, DPD) to do all they can to keep the L line running during special events in Five Points such as Juneteenth and Viva Streets and not suspend service unnecessarily.
- ☐ Implement 'Intelligent' Transit Oriented Development policies to encourage the building of public amenities (e.g. grocery stores, coffee shops) at or next to light rail stations.

- Accelerate the adoption of 10-minute frequencies on the D, E and H lines in accordance with the System Optimization Plan.
- Expand availability of up-to-date integrated train, bus, and other 'last mile' transit information provided at stations.

## **Buses in District 9**

Bus frequencies in the district should be increased, BRT should be implemented and all bus stops should be upgraded.

#### **City and County of Denver Action:**

- ☐ The Colfax BRT project program should be accelerated with the aim for BRT service to start in 2026.
- Negotiate rates with RTD to add enough extra bus service to achieve 15 minute frequencies until midnight on most routes.
- Upgrade all bus stops to be fully ADA accessible and feature shelters, benches, trash cans plus map and schedule information provided using printed posters and digital screens.
- ☐ Clear snow from bus stops when property owners fail to do so.



#### 18th / Wynkoop 17th / Blake Blake Blake / Market 15th / Wynkoop **Transit Square** 18th / Larimer Market Stout / California **Transit Square** 18th / Arapahoe 17th / Blake Lawrence 15th / Market 15th / Larimer 17th / Curtis 15th / Arapahoe 18th / Welton California California RTD Bus Services 17th / 18th Street Bus Services 15th Street Bus Services 17th / 16th / Blake / Market Street Bus Services Glenarm California Lincoln D. H & L Light Rail Lines 15th / Glenarm Convention Centre 17th / Cleveland Colfax at Civic Center

## Downtown Bus Plan

The Downtown Bus Plan will speed up RTD buses, expand Downtown frequencies, and multiply connections for minimal cost and operator increases.

- □ 15 existing RTD bus routes should have their Downtown "last miles" aligned between DUS and Civic Center along two parallel DUS - Civic Center Trunks.
- The former RTD Free MetroRide bus fleet can then be optimally repurposed to fill Downtown's largest transit gap:
  Decatur Federal Station to 38th & Blake Station along the Blake/Market Trunk.

## **District-Wide Initiatives**

Bus and train service in Denver should be improved with projects to upgrade infrastructure and provide amenities.

#### **City and County of Denver Action:**

- ☐ Extend the L Line to 38th & Blake Station.
- Build out BRT on Colfax, Broadway, Colorado and Federal.

- ☐ Implement GDT's Downtown Bus Plan that will speed up RTD buses, expand Downtown frequencies, and multiply connections without costing millions or requiring RTD to hire more drivers.
- Adopt a robust Front Range Passenger Rail Plan that provides frequent and reliable intercity service on passenger-dedicated tracks.
- Install and operate bike shelters at all rail stations.
- ☐ Install charging outlets (USB or 120V) on RTD buses and trains.







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