

Port Authority

FIVE BUS STOPS ORIGINALLY PROPOSED FOR ELIMINATION WILL BE RETAINED

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (October 30, 2019) - Five bus stops that were slated for elimination under Port Authority's Bus Stop Consolidation program will remain in place following a reevaluation triggered by community, customer and operator feedback.

In early September, Port Authority announced it would begin reviewing and proposing for elimination redundant, unpopular and unwelcoming bus stops with a goal of improving service and on-time performance.

Port Authority initially proposed eliminating 33 of 127 stops (26 percent) on the 16-Brighton and 39 of 180 stops (22 percent) on the 51-Carrick. The stops are also served by nearly two-dozen other bus routes.

More than 200 people provided feedback on the proposals, which triggered a reevaluation of several bus stops. Following those reevaluations, Port Authority's Service Development Department determined that two bus stops on the 16-Brighton and three bus stops on the 51-Carrick route will remain.

"The bus stop truly is the front door to our service, so we did not take lightly the thoughtful and sometimes emotional comments that we received," said Port Authority CEO Katharine Kelleman. "But we have known for far too long that our system has too many stops, many that, in my opinion, are in unsatisfactory conditions."

New signs will be placed at the following stops notifying riders that they will remain:

16-Brighton (outbound) - North Avenue at Reddour Street (Stop # 1586)

16-Brighton (inbound) - Brighton Road at Highwood Street (Stop # 1540)
51-Carrick (outbound) - Brownsville Road opposite E Meyers Ave (Stop # 10019)
51-Carrick (inbound) - Brownsville Road at E Meyers Ave (Stop # 9990)
51-Carrick (inbound) - Brownsville Road opposite Stewart Ave (Stop # 9537)

The other 67 bus stops will be removed on November 24. A complete list of the stops is available at PortAuthority.org/busstop.

Next week, Port Authority's Service Development Department will begin evaluating the 48-Arlington and 88-Penn bus routes. The bus stops proposed for elimination along those routes will be announced in early December and will be followed by another round of feedback.

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