METRONext

Moving Forward Plan West Houston Corridor

Board Workshop

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West Houston Corridor Moving Forward Plan

- North/South METRORapid service
- Semi-exclusive, center-running lanes along Gessner Road







West Houston Corridor

- North/South METRORapid service along BW 8
- Major transfer locations:
 - Missouri City/BW 8 Park & Ride
 - West Bellfort Multimodal Transit Center
 - Westchase Park & Ride
 - City Center Transit Center
 - West Little York Transit Center
- BOOST on Gessner Road
- Future opportunities to connect with METRORapid Interstate Highway 45 North to George Bush Intercontinental Airport





METRONext Moving Forward Plan - Map

METRORapid (BRT)

- Interstate Highway 45 North to George Bush Intercontinental Airport and Greenspoint
- Inner Katy Corridor to Northwest Transit Center / Proposed High Speed Rail / Uptown
- University Corridor between Westchase and Tidwell
- Uptown Corridor extension to Gulfton
- · West Houston Corridor between West Little York Park & Ride and Missouri City

Regional Express

- US 90A Two-Way HOV
- United States Highway 90A Two-Way HOV
- Interstate Highway 10 West Two-Way HOV
- Interstate Highway 45 North Two-Way HOV
- United States Highway 59/Interstate Highway 69 South Two-Way HOV Downtown to Edloe
- State Highway 249 Two-Way Diamond Lanes/HOV
- 4 Off-Peak Direction Diamond Lane Corridors

METRORail (LRT)

- Connecting the Green Line and Purple Line and extending the combined lines to William P. Hobby Airport
- Extensions of Green and Purple Lines to the City of Houston Municipal Courthouse
- · Extension of Red Line to North Shepherd

BOOST & Signature Service

- 17 Corridors
- Westheimer Signature Bus Service

System Enhancements

- Approximately 21 new or improved Park & Rides, and Transit Centers
- Approximately 10 new Community Connectors / Circulators
- Systemwide route improvements
- Bus stop enhancements, such as new shelters, accessibility upgrades, and enhanced passenger information
- Bus Operating Facility
- Downtown, Midtown, and Texas Medical Center transit improvements
- Park & Ride Service Enhancements
- Accessibility and usability improvements and other investments designed to reduce barriers for seniors, the disabled and other users of METRO's transit system, including METROLift services
- Improvements to facilitate portions of a rider's trip before and after use of METRO's transit system (First Mile/Last Mile)
- Safety and Security Enhancements

