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## Long Beach Transit Service Changes Effective June 1, 2014

Service is Extended Into Seal Beach and the Passport is On Long-Term Detour

LONG BEACH, CALIF. (May 16, 2014) – Starting Sunday, June 1, Long Beach Transit service changes will commence. In addition to usual adjustments, the Passport route will be on a long-term detour as the City of Long Beach works on the Pine Avenue Improvement project which is scheduled in segments through April 2015.

**Routes 131 and 171:** Routes have been extended from Alamitos Bay (131) and Marketplace (171) to Electric and Main Street in Seal Beach. Due to the extension there are route and schedule changes.

**Passport:** Additional service has been added on weekend afternoons and evenings to improve service during the summer. Since April 2014, the Passport route has been on detour. The current detour has the Passport traveling along Pacific and Long Beach Blvd. instead of Pine Ave. north of Ocean. The bus stops on Pine between 1<sup>st</sup> St. and Ocean will be closed during the detour. For northbound trips, customers should use the stop on Pacific at Ocean. For southbound trips, customers should use the temporary stop on the south side of Ocean at Pacific. This long-term detour can change at any time. For the most up-to-date detour information and dates, visit www.lbtransit.com.

Routes 21, 22: Southbound route will now start at Garfield Park instead of Garfield at Richfield. Minor weekday schedule changes.

**Route 52 (NEW):** Route travels on weekdays along Route 51 until it turns left onto Victoria St. and right on Santa Fe, serving county social service centers in the area. After reaching Santa Fe at Artesia, it will continue along Route 51.

**Routes 71, 72:** Last southbound stop will now layover at Garfield Park instead of Garfield at Richfield. Minor weekday service changes.

**Routes 91, 92, 93, 94, 96:** Summer schedule is in effect and weekday service runs every 12 minutes and 10 minutes during peak periods. One additional later southbound Route 91 trip operates on Saturday. One earlier southbound Route 94 departs Bellflower at Stearns 20 minutes earlier to provide better connections at the Transit Gallery. Route 96 ZAP operates only until the end of the LBUSD school year on June 12.

Routes 101, 102, 103, 104: These route will begin at Carson St. just west of Norwalk Blvd. instead of Civic Center at Ibex.

**Routes 111, 112:** Some stops have been removed on Broadway to speed up service. Weekday service operates every 20 to 40 minutes all day and every 30 to 60 minutes on the weekend.

**Routes 172, 173, 174:** The first southbound Route 172 trip begins fifteen minutes earlier, replacing the Route 174 trip, to improve connections to the Metro Blue Line.

**Routes 181, 182:** Minor routing adjustments in the downtown area have been made to improve operations. No stops will be affected. Minor service changes on weekdays and weekends.

Routes 1, 51, 61, 121, 151, and 176: Minor schedule changes or service adjustments.

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**School Trippers** operate only until the end of the LBUSD school year on June 12.

**Timepoints** may have been changed in the guide to improve service.

Detailed information is available by calling 562-591-2301, by visiting www.lbtransit.com, or by obtaining a copy of the updated Transit Guide.

## **About Long Beach Transit**

Long Beach Transit serves over 28.6 million boarding customers in Long Beach, Lakewood and Signal Hill—as well as portions of Artesia, Bellflower, Carson, Cerritos, Compton, Hawaiian Gardens, Los Alamitos, Norwalk, and Paramount. Water taxi services via AquaBus and AquaLink are available in the summer months. For more information visit <a href="https://www.lbtransit.com">www.lbtransit.com</a>.

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