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25-R-18

A RESOLUTION

Supporting Direct Public Transit Service to Evanston Township High School

WHEREAS, the City is committed to promoting the highest quality of life for all residents, including accessible, equitable, and independent public transportation options; and

WHEREAS, increasing personal equity and independence in Evanston is obtained through diverse and accessible transportation choices to work, school, entertainment, shopping, and medical facilities; and

WHEREAS, Pace and the Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) conducted a joint North Shore Transit Coordination Plan & Market Analysis Study in Northeastern Illinois, including the City of Evanston, and have proposed Phase 1 service changes that are not equivalent to current service levels; and

WHEREAS, Evanston Township High School (ETHS) relies on CTA Route 205 as a critical service for the transportation of students and staff from southeastern Evanston; and

WHEREAS, CTA proposes the discontinuation of Route 205, which provides 15 – 30 minute service frequency from 6:20 am – 6:35 pm, including direct stops to and from ETHS; and

WHEREAS, Pace proposes to replace direct service to ETHS with one route from southeast Evanston in the morning and one route from ETHS to southeast Evanston in the afternoon; and

WHEREAS, the proposed replacement for CTA Route 205 with one direct morning and one direct afternoon trip to ETHS from Pace Route 213 is not equivalent service and provides an undue hardship to transit riders, resulting in a less accessible and less livable community,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EVANSTON, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS:

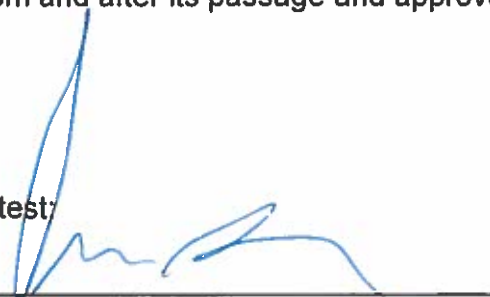
SECTION 1: The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein by reference as though fully restated.

SECTION 2: The City supports direct public transit service to ETHS for the provision of an accessible, equitable, independent, and livable community.

SECTION 3: The City requests Pace and CTA delay the proposed Phase 1 route changes, and instead modify service to fully address the needs of all Evanston residents, including those traveling to and from ETHS.

SECTION 4: That this Resolution 25-R-18 shall be transmitted to the Pace and CTA Board of Directors for their consideration.

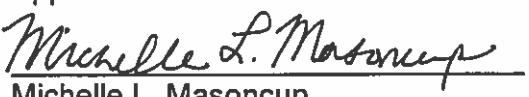
SECTION 5: That this Resolution 25-R-18 shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval in the manner provided by law.

Attest:


Devon Reid, City Clerk



Stephen H. Hagerty, Mayor

Approved as to form:


Michelle L. Masoncup,
Interim Corporation Counsel

Adopted: April 30, 2018