

THE PEOPLE BEFORE
CARS COALITION UNITES
LOCAL STAKEHOLDERS
AROUND SHARED
PRIORITIES TO CREATE A
SAFER AND MORE
ACCESSIBLE
TRANSPORTATION
NETWORK ACROSS
NATIONAL LANDING.

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Randy Clarke
Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority
300 7th Street SW
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Dear Mr. Clarke:

The People Before Cars (PBC) Coalition writes to express our strong support of maintaining funding for WMATA's bus service through National Landing: 16M, Metroway Bus Rapid Transit, and the 23B.

As mentioned in our July 2023 letter to your Better Bus Network Redesign Team, National Landing is one of the nation's most well-connected downtowns and one of the region's largest and densest mixed-use employment clusters. In fact, Amazon was attracted to National Landing to a significant degree by both Metrorail and the concentration of bus routes converging in the area providing significant multimodal connectivity.

Multiple bus lines serve National Landing via WMATA's Metrobus and Metroway. Extensive bus connectivity allows commuters to get where they need to go, when they need to go, and is an essential and uniquely powerful tool for increasing affordable access to jobs and opportunity.

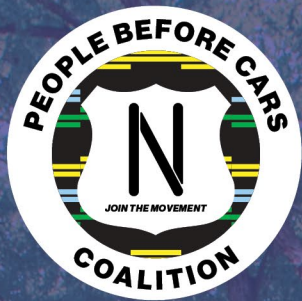
The National Landing-Potomac Yard Metroway, which runs in predominantly dedicated lanes and is able to provide frequent bus service between the Braddock Road Metro Station and Pentagon City Metro Station, is an example for the region. In fact, this transitway is in the process of being expanded to better link Crystal City and Pentagon City with fast, reliable transit. Another great example is the recently launched 16M Columbia Pike Premium Transit Network that now provides high-frequency, one-seat, premium service connecting National Landing to Columbia Pike and Bailey's Crossroads.

Therefore, we strongly advocate for maintaining funding for our WMATA bus lines in National Landing. With the immense growth our community is experiencing in residents and workers, now is not the time to reduce service.

Sincerely,

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