PROPOSED FARE RESTRUCTURING Fare Capping & Fare Policy Changes

Staff requests Board approval of the following changes to Metro's fare structure and fare policy.

IMPLEMENTATION OF FARE CAPPING

- Discontinue sales of prepaid Day Passes, 7-Day Passes, and 30-Day Passes
- Establish daily and weekly dollar caps for fares paid with TAP stored value: all rides will be free for the rest of the day or week once the dollar cap has been paid
 - \circ Daily dollar caps will be set at 2 to 3 times the base fare
 - \circ Weekly dollar caps will be set at 8 to 12 times the base fare

REMOVAL OF UPCHARGE ON SILVER AND EXPRESS

- Remove the upcharge for Silver Line and Express Bus service
 - o Base fare will be the same regardless of the bus or rail line

AUTOMATIC FARE INFLATOR

- Recalculate the base fare every 4 years based on inflation (Consumer Price Index), rounded to the nearest \$0.25.
- Fare changes will be re-evaluated during the budget process, with public hearing or notification to be conducted during Metro's budget process to inform the public about the proposed Automatic Fare Inflator.

EXTEND LIFE OF TAP CARD

- Increase the expiration date on new TAP cards from 10 years to 15 years
- Offer the TAP mobile app free of charge

PROPOSED PRICING

COLOR KEY		
PRICE INCREASE		
PRICE DECREASE		
NO CHANGE		

Rider Category & Fare Product	Adopted Pricing	Proposed Pricing	
Regular Fare			
Base Fare (including 2-hour, 1-directional transfers)	\$1.75	\$1.75	
Day Pass / Daily Cap	\$7.00	\$5.00	
7-Day Pass / Weekly Cap	\$25.00	\$18.00	
30-Day Pass	\$100.00	Not Offered - Transition to Fare Capping	
Senior/Disabled			
Base Fare - Peak (including 2-hour, 1-directional transfers)	\$0.75	\$0.75	
Base Fare - Off-Peak (including 2-hour, 1-directional transfers)	\$0.35	\$0.75	
Day Pass / Daily Cap	\$2.50	\$2.50	
7-Day Pass / Weekly Cap	\$5.00*	\$6.00	
30-Day Pass	\$20.00	Not Offered - Transition to Fare Capping	
K-12 Student			
Base Fare (including 2-hour, 1-directional transfers)	\$1.00	\$1.00	
Day Pass / Daily Cap	\$7.00	\$2.50	
7-Day Pass / Weekly Cap	\$6.00*	\$6.00	
30-Day Pass	\$24.00	Not Offered - Transition to Fare Capping	
College/Vocational Student			
Base Fare (including 2-hour, 1-directional transfers)	\$1.75	\$1.00	
Day Pass / Daily Cap	\$7.00	\$2.50	
7-Day Pass / Weekly Cap	\$10.75*	\$6.00	
College/Vocational 30-Day Pass	\$43.00	Not Offered - Transition to Fare Capping	

*Current adopted fare structure does not include weekly passes for S/D, K-12, or C/V. For comparison purposes, "Adopted Pricing" for these products is shown as the weekly equivalent of the 30-Day Pass price.