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CORRIDOR MPO TO PRESENT RECOMMENDED OPTIONS FOR IMPROVED BUS ROUTES

CEDAR RAPIDS – The Corridor Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) will host two open houses on November 24th at the African American Museum of Iowa and the Crowne Plaza Five Seasons Hotel. The Corridor MPO is holding these sessions to gather community input on the recommended transit route changes for Cedar Rapids Transit services operating in the metro-area. These options were prepared based on technical feasibility and public input received from the previous two open houses.

Interested community members are invited to attend. At the meeting, attendees are encouraged to comment on the route modifications proposed to the existing Cedar Rapids Transit routes.

The Corridor MPO is reviewing the Cedar Rapids fixed-route transit system and exploring potential improvements that could be made to existing services to better serve local needs. This is the third and final in a series of three open houses scheduled for this project. Comments received at these open houses will be incorporated in the development of future transit options for the Cedar Rapids area. Feedback can also be provided by visiting the Corridor MPO website at www.corridormpo.com

CEDAR RAPIDS TRANSIT STUDY OPEN HOUSE III (FINAL)

Afternoon Session

Tuesday, November 24 – 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm.
African American Museum, Celebration Hall
55 12th Ave SE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52403

Evening Session

Tuesday, November 24 – 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.
Crowne Plaza Five Seasons Hotel, Ballroom # 2
350 1st Ave NE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52401

A special arrangement has been made with the Neighborhood Transportation Service (NTS) to provide a **FREE RETURN RIDE** to residents with special transportation needs. Please call NTS at (319) 286-5725 no later than 4:00 pm on Monday, November 23rd to schedule your ride home from the open house.

For more information, please contact Sushil Nepal, Corridor MPO, at s.nepal@cedar-rapids.org or (319) 286-5075.