

CITY OF DETROIT

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COUNCIL PRESIDENT

MEMORANDUM

To: C. Mikel Oglesby, Director, Department of Transportation (DDOT)

Through: Council Member Fred Durhal, Chair, Budget, Finance & Audit Standing

Committee

From: Council President Mary Sheffield submitting memorandum relative to

Date: 3/29/2023

RE: DDOT Budget Hearing Questions for FY23-24

SUMMARY:

- 1) Given the controversy surrounding the services of the paratransit contracts, what are the plans to mitigate the concerns raised by riding advocates, and what will be implemented to ensure there is no interruption in service?
- 2) How many buses are needed to ensure timely and efficient services on all routes?
 - a. How many buses are fuel efficient?
 - b. What is the plan to implement electric buses?
- 3) How many employees are needed to ensure timely and efficient services on all routes?
- 4) How many vacancies does the department have?
- 5) How many bus stops/ stations are there in the City of Detroit?
 - a. Are any new bus stops being created?
 - b. Are any bus stations be eliminated?
- 6) How many bus stops have comfort stations?
 - a. What criteria is used to determine whether or not a station should have a covering?
 - b. How much does it cost to provide heated coverings/ comfort stations at bus stops?
- 7) What is the criteria for installing a benches at a particular bus station?
- 8) Do the buses have Wi-Fi capability?

- 9) How have the DDOT bus driver pay raises impacted morale and retention within the department?
- 10) How many bus stations/ stops are receiving service every 15 minutes or better?

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