

ORDINANCE NO. 020-2

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING
THE REALIGNMENT OF BUS
ROUTES #52 KEDZIE/CALIFORNIA
AND #94 SOUTH CALIFORNIA AS
A ONE-YEAR PILOT

WHEREAS, The Chicago Transit Authority (“Authority”) continually reviews service and makes changes when appropriate to better serve the region’s population; and

WHEREAS, The #52 Kedzie/California bus route currently operates every day between Kedzie Avenue/63rd Street and Rockwell Street/Addison Street; and

WHEREAS, The #94 South California bus route currently operates every day between 74th Street/Damen Avenue and Chicago Avenue/Kedzie Avenue; and

WHEREAS, Staff recommends a realignment of the north terminals of the routes, whereby the #52 is terminated at Chicago Avenue/Kedzie Avenue and the #94 is extended to Addison Street/Rockwell Street, to provide continuity along California Avenue and improve bus connections to the Authority’s Green line from the northwest side; and

WHEREAS, The Authority strives to match services with demand and believes that the #52 and #94 realignment would better serve customers in the Kedzie/California Avenue corridor and increase ridership; and

WHEREAS, The operating cost to implement the bus realignments for the one-year pilot is estimated to be cost-neutral; and

WHEREAS, Given the route realignments, it is recommended that the route names be changed from #52 Kedzie/California to #52 Kedzie and from #94 South California to #94 California to better reflect the revised routings; and

WHEREAS, The pilot for the #52 and #94 realignment is scheduled to begin with the spring 2020 bus schedule change; now, therefore:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CHICAGO TRANSIT BOARD
OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY:

SECTION 1. The President of the Chicago Transit Authority, or his designee, is hereby authorized to implement a one-year pilot to realign bus routes #52 Kedzie/California and #94 South California and change the names as follows:

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#52 Kedzie

Operate certain northbound trips from the current south terminal over and along the present northbound route to the north terminal at W. Chicago Avenue and N. Troy Street, and returning east on W. Chicago Avenue to N. Sacramento Boulevard, north on N. Sacramento Boulevard to W. Grand Avenue, northwest on W. Grand Avenue to N. Kedzie Avenue, south on N. Kedzie Avenue to W. Chicago Avenue, and continuing south on N. Kedzie Avenue to the present south terminal over and along the present southbound route.

#94 California

Operate certain northbound trips from the current south terminal over and along the present northbound route to N. Sacramento Boulevard and W. Grand Avenue, continuing east on W. Chicago Avenue to N. California Avenue, north on N. California Avenue to W. Belmont Avenue, east on W. Belmont Avenue to N. Campbell Avenue, north on N. Campbell Avenue to W. Melrose Street, west on W. Melrose Street to N. Rockwell Street, north on N. Rockwell Street to the north terminal and returning south on N. Rockwell Street to W. Addison Street, west on W. Addison Street to N. California Avenue, south on N. California Avenue to W. Chicago Avenue, west on W. Chicago Avenue to N. Sacramento Boulevard, south on N. Sacramento Boulevard, and continuing to the current south terminal over and along the present southbound route.

SECTION 2. These changes shall be implemented when the necessary operating arrangements have been completed.

SECTION 3. The changes shall be inaugurated as a pilot lasting up to, but not exceeding, the spring 2021 bus schedule change. Staff shall elicit public comment during the course of the pilot and report its findings to the Board before the end of the pilot.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

APPROVED:

PASSED:

Chairman

Assistant Secretary

January 15, 2020

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