

ORDINANCE NO. 021-35

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING
AN ADDITIONAL EXPERIMENT FOR
THE REALIGNMENT OF BUS ROUTES
#52 KEDZIE/CALIFORNIA AND #94
SOUTH CALIFORNIA

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

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 020-02 implemented a one-year pilot which realigned routes #52 Kedzie/California and #94 South California and renamed them #52 Kedzie and #94 California; and

WHEREAS, This change was implemented to provide continuity along California Avenue and improve bus connections to the Authority’s Green line from the northwest side; and

WHEREAS, The Covid-19 pandemic had a significant impact on bus and rail ridership throughout the duration of the pilot, and staff recommends a second pilot in order to further observe ridership continuing with the current routing, service hours, and route names; and

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

WHEREAS, The second pilot for the #52 and #94 realignment is scheduled to begin with the Summer 2021 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 second one-year pilot to realign bus routes #52 Kedzie/California and #94 South California and change the names as follows:

#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.

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#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. The changes shall be operated as a second pilot lasting up to, but not exceeding, the Summer 2022 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 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

APPROVED:

PASSED:

Vice Chair

Assistant Secretary

May 12, 2021

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