

Resolution of the City of Jersey City, N.J.

File No. Res. 23-647
Agenda No. 10.90
Approved:



A RESOLUTION OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF CITY OF JERSEY CITY IN SUPPORT OF URGING GOVERNOR MURPHY; THE JERSEY CITY DELEGATION TO THE STATE LEGISLATURE; NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION COMMISSIONER; AND NEW JERSEY TRANSIT AND ITS BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO TAKE ANY AND ALL IMMEDIATE ACTION NECESSARY TO ENSURE THE SERVICE PROVIDED BY #30-SOCIETY HILL BUS LINE, #31-MONTGOMERY/WESTSIDE BUS LINE, #32-440 SHOPPER BUS LINE, AND #33-BERGEN AVENUE BUS LINE CONTINUE UNINTERRUPTED SERVICE TO THE JERSEY CITY COMMUNITY.

COUNCIL offered and moved adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, A & C Corporation announced its intentions to discontinue servicing of the #30-Society Hill bus line, #31-Montgomery/Westside bus line, #32- 440 Shopper bus line, and #33-Bergen Avenue bus line by October 31, 2023; a service that has been provided to Jersey City residents in transit-poor parts of the city for decades; and

WHEREAS, Society Hill bus line, Montgomery/ West Side bus line, 440 Shopper bus line, and Bergen Avenue bus line are all a vital public service to the community it serves. The entire West Side of the city relies on busses as there are limited light rail stations and no PATH stations. They provide residents with transportation that gives them the ability to safely and conveniently commute to work, connect to other transit hubs within Jersey City, visit friends and family, and go shopping for groceries and everyday necessities; and

WHEREAS, the A & C bus lines have serviced approximately 200,000 riders per month, and NJ TRANSIT's 80 bus line services approximately 5,500 riders per day, demonstrating the critical need for, and demand of, bus service for the entire West Side of the City; and

WHEREAS, there is precedent for NJ TRANSIT to take over bus lines in Jersey City. Both the number 10 and the 119 busses, then under different route numbers, were previously run by private carrier. Approximately ten years ago the original private carrier dropped those routes, which were then picked up by another private carrier. NJ TRANSIT itself took over the two bus lines in 2022, and since then have achieved drastic improvements in the service on both lines; and

WHEREAS, the discontinuation of said transportation would result in residents having to find other, more expensive, means of transportation in order to commute to work, travel to other parts of the city, and provide their families with items needed by all households in order to ensure good quality of life.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JERSEY CITY AS FOLLOWS:

- 1.Supports the community in calling upon the governor, the state legislators, New Jersey Transit, and the New Jersey Department of Transportation to take any and all action necessary to ensure the service provided by Society Hill bus line, Montgomery/Westside bus line, 440 Shopper bus line, and Bergen Avenue bus line continue to operate and service the city of Jersey City and all residents of Hudson County, including reserving and appropriating necessary resources; and
- 2.That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the following: Governor Phil Murphy; Jersey City's delegation to the State Legislature; New Jersey Department of Transportation Commissioner; New Jersey Transit, Hudson County Transportation Management, and the County Clerk of the County of Hudson.

A Resolution of the Municipal Council of City of Jersey City in support of urging Governor Murphy; the Jersey City delegation to the State Legislature; New Jersey Department of Transportation Commissioner; and New Jersey Transit and its Board of Commissioners to take any and all immediate action necessary to ensure the service provided by #30-Society Hill bus line, #31-Montgomery/Westside bus line, #32-440 Shopper bus line, and #33-Bergen Avenue bus line continue uninterrupted service to the Jersey City community.

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM

Business Administrator

Corporation Counsel

Certification Required

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTE –															
	AYE	NAY	N.V.	Absent		AYE	NAY	N.V.	Absent		AYE	NAY	N.V.	Absent	N.V. – (Abstain)
RIDLEY					SALEH					DEGISE					
PRINZ-AREY					SOLOMON					RIVERA					
BOGGIANO					GILMORE					WATTERMAN, PRES					

Adopted at a meeting of the Municipal Council of the City of Jersey.

President of Council

City Clerk

A Resolution of the Municipal Council of City of Jersey City in support of urging Governor Murphy; the Jersey City delegation to the State Legislature; New Jersey Department of Transportation Commissioner; and New Jersey Transit and its Board of Commissioners to take any and all immediate action necessary to ensure the service provided by #30-Society Hill bus line, #31-Montgomery/Westside bus line, #32-440 Shopper bus line, and #33-Bergen Avenue bus line continue uninterrupted service to the Jersey City community.

RESOLUTION FACT SHEET -

This summary sheet is to be attached to the front of any resolution that is submitted for Council consideration. Incomplete or vague fact sheets will be returned with the resolution.

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Division	Municipal Council	

Note: Project Manager must be available by phone during agenda meeting (Wednesday prior to council meeting @ 1:00 p.m.)

Meeting	Regular Meeting of Municipal Council - Aug 16 2023
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Purpose

<p>Resolution of The Municipal Council of City of Jersey City in Support of Urging Governor Murphy; Jersey City’s delegation to the State Legislature; New Jersey Department of Transportation Commissioner; and New Jersey Transit and its Board of Commissioners, to take any and all immediate action necessary to ensure the service provided by #30-Society Hill bus line, #31-Montgomery/Westside bus line, #32-440 Shopper bus line, and #33-Bergen Avenue bus line continue uninterrupted service to the Jersey City community. Co-Sponsored by Council President Watterman, Councilman Rivera, Councilwoman DeGise, Councilwoman Ridley, Councilman Boggiano, Councilman Saleh, Councilman Solomon, Councilman Gilmore</p>
