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DATE: 3/24/2026
TO: Public Infrastructure Committee
FROM: Maritime Metro Transit
RE: Cold Weather Shutdown Policy

Transit is requesting approval for a “Cold Weather Shutdown Policy”. The policy would allow Maritime Metro Transit to shutdown bus service for any weather when it reaches an ambient temperature of -10 degrees below, and switch to On-Demand for work or medical appointments only. Maritime Metro would use two vehicles, already owned, to operate the On-Demand service during the extreme cold conditions during normal hours of operation. Passengers would be allowed to schedule one ride per day to and from location, in advance of the shutdown, by either calling the transfer center line or through an app. If any passenger is caught using On-Demand service for anything other than its intended use, they would be subject to Maritime Metro Zero Tolerance suspension policy. The reason for this request is because of the history of bus mechanical issues operating during these conditions, the lack of spare vehicles to absorb bus breakdowns, and the lack of available personnel to handle breakdowns.