

Public Hearing Notice – To Consider Changes to Sonoma County Transit’s Fare Rates and Policies

A public hearing to consider changes to Sonoma County Transit’s fare rates and policies will be held before the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors on Tuesday, December 8, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Board of Supervisors Meeting Room: 575 Administration Drive, Room 102A, Santa Rosa.

The proposed changes include: reducing the number of intercity fare zones, new fare zone rates, introducing a “Youth” fare category for passengers 18 years and under to replace the current “Student” fare category and revising the “Senior” fare category from 60 years to 65 years.

These changes are necessary in order to ready Sonoma County Transit’s fare program for the Clipper Regional Transit card that will be introduced in early 2016. The Clipper program encourages participating transit operators to adopt consistent fare category definitions. With the recommended changes, Sonoma County Transit will have fare categories that are consistent with Santa Rosa CityBus, Petaluma Transit and Golden Gate Transit. For Sonoma County Transit, implementation of Clipper also required reducing the number of fare zones.

The adjacent charts show a comparison between Sonoma County Transit’s current and proposed fares and a comparison of current vs. proposed fares for intercity trips originating in Santa Rosa. While the base (1st zone) fare has increased in all fare categories, some intercity trips will cost less. Passengers are encouraged to use the adjacent charts to compare their current fare with the proposed new fares.

The public is invited to present comments at the hearing or send comments to Sonoma County Transit, 355 West Robles Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95407. Comments can also be made by calling (707) 585-7516 or by email clipper@sctransit.com.

ADULT fare comparison:		Existing Zones	Existing Fare	Proposed Zones	Proposed Fare	Difference
Santa Rosa to:	Sebasoptol TH	2	1.85	2	2.10	0.25
	Forestville	3	2.45	2	2.10	(0.35)
	Rio Nido	4	3.05	3	3.00	(0.05)
	Guerneville	4	3.05	3	3.00	(0.05)
	Monte Rio	4	3.05	3	3.00	(0.05)
Occidental	4	3.05	3	3.00	(0.05)	
Santa Rosa to:	Oakmont	2	1.85	2	2.10	0.25
	Kenwood	2	1.85	2	2.10	0.25
	Boyes HS	4	3.05	3	3.00	(0.05)
	Sonoma Plaza	4	3.05	3	3.00	(0.05)
Santa Rosa to:	SSU	2	1.85	2	2.10	0.25
	Cotati Hub	2	1.85	2	2.10	0.25
	Petaluma TM	3	2.45	2	2.10	(0.35)
Santa Rosa to:	Windsor Depot	2	1.85	2	2.10	0.25
	Healdsburg Plaza	3	2.45	2	2.10	(0.35)
	Geyserville	4	3.05	3	3.00	(0.05)
	Cloverdale	5	3.65	3	3.00	(0.65)

YOUTH fare comparison:		Existing Zones	Existing Fare	Proposed Zones	Proposed Fare	Difference
Santa Rosa to:	Sebasoptol TH	2	1.60	2	1.85	0.25
	Forestville	3	2.15	2	1.85	(0.30)
	Rio Nido	4	2.70	3	2.75	0.05
	Guerneville	4	2.70	3	2.75	0.05
	Monte Rio	4	2.70	3	2.75	0.05
Occidental	4	2.70	3	2.75	0.05	
Santa Rosa to:	Oakmont	2	1.60	2	1.85	0.25
	Kenwood	2	1.60	2	1.85	0.25
	Boyes HS	4	2.70	3	2.75	0.05
	Sonoma Plaza	4	2.70	3	2.75	0.05
Santa Rosa to:	SSU	2	1.60	2	1.85	0.25
	Cotati Hub	2	1.60	2	1.85	0.25
	Petaluma TM	3	2.15	2	1.85	(0.30)
Santa Rosa to:	Windsor Depot	2	1.60	2	1.85	0.25
	Healdsburg Plaza	3	2.15	2	1.85	(0.30)
	Geyserville	4	2.70	3	2.75	0.05
	Cloverdale	5	3.25	3	2.75	(0.50)

SENIOR / DISABLED fare comparison:		Existing Zones	Existing Fare	Proposed Zones	Proposed Fare	Difference
Santa Rosa to:	Sebasoptol TH	2	0.90	2	1.05	0.15
	Forestville	3	1.20	2	1.05	(0.15)
	Rio Nido	4	1.50	3	1.50	0.00
	Guerneville	4	1.50	3	1.50	0.00
	Monte Rio	4	1.50	3	1.50	0.00
Occidental	4	1.50	3	1.50	0.00	
Santa Rosa to:	Oakmont	2	0.90	2	1.05	0.15
	Kenwood	2	0.90	2	1.05	0.15
	Boyes HS	4	1.50	3	1.50	0.00
	Sonoma Plaza	4	1.50	3	1.50	0.00
Santa Rosa to:	SSU	2	0.90	2	1.05	0.15
	Cotati Hub	2	0.90	2	1.05	0.15
	Petaluma TM	3	1.20	2	1.05	(0.15)
Santa Rosa to:	Windsor Depot	2	0.90	2	1.05	0.15
	Healdsburg Plaza	3	1.20	2	1.05	(0.15)
	Geyserville	4	1.50	3	1.50	0.00
	Cloverdale	5	1.80	3	1.50	(0.30)

ADULT Fare Comparison - Proposed vs. Current Fares

Route Type	Route	Adult Base Fare	Adult 2nd Zone \$	Adult 3rd Zone \$	Proposed Maximum Zones by Route*	Proposed Maximum Fare by Route*	Current Maximum Fare by Route	Difference
LOCAL Single-Zone Fares	10	1.50	---	---	---	1.50	1.25	0.25
	12	1.50	---	---	---	1.50	1.25	0.25
	14	1.50	---	---	---	1.50	1.25	0.25
	24	1.50	---	---	---	1.50	1.25	0.25
	28	1.50	---	---	---	1.50	1.25	0.25
	32	1.50	---	---	---	1.50	1.25	0.25
	42	1.50	---	---	---	1.50	1.25	0.25
	67	1.50	---	---	---	1.50	1.25	0.25
INTERCITY Multi-Zone Fare	20	1.50	0.60	0.90	3	3.00	3.05	(0.05)
	22	1.50	0.60	0.90	2	2.10	1.85	0.25
	26	1.50	0.60	0.90	2	2.10	1.85	0.25
	30/34	1.50	0.60	0.90	3	3.00	3.05	(0.05)
	38	1.50	0.60	0.90	2	2.10	2.45	(0.35)
	40	1.50	0.60	0.90	2	2.10	2.45	(0.35)
	44/48	1.50	0.60	0.90	2	2.10	2.45	(0.35)
	46	1.50	0.60	0.90	2	2.10	1.85	0.25
	60	1.50	0.60	0.90	3	3.00	3.65	(0.65)
	62	1.50	0.60	0.90	2	2.10	1.85	0.25

* The number of fare zones and the maximum fare may exceed the number shown if travel occurs on two or more routes. Each additional zone is \$0.90.

YOUTH Fare Comparison - Proposed vs. Current Fares

Route Type	Route	Youth Base Fare	Youth 2nd Zone \$	Youth 3rd Zone \$	Proposed Maximum Zones by Route*	Proposed Maximum Fare by Route*	Current Maximum Fare by Route	Difference
LOCAL Single-Zone Fares	10	1.25	---	---	---	1.25	1.05	0.20
	12	1.25	---	---	---	1.25	1.05	0.20
	14	1.25	---	---	---	1.25	1.05	0.20
	24	1.25	---	---	---	1.25	1.05	0.20
	28	1.25	---	---	---	1.25	1.05	0.20
	32	1.25	---	---	---	1.25	1.05	0.20
	42	1.25	---	---	---	1.25	1.05	0.20
	67	1.25	---	---	---	1.25	1.05	0.20
INTERCITY Multi-Zone Fare	20	1.25	0.60	0.90	3	2.75	2.70	0.05
	22	1.25	0.60	0.90	2	1.85	1.60	0.25
	26	1.25	0.60	0.90	2	1.85	1.60	0.25
	30/34	1.25	0.60	0.90	3	2.75	2.70	0.05
	38	1.25	0.60	0.90	2	1.85	2.15	(0.30)
	40	1.25	0.60	0.90	2	1.85	2.15	(0.30)
	44/48	1.25	0.60	0.90	2	1.85	2.15	(0.30)
	46	1.25	0.60	0.90	2	1.85	1.60	0.25
	60	1.25	0.60	0.90	3	2.75	3.25	(0.50)
	62	1.25	0.60	0.90	2	1.85	1.60	0.25

* The number of fare zones and the maximum fare may exceed the number shown if travel occurs on two or more routes. Each additional zone is \$0.90.

SENIOR / DISABLED Fare Comparison - Proposed vs. Current Fares

Route Type	Route	S/D Base Fare	S/D 2nd Zone \$	S/D 3rd Zone \$	Proposed Maximum Zones by Route*	Proposed Maximum Fare by Route*	Current Maximum Fare by Route	Difference
LOCAL Single-Zone Fares	10	0.75	---	---	---	0.75	0.60	0.15
	12	0.75	---	---	---	0.75	0.60	0.15
	14	0.75	---	---	---	0.75	0.60	0.15
	24	0.75	---	---	---	0.75	0.60	0.15
	28	0.75	---	---	---	0.75	0.60	0.15
	32	0.75	---	---	---	0.75	0.60	0.15
	42	0.75	---	---	---	0.75	0.60	0.15
	67	0.75	---	---	---	0.75	0.60	0.15
INTERCITY Multi-Zone Fare	20	0.75	0.30	0.45	3	1.50	1.50	0.00
	22	0.75	0.30	0.45	2	1.05	0.90	0.15
	26	0.75	0.30	0.45	2	1.05	0.90	0.15
	30/34	0.75	0.30	0.45	3	1.50	1.50	0.00
	38	0.75	0.30	0.45	2	1.05	1.20	(0.15)
	40	0.75	0.30	0.45	2	1.05	1.20	(0.15)
	44/48	0.75	0.30	0.45	2	1.05	1.20	(0.15)
	46	0.75	0.30	0.45	2	1.05	0.90	0.15
	60	0.75	0.30	0.45	3	1.50	1.80	(0.30)
	62	0.75	0.30	0.45	2	1.05	0.90	0.15

* The number of fare zones and the maximum fare may exceed the number shown if travel occurs on two or more routes. Each additional zone is \$0.45.