

# HCTD Notice of Public Hearing

Public hearings for consideration of public comment regarding proposed service changes will be held at the following times, dates, and locations:

**Belton** – Harris Community Center, 401 N. Alexander  
Tuesday, August 7<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**Killeen** – Killeen Transportation Office, 3201-A S. WS Young  
Monday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**Harker Heights** – Harker Heights Activity Center, 400 Indian Trail  
Tuesday, August 14<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**Temple** – Temple Public Library, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, 100 W. Adams  
Thursday, August 16<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**Copperas Cove** – Copperas Cove Police Department, 302 E. Avenue E  
Friday, August 17<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

The changes proposed include the elimination of Saturday Service throughout the Urban System, adjusting of Killeen Fixed Routes, and adjusting of operating hours in Copperas Cove and Harker Heights. The changes proposed would affect ADA Complementary Paratransit Service, but not Medicaid Transportation. The effective date of the changes is proposed to be October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018.

**SPECIAL ACCOMODATIONS:** Persons with disabilities who have special communication or accommodation needs and desire to attend a public hearing should notify Darrell Burtner by mail at Hill Country Transit District, 4515 W US 190 in Belton, TX 76513 or by telephone (254-933-3700) 48 hours prior to the meeting date.

The following changes are being proposed:

1. Elimination of Saturday Services – Ridership on Saturday on the Fixed Route Service as well as the ADA Paratransit Complementary service is low when compared to weekday service. By ceasing Saturday service, overall efficiency of The HOP will improve.
2. Adjusting Killeen Fixed Routes – By adjusting the routes servicing Killeen to remove service to low-ridership areas and relocate routes to other high ridership areas, Route 5 will be eliminated. This route's more frequently used stops will remain in service. This will improve overall efficiency to Killeen routes as well as reduce the cost of operation.
3. Changing Hours of Operation in Copperas Cove and Harker Heights to Peak Hours Only – By having Routes 35 and 65 operate only during the times when they see the most use and ceasing operations during off-peak hours, overall efficiency will be increased as well as reducing costs.

Please note that these proposed changes will affect the ADA Paratransit Service Area and hours of operation as well. Medicaid Transportation will not be affected by these proposed changes.