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# LADOT Optimizes DASH Observatory/Los Feliz With Combined Route

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LADOT Transit announces a new combined service of DASH Observatory and DASH Los Feliz starting Monday, August 5. DASH electric buses will continue to serve the Griffith Observatory. The improved route will maximize efficiency, increase service hours, and shorten wait times by 5 minutes.

"The DASH to the Griffith Observatory has been one of our best tools to reduce car use in Griffith Park, providing car-free access to nearly half a million people in fiscal year 2017 to 2018 alone," Councilmember David Ryu said. "More electric DASH buses connecting the Red Line to the Greek Theatre and Griffith Observatory means shorter wait times, greater park access, and fewer emissions in our incredible park. I'm proud to work with LADOT and LADOT Transit on improving access, traffic flow, and safety in Los Feliz and across Council District Four."

This enhancement will serve the Griffith Observatory two hours earlier starting at 10 a.m. to provide better access for employees and visitors. It is also a popular first mile/ last mile connector that compliments Metro's Vermont/Sunset Red Line Station.

"Expanded DASH service hours for this route will benefit thousands of additional riders every month and I am excited to see this improvement implemented." said Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell. "The LADOT Transit electric buses, which promote an environmentally-friendly approach to public transportation, will maximize efficiency while shortening wait times."

Weekday morning service will run a strategic, all-right turn Los Feliz loop from 6 a.m. to 10 a.m. After 10 a.m., including weekends and holidays, the entire Observatory/Los Feliz route will be served until 10 p.m.

"As a daily user of public transportation, I know how important it is to have transit options that get you to where you need to be, on time and without a long wait," said LADOT General Manager Seleta Reynolds. "At LADOT, we are focused on providing all Angelenos with more accessible ways to get around our city, and that includes making key service improvements to our DASH service lines when we



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can make them more efficient. This new DASH bus route will not only increase service hours, but also makes it easier for local residents, visitors, and workers to enjoy Griffith Park while easing traffic congestion and improving air quality at one of our City's most important open spaces."

LADOT anticipates that these service enhancements will serve 460,000 riders its first year.

For more route and service information please visit <a href="https://www.ladottransit.com">https://www.ladottransit.com</a>

#### **About LADOT Transit**

LADOT Transit is the operating Bureau of the City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation responsible for providing commuter bus, neighborhood circulator bus, on-demand first-mile/last-mile service, and accessible transportation for seniors and the disabled. LADOT Transit services provided approximately 20 million trips to those who live, work and visit Los Angeles in 2018.

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INTRODUCING A COMBINED ROUTE

## DASH OBSERVATORY/LOS FELIZ

BEGINNING AUGUST 5. 2019

Weekday morning service runs a shorter Los Feliz loop from 6 AM to 10 AM. At 10 AM, the entire route will be served.

### Monday - Friday

**6 AM** until **10 AM** buses run every 20 minutes from Vermont/Sunset Red Line Station (*Time Point A*) to Los Feliz/Hillhurst, (*Time Point D*). (*The morning service will not serve The Greek Theatre or Griffith Observatory*.)

Beginning at **10** AM, buses will run every 15 minutes until **10** PM covering the entire route. (*Including The Greek Theatre and Griffith Observatory.*) Last bus from Vermont/Sunset leaves at **9:45** PM.

#### Saturday, Sunday, and Holidays

Service begins at **10 AM** and runs every 15 minutes until **10 PM** covering the entire route. Last bus from Vermont/
Sunset leaves at **9:45 PM**.

\*Griffith Observatory opens at NOON on weekdays, 10am on weekends.

- DASH Observatory/Los Feliz Route
- DASH Observatory/Los Feliz Route Mon. – Fri. 6 AM to 10 AM
- DASH Hollywood Route
- Metro Red Line Route
- ▲ Bus Stop
- △ Drop-Off Only
- Points of Interest
- A Time Point
- Transfer Point
- Metro Rail Station



