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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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## Public invited to review BRT station locations, designs

What:

The public is invited to attend one of three public meetings to provide feedback on proposed station locations and designs for a Bus Rapid Transit line being planned in Des Moines.

Bus Rapid Transit, or BRT, can be described as rail-like service delivered with rubber-wheeled vehicles. Several features differentiate a BRT line from a regular local bus route, including faster travel, stations instead of stops and real-time departure signs.

The first BRT line would be developed on what is today Route 60 – University / Ingersoll, a two-way, bidirectional loop route that operates on University and Ingersoll avenues between 42<sup>nd</sup> Street and through downtown Des Moines on Grand Avenue/Locust Street and 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue/7<sup>th</sup> Street. Building the project is contingent on funding.

Meetings:

Each meeting will include a presentation on the proposed station locations and designs. The presentation will be followed by a group comment session, as well as time to talk with staff members individually.

Monday, September 29, 2014

**Noon to 1 p.m.** – DART Central Station (Multimodal Room), 620 Cherry St., Des Moines **2:30 to 3:30 p.m.** – Drake University (Olmsted Center, Room 313), 2507 University Ave., Des Moines **5 to 6 p.m.** – Plymouth Church (Room 306), 4126 Ingersoll Ave., Des Moines

Survey:

DART is conducting a survey on station locations and designs. The survey will be available at any of the public meetings or online at <a href="www.ridedart.com">www.ridedart.com</a> starting Monday, September 29. The survey can also be requested by phone at 515-283-8100.

Contact:

If you are unable to attend the meetings or would like to provide additional comments, please use the following contact information:

Mail: DART, Attn: BRT, 620 Cherry St., Des Moines, IA 50309

Email: dart@ridedart.com

Phone: 515-283-8100, Fax: 515-283-8135

Survey: www.ridedart.com

**Services:** 

Free language, visual, hearing services are available at meetings upon request. Transportation services are also available. For requests, please call DART at 515-283-8100 with as much advanced notice as possible.

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