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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### ***Green Mountain Transit to Seek Public Comment on the Resumption Urban Fare Collection and a Draft Fare Structure***

**Burlington, VT**—Green Mountain Transit (GMT) will resume fare collection in 2024 on Chittenden County, Commuter, and LINK Express routes.

Upon resumption, GMT will use a new, modern fare system that will increase non-cash payment options, increase speed of payment on boarding, and limit the daily and monthly costs to individual riders through a capping system. The proposed new fare structure will create a seamless travel experience with standardized fares across both local and commuter services.

“We had hoped we could offer service without fares forever,” said Clayton Clark, General Manager at GMT. “With that not possible, we have proposed standardizing fares across our system to \$2.00, while also implementing price controls that will keep individual riders from paying more each month than our previous monthly pass rate of \$40.00.”

Half-price fares for riders under 18, over 60, or with a disability will limit the monthly cost to riders in these categories to \$20.

For passengers hoping to learn more, GMT will hold a series of public meetings to present the draft fare policy and to collect passenger and public feedback.

When: **August 15, 2023 at 6:00PM**

Winooski City Hall  
27 West Allen Street, Winooski



When: **August 16, 2023 at 12:00PM**

First Unitarian Universalist Society of Burlington  
152 Pearl Street, Burlington

When: **August 16, 2023 at 6:00PM**

Art So Wonderful, University Mall (across from IHOP)  
155 Dorset Street, Unit B1, South Burlington

When: **August 15, 2023 and August 17 at 12:00PM**

Via Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87120736247>

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If you are unable to attend these meetings or have questions, please offer public comment by emailing Jamie Smith at [jamie@ridegmt.com](mailto:jamie@ridegmt.com) or by calling 802-540-2468 by August 31, 2023.

- Persons with disabilities who require assistance or special arrangements to participate in programs or activities are encouraged to contact Jamie Smith at 802-540-1098 at least 48 hours in advance so that proper arrangements can be made. Hearing disabled patrons can contact GMT through the Vermont Relay Service (711).
- Free transportation to/from GMT public hearings is available within the GMT service area. To make advance arrangements, please call GMT's Customer Service Representatives at 802-540-2468.

For specific questions or comments related to fare resumption or to offer public comment via email, please contact Jamie Smith, Director of Planning and Marketing, at [jamie@ridegmt.com](mailto:jamie@ridegmt.com).

Clayton Clark, General Manager, will be available for interviews Monday, August 14, and Tuesday, August 15, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., as well as at each public meeting. Text (802) 522-0713 to arrange an interview.

To see the most current information regarding fare resumption:

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