

**BY COUNCIL MEMBER GABRIELA SANTIAGO-ROMERO**

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF IMPLEMENTING THE DDOT REIMAGINED PLAN**

**WHEREAS,** Thousands of Detroit residents rely on public transit, including Detroit Department of Transportation (DDOT) buses, each day to get to work, school, and other destinations; and

**WHEREAS,** Roughly one-third of Detroit households lack access to a car, and many more struggle to maintain personal vehicles because of the financial burden; and

**WHEREAS,** Residents need a reliable public transit system to live comfortably and maintain access in the city.

**WHEREAS,** In 2022, DDOT initiated the “DDOT Reimagined” planning process by gathering extensive public input to redesign the bus system to better meet Detroiters’ needs; and

**WHEREAS,** In 2024, DDOT released the DDOT Reimagined Final Plan, which calls for route adjustments, infrastructure improvements and major improvements in transit frequency, including 17 routes running every 15 minutes or better and the remaining 16 routes running every 30 minutes, with no routes running on an hourly basis; and

**WHEREAS,** DDOT Reimagined would roughly double the amount of bus service on the road, requiring twice the current amount of bus drivers and a roughly 60% increase in the number of buses required to provide service; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

**RESOLVED,** That the Detroit City Council formally endorses the DDOT Reimagined Plan as a critical step towards greater equity, prosperity and opportunity for Detroit and its residents; **NOW, BE IT FURTHER**

**RESOLVED,** That the Detroit City Council calls on the Department and Mayor to prioritize funding for the full implementation of the DDOT Reimagined Plan; **NOW, BE IT FINALLY**

**RESOLVED,** That the Detroit City Clerk is directed to send this resolution to Governor Gretchen Whitmer and the Detroit delegations of both the Michigan State House and Senate.