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Parking & Transportation Advisory Board

Tuesday, February 25, 2020

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Agenda

- Approval of Minutes from PTAB meeting on November 19, 2019
- Transit Services Update – Glenn Barrington, Transportation Manager
- Parking Services Update – Jonathan King, Parking Manager

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Transit Services Update

- Transit Services ridership continues to increase this year over last:

FY19 v. FY20 Passenger Comparision

Fiscal Year	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	YTD Totals
FY19	85,635	98,038	414,922	415,390	319,493	253,186	205,041	395,035	342,746	421,891	167,126	77,165	**1,791,705**
FY20	80,983	86,793	413,232	443,171	325,742	250,618	230,220	0	0	0	0	0	**1,830,759**
Total Change	4,652	11,245	1,690	27,781	6,249	2,568	25,179	395,035	342,746	421,891	167,126	77,165	**39,054**
% Change	-5.43%	-11.47%	-0.41%	6.69%	1.96%	-1.01%	12.28%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	-100.00%	**2.18%**

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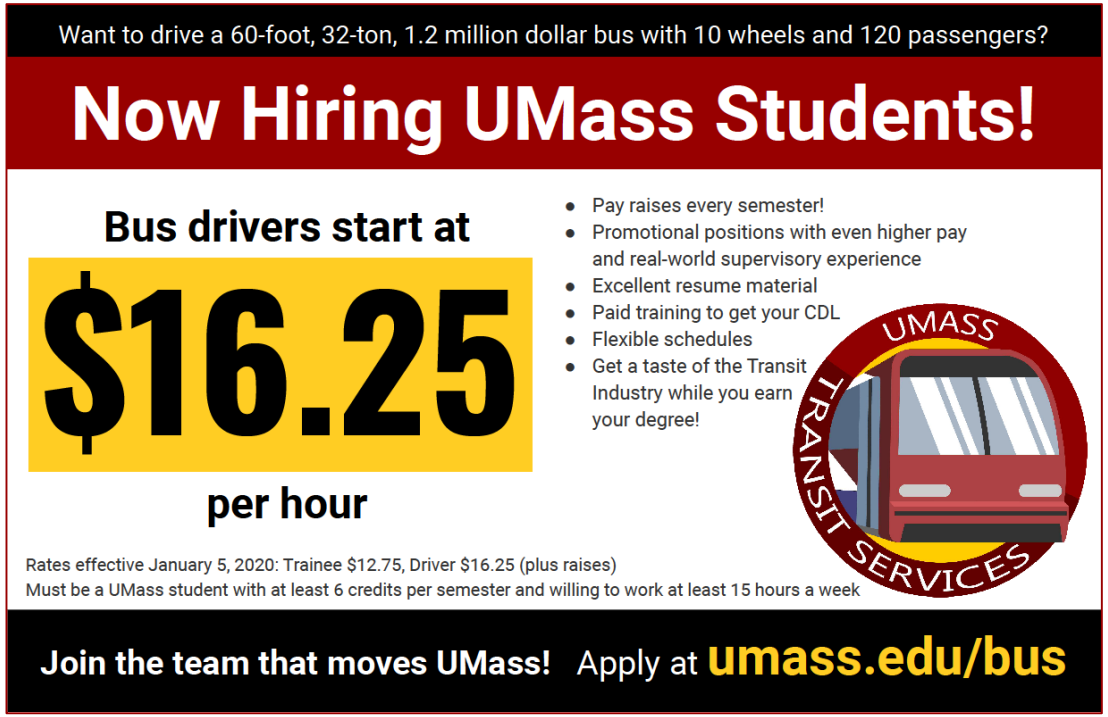

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- Table Tents
  - In all Dining Commons
  - In dining spaces at the Blue Wall

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- Transit Services currently has 108 open (unassigned) bus driving shifts per week, down from 135 opens per week when we last met.
- Transit student driver starting pay is $16.25/hour, with $.25 increases each semester based on working at least 180 each semester.

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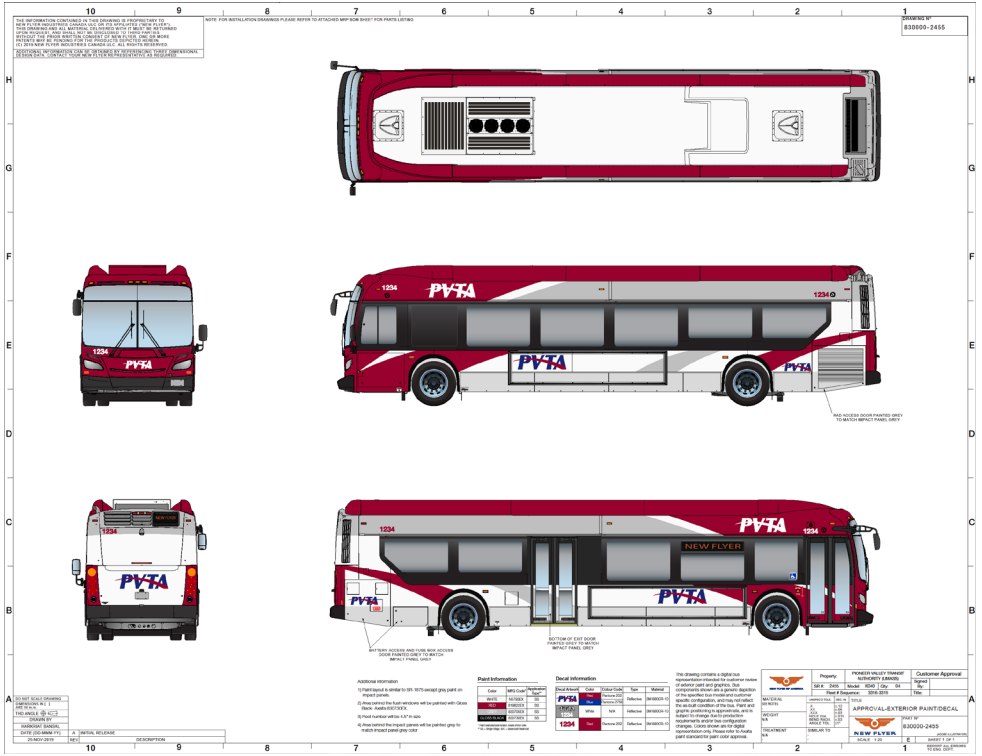

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  - Our Field Trip department will then incorporate the Gilligs into our Field Trip fleet and dispose of five older (1995 – 1999) Nova RTS buses through the PVTA in exchange.
    - This will provide Transit with much needed replacement vehicles for our field trip department at low cost.
    - The RTS buses are tired and in need of replacement, so this is a perfectly timed transition of equipment.

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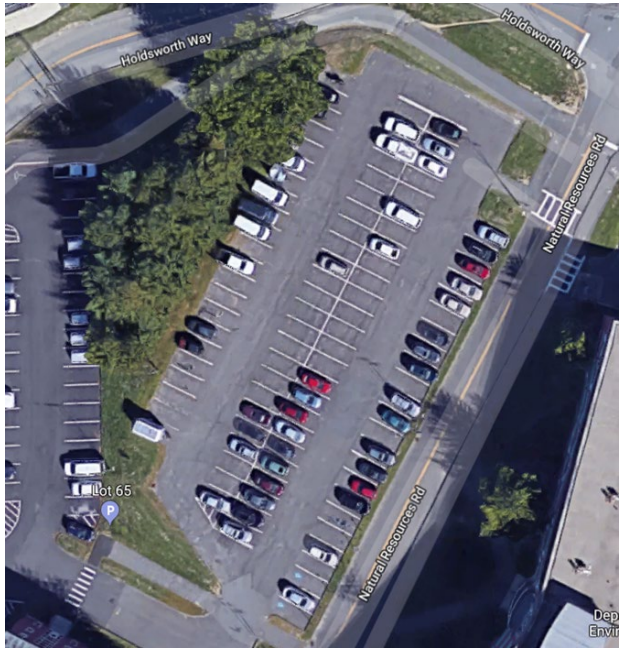

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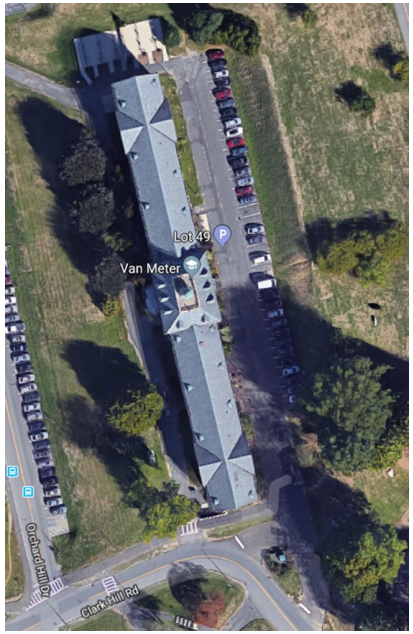

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  - Lot 28!
    - 300 parking spaces to be created.
    - Currently used for contractor parking.
    - Designated as a purple lot, specifically for Commonwealth Honors College students.
    - Located west of the tennis courts along Mullins Way.
    - Cost: $2 million+. Campus may contribute. If not, Parking will borrow from campus and repay over a period of time.

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- Worcester Parking Garage??...Maybe
  - Another study is in the works to investigate the potential of a parking garage on the site of the old Worcester Dining Hall.
  - Traffic patterns, footprint, size, etc..
  - Estimated cost is $14 million, or $40k per space for 350 parking space garage.
  - Potential revenue of $500k per year will obviously not cover the cost of the 20 year loan.
  - Administration is aware that if this happens they may have to cover some percentage of this cost.

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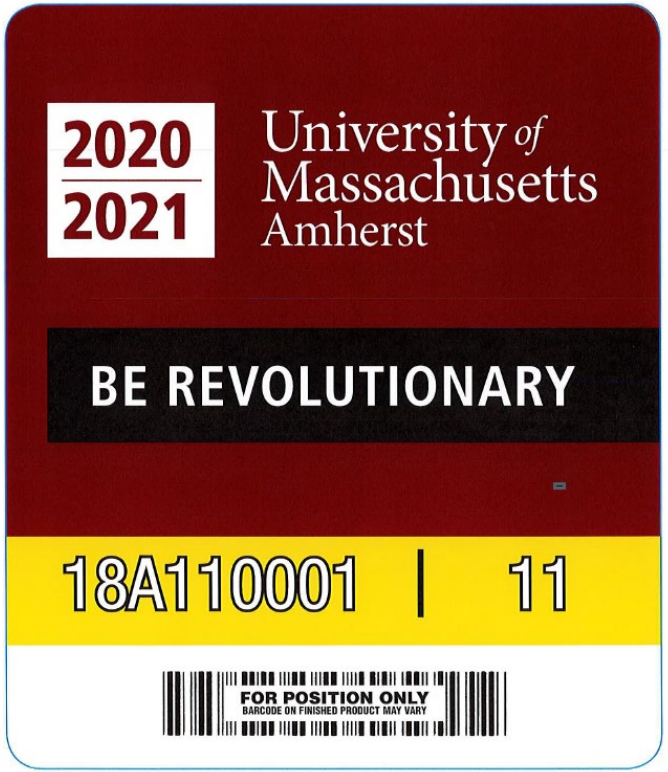

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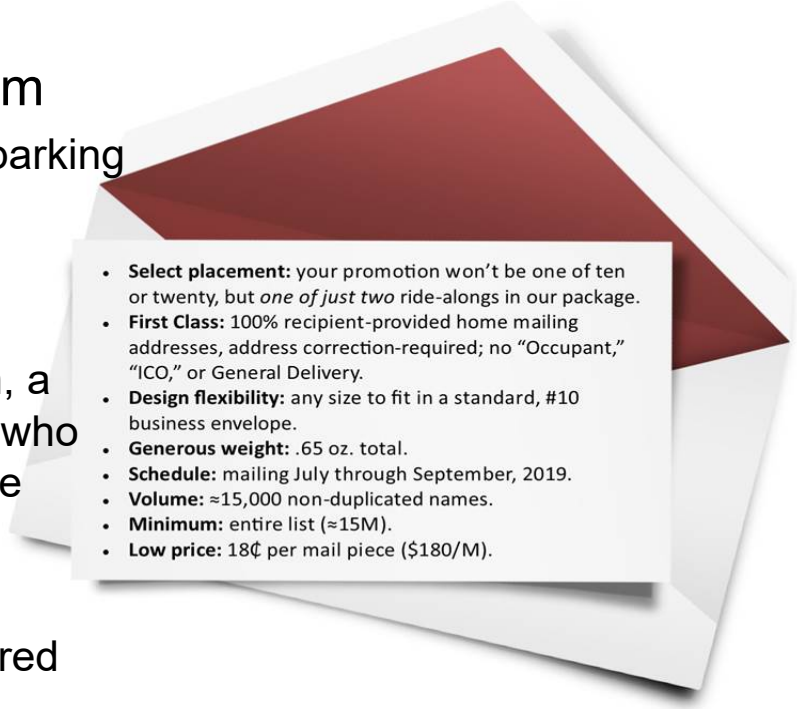
- Parking Permit Ride-along Mailing Program
  - Parking Services will mail out approx. 15K new parking permits to UMass students, faculty and staff this summer.
  - Do you have something you'd like to promote?
  - If so, our permit mail piece is a guaranteed open, a perfect way to reach dedicated area consumers who spend between $250 - $1,300/year to park on the UMass campus.
  - Purchase space in the permit renewal envelope.
  - Last year, UMACC & UMass License Plate covered approximately 60% for the cost postage.
  - Parking would like to get some outside UMass interest.



Thank you for participating, only 73 days left until Commencement!

Our next PTAB meeting will take place in the Transit Services Conference room on Tuesday, April 14, 2019 at noon.

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