



ROUTE 56 | CHALKSTONE AVENUE

Route 56 Chalkstone Avenue operates between the Manton Avenue Stop & Shop and Kennedy Plaza in downtown Providence, primarily along Chalkstone Avenue and Smith Street. Route 56 is a direct and highly productive route in most respects. Scheduling service to operate on more consistent frequencies would, however, improve service on the line.

Proposed Changes

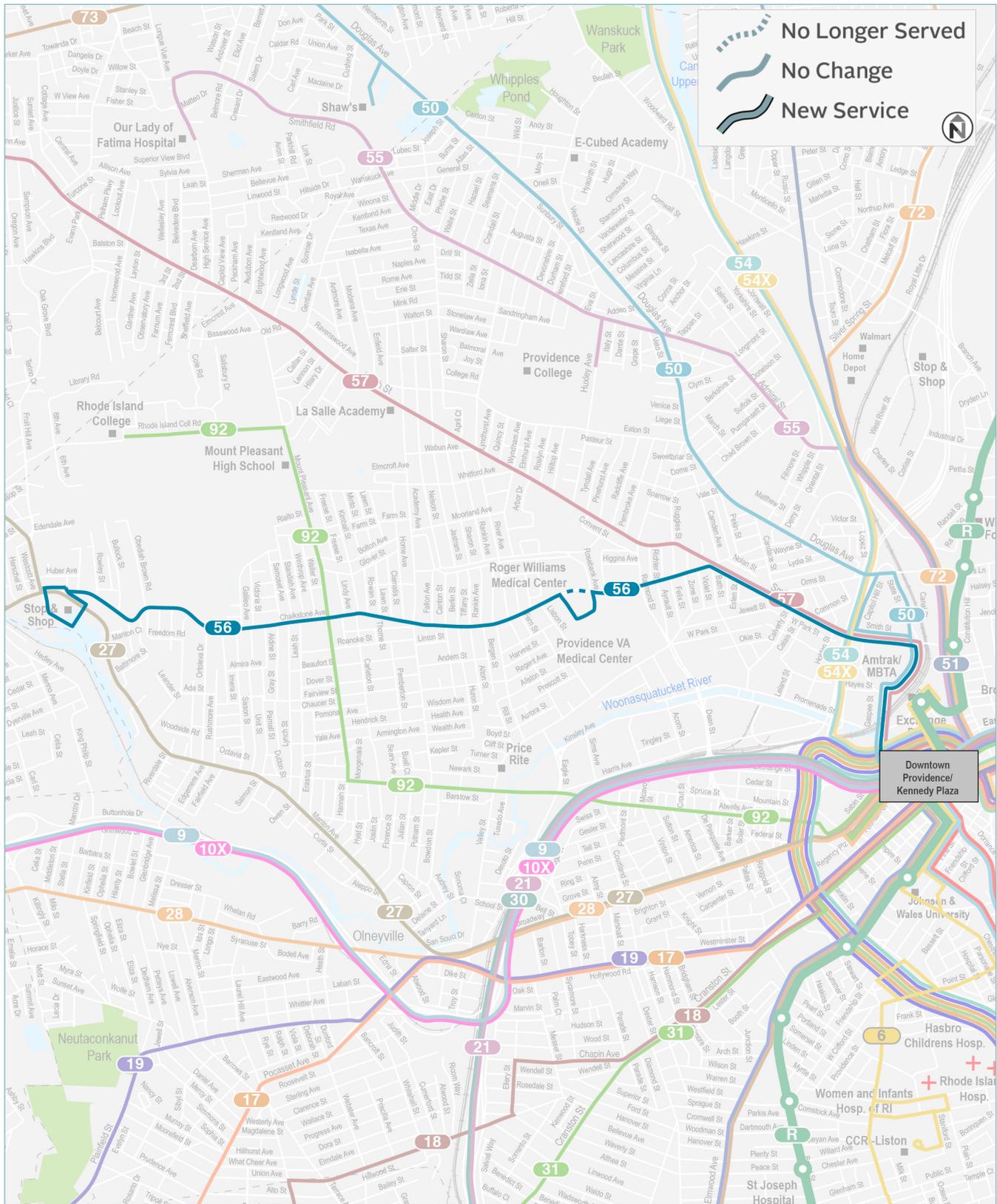
- Operate with consistent, regular 20 minute frequency during the day, and 60 minutes during the evening, so that service is predictable and more convenient for riders.
- Designate Route 56 as a Key Corridor Route, a frequent service corridor that would be eligible for Rapid-Bus type upgrades and passenger amenities in the future.
- Operate all trips via the front door of VA Hospital. This will simplify the service and prevent confusion.
- Decouple Route 56 from Route 31 Cranston to allow independent scheduling.

Before and After Statistics

	EXISTING	PROPOSED
Span of Service		
Weekday	5:23 AM – 11:41 PM 5:43 AM – 11:00 PM 7:06 AM – 7:54 PM	5:30 AM – 12:00 AM 6:00 AM – 11:00 PM 7:00 AM – 8:00 PM
Headways		
Weekday		
AM Peak	14-22	20
Midday	16-20	20
PM Peak	7-24	20
Evening	14-60	60
Saturday	21-55	30
Sunday	48	60

Related Changes

- Route 26 Atwells would be consolidated with Route 92 Federal Hill/East Side, and would operate on Mount Pleasant Avenue to Rhode Island College. Service would operate every 20 minutes, and service hours would be extended. Weekend service would also be provided on this route that would be branded as Route 92 RIC/EastSide.



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