

BEFORE THE
WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C.

ORDER NO. 82

Served: November 2, 1961

IN THE MATTER OF:

Application of D. C. Transit System, Inc.)
for Temporary Authority to Operate a)
"Free" Gold Bus Shoppers Route.)

On October 30, 1961, D. C. Transit System, Inc. filed an application for temporary authority to operate a "free" downtown shoppers service, operating through the business district of Washington, D. C. for a period of forty-five (45) days, to commence November 24, 1961.

The following is a detailed description of the proposed service:

Downtown Shoppers Route

From terminal stand on the north side of F Street, west of 14th Street, west on F Street to 15th Street, north on 15th Street to G Street, east on G Street to 14th Street, south on 14th Street to F Street, east on F Street to 7th Street, south on 7th Street to Market Space, west on Market Space to 8th Street, north on 8th Street to F Street, west on F Street to terminal stand west of 14th Street.

This proposed service will be provided and paid for by various stores through the Downtown Washington Merchants and Manufacturers Association and no fares of any kind will be collected, nor any identification required of the passenger. The buses will be of special color scheme with distinctive markings and will be further identified in the destination sign area with "Merry Christmas."

No additional equipment is proposed as the buses specified in the application are available for this operation. The service to be provided covers the same streets in the downtown area over which the applicant is presently operating, and is not in competition with any other mass transit carrier. The Commission feels that a public hearing on this matter is not necessary and will not be required.

The proposed service will commence operating at 10:00 a.m., with service at five minute intervals thereafter, and continuing until 9:00 p.m. on each weekday. On Saturdays the same service will be provided until 6:00 p.m. No service will be provided on Sunday.

THEREFORE IT IS ORDERED:

That temporary authority is hereby issued unto D. C. Transit System, Inc., for a period of forty-five (45) days, commencing November 24, 1961, to operate the "free" Gold Bus shoppers route in the downtown business district of Washington, D. C., over the route hereinabove described.

FOR THE COMMISSION:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Delmer Ison".

DELMER ISON
Executive Director