# Proposed Changes to MTA Fares

Hearings will be held on proposed changes to fares virtually via Zoom and in person at the locations, dates and times noted below. The public is invited to comment on the proposed changes, which are summarized below and pertain, as applicable, to the fares of the New York City Transit (NYCT) and its subsidiary, the Manhattan and Bronx Surface Transit Operating Authority (MaBSTOA), the MTA Bus Company (MTA Bus), and the Staten Island Rapid Transit Operating Authority (SIR); Long Island Rail Road (LIRR); and Metro-North Railroad (Metro-North).

The fare proposals allow for a range of options to be considered and fare increases may be less than the maximum amounts specified. Following the hearings, after considering public comment, the Board of the MTA and its affiliated agencies will decide which potential fare changes to adopt.

Space limitations prevent newspaper publication of each proposed new fare. For more details on these potential changes, please visit https://new.mta.info/2023-fare-hearings. consult information posted at MTA stations and on digital display boards, or call the Public Hearing Hotline at 646-252-6777.

Following the hearings, one or more of the proposed changes listed below may be adopted:

## NYCT, MaBSTOA, MTA Bus, SIR

Fares for Subway (NYCT), Local Bus (NYCT, MaBSTOA, and MTA Bus), and SIR: Base Single Ride Fare (currently \$3.00 for Single Ride Ticket and \$2.75 for cash payment or Pay-Per-Ride MetroCard and OMNY):

Increase the base fare for cash payment and/or Pay-Per-Ride MetroCard and OMNY by up to 15¢ and increase the base fare for Single Ride Ticket by up to 25¢.

#### **Unlimited Ride Passes**:

- Increase the price of a 7-Day Unlimited Ride (currently \$33.00) to as much as \$34.00
- Increase the price of a 30-Day Unlimited Ride (currently \$127.00) to as much as \$132.00.
- Increase the price of a 7-Day Unlimited Express Bus Plus (currently \$62.00) to as much as \$64.00.

#### Fares for Express Bus (NYCT and MTA Bus):

 Increase the single ride Express Bus fare (currently \$6.75) to as much as \$7.00. Fares for Paratransit Services (currently \$2.75):

 Increase the NYCT Access-A-Ride Paratransit Service one-way fare by up to the amount of the increase, if any, of the Subway Pay-Per-Ride Base Fare

#### Discount Policies:

Seniors/Customers with disabilities/Paratransit Zero Fare discount policies (except as otherwise noted) remain unchanged.

#### LIRR and Metro-North

#### Monthly, Weekly, and Other Ticket Types:

- Increase Monthly and Weekly ticket prices up to 4.5%
- Increase the price of all other ticket types up to 10%
- Special discounted fares, supplemental step-up on-board fares, and ride extension fares may be subject to percentage increases higher than the maximum authorized increases to base fares due to rounding.

#### UniTicket and One-Way Connecting Fares:

- · Increase weekly connecting fares for Hudson Rail Link by up to 50¢, for Haverstraw-Ossining Ferry by up to 50c, and for Newburgh-Beacon Ferry by up to 25c.
- Increase monthly connecting fares for Hudson Rail Link and Haverstraw-Ossining Ferry by up to \$1.75 and Newburgh-Beacon Ferry by up to 50¢.
- Increase one-way fares for the Hudson Rail Link by up to 15¢, one-way connecting fares for the Haverstraw-Ossining Ferry by up to 25¢ and increase Seniors/Customers with Disabilities fares by up to 10¢.
- · Increase weekly fare for connecting local NYC bus service (NYCT, MaBSTOA and MTA Bus) by up to 25c and monthly fare by up to \$1.75.
- Increase weekly fare for Nassau Inter-County Express (NICE) Bus UniTicket by up to 50¢ and monthly fare up to \$2.25.

## **Dates and Times of Hybrid Public Hearings**

There will be four (4) hybrid Public Hearings to provide information and receive comments on the proposed changes to MTA fares at the dates and times below. Those interested in speaking will have two (2) minutes to speak.

Thursday, June 22, 2023, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Thursday, June 22, 2023, 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Friday, June 23, 2023, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Monday, June 26, 2023, 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.

## **Location of the Hearings**

All public hearings will be held in-person at MTA Headquarters, 2 Broadway, 20th Floor William J. Ronan Board Room, New York, NY 10004, and via Zoom and livestreamed at https://new.mta.info/2023-fare-hearings.

Subway: R W to Whitehall St, 4 5 to Bowling Green (accessible station),

1 to South Ferry (accessible station), **J2** to Broad St Bus: M15, M15 SBS, M20, M55, SIM1, SIM35 Staten Island Ferry to South Ferry Terminal

#### **Registering for the Public Hearings**

To register to speak at the hybrid public hearings, please register online at https://new.mta.info/2023-fare-hearings or call the Public Hearing Hotline at 646-252-6777. Telephone agents are available from 6a.m. to 10p.m. Eastern Standard Time daily. Registration for each public hearing will open on Friday, June 2, 2023 and will close at the start of the hearing. All comments will be transcribed and made part of the permanent record.

You must pre-register to speak at a hybrid public hearing. Oral comments are limited to two (2) minutes for each speaker. Hearings are scheduled for three or four hours. For each public hearing, registrants will be accepted up to 240 minutes (4 hours) of scheduled public speakers. In the event that there are registered speakers remaining after the hearing reaches 240 minutes of public speaker comments, only the remaining registered speakers who have not previously spoken at another 2023 fare public hearing will be given the opportunity to speak. In addition, at all hearings, speakers who have not previously spoken at another 2023 fare public hearing will be given priority in speaking order.

## Joining the Public Hearings Virtually

If you are registered to speak and joining the public hearings virtually, you may join the Zoom meeting at the scheduled hearing time either online or by phone following these instructions:

Join Zoom Online: To access the Zoom meeting online, visit the website: https://mta.zoom.us/j/82020291036. You can also enter the URL zoom.us/join and enter the Meeting ID 820 2029 1036.

Join Zoom by Phone: To access the Zoom meeting by phone, please call +1 646 518 9805. Then enter Meeting ID 820 2029 1036 followed by the pound (#) sign.

View-Only Online: Members of the public who wish only to view the hearings may access the event live at https://new.mta.info/2023-fare-hearings.

To submit questions during the hearings, you must join the hearing through the Zoom online platform. You may submit questions at any other time in the ways listed below (see "Additional Ways to Comment or Request Information"). Questions after the proposed fare changes may be responded to by staff during or after the hearing.

## Additional Ways to Comment or Request Information

Online: https://new.mta.info/2023-fare-hearings

Mail: MTA Government & Community Relations,

Attn: Fare Hearings, 2 Broadway, 17th Floor, New York, NY 10004. Phone: (646) 252 6777, Telephone agents are available from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily.

## Accessibility and Language Assistance Services

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#### American Sign Language and CART Captioning Services will be available.

Members of the public who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing can use their preferred relay service or the free 711 relay service, and then ask to be connected to the Public Hearing Hotline at (646) 252-6777 to speak with an agent.

Members of the public who are Blind or have Low Vision can request accommodations on or before June 15, 2023, by submitting a request online at https://new.mta.info/2023fare-hearings or by calling the Public Hearing Hotline at (646) 252-6777.

Members of the public who do not have access to a computer or who do not have access to the Internet can listen to each of the hearings by calling the Zoom meeting at 1-646-518-9805 (toll-free). Then enter Meeting ID 820 2029 1036, followed by the pound (#) sign. If language assistance or any other accommodations are required, please submit a request at least five (5) business days before the scheduled hearing date in one of the following ways: online at https://new.mta.info/2023-fare-hearings, by calling the Public Hearing Hotline at (646) 252-6777, or by sending a letter to MTA Government & Community Relations, Attn: Fare Hearings, 2 Broadway, 17th Floor, New York, NY 10004. For those who request language assistance, the MTA will provide translated information about the hearing process and ensure that any public comments received in a language other than English are translated, included in the hearing transcript, and summarized for the MTA Board.

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