UMCP Response to Concerns Regarding Impact of MTA Proposed Purple Line Alignment (LPA) to Football Tailgating Activities

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MTA Proposed LPA (Campus Wide)
MTA Proposed LPA (Minimal Impact to Primary Tailgating Area)
Physical Impact of MTA Proposed LPA in Vicinity of Primary Tailgating Area

- Utilizes existing campus roadway and landscaped area
- No net loss of parking spaces currently used for tailgating
- Minimal impact on existing areas used for tailgating
- Pedestrian crossing of tracks would be at dedicated crosswalks, similar to existing pedestrian crossings in roadways with Shuttle UM Buses and cars
- All cross-walks currently designated and any that the University in the future believes are necessary to add for pedestrian mobility will be recognized by the MTA. Crosswalks will not be consolidated unless agreed to by the University
Potential Primary Pedestrian Crossings of LPA in Vicinity of Primary Tailgating Activity – Satellite View
Potential Primary Pedestrian Crossings of LPA in Vicinity of Primary Tailgating Activity – Diagrammatic View
UMCP and MTA have developed a working relationship that has and will continue to address concerns raised in tailgating areas and throughout campus.

Proposed Term Sheet key points in this regard include:

- Pedestrian Safety
- MTA Service Schedule Impacts
- Aesthetics
Term Sheet Key Point – Pedestrian Safety

- Pedestrian safety singled out as primary focus for the Purple Line Project
- Pedestrian right of way will be maintained throughout campus
- Operators of Purple Line vehicles will yield to pedestrians, as do existing UM Shuttle Bus operators
- 15 MPH Maximum speed limit of trains throughout campus
Sample Light Rail/Pedestrian Friendly Environment
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Specific acknowledgement that Football Tailgating and other Campus Events may affect MTA service schedules
Commitment by MTA and UM to work cooperatively to minimize disruption
Sample Light Rail/Pedestrian Activity at Sporting Venue
Term Sheet Key Point – Aesthetics

- Recognizes importance of project to respect Campus aesthetic context
- Commits to working collaboratively to develop appropriate design features
Campus Sensitive Design Concept – Light Rail/Pedestrian Crossing