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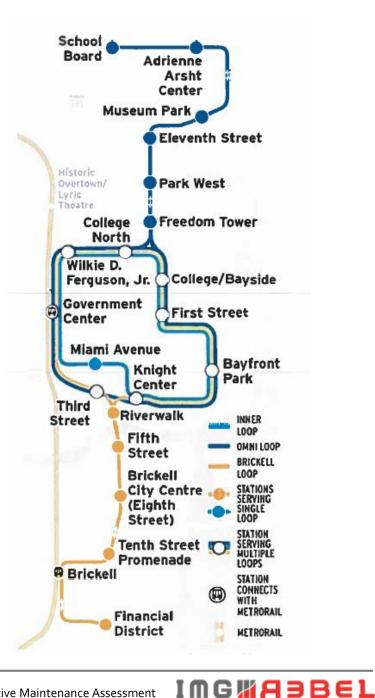


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The Transportation Trust asked IMG Rebel Team to assess whether DTPW is performing appropriate Metromover preventative maintenance



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Metromover Preventative Maintenance Assessment

# IMG Rebel Team assessed Metromover (MM) performance, through issue identification, trend analysis, peer comparison & best practices

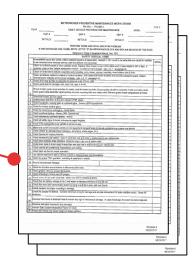
- Carried out site visits and interviews on March 20-23, 2018
  - Reviewed performance reports
  - Conducted interviews with staff
  - Visited facilities
  - Experienced full network and disembarked at number of stations
- Reviewed Enterprise Asset Management System (EAMS)
- Obtained peer data from National Transit Database (NTD)
- Reviewed budget and personnel issues
- Conducted assessment of full maintenance history of selected vehicle
- Reviewed TWU agreement
- DTPW was fully cooperative and provided access to data and equipment as requested



# Metromover's maintenance department is generally following its own procedures as laid down in its maintenance manuals

- Maintenance approach defined in:
  - Latest Metromover Fleet Management plan (June 2017)
  - Modified from original procurement manual by Bombardier based on maintenance experience
- Six preventative maintenance inspection types are defined at fixed time intervals (daily, A-D, Brake)
  - Two more inspection types for larger activities are defined (F, G)
  - For each maintenance type, detailed descriptions and checklists of inspections are available
- Team reviewed records of vehicle 039 and found that inspection plans are generally adhered to in terms of interval and content

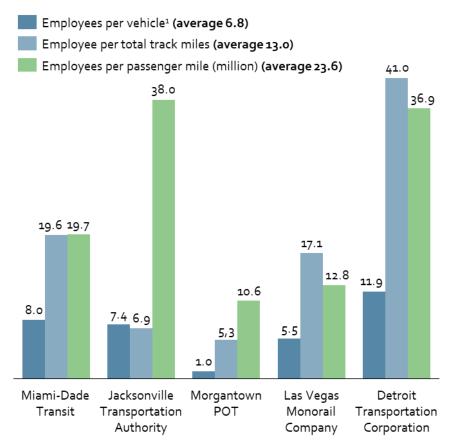
	Inspection type	Interval
	Daily	24 hours
	Α	37.5 days
	В	75 days
	С	225 days
	D	450 days
	F	4-5 years
	G	8-10 years
	Brake	46 days





# Metromover's staffing levels are generally in line with peers'; yet care needs to be taken with benchmarking

#### Employment of O&M and administrative employees



<sup>1</sup>Total fleet at its maximin capacity Source: National Transit Database, https://www.transit.dot.gov/ntd/ntd-data



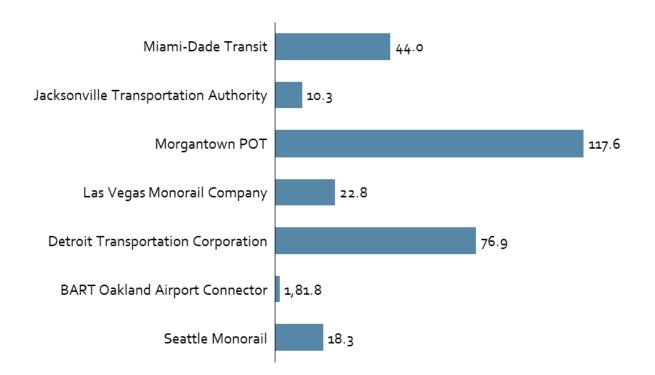
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### Metromover's vehicle failures are somewhat higher than peers'

#### Number of failures per passenger mile (millions)

Total failures per passenger mile (millions) (average 42.0)



<sup>1</sup>Total fleet at its maximin capacity

Source: National Transit Database, https://www.transit.dot.gov/ntd/ntd-data



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# Outside peer group, St. Louis Metro has advanced approach to vehicle asset management that may serve as model

- St. Louis Metro, that region's transit provider, has developed systematic approach to bus maintenance resulting in far more miles per bus than peers
- Approach aimed at preventing failures, rather than repair after failure
  - In house maintenance and/or overhaul of parts is only done if there is demonstrable economic advantage
  - Key is predictable stream of work
  - Metro has taken effective measures to realize predictability by minimizing failures and allowing forward planning of activities
- Metro has recently had two buses reach their million-mile mark, remarkable achievement in U.S. transit
- Metro is using same approach in light rail fleet
- DTPW could use Metro as model for improvements in maintenance organization and use of asset management



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## However, Metromover is not taking full advantage of historic maintenance data stored in EAMS

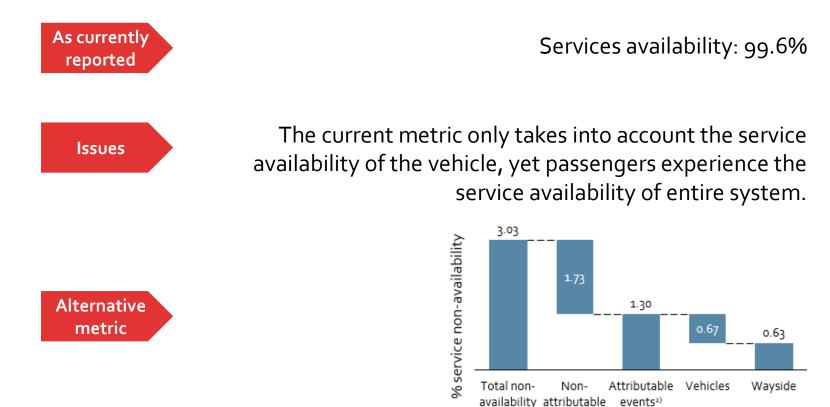
- Failures key electrical part, relay, illustrate why Metromover needs formalized failure analysis and response system
- Also, Metromover maintains high spare parts inventory





There appears to be mismatch between reported performance and rider's perspective of performance

Team assessed indicator calculations for October & December 2017 and



Source: Based on performance data of 12/2017

- 1) Line closures due to external construction works
- 2) Attributable events defined as events covered by operation and maintenance of the system



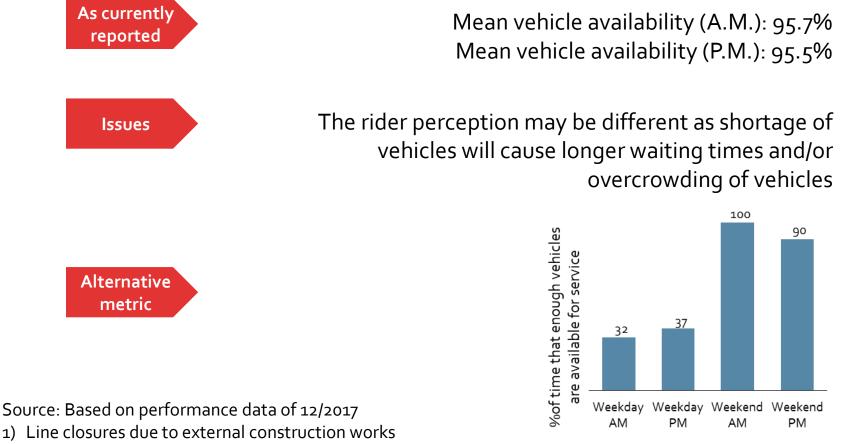
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There appears to be mismatch between reported performance and rider's perspective of performance (cont'd)

Team assessed indicator calculations for October & December 2017



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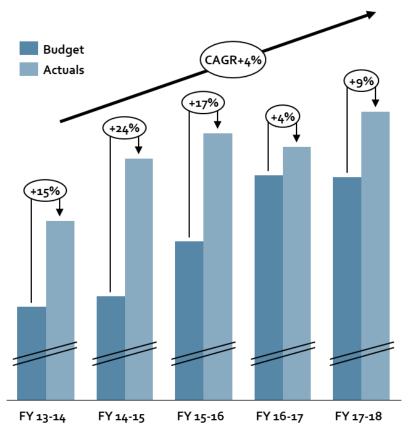


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# There is recurring disconnect between Metromover's budget and actual outlays due to unrealistic budgeting

Mover Expenditure: Budget vs Actuals Excluding Reimbursements<sup>1)</sup>



1) Budget FY17-18 is corrected to exclude the budgeted extra staff for maintaining MIA Mover Source: Budget file MOVER - 5 years (FY14 - FY18) dated 16 March 2018; IMG Rebel analysis



# Elevators and escalators availability and cleanliness is less than satisfactory

- Metromover elevator availability varied from 95% to 98% for May through October, 2017
- Escalator availability varied from 93% to 98% over same period
- Despite elevators' availability, Team observed that frequency of elevators usage is smaller than availability due to external issues, including cleanliness
- Few local transit systems offer station restroom making this industry-wide problem of undesirable behavior
- Even bigger problem for Metromover due to being "free" system



### **Key Recommendations**

Key Findings	Recommendations
<ul> <li>Metromover not taking full advantage of EAMs maintenance data</li> <li>EAMS data not always fully up-to- date</li> <li>Metromover maintains relatively high spare parts</li> <li>Disconnect between budget and</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>Improve asset management capabilities</li> <li>Utilize EAMS to update time estimates</li> <li>Use updated time estimates to compare estimate to actual time for tasks</li> <li>Use updated time estimates for</li> </ol>
actual outlays	annual budgeting



### Key Recommendations (cont'd)

#### **Key Findings**

- Inspection reports are stored as PDFs, limiting data analysis
- Department not using EAMS for upcoming maintenance work
  - Open work orders not used as starting point for inspections
  - Historic maintenance data not analyzed
- Performance indicators definition lacks link with perceived service level
- Mismatch between reported performance and rider's perspective of service performance

#### Recommendation

- 2. Study issuing tablets
- 3. Introduce "Lean," which can improve efficiency by 20%
- 4. Institute failure analysis and response system

5. Develop new key performance indicators (KPIs) that better reflect system performance



### Key Recommendations (cont'd)

#### **Key Findings**

- Metromover maintains relatively high spare parts inventory
- Basic inventory technique used is "min-max;" However, overwhelming majority of parts issues are tied to scheduled maintenance, which MM can schedule in advance

#### Recommendation

6. Study use of "Materials Requirements Planning," where demand for parts is directly tied to upcoming scheduled maintenance—useful in maximizing availability of parts when required while reducing overstocking



### Key Recommendations (cont'd)

Key Findings	Recommendation
<ul> <li>Current hiring rules make it difficult to hire qualified specialists for vehicle maintenance</li> <li>Under terms of TWU Agreement technician openings can only be filled from existing TWU- represented employees</li> <li>DTPW cannot recruit experienced mechanics from outside, nor recruit from trade schools, who would make one third less than what bus operator transfers are paid</li> <li>Since applicants must first pass qualifications test, filling up class for new technicians can take quite while</li> </ul>	7. Attempt to negotiate ability to directly recruit for TWU maintenance positions from outside
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