

# Coolidge Terminal

Rehabilitation Project



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# Coolidge Terminal Rehabilitation Project Overview

DDOT is proposing to construct a new bus maintenance, storage, and operations center on the existing Coolidge Terminal site.

The purpose of this public meeting is to:

- Give a brief history of the Coolidge Terminal
- Provide details on the project, including the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) involvement
- Describe our public involvement efforts
- Ask for your feedback

# Coolidge Terminal History

- The Coolidge Terminal and Maintenance facility is located at 14044 Schaefer Highway in Detroit.
- It operated transit service from 1928 until 2011.
- In December 2011, a fire destroyed part of the facility, halting operations.
- The City of Detroit's bankruptcy halted reconstruction plans and now DDOT is proposing a new construction project.



# Coolidge Terminal to Replace Gilbert Terminal

- The Gilbert Terminal, located in southeast Detroit, stores and maintain the buses that were once at Coolidge, but can no longer do so.
- The use of the property is no longer suitable for DDOT and will be decommissioned after the new Coolidge Terminal is built.
- The buses currently at Gilbert Terminal will be moved over to the new Coolidge Terminal.

# Coolidge Replacement Facility Plans

DDOT plans to construct a new bus maintenance, storage, and operations center on the existing Coolidge Terminal site.

- The current site will be cleared, and all six existing structures will be demolished.



**Current Coolidge Site**



# Coolidge Terminal Site

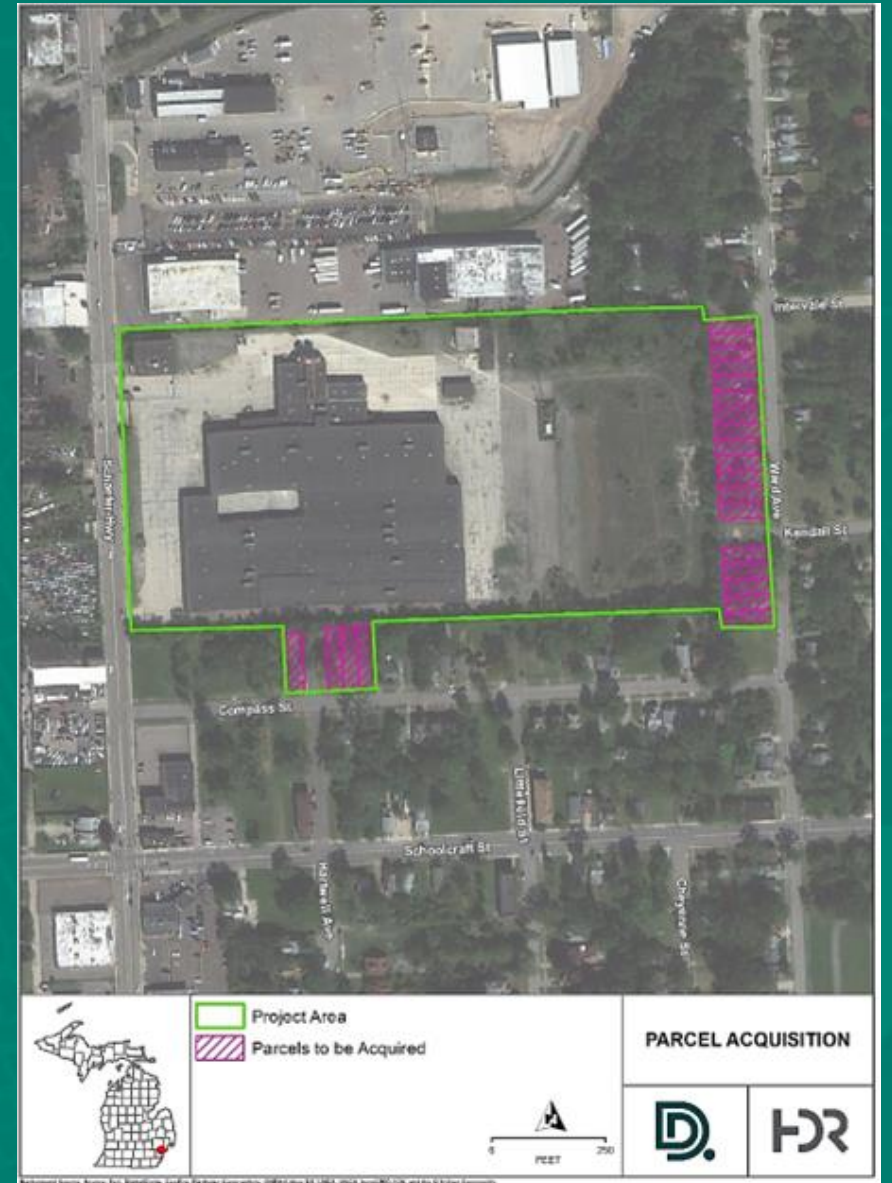
## Current Layout



# Coolidge Replacement Facility Plans

DDOT is also using some adjacent properties owned by the Detroit Land Bank Authority.

- The Detroit Land Bank Authority has agreed to transfer the parcels to DDOT.



# Coolidge Replacement Facility Plans

The new facility will accommodate 24-hour operations and initially 144 buses, with the capacity to expand up to 216 buses in the future.

Three new buildings will be constructed during the project.

- Bus storage and coach services
- Fleet maintenance with parts storeroom
- Operations and Administration





# Coolidge Replacement Facility Plans

- The new facility will be able to better service 40' and 60' buses, and service and charge buses using alternative fuel technologies.
- The site will also include a 245- space parking lot, dedicated mainly for DDOT staff including operators, maintenance, and operations and administration personnel.
- The facility is expected to be completed in 2024.



# Coolidge Terminal Site

## Conceptual Site Plan



# **The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Involvement**

- **FTA is providing funding for the project**
- **Serving as lead federal agency working with DDOT to assess the potential social, economic, and environmental impacts of this proposed project**

**National Environmental Policy Act of 1969**

**Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act**

**Section 4(f) of the USDOT Act of 1966**

# Alternatives

**DDOT considered three alternatives to meet the current needs.**

- Re-use of the existing buildings
- Re-use of some of the buildings, supplementing with new construction where applicable
- Full replacement of the Coolidge Terminal with all new construction.

**DDOT determined that all new construction at the site is the preferred alternative and would allow DDOT to resume bus operations at this facility.**

- **There will be no impact on any transit schedules.**

# Cultural Resources

## Section 106 and Section 4(f)

- The Coolidge Terminal is considered **eligible for the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP)** and protected under Section 106 and Section 4(f) regulations.
- The Project will cause an Adverse Effect to the historic property.
- Section 106 Consultation with interested parties and tribes has begun.
- Mitigation for the Adverse Effect will be identified as a commitment in the NEPA Environmental Assessment.
- The Environmental Assessment will include a Section 4(f) Evaluation.

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## Public Involvement

- DDOT is in the **design phase** of this project.
- **Additional public meetings will take place**
  - The second meeting is expected in September and will focus more on the environmental impacts of this project.
  - A public hearing is expected to take place in November or December where additional details of the Environmental Assessment will be provided along with the opportunity for public comments.

# Coolidge Terminal Rehabilitation Project Updates

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