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### **Long Beach Transit Unveils New Bus Charging Station**

*The innovative bus stop and wireless charging station at the Convention Center will extend the range of LBT's battery electric buses*

LONG BEACH, CALIF. (September 6, 2018) – Long Beach Transit officially unveiled its new battery-electric bus stop and wireless bus charging station to the public. The innovative charging station will extend the range of LBT's electric buses and aid in its battery electric bus fleet expansion.

"Today at LBT we continue our commitment to building a clean and sustainable fleet of buses for the communities we serve with this new battery electric bus charging station," said President and CEO Kenneth A. McDonald. "With wireless charging, we can continue to test the range of our battery electric buses and optimize their use throughout our service area."

The bus charging station and stop, located in front of the Long Beach Convention Center on Pine Avenue, utilizes a wireless charging unit – Wireless Advanced Vehicle Electrification (WAVE) – to give the on-board batteries a boost while the bus is on layover.

The WAVE system uses electromagnetic fields to safely transfer power to the bus while it is stopped and works in much the same way as wireless charging for cell phones.

In addition to the wireless charging, the new stop features public art, canopies for shade and LED lighting.

Long Beach Transit continues to expand its use of alternatively fueled buses and battery electric buses will play a major role in serving LBT's customers. By piloting the use of wireless charging, LBT will be able to test and extend the range of its battery electric buses.

“LBT staff and our partners worked hard to make this new charging station and stop a reality and I appreciate everyone’s hard work,” said McDonald. “Today is another example of our dedication to connecting communities and making everyday life better for the people we serve.”

**About Long Beach Transit**

Long Beach Transit serves 26 million annual boarding customers in Long Beach, Lakewood and Signal Hill—as well as portions of Artesia, Bellflower, Carson, Cerritos, Compton, Hawaiian Gardens, Los Alamitos, Paramount and Seal Beach. Water taxi services via AquaBus and AquaLink are available spring through fall. For more information visit, [www.lbtransit.com](http://www.lbtransit.com).

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