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JANUARY 4TH 2018 PUBLIC MEETING ON REDUCTION OF ISLAND TRANSIT SERVICES

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Island Transit Comment Form Fixed Route Service Reduction

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All written comments are welcome. (Please Print)

Is JARC-HGAC-TXDOT funding likely to come back? How much is likely to come back?
 In current legislation?
 Post 2020 census?
 Is advertising an option? likely to improve ridership
 How many riders/individuals will be affected
 daily or weekends?
 How many are eligible for tax subsidies? sufficient
 * Can smaller buses fill the need? Is there a need?
 Is it likely that the trolley buses have affected ridership

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Even if funding comes back, does it make sense to go back to the old schedule?

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Two questions you didn't address:
 using small buses
 How many actual people are we talking about.

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yes - extend routes on weekend lifeline.

Hate to see the maint go for those who need it but... okay -

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