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STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORT AND CITY SERVICES
MS TARA CHEYNE MLA (CHAIR), CANDICE BURCH MLA (DEPUTY CHAIR), JAMES MILLIGAN MLA

Inquiry into referred 2018–19 Annual and Financial Reports
ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Asked by Caroline LeCouteur:

[Ref: TCCS p33– Transport Canberra; Light Rail Stage 2]

In relation to: Projected Travel Times for Light Rail Stage 2a

Please provide a breakdown of the factors (e.g. additional stops, wire-free operation) that cause light rail Stage 2A to have a higher projected travel time than the current bus services, indicating the expected travel time increase associated with each factor.

Mr Chris Steel MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:–

The Business Case for Light Rail Stage 2A identifies an estimated travel time from Alinga Street to Commonwealth Park of six minutes, based on two intermediate stops at City West and City South, and a travel speed of 20-40km/h across this section of the route.

The Business Case further states that travel times are indicative and subject to further operational analysis and design, including wire-free operations and raising of London Circuit, that could reduce or increase travel time based on further design.

Current bus services do not follow the same route as Light Rail Stage 2A, however would be expected to have a similar travel time. For example, current services between City Interchange Platforms 1 and 2 (on Alinga Street) and bus stops on Commonwealth Avenue at Regatta Point, travelling around London Circuit through the east of the City Centre and stopping once at Legislative Assembly, generally experience a 6-7 minute journey time.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Economic Development and Tourism

Signature:

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'Chris Steel'.

Date:

29/11/19.

By the Minister for Transport, Chris Steel MLA

