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**SASKATOON AIRPORT APPLAUDS CITY TRANSIT ROUTE CHANGES**

**Saskatoon, SK:** Getting to the Airport just got a whole lot easier with route changes announced by the City Transit Service. Effective September 5, there will be 3 routes servicing the Airport – Routes 40, 31 & 23. Previously the Airport was serviced with only one route.

“We applaud these changes initiated by the City,” says Bill Restall, President & CEO. “It tells us the City understands and is responding to an ever increasing need. Not only does this provide enhanced service to both business and tourist travel,” Restall continues, “it also benefits the many people who work at the Airport.”

“The new routes to the airport are a big part of the service improvements Transit is introducing on September 5,” said Mitch Riabko, Saskatoon Transit Manager. “The new Route 40 will be especially great for airport passengers as it provides an almost direct route to and from the downtown.”

**Route 40 – Airport/Downtown** will offer service to most hotels in the North end as well as the downtown core. The route will travel south from City Centre in a one-way loop around downtown via 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, 20<sup>th</sup> St. , Spadina and back to 23<sup>rd</sup> Street. North of City Centre service will be in both directions. The route will travel along 23<sup>rd</sup> Street to Idylwyld, past SIAST-Kelsey Campus to 39<sup>th</sup> Street, Avenue C, 45<sup>th</sup> Street and terminate at the Airport.

**Route 23 – Airport/Blairmore** will travel directly to Hampton Village along Confederation Drive and is being extended from Hampton Village to the Airport Business Area including the Airport Terminal. In the evenings and all day on Sundays, Route 40 will be interlined with Route 23.

**Route 31- Airport/Lawson Hub** is a new route in the north end, traveling from Lawson Mall to the Airport Terminal via Primrose, Lenore, 51<sup>st</sup> Street, Avenue C and 45<sup>th</sup> Street.

Information on the new transit service can be accessed on the City of Saskatoon website ([www.saskatoon.ca](http://www.saskatoon.ca)) or on the Saskatoon Airport website ([www.yxe.ca](http://www.yxe.ca))

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