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Of great concern to the residents of the Old Pali Road Area is the discontinuance of TheBus Route 121. Please put this on your agenda for discussion on your next Neighborhood Board Meeting on Tuesday, 15 August 2023.

DTS cited low ridership as their justification for discontinuing the #121 service, However, low ridership is the direct result of the elimination of the three time per hour route #4 Bus with the one per hour #121 Bus. This great inconvenience directly resulted in the reduced ridership.

TheBus service to the Old Pali Road area is vital to the students who will be returning to school, to the elderly who depend on the Bus, to the caregivers who regularly service the home bound residents and to those that do not drive a vehicle.

DTS advised the residents to use TheBus routes 65, 66 and 67. All of these have bus stops only on Pali Highway. The outbound bus stop is on Pali Highway Mauka of Nuuanu Pali Drive. The inbound bus stop is on the Ewa side of Pali Highway directly across Dowsett Avenue. Access to both of these bus stops do not have sidewalks or improvements and is not safely accessible for the elderly or the disabled and is almost impossible for those in wheelchairs or baby strollers. It is therefore imperative that this Bus service to the Old Pali Road area be continued until improvements are made for the safety of the users of the Bus.

It is requested that the Board persuade DTS to continue the bus service to the Old Pali Road Area. Any help in this matter will be greatly appreciated.