

Route 9

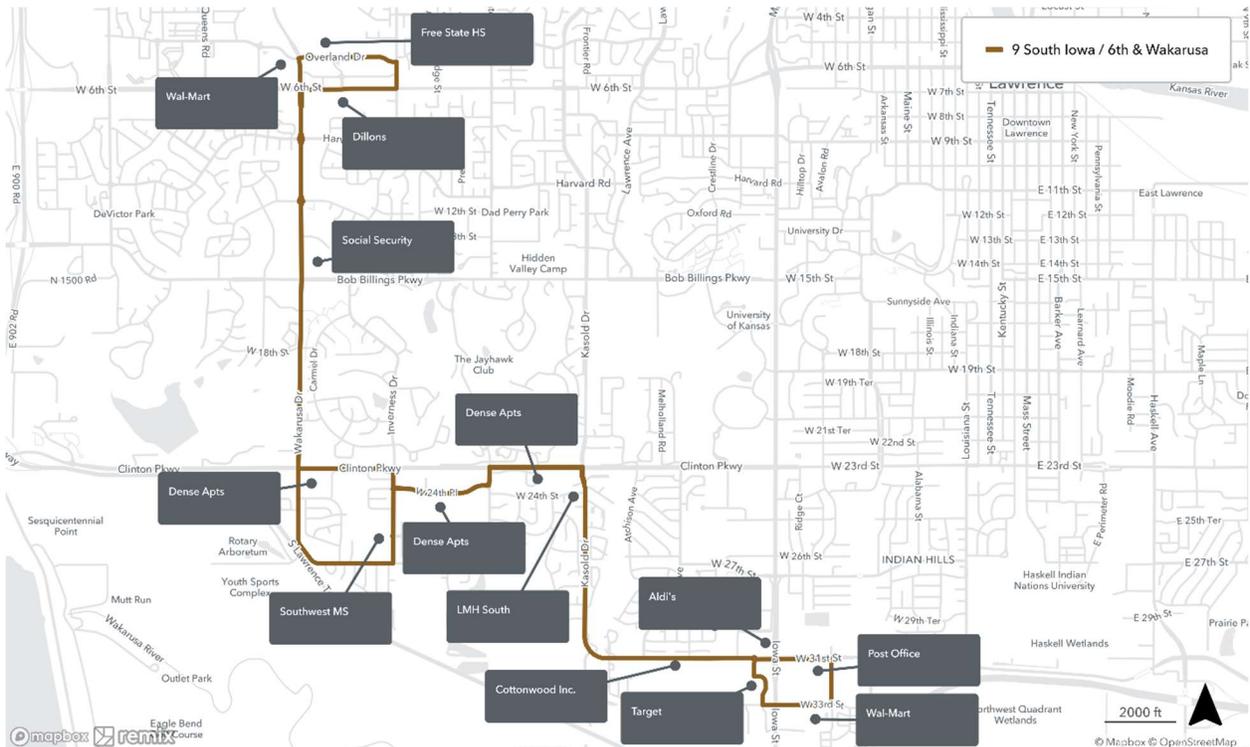
What are the proposed changes?

A brief overview of Route 9 proposed scenarios

Current Route 9

Route 9 currently travels between 6th & Wakarusa and South Iowa St. and passes by Free State High School, two Wal-Marts, Dillons, Social Security, Southwest Middle School, LMH South, Cottonwood Inc., Aldi's, Target, the post office, and several large apartment complexes. A map of the current route is shown below.

Route 9 - Current



Route 9– Scenario 1

The idea for Route 9 in Scenario 1 is to shorten the route at Clinton & Wakarusa, while also serving the apartments near Crestline and Melrose.

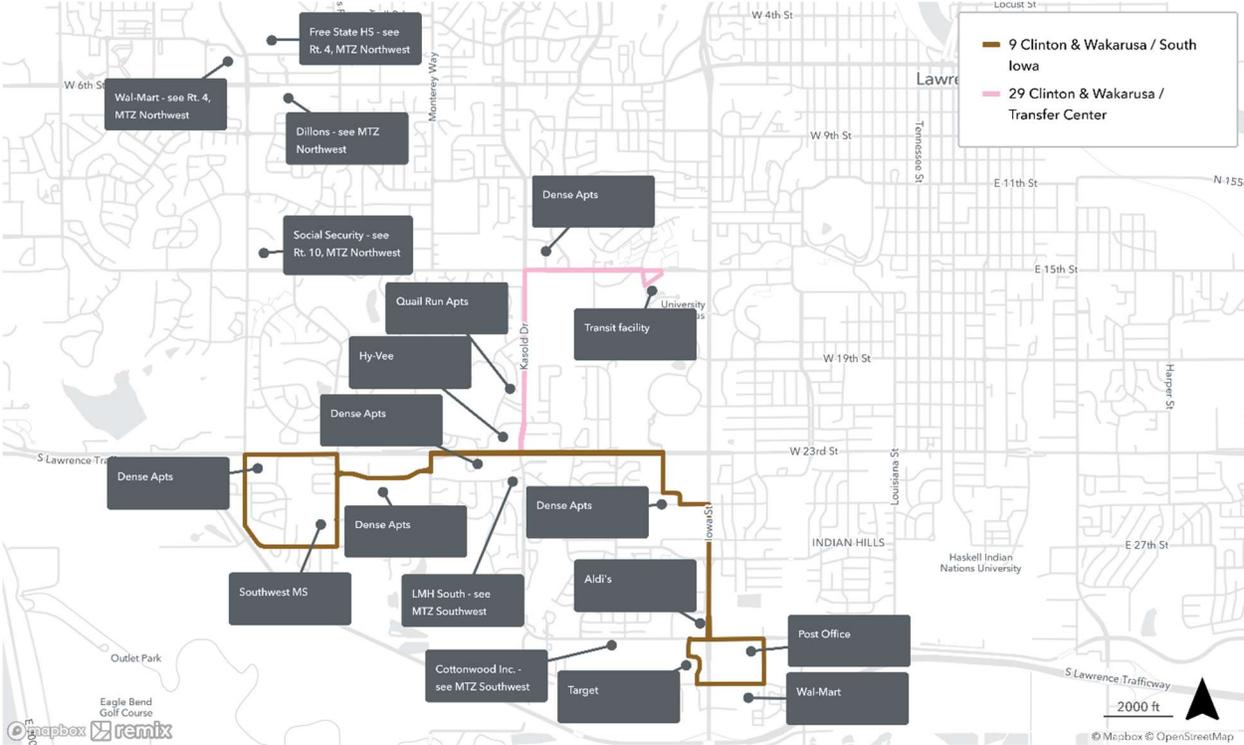
Additionally, Route 9 would interline with Route 29, which means that someone connecting to Route 29 from Route 9 at Clinton Pkwy & Wakarusa would not need to change buses. Westbound Route 9 buses become eastbound Route 29 buses by changing their headsign at Clinton & Wakarusa, and vice versa. Interlining helps passengers make their connection between the two routes because they don't have to get off the bus.

Destinations along Wakarusa and near 6th St. & Wakarusa that would no longer be served by Route 9 are proposed to be served by other fixed routes or microtransit.

WHAT IS MICROTRANSIT?

Microtransit functions like ride-sharing services Uber and Lyft, but it uses transit vehicles and offers affordable and predictable fares.

Route 9 – Scenario 1



Route 9– Scenario 2

The idea for Route 9 in Scenario 2 is to extend service to Rock Chalk Park from Wal-Mart and remove service from W. 27th St. to reduce one-way service. Service on Kasold is shifted to Lawrence Ave. to connect with Holcom Park. This new Route 9 would also provide service to multifamily apartments like The Links on Rock Chalk Dr.

Additionally, Route 9 would interline with Route 7, which means that someone connecting to Route 7 from Route 9 at The Reserve would not need to change buses. Southbound Route 9 buses become northbound Route 7 buses by changing their headsign at The Reserve, and vice versa. Interlining helps passengers make their connection between the two routes because they don't have to get off the bus. This interlining also helps maintain a direct connection from the Holcom neighborhood to Billy Mills Middle School, LHS, and Downtown.

Destinations near 6th & Wakarusa as well as 27th & Wakarusa that would no longer be served by Route 9 are proposed to be served by other fixed routes or microtransit.

