

Sent: Wednesday, 5 November 2008 7:08 PM

Subject: 2009 Fare increase - rail

Hello.

I would like to register my non support of the proposed fare increases to the following. I do not support the proposed fare increase for the following:

For distances from 15 km up to 35 km, single tickets would increase by between 40 cents and \$1.00 on 1 January 2009, and by between 5 cents and 20 cents a year plus inflation over the subsequent three years. Weekly tickets would increase by \$3.00 to \$8.00 per week on 1 January 2009, and by between 65 cents and \$1.35 per week a year plus inflation over the three subsequent years.

For distances from 35 km up to 175 km, single tickets would increase by up to \$1.00 on 1 January 2009, and by between 20 cents and 90 cents a year plus inflation over the subsequent three years. Weekly tickets would increase by \$7.00 to \$9.00 per week on 1 January 2009, and by between \$1.50 and \$6.50 per week a year plus inflation over the three subsequent years.

I oppose the fare increases as it would impose unrealistic financial hardship for people (myself included) in travelling to the city for work.

Also, I see no mention of discount incentives for annual passes. What is the proposed discount on tickets for people who purchase annual tickets?

Thank you.