

#21 - CERMAK - Route History

- Xx 09-00-1888 Began CHICAGO CITY RY CO horsecar service from Wabash via Cermak to Grove
- Sa 06-24-1893 Began WEST & SOUTH TOWNS STREET RY CO horsecar service from Wolcott via Cermak-Lawndale to 23rd
- Su 10-22-1893 Began replacing horsecars with streetcars on west route
- Xx 12-00-1893 Extended west streetcars from 23rd via Lawndale to 26th
- Xx 03-00-1894 Extended west streetcars from Wolcott via Cermak to Blue Island, also began shuttle streetcar service from Blue Island via Cermak to May
- Tu 04-03-1894 West route passes to CHICAGO GENERAL RY CO
- Xx 06- 00-1894 Thru routed west streetcars Lawndale/26th to Cermak/May
- Sa 08-25-1894 Extended west streetcars from May via Cermak to Grove
- Xx 00-00-1894 Began shuttle streetcar service from Cermak via Homan to 25th
- Su 09-30-1894 Began shuttle streetcar service from 19th via Rockwell to 26th
- Xx 00-00-1894 Extended west streetcars from 26th via Lawndale to 28th
- Xx 12-00-1894 Extended Rockwell shuttle streetcars via Rockwell-25th-Lawndale to 28th
- Su 06-14-1896 Extended west route streetcars and Rockwell shuttle streetcars from 28th via Lawndale to 36th
- Fr 07-30-1897 Replaced horsecars with streetcars on east route
- Sa 07-31-1897 Extended west streetcars from Grove via Cermak to Wabash, retaining east route streetcars Grove to Wabash
- We 08-11-1897 Rerouted west route streetcars via Cermak to Pulaski, began shuttle streetcar service from Ogden via Lawndale to 36th, also cut back and rerouted Rockwell shuttle streetcars from Cermak via Rockwell-25th-Kedzie to 31st
- Th 04-28-1898 Discontinued separate east route, all service east of Grove now provided by former west route streetcars
- Xx 00-00-0000 Discontinued Homan and Lawndale shuttle streetcars, extended Rockwell shuttle streetcars via 25th-Lawndale to 36th
- Xx 00-00-1907? Rerouted shuttle streetcars from 36th via Lawndale-25th-Kedzie to Cermak
- Mo 09-30-1907 Route passes to SOUTHERN STREET RY
- Xx 00-00-0000 Cut back shuttle streetcars to Lawndale/31st
- Th 04-01-1909 Route passes to CHICAGO CITY RY CO
- Mo 06-14-1909 Extended Mon-Sat streetcars via Cermak-Wabash to Washington-Garland-Randolph-Wabash loop
- Tu 07-06-1909 Cut back streetcars to Cermak/Wabash
- We 11-24-1909 Extended shuttle streetcars from 31st via Lawndale to 33rd
- Mo 11-14-1910 Extended some streetcars via Cermak-Kedzie-25th-Lawndale to 33rd, replacing shuttle streetcars
- Su 07-16-1911 Extended main route streetcars from Pulaski via Cermak to 47th Ave

Su 02-01-1914 Routes pass to CHICAGO SURFACE LINES

Mo 11-29-1915 Cut back Lawndale streetcars to Lawndale/32nd

Mo 08-29-1921 Extend Lawndale streetcars from 32nd via Lawndale to 33rd

Su 04-26-1931 Cut back Lawndale streetcars to shuttle Kedzie/Cermak to Lawndale/33rd Su

Mo 06-29-1931 Cut back Lawndale streetcars to shuttle Mon-Fri except rush

Sa 02-13-1932 Cut back Lawndale streetcars to shuttle Saturday except rush

Sa 05-27-1933 Extended streetcars from Wabash via Cermak to Calumet

Th 06-01-1933 Extended streetcars via Cermak-King Dr-23rd-Private right-of-way to terminal at Lake Shore West/Waldron

Su 09-30-1945 Discontinued service to Lawndale/33rd

We 10-01-1947 Route passes to CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

We 03-09-1949 Cut back streetcars to Cermak/Calumet

Su 04-09-1950 Began using one-man cars Sat-Sun

Mo 09-17-1951 Began using one-man cars daily

Su 05-11-1952 Transferred work from Lawndale station to Kedzie station

Su 05-30-1954 Began #21-CERMAK bus service, replacing #21-CERMAK streetcars, from 47th Ave "U" via Cermak to Cermak-Calumet-21st-Prairie loop, transferred work from Kedzie station to Lawndale station

Fr 04-17-1955 Rerouted buses thru service drive to 47th Ave "U"

Sa 11-19-1960 Extended day & evening buses via Cermak-King Dr-23rd to McCormick Place terminal

Th 01-16-1967 Cut back all buses to Cermak/Calumet account McCormick Place burned to the ground

Sa 01-02-1971 Re-extended day and evening buses via Cermak-King Dr-23rd to new McCormick Place terminal

Su 12-16-1973 Transferred work from Lawndale garage to Kedzie garage

Su 09-02-1979 Transferred work from Kedzie garage to Lawndale garage

Xx 01-00-1980 Cut back buses via 23rd to "U" in front of McCormick Place

Sa 09-12-1981 Discontinued owl service

Su 07-01-1984 Transferred work from Lawndale garage to Kedzie garage

We 05-28-1986 Cut back all buses to Cermak/Calumet

Su 06-29-1986 Extended buses via Cermak to 54th Ave-54th Ave station terminal-Central-Cermak loop

Su 09-07-1986 Transferred work from Kedzie garage to Lawndale garage

Mo 11-10-1986 Resumed service via Cermak-King Dr-23rd to McCormick Pl "U"

Su 07-03-1994 Transferred work from Lawndale garage to Kedzie garage

Su 10-30-1994 Rerouted buses via Cermak-Calumet-King Dr to 24th Pl terminal

Sa 02-08-1997 Rerouted buses northbound via McCormick Place South terminal-McCormick Sq-King Dr

Sa 08-26-2000 Extended Saturday early evening buses via Cermak-54th Av-54th/Cermak station terminal-Central-Cermak to North Riverside Park terminal, returning via Cermak-54th Av-54th/Cermak station terminal-Central-Cermak

Mo 08-18-2003 Rerouted buses via Cermak to Laramie-54th Station terminal-54th Av loop

Su 01-30-2005 Extended Sat-Sun daytime buses to North Riverside Park Mall, buses to N Riverside Park Mall operate WB via Cermak-Laramie-54th Station terminal-54th Av-Cermak, EB via Cermak

Mo 06-18-2006 Extended Mon-Fri buses to North Riverside Park Mall

Su 03-23-2008 Transferred work from Kedzie garage to Archer garage

Su 12-28-2008 Extended daytime buses via Cermak-King Dr to King Dr-26th-Michigan-25th loop

Su 09-07-2009 Extended evening buses to Michigan/25th

Su 02-07-2010 Transferred work from Archer garage to Kedzie garage