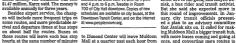
Airport bus service to begin July 1 ■ PEOPLE MOVER: Transit The airport route is one of a set of range plan to expand the bus system enough places around town to work well bus service improvements planned #PEOPLE MOVER has scheduled public and increase the number of riders will be available hourly from in prior attempts, said city transit planthis summer using federal transpor- meetings to discuss the changes and hear Any steps to make the system work two parts of town. ner Jody Karcz. So when it came time tation money. The additions will cost comment on them from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. better are to the good, said Elayne Ja-

Besides airport service, the chang-

those routes will leave each him ston

For example Route 1 from Muldoon These changes are part of a long-





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regular hourly service, all to happen

Karez said People Mover had intended to launch more improvements this July, "But a lot of things couldn't happen." Mainly, she said, the system wasn't

as it honed to. One deal to obtain more buses fell through. It takes more than six months to buy and receive delivery of the suses, and People Mover is just starting the purchasing after the failed first at-

Lack of buses will prevent changing more routes to the regular hourly service, she said, but that is still the ultimate plan. Buses not on hourly service

trips to a stop and sometimes take an hour and a half A consultant mended more predictable service.

People Mover is unable to use the Muldoon Mall parking lot as a transit hub, with several buses arriving at once so that people can conveniently trans-fer, because mall businesses have gotten

husier and hus use of the narking lot is limited, Karcz said. Instead, the bus system is increasing turnout space along both sides of

huses. But the extra room won't ready by July she said.

Buses not on hourly service sometimes take

45 minutes between trips to a stop and sometimes take an hour and a half.

tional buses being ordered, are probably about a year off. Karcz said Routes converting to the predictable hourly service include

 Route 1 from Muldoon to Dimond Center via Providence Alaska Medical Center and Lake Otis Parkway Route 2 from downtown out C Street and 36th Avenue to Dimond Center

 Boute 7, from downtown to Spenard to International Airport, Jewel Lake, and Dimond Center *Route 9 from downtown to Dimond

Center via Arctic Rouleward Route 14 from downtown to Govern-. Route 60 from downtown to Dimond

Center, Oceanview and Huffman Business Park

*Route 75 from downtown to Muldoon Mall and the Alaska Native Heritage

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