## Computing Travel within the Local PDS Area - Public Transportation vs. Mixed Modes - Cost Less Than Normal Commute (JTR, par.020603-B1b)

Note: Rates used in these examples may not be current and are for illustrative purposes only.
Scenario: A traveler's one-way commuting cost to the PDS is $\$ 3$ by bus, totaling $\$ 6$ for the round-trip ordinary commuting cost. The traveler uses the bus to the PDS, at a cost of $\$ 3$. Later, the traveler uses a Government-furnished fare card to take public transportation to travel to two alternate work sites. The traveler returns to the residence by bus at a cost of $\$ 2$. The traveler is not authorized any reimbursement since the cost to the traveler is less than the traveler's ordinary commuting cost.

| Public Transportation Cost Less Than Ordinary Cost |  |  |
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| Step | Action | Calculation |
| 1 | Calculate the ordinary round-trip commuting cost. | \$3 both ways = \$6 |
| 2 | Calculate the cost of commuting to the PDS and the alternate work sites. | To the PDS: \$3 |
|  |  | No cost to the alternate work sites. |
|  |  | Returning to the residence: \$2 |
|  |  | Total: $\$ 3+\$ 2=\$ 5$ |
| 3 | Compare the ordinary round-trip commuting cost in Step 1 with the commuting cost in Step 2. | \$6 is greater than \$5 |
| 4 | Total amount authorized to the traveler. | None |

