

SOUTHWEST

Green Line LRT Extension



Corridor Management Committee Meeting

June 4, 2014



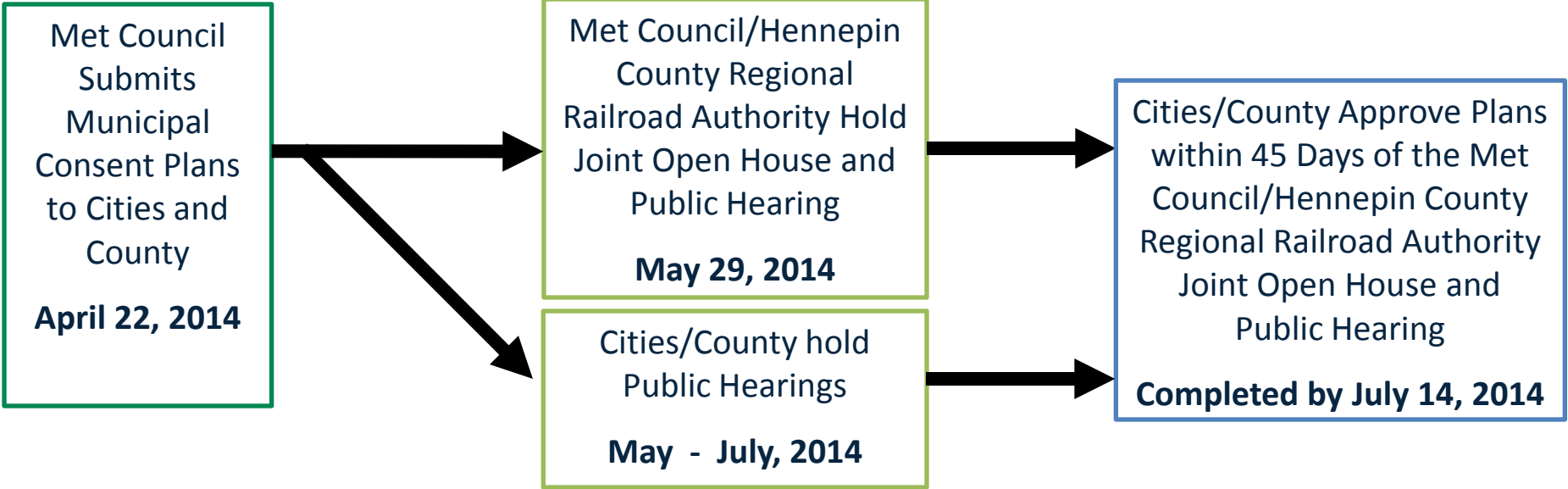
Today's Topics

- Welcome
- Approval of Minutes
- Municipal Consent Process Update
 - Public Hearing Schedule
 - City/County Comment Categories
- Public Outreach Activities
- Adjourn



Municipal Consent Process Update

Municipal Consent Process



Municipal Consent Public Hearings

- City of St. Louis Park: Monday, May 19
 - Approximately 40 members of the public attended and 14 people testified
- City of Eden Prairie: Tuesday, May 20
 - Approximately 60 members of the public attended and 32 people testified
- Met Council & HCRRA: Thursday, May 29
 - Approximately 100 members of the public attended and 44 people testified

Municipal Consent Public Hearings

- City of Minnetonka: Monday, June 2
 - Approximately 50 members of the public attended and 6 people testified
- City of Hopkins: Tuesday, June 3
- City of Minneapolis: TBD

Municipal Consent City Council Actions

- City of St. Louis Park: June 16*
- City of Eden Prairie: June 17*
- City of Hopkins: June 17*
- City of Minnetonka: June 23 (confirmed)
- Hennepin County: June 24*
- City of Minneapolis: TBD

**Tentative Date*

More Information: SWLRT Website

- Municipal Consent Plans
- How to comment
- Information about public hearings

The screenshot shows the 'Municipal Consent' page on the Southwest LRT website. The page title is 'MUNICIPAL CONSENT' with the subtitle 'Local review of preliminary design plans'. The main content area contains several paragraphs of text explaining the process, including a reference to Minnesota state law (Minn. Stat. 473.3994) and details about public hearings and plan reviews. On the right side, there are sections for 'CONNECT' (with social media icons for Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube), 'NEWS' (with a headline 'Old buses get new life'), and 'UPCOMING EVENTS' (with a headline 'Bottineau Transitway Draft EIS Public Hearings in May'). The top navigation bar includes 'Council - Municipal Consent' and various utility icons. The bottom of the page features a footer with the text 'Local intranet | Protected Mode: Off' and a search icon.

City/County Comments and Advanced Design Overview

City and County Comments



**Eden Prairie, Minnetonka, Hopkins and St. Louis Park*

City/County Comment Categories

- No Changes Required
 - Examples: Clarification question on signals, roadway lane detail
- Requested Design Refinement Accepted
 - Examples: Change curb type, adjust driveway access
- Additional Staff Discussions Required
 - Examples: Clarifying comment on trail detail, clarify sidewalk width
- Locally Requested Capital Investment (LRCI)
 - Examples: Increased utility pipe sizes, increased landscaping, street lighting upgrades
- Policy Level Decision
 - Examples: Additional station, change surface park-and-ride to a structured facility

Next Steps For Design and Engineering

Activity	Timeframe
Municipal Consent Approvals	July 14, 2014
Complete PE Plans	July 2014
Release Request for Proposals for Advanced Design	July 2014
Proposals Due	August/September 2014
Review Proposals, Conduct Interviews	September 2014
Contract Negotiations	October 2014
Notice to Proceed	November/December 2014

Advanced Design and Engineering Scope

- Station design and public art
- Streetscape design
- Utility relocation design
- Design advancement:
 - LRT track features
 - Roadway and trail details
 - OMF features
 - Bridges and tunnels
 - Park and Ride facilities
 - Systems elements
 - Freight rail features
- Specifications

Public Outreach Activities

Business and Community Advisory Committee Meetings



Open Houses



Community Meetings and Events

- Neighborhoods / Community centers
- ADA community
- Major employers
- Chambers of Commerce
- Hospitals
- Schools
- Libraries
- Property Owners

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Community Outreach Coordinators

Eden Prairie
Stations: City West, Golden Triangle, Eden Prairie Town Center, Southwest, Mitchell

Minnetonka, Hopkins & Edina
Stations: Blake, Hopkins, Shady Oak, Opus

St. Louis Park & Minneapolis
Stations: Royalston, Van White, Penn, West Lake, Beltline, Wooddale, Louisiana

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SOUTHWEST LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT
Green Line Extension – Eden Prairie to Downtown Minneapolis

The Southwest Light Rail Transit (LRT) project (METRO Green Line Extension) will operate from downtown Minneapolis through the communities of St. Louis Park, Hopkins, Minnetonka, and Eden Prairie, passing in close proximity to Edina. The proposed alignment includes 16 new stations and approximately 16 miles of double track. It will be part of an integrated system of transitways, including connections to the METRO Blue Line, the Northstar Commuter Rail line, bus routes and proposed future transitways. The total project cost of \$1.7 billion will be funded through a mix of federal, state and local sources, with federal funds making up approximately half the total.

Latest News
Extending Tracks Issue 5: Spring 2014

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Eden Prairie public hearing on #SWLRT May 20 at 7 p.m., open house 6 p.m. More info: [ow.ly/xOEXt](#)

Southwest LRT @SouthwestLRT · May 19
@stlouispark public hearing on #SWLRT May 19 at 7:30 p.m., open house 6 p.m. More info: [ow.ly/xOELd](#)


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Let your local elected officials know why #SWLRT matters at a series of upcoming open houses and public hearings: [ow.ly/wDlTA](#)

GovDelivery

The Metropolitan Council today advanced the Southwest LRT (METRO Green Line Extension) Project, the region's third light rail transit line, to serve the existing transportation needs and accommodate the forecasted growth in jobs and households in the Southwest Corridor.

The Council's approval set the project's scope to include 16 stations; an operations and maintenance facility in Hopkins; a westernmost station at Mitchell Road in Eden Prairie and LRT running in shallow tunnels and freight rail and trails remaining at-grade through the Kenilworth corridor with a budget between \$1.673 billion and \$1.683 billion.

"The beginning of the municipal consent process signifies the conclusion of two and half years of close work between the Council, Hennepin County and the five cities along the line. The next 75 days will give local policymakers a chance to discuss and debate this regional investment and what it will mean to their community. The Council's approval today not only moves the



The recommended Southwest LRT alignment retains the Mitchell Road Station, adjusts the alignment through Eden Prairie to better serve the town center, and eliminates the 21st Street Station. See more about the route.

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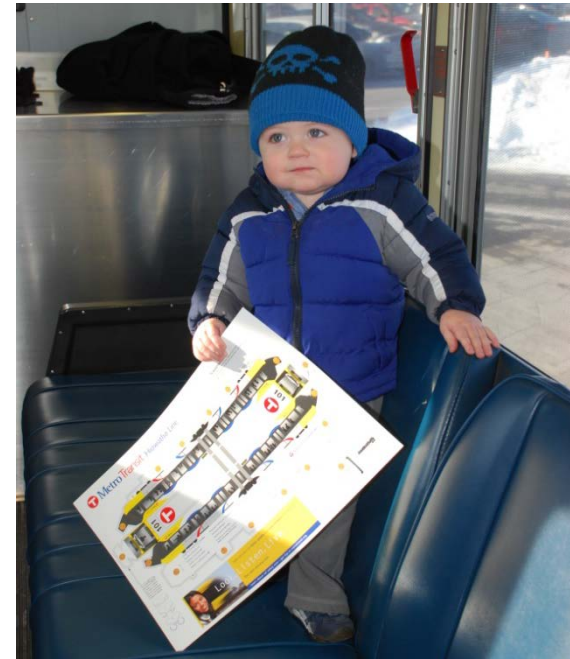
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Metropolitan Council
3.3 ★★★★★ (18 ratings)

2013 – 2014 Public Outreach Activities

- BAC/CAC Meetings: 35
- Open Houses: 25 (~3,675)
- Community Events: 160+ (~8,400 attendees)
- Electronic Outreach:
 - Website: Green Line & Extension = 50% of web traffic
 - GovDelivery Subscribers:
 - Newsletter: 2,415
 - News releases: 1,644
 - CMC: 1,231
 - Twitter: 308 followers
 - Facebook: 2,185 “likes”

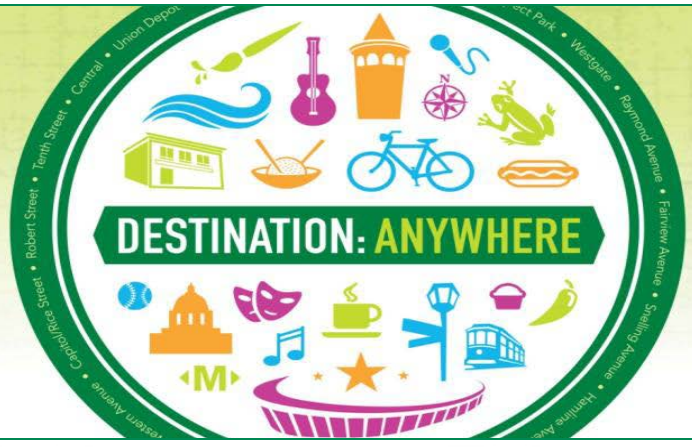
SWLRT Mobile Project Office



Get ready to ride.

June 14, 2014

metrotransit.org/greenline



Where will you go first?



EDEN PRAIRIE | MINNETONKA | EDINA | HOPKINS | ST. LOUIS PARK | MINNEAPOLIS



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