# 2021 Livable Communities Act Program Criteria

Community Development Committee
February 1, 2021



## Today's discussion

Timeline for the adoption of 2021 scoring and funding criteria for Livable Communities Act accounts

Changes to Blue Line Extension and LCDA-TOD eligible areas

2021 program schedule and funding availability

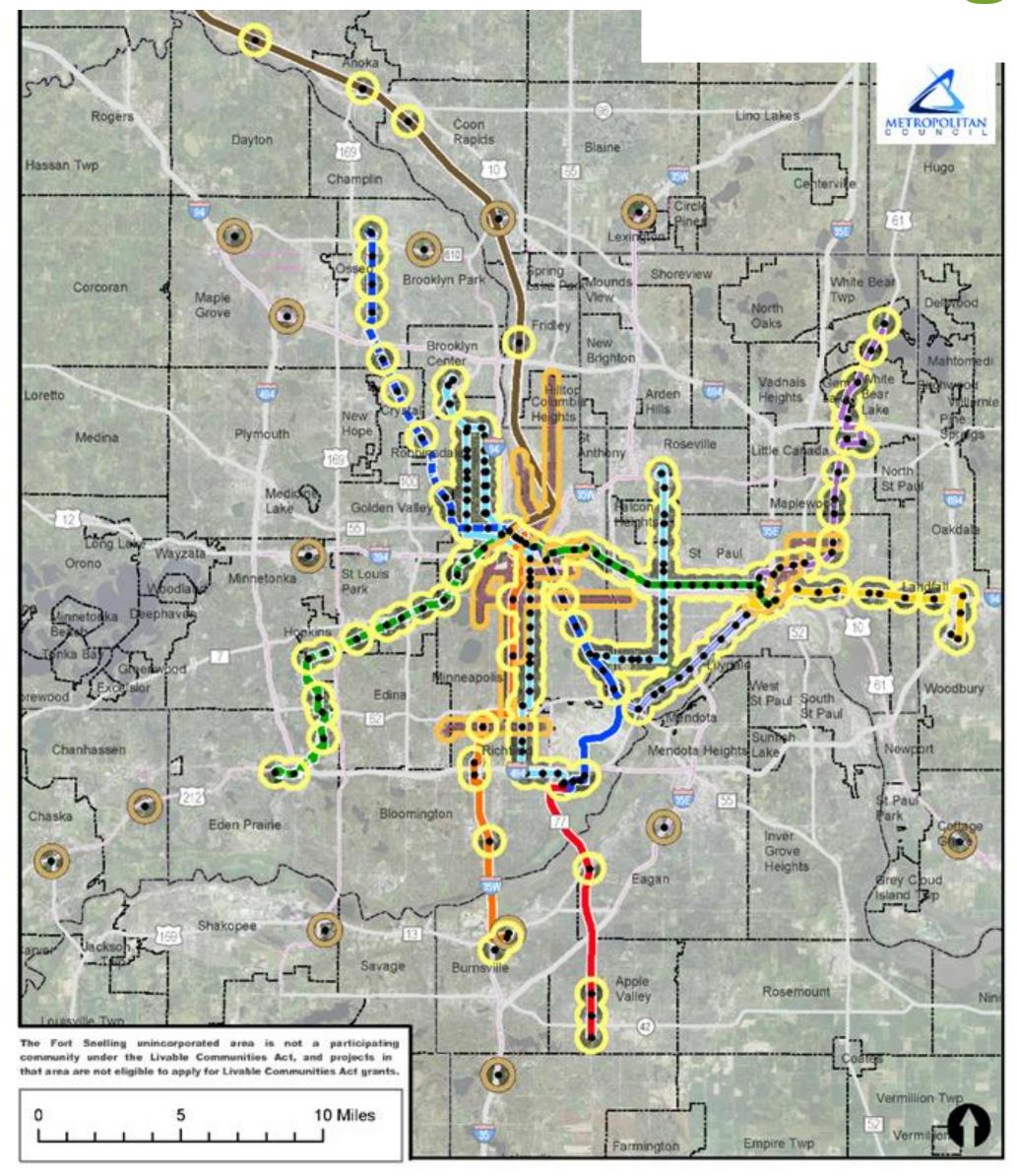


# Timeline for 2021 LCA funding and scoring criteria adoption

Community Development Committee Meeting Date	Topic	Intended Outcome
November 16, 2020	Scoring criteria – high level	Discussion and Committee direction
December 21, 2020	Scoring criteria – key criteria	Discussion and Committee direction
January 19, 2021	Additional equity-specific scoring criteria discussion	Discussion and Committee direction
February 1, 2021	TOD eligibility and funding and program criteria discussion	Discussion and Committee direction
February 16, 2021	Final funding and scoring criteria	Recommend adoption of all 2021 program criteria
Metropolitan Council		
Meeting Date	Topic	Intended Outcome
February 24, 2021	Final funding and scoring criteria	Adoption of 2021 funding and scoring

criteria

## 2020 LCDA-TOD Eligible Areas



#### Corridors with LCA TOD Eligible Stations

- Blue Line / Blue Line Ext.
- Northstar Commuter Rail
- Green Line / Green Line Ext.
- ■ Red Line
- Orange Line
- Gold Line
- Rush Line\*
- Riverview (Modern Streetcar)\*
- Arterial BRT

#### LRT and BRT Stations

- Transit Station (Existing or Planned)
- Area Within 1/2 Mile of Station

#### High-Frequency Local Bus Routes

- Area Within 1/4 Mile of Route
  - Every 15 minutes (or better)
  - Weekdays 6 am to 7 pm, and Saturdays 9 am to 6 pm
- High-Frequency Local Bus Route

#### High-Frequency Express Bus Stations

- Area Within 1/2 Mile of Station
  - Significant Passenger Infrastructure Investments Are In Place
  - Buses Operate 6 Trips During AM Peak Hour (6-9 am)
- High-Frequency Express Bus Route
- Only eligible for pre-development grants.

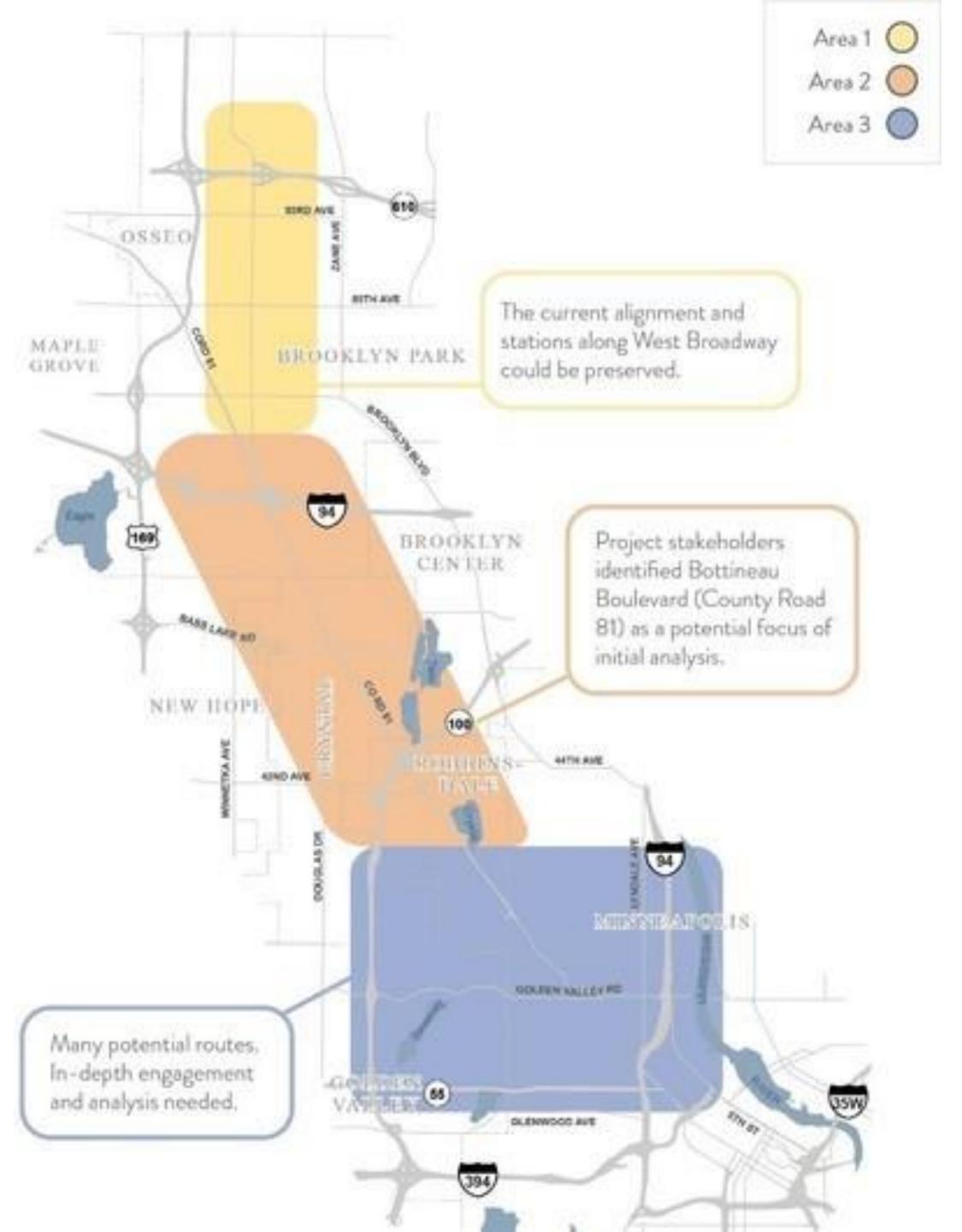


### Oak Grove Parkway **Light Rail Stations** 93rd Avenue OSSEO BNSF Corridor 85th Avenue 85TH AVE MAPLE BROOKLYN PARK **Brooklyn Boulevard** BROOKLYN 63rd Avenue CENTER NEW HOPE ROBBINS-Robbinsdal MINNEAPOLIS \* Golden Valley Road GOLDEN VALLEY RD GOLDEN 55 **GLENWOOD AVE** 394 Minneapolis

## Changes to Blue Line Extension

Blue Line Extension project will be moving forward without using approximately 8 miles of freight railroad property, as initially planned





# Changes to Blue Line Extension

### Area #1:

 The current alignment and stations along West Broadway could be preserved

### Area #2:

 Project stakeholders identified nearby Bottineau Blvd as a potential focus of initial analysis

### Area #3:

Many potential routes. In-depth engagement and analysis needed

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# Options for Blue Line Extension 2021 eligibility

Maintain eligibility of the entire Blue Line Extension and use previously eligible station areas as of 2020

Remove the seven stations in Area #2 and Area #3, including those along the BNSF freight corridor from eligibility Remove the entire Blue
Line Extension from
eligibility until it has
completed environmental
review or received a
Record of Decision



## 2021 Proposed Schedule

Program	Application due date	Application Review	Committee Development Committee and Council Awards
TBRA (Spring)	May 3	May/June	July
LCDA and LCDA-TOD Predevelopment (Spring)	April 21	April/May	June
LHIA	July 15	August-December	January 2022
LCDA and LCDA-TOD Predevelopment (Fall)	July 21	July/August	September
TBRA (Fall)	November 1	November/December	January 2022
LCDA-TOD Development	September 7	September/October/November	December
LCDA Development	September 27	October/November/December	January 2022



## Funding Recommendations

	TBRA	LCDA	LHIA	
*2021 Base Revenues	\$5M	\$12.6M	\$1.5M	
	Available to Program			
Restricted Reserves: must be allocated to specific program	\$2M	\$8.1M	\$0	
Staff Recommendation	+\$1M	+\$2.4M	\$0M	
Unrestricted Reserves: may be allocated to any program	\$5.5M			
Staff Recommendation	\$0M	\$0M	+2.5M	

<sup>\*2021</sup> Authorized Budget Revenues

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2021 Base Revenues	\$5M	\$12.6M	\$1.5M
Staff Recommendation	+\$1M	+\$2.4M	+\$2.5M
Recommended Total	\$6M	\$15M	\$4M
Recommended Program Distributions	TBRA: SEED: \$5.5M \$0.5M	LCDA: TOD: \$5M	\$4M



## Funding Recommendations

Recommended Total for LCDA	\$15M			
	LCDA	(regular)	LCD	A - TOD
Recommended Program Distributions	\$10M		\$5M	
	Development	Pre-development	Development	Pre-development
Recommended Development/Pre- development Distributions	\$9M	\$1M	\$4M	\$1M



## Funding recommendations summary

#### **TBRA**

 Same total amount available as 2020; with slightly more made available to SEED program

#### LHIA

- \$0.5M less than 2020, to maintain modest level of reserves
- Still second highest ever funding amount made available for LHIA

#### LCDA

 Slightly more available than 2020 to allow more Pre-development and development funding

#### LCDA-TOD

 Same total available as 2020 but more of total made available to Predevelopment



### What's next?

## February 16, 2021 Community Development Committee

• Final recommended funding, program, and scoring criteria reflective of today's discussion

## February 24, 2021 Metropolitan Council

Adoption of 2021 LCA funding, program, and scoring criteria



## Thank you!

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