

# **Project Update**

July 27, 2016



## **Today's Topics**

- Project Scope and Cost Estimate Update
  - Station Access
    Improvements
  - In-kind Land Value
  - Schedule Update
- Application to Enter Engineering
- Next Steps





#### Project Scope & Cost Estimate Recommendation: Station Access



#### Requested City/County Station Access Elements

 Trail crossings, pedestrian tunnel and road extension provide better local access and connections



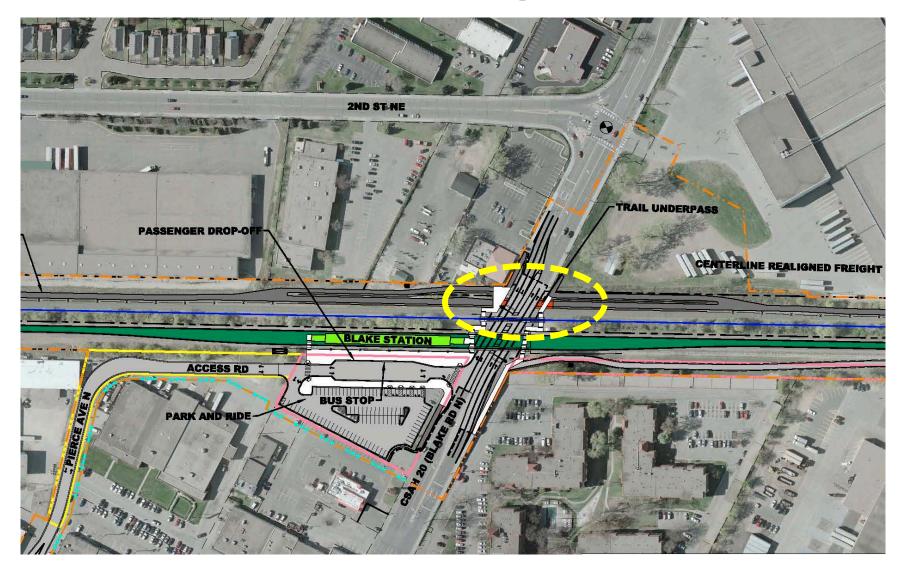


#### **Station Access**

- Dec 9, 2015: CMC reviewed the addition of station access improvements at Blake, Louisiana, Wooddale and Beltline Stations
- Jan 15, 2016: Executive Change Control Board approved the addition of station access
- Cost of scope elements is estimated at \$16.2M
  - \$8.1M of local match funded by city or county
  - \$8.1M of federal funds
- Included in the project cost estimate of \$1.79B

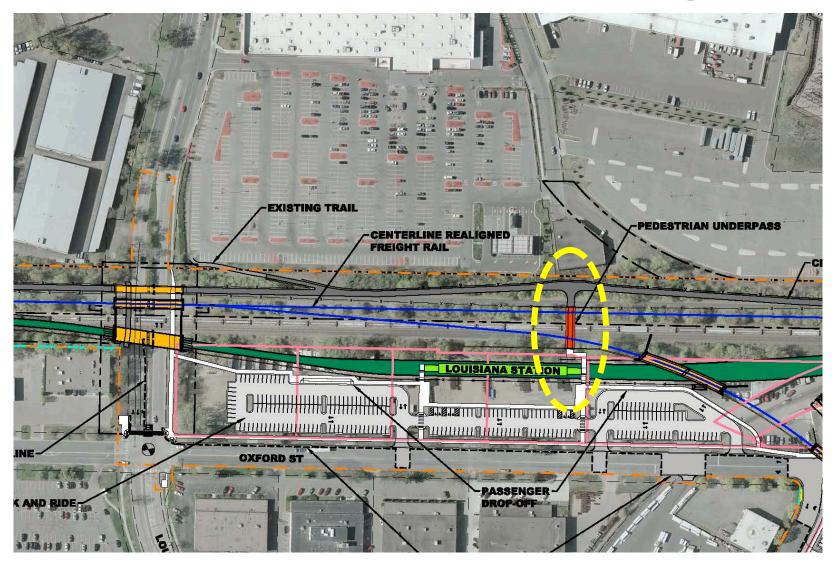


#### **Blake Station: Trail Underpass**



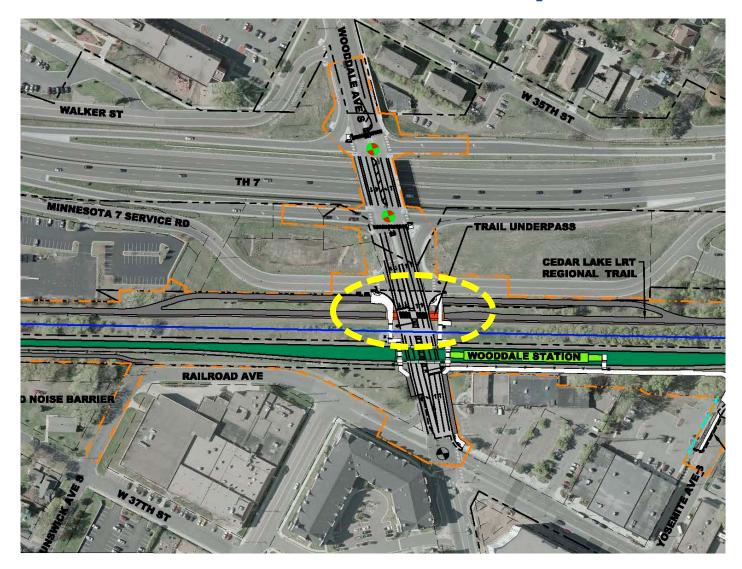


#### **Louisiana Station: Pedestrian Underpass**



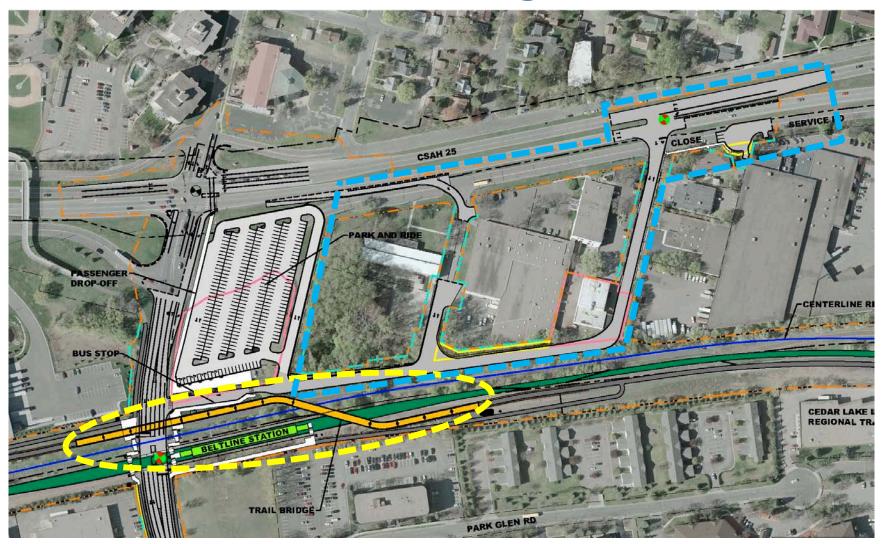


#### **Wooddale Station: Trail Underpass**





#### **Beltline Station: Trail Bridge, Access Road**





#### Project Scope & Cost Estimate Recommendation: In-kind Land Value



#### **Objectives: In-kind Land Value**

- Incorporate local in-kind land value into cost estimate to leverage additional federal cash and off-set outstanding (non-state) local funding commitment
- Finalize scope, cost estimate, project budget for Engineering Application to FTA; which "freezes" federal share



#### **Recognizing In-kind Land Value**

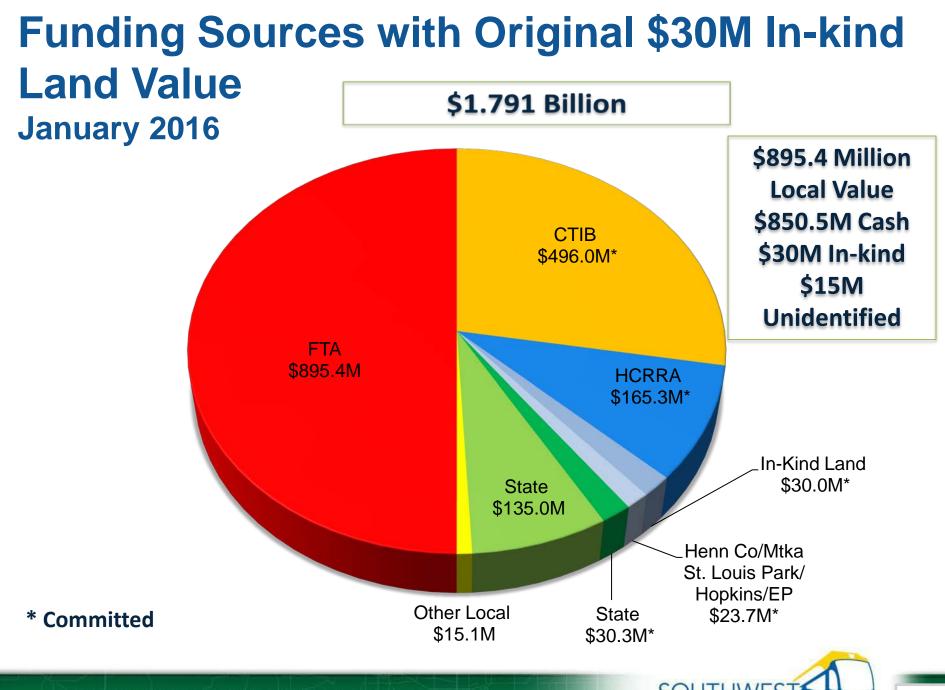
- July 2015: added \$30M in-kind value to cost estimate and recognized as local funding commitment
- July 2016: add additional \$39M of in-kind value to cost estimate and recognize as local funding commitment
- Total \$69M of in-kind value included in cost estimate and recognized as local funding commitment



#### January 2016 Project Cost Estimate

FTA SCC Description (in millions)		Jan. 2016 (\$1,791 million) 60% Design
10	Guideway and Track	\$384
20	Stations, stops, terminals	\$70
30	Support facilities	\$90
40	Sitework and special conditions	\$174
50	Systems	\$238
	Construction Subtotal	\$956
60	ROW, Land and existing improve	\$212
70	Vehicles	\$126
80	Professional Services	\$276
90	Unallocated contingency	\$166
100	Finance charges	\$55
	Total Project Costs	\$1,791





#### **Recognizing Total In-kind Land Value**

 Recognize total in-kind value of \$69M results in \$919M of local value committed to project

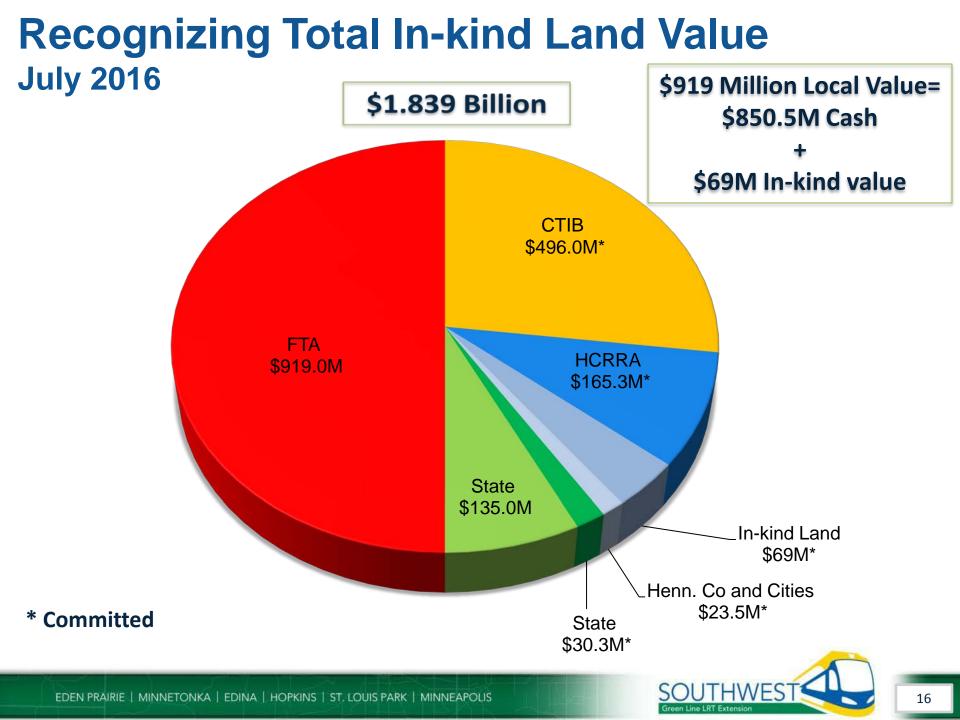
> \$850M cash (CTIB/HCRRA/State/Cities/County) + \$69M in-kind land value = \$919M of local value available for federal match

#### Increases project cost estimate to \$1.839B

\$919M Local Value

+ \$919M Federal Matching Cash

= \$1.839B Project Cost Estimate



## **Summary: Cost Estimate Comparison**

FTA SCC Description (in millions)		Jan. 2016 (\$1,791 million) 60% Design	July 2016 (\$1,839 million) 90% Design
10	Guideway and Track	\$384	\$385
20	Stations, stops, terminals	\$70	\$73
30	Support facilities	\$90	\$91
40	Sitework and special conditions	\$174	\$178
50	Systems	\$238	\$240
	Construction Subtotal	\$956	\$967
60	ROW, Land and existing improve	\$212	\$252
70	Vehicles	\$126	\$126
80	Professional Services	\$276	\$276
90	Unallocated contingency	\$166	\$164
100	Finance charges	\$55	\$55
	Total Project Costs	\$1,791	\$1,839



## **Summary**

- Recognizing total in-kind land value:
  - Eliminates \$15.1M local funding shortfall
  - Local cash remains constant at \$850.5M
  - Raises project cost estimate to \$1.839B
  - Does not increase CTIB, HCRRA or State contribution amounts



# Project Scope & Cost Estimate Recommendation: Schedule Update



#### **Schedule Update**

- Schedule anticipated late 2020 revenue operations date
- Updated schedule anticipates 2021 revenue operations date:
  - Construction complete in 2020
  - System-wide integration testing, pre-revenue testing and training operation activities in 2021
    - Durations based on lessons learned from the Green Line



## **July 21 CMC Resolution**

- CMC recommends that the Metropolitan Council:
  - Adopt the revised Southwest LRT Project's Cost Estimate of \$1.839 billion to reflect in-kind land value;
  - Adopt the revised Southwest LRT Project Scope with the following additions related to station access improvements:
    - o Blake Road Station: Trail underpass
    - o Louisiana Avenue Station: Pedestrian underpass
    - o Wooddale Avenue Station: Trail underpass
    - Beltline Boulevard Station: Trail bridge and access road
- CMC acknowledges that the revised project schedule anticipates a revenue service year of 2021



# **Environmental Update**



#### **FEIS Comments**

- May 13, 2016: FEIS published in Federal Register
- May 13 June 13, 2016: Written comment period to receive comments on adequacy of FEIS under MEPA
  - 37 comments received
  - 13 duplicate or retracted comments received
- Availability:
  - June 30, 2016: Comments posted on project website
  - All comments received to be included in ROD (Attachment C)
  - Response to comments to be included in ROD (Attachment D)



## **NEPA Schedule**

Timeframe/Status	Activity		
May 13 - June 13 • Complete	FTA Publishes FEIS and Holds 30-day Waiting Period (MEPA Public Comment Period)		
June 24 - 30 • Complete	FTA Administrative Review		
July 7 - 12 • Complete	FTA Legal Review		
July 15 • Complete	FTA Signs Record of Decision; includes Section 106 MOA		
July 25 • Complete	Transportation Cmte Recommendation on Determination of Adequacy		
Aug 10	Council Action on Determination of Adequacy		
Mid-August	Council Publishes Determination of Adequacy in EQB Monitor		



#### **Application to Enter Engineering**



## **Application to Enter Engineering**

- Seek Met Council authority to apply to enter New Starts Engineering phase
- Application to enter Engineering establishes final project scope and budget
- Identifies maximum federal funding commitment
- Key application components:
  - CEO Letter
  - Detailed information about project justification:
    - Environmental
    - Land use and economic development
    - Travel forecasts/mobility
  - Detail information about local financial commitments
    - Funding sources for capital and operating and maintenance
    - Financial stability of funding sources



## **Next Steps**



#### **Next Steps**

- Aug 3: ECCB approves project scope and budget
- Aug 8: Transportation Cmte recommendation
  - Project scope, schedule and budget
  - Authority to submit Engineering application
- Aug 10: Met Council takes action on:
  - MEPA Determination of Adequacy
  - Project scope, schedule and budget
  - Authority to submit Engineering application



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