

Public Comment Summary

Transportation Policy Plan Amendment 1 –
Blue & Gold Line Extensions



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Comment Period Summary



- **Comment period open July 10 – August 27**
 - Public hearing on August 13 at Met Council meeting
- **Outreach methods used**
 - Star Tribune ad (2 consecutive Saturdays)
 - Council web page notice
 - GovDelivery email announcements
 - Facebook
 - BlueSky (no analytics available)

Comment Period Engagement



- **Comments received via**

- Form submission
- Email
- Public hearing

- **People Engaged**

- 20 comments received
- 240 web page views
- Facebook posts viewed 2,026 times with 50 interactions
- GovDelivery announcement opened by 3,439 unique recipients, clicked by 152
- GovDelivery public hearing reminder opened by 3,433 unique recipients, clicked by 242

Comment Themes



- **Majority support for projects and amending them in the TPP**
 - 12 supportive of Blue Line Extension
 - 15 supportive of Gold Line Extension
 - Some offered specific suggestions about stations, route, and connections
- **Reasons for project support varied**
 - Improved transit service, connectivity, and reliability
 - Community needs in north Minneapolis and northwest suburbs
 - Economic development
 - General support for expanding transit and its benefits
- **Some commenters opposed or had concerns about Blue Line Extension**
 - 3 commenters stated opposition to project because of:
 - Project costs and funding availability
 - Budget and timeline risks
 - Construction impacts and displacement
 - Ridership and changes in travel patterns
 - 2 commenters supported project but had concerns and/or suggestions

Next Steps



- Staff does not recommend any changes to be made to draft TPP amendment based on comments
- Comments have been provided to relevant project offices
- Next step is an action item to recommend adoption at September 22 Transportation Committee meeting



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