



Imagine 2050 Transportation Policy Plan Amendment 1 – Release for Public Comment

Blue Line Extension and Gold Line Extension

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Amendment Background



Amendment Timeline



- **Informational presentations & review**
(March into May)
- **Public comment release process**
(May through June)
- **Public comment period**
(July through August)
- **Adoption process**
(September through October)

Recommended Motion



That the TAC Planning Committee recommend that the Transportation Advisory Board recommend release of the draft 2050 TPP Amendment 1 for public comment to the Metropolitan Council.

Criteria for Adding Transitway Projects



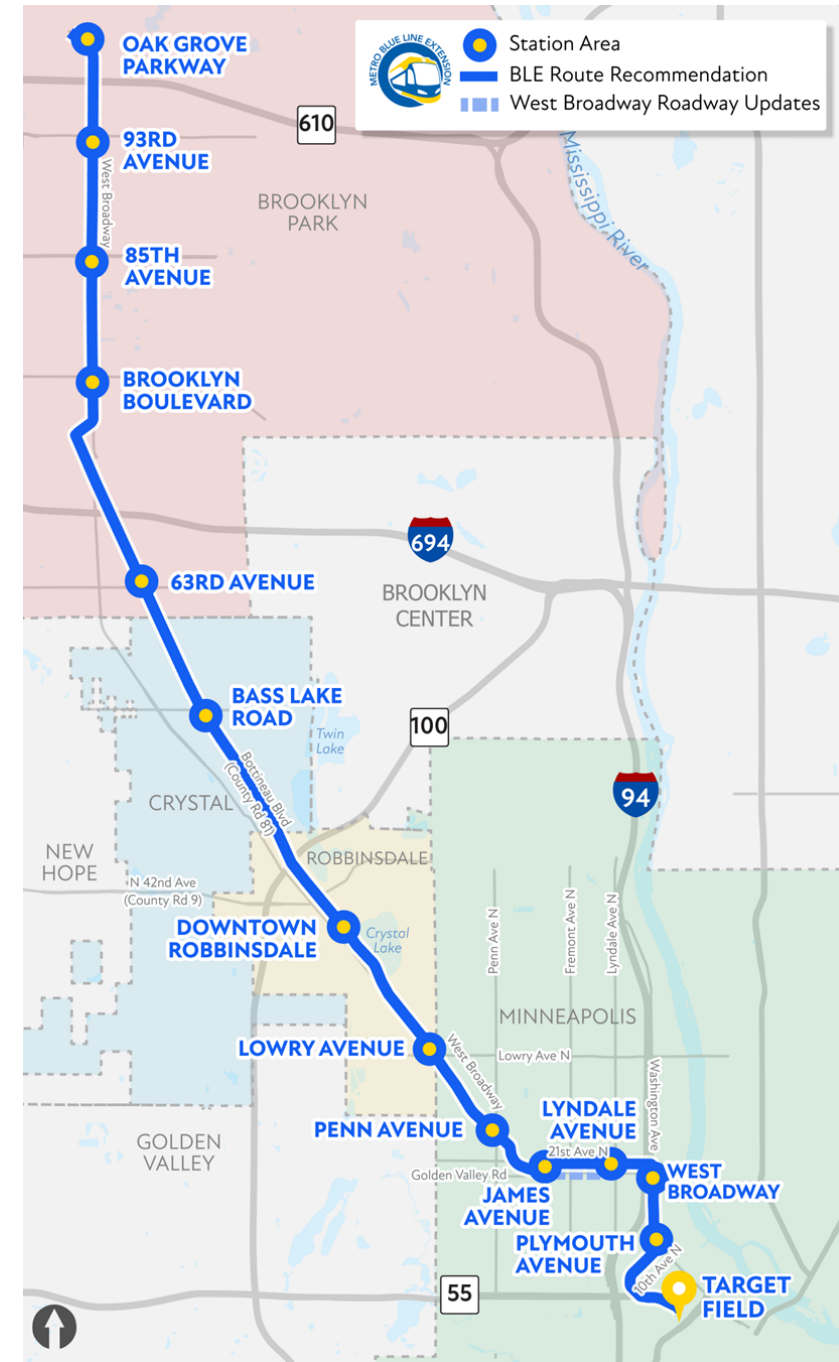
Staff recommends adding BLE & GLE to the fiscally constrained plan as Metro Transit has provided the required information:

- 1. Transitway type, alignment, and station locations**
- 2. Selection process**
- 3. Public engagement and feedback**
- 4. Resolutions of support from relevant government bodies and agencies***
- 5. Fiscal constraint**

*A resolution of support for GLE from Ramsey County is anticipated this month

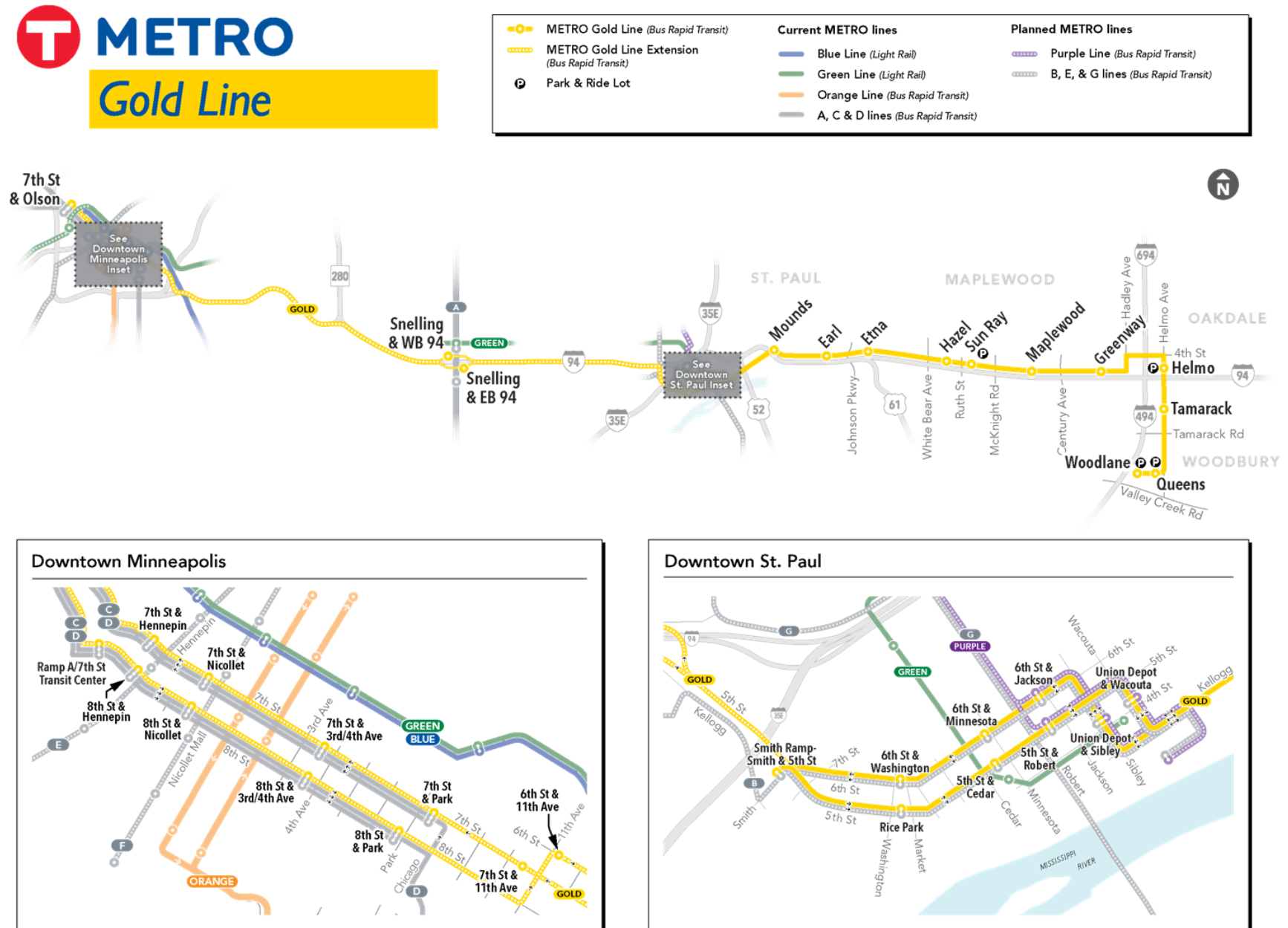
Proposed Changes – Blue Line Extension

- Incorporate changes to Blue Line Extension Project from Municipal Consent Process to fiscally constrained plan
- Remove West Broadway Modern Streetcar Project



Proposed Changes – Gold Line Extension

- Add Gold Line Extension project to fiscally constrained plan
- Show Gold Line as existing line to reflect March opening



Transportation Finance – Blue Line Ext.



Blue Line Extension

- **Capital Costs Increasing \$1.7B compared to 2050 TPP**
 - \$831M anticipated increase in federal CIG funding
 - \$835.5M anticipated increase in Hennepin County participation
- **Operations Costs Increasing \$328.6M compared to 2050 TPP**
 - Fares anticipated to cover \$38.9M
 - Unallocated sales and use tax anticipated to cover \$289.7M

Transportation Finance – Gold Line Ext.



Gold Line Extension

- **No net capital costs compared to 2050 TPP**
 - \$25M total cost
 - To be covered by existing Metro Transit funding sources
- **Operations Costs Increasing \$128.2M compared to 2050 TPP**
 - Fares anticipated to cover \$30.5M
 - Unallocated sales and use tax anticipated to cover \$97.7M

Other TPP elements affected




- **Equity & environmental justice impacts analysis**
- **Regional performance outcomes**
- **Map updates**
 - Transitways investments map
 - Maps affected by update of Gold Line addition
- **Long-range capital projects list appendix**

Amendment Schedule



	Date	Committee/Event
Information Items	Mar 27	Transit Planning Working Group
	Apr 10	TAC Planning
	May 7	TAC
	May 21	TAB
	June 9	Transportation Committee
Release for Public Comment	May 8	TAC Planning
	June 4	TAC
	June 18	TAB
	June 23	Transportation Committee
	July 9	Full Council
	July 10 – Aug 24	Public Comment Period
	Aug 13	Public Hearing @ Metropolitan Council Mtg
	Aug 11 – Sept 19	Comment Report and Final Amendment
Adoption	Sept 17	TAB (Info Item)
	Sept 22	Transportation Committee (action item)
	Oct 8	Full Council (action item)



Thank you!

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