

Metropolitan Council Transportation Committee

August 8, 2016







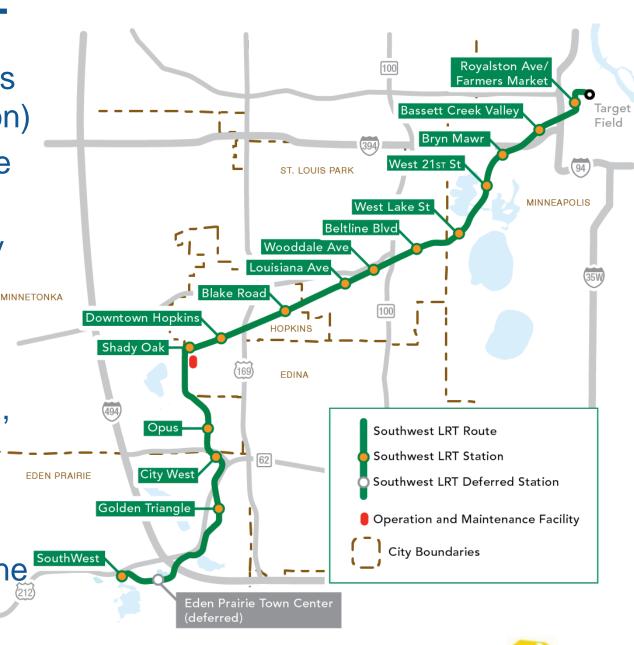






Southwest LRT

- 16 new LRT stations (one deferred station)
- 14.5 miles of double track
- 34,000 est. rides by 2040
- Single seat ride to downtown
 Minneapolis, U of M, St. Paul
- Connections to the Airport and Mall of America via Blue Line





Major Project Milestones: Complete

FTA Grants Entry to Project Development	Sept 2011
Council Approves Municipal Consent Scope	July 2015
Start Municipal Consent	Aug 2015
Municipal Consent Approvals	Sept 2015
Notice of Intent to Apply to Enter Engineering	Oct 2015
Publication of Final EIS	May 13, 2016
Final EIS Record of Decision	July 15, 2016

Cost and Schedule Impacts of Funding Delay¹

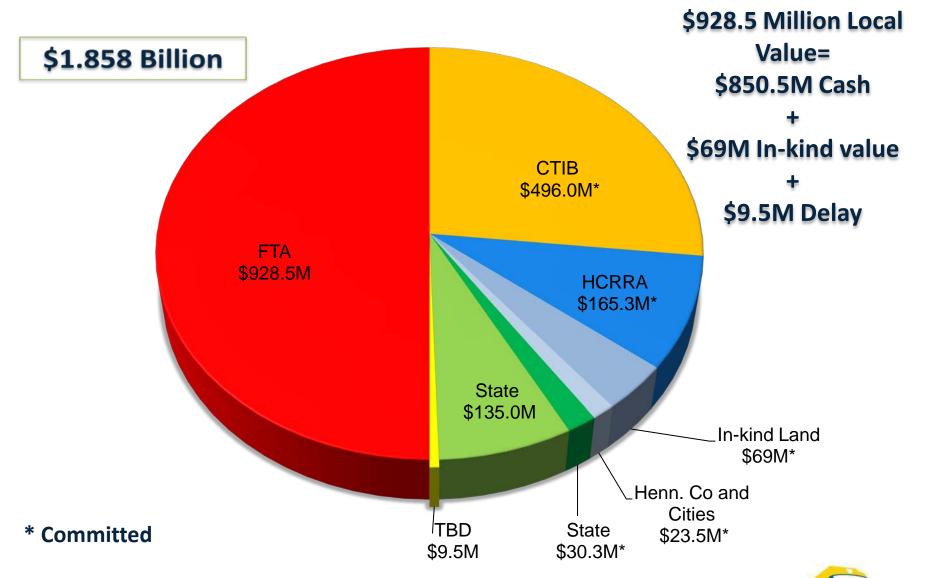
Milestone	Schedule Rev 9.0 ²	Schedule Rev 10.01 Funding by Oct. 1, 2016
Begin ROW Acquisition	Aug. 2016	Oct. 2016
Issue Invitation to Bid for Civil Contract	Sept. 2016	Jan. 2017
Start Civil Construction	Feb. 2017	June 2017
Begin Revenue Service	Q1 2021	Q3 2021
Project Budget	\$1.839 B	\$1.858 B

¹Lack of full local funding commitment has delayed and will continue to delay right-of-way acquisition, final engineering for construction bid packages and construction.

²Assumed full state funding provided during the 2016 regular session.



Funding Sources: Engineering Application



Major Project Milestones: Up-Coming

Submit Entry Into Engineering Application	Aug 2016
FTA Approves Entry to Engineering	Nov 2016
Complete 100% Civil Design Package	Dec 2016
Submit FFGA Application to FTA	Early 2017
Complete 100% Systems Design Package	March 2017
Complete 100% OMF Design Package	May 2017
Full Funding Grant Agreement Approval	Mid 2017
Heavy Construction	2017-2020
Revenue Service Date	2021



Recommendation

- Approve the Southwest Light Rail Transit project scope as described in Attachment A
- Approve the Southwest Light Rail Transit cost estimate of \$1.858 billion as the project budget
- Acknowledge the Southwest Light Rail Transit revised project schedule that anticipates a revenue service year of 2021
- Authorize staff to submit the Application to Enter Engineering



Next Steps

- Aug 10: Met Council takes action on:
 - MEPA Determination of Adequacy
 - Project scope, schedule and budget
 - Authority to submit application to enter Engineering



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