



West End & Route 9 Transit Study Recommended Plan
Transportation Committee
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Project Goals

- Simplifies route structure, easier for customer to understand
 - Reduces Route 9 branches from 6 to 3 on west side
- Improves schedule reliability
- Serves growing jobs & retail in West End
- Improves access for areas of concentrated poverty in Minneapolis and St. Paul
- Improves performance by reducing low-ridership branches & trips

Comments on Plan

- Nearly 200 comments from over 130 individuals
- Most opposed to elimination of 9B and 9H

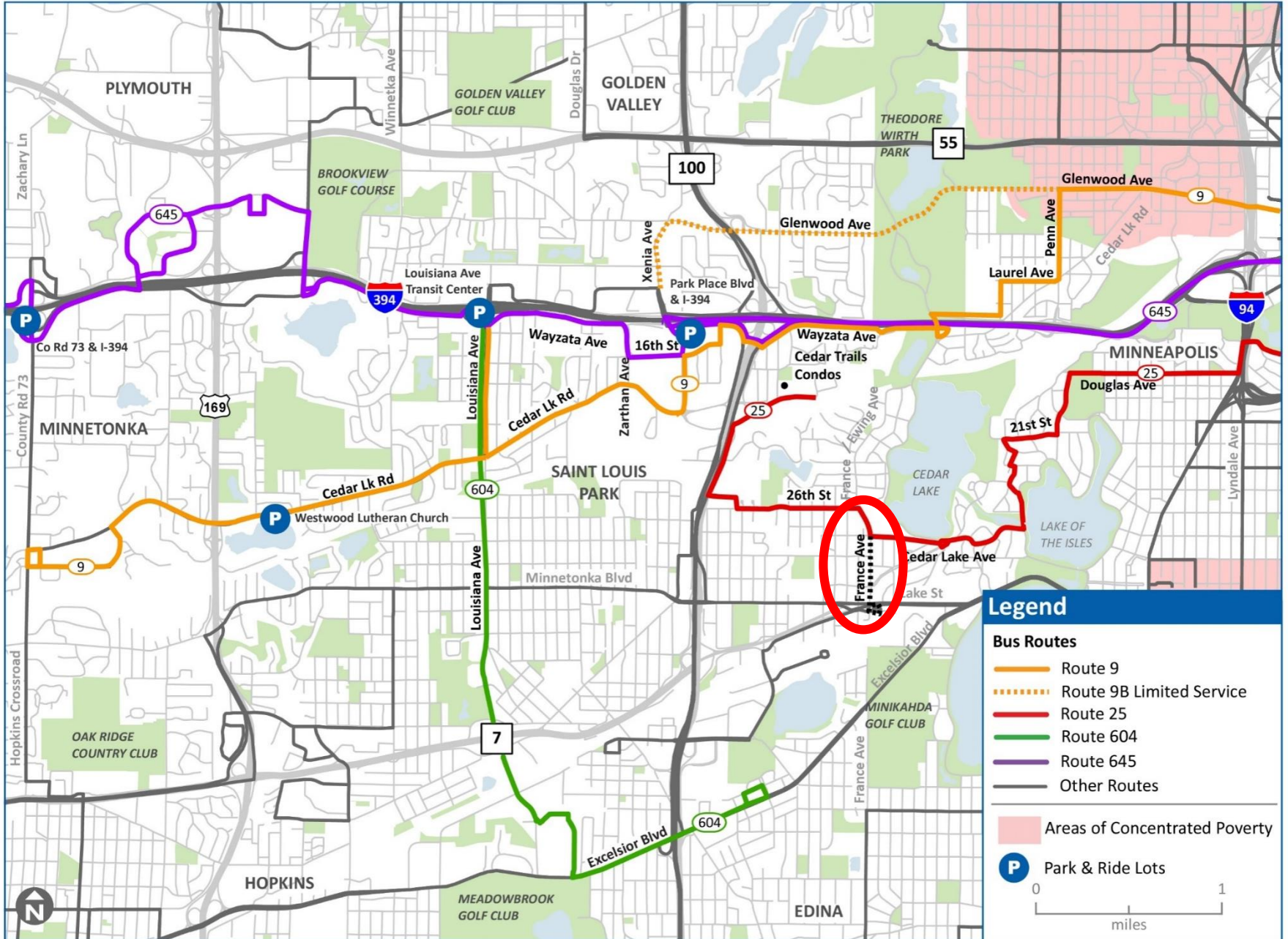
Modifications to Concept Plan

- Route 25 added to project scope
 - Rerouted to cover 26th Street segment of 9H and Cedar Lake Road segment of Route 649 east of Hwy 100 (instead of Rt 9)
 - Six reverse commute trips eliminated
 - 4 block segment on France eliminated
- Route 9 peak frequency reduced along entire route

Modification to Recommended Plan

- Peak period round trips retain on 9B

Recommended Plan



Title VI

- Title VI service equity analysis—no potential for disparate impact

Resources

- Recommended Plan is budget neutral
 - No increase in hours or buses

Ridership

- Anticipated increase of 50,000 annual rides by 2019

Next Steps

- April 26: Full Council for approval
- Implementation August 19, 2017

Requested Action

- Approve West End and Route 9 Recommended Plan, including the Title VI Service Equity Analysis