



METRO F Line - Trunk Highway 65 Partnership with MnDOT

Transportation Committee, Business Items 2023-125 SW and 2023-132 SW

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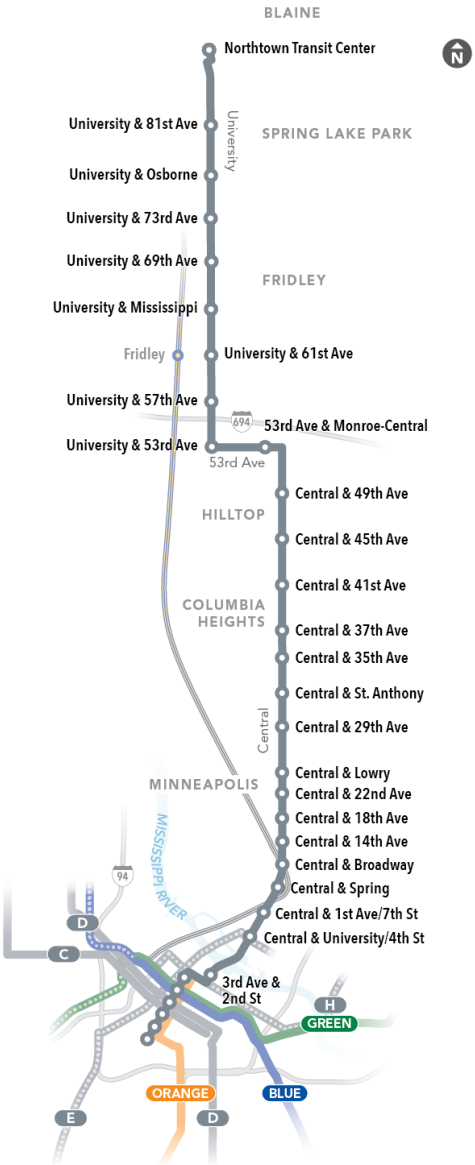
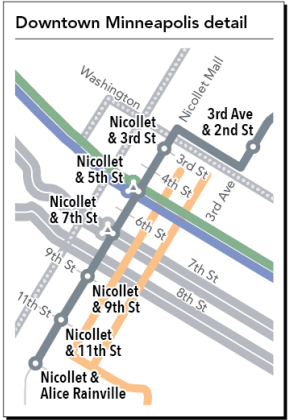
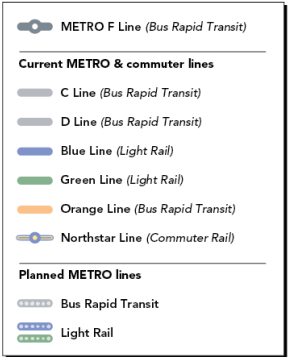
METRO F Line

arterial bus rapid transit project

- Faster, frequent, all-day service
- 13-mile corridor from downtown Minneapolis to Northtown Transit Center
- Substantial upgrade to Route 10
- Predominantly operates on MnDOT roadways
 - Trunk Highway 47 (University Avenue)
 - Trunk Highway 65 (Central Avenue)
- Planned Schedule
 - Planning: 2022-2023
 - Engineering: 2023-2024
 - Construction: 2025-2026
 - Planned Opening: Late 2026



March 2023



F Line / MnDOT Coordination Partnership

- Significant coordination through planning with MnDOT-led study of Trunk Highway 47 and 65
- Need for safety and pavement improvements through future MnDOT roadway projects
- Recommendations for Trunk Highway 65
 - Lane reconfiguration
 - Support F Line speed and reliability goals
 - Pedestrian and bicycle improvements



Preliminary concept

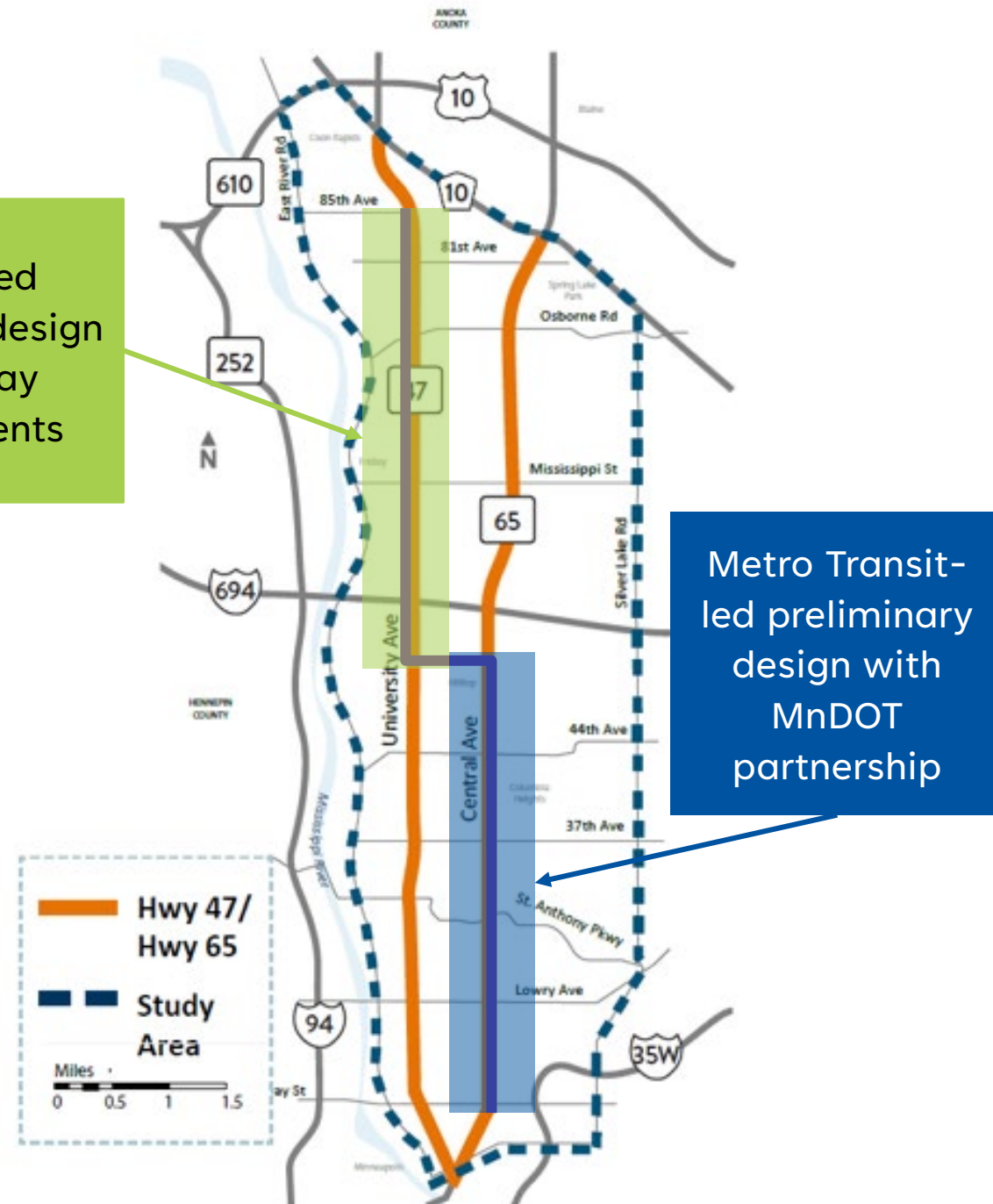
TH 65 configuration between University Avenue and 37th Avenue identified in MnDOT study

F Line / MnDOT Coordination Partnership

- Incorporation of MnDOT-funded preliminary design for Trunk Highway 65 roadway improvements into contract 22P400
 - MnDOT to provide funding through contract 22I003L
- Benefits
 - Streamlines resolution of design challenges
 - Facilitates concurrent design of complementary roadway and transit improvements
- Construction timing to be determined as MnDOT project funding is identified

MnDOT-led preliminary design of roadway improvements

Metro Transit-led preliminary design with MnDOT partnership



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