



# METRO BLUE LINE EXTENSION

BROOKLYN PARK • CRYSTAL • ROBBINSDALE • MINNEAPOLIS

## Municipal Consent Guide

Minnesota law requires the Metropolitan Council to seek local review and approval of the METRO Blue Line Extension project plans. This process is known as municipal consent. During municipal consent, the public can also review the plans and provide comments directly to local governments or to the Metropolitan Council.

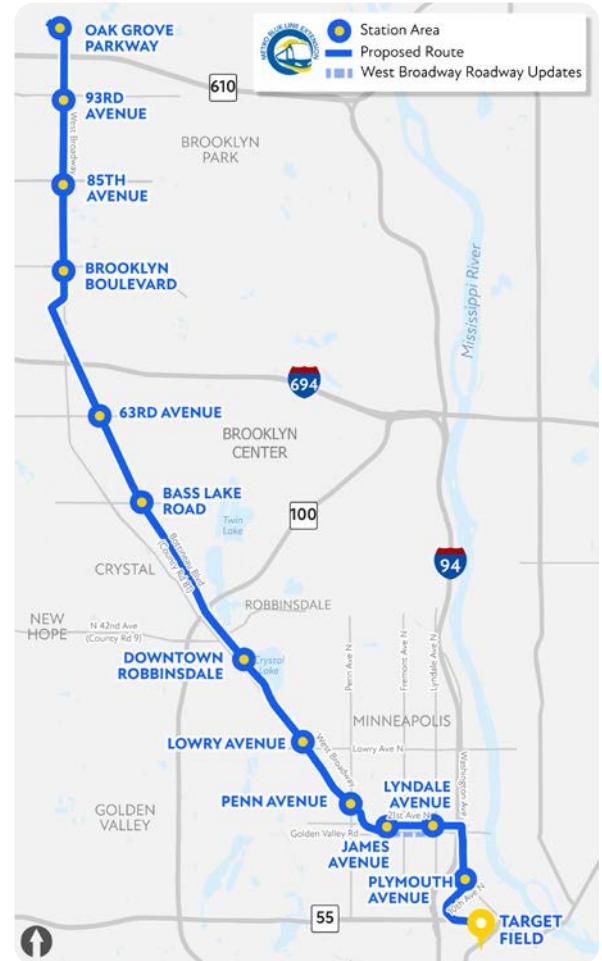
During the municipal consent process, expected to begin summer of 2024, the following entities will hold public hearings and receive comments on design plans:

- Metropolitan Council
- Hennepin County
- Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority
- Brooklyn Park
- Crystal
- Robbinsdale
- Minneapolis

These revised preliminary design plans show the general dimensions and location of the light rail tracks, stations, and other components.

After reviewing the plans and receiving comments, Hennepin County and the city governments will vote to approve or disapprove the preliminary design plans after the 45-day Municipal Consent approval period expected to be from August to October 2024.

The plans are available in printed form or as electronic documents on the Blue Line Extension project website.



### PUBLIC HEARINGS

Monday, August 26, 2024

NorthPoint Health & Wellness Conference Center  
1256 Penn Ave N Suite 5200  
Minneapolis, MN 55411

Public Hearing: 6 - 8 p.m.

Joint public hearing by the Metropolitan Council, Hennepin County Board of Commissioners and Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority (HCRRA) on the physical design component of the preliminary design plans for the METRO Blue Line Extension Project.

August, September, October 2024

Cities will hold separate public hearings before October 10, 2024. For more information, contact your city government.

More information on public hearings will be posted on the Blue Line Extension website at [www.BlueLineExt.org](http://www.BlueLineExt.org).

See following pages to find out:

- ✓ How to read the municipal consent plans
- ✓ Where to obtain copies of the plans
- ✓ How to submit written comments



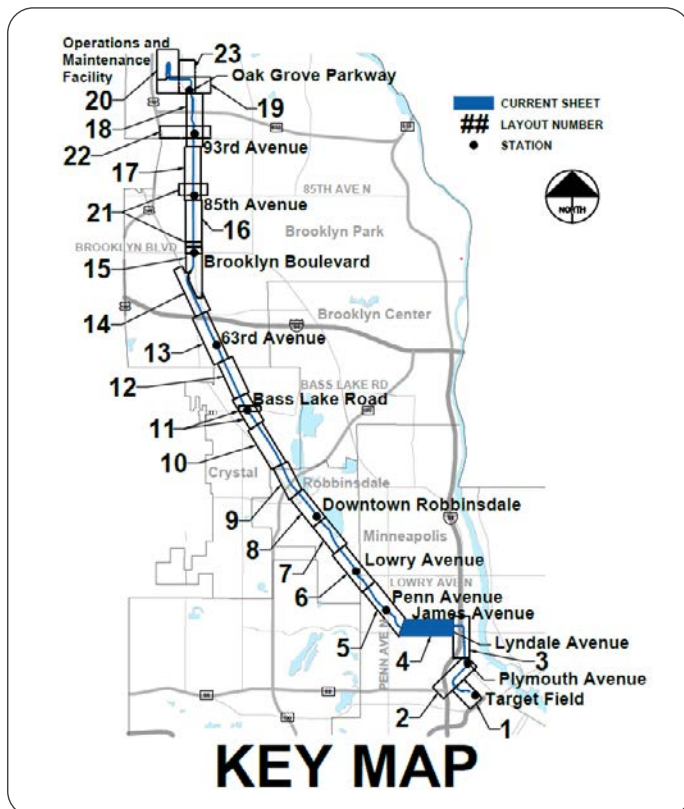
# How to Read the Preliminary Design Plans

The design plans are divided into **segments** by city. There is a plan set for each city along the proposed Blue Line Extension route. The official Municipal Consent Preliminary Design Plans are presented in a roll plot format. Please refer to the table below with key area descriptions to find the specific roll plot you are interested in reviewing.

**Step 1:** Find the **SEGMENT** that interests you in the table below.

A detailed map is provided at the beginning of each plan (as shown at the bottom of this page).

City	Area Description	Stations	Layout
Minneapolis	On West Broadway from County Rd 81 to Lyndale Ave; several connections between West Broadway and Target Field Station	Lowry Avenue James Avenue Lyndale Avenue Plymouth Avenue Target Field	<b>1-6</b>
Robbinsdale	In freight rail corridor from North of Golden Valley Road to 46th Ave N	Downtown Robbinsdale	<b>6-9</b>
Crystal	On Bottineau Blvd from County Rd 81 and West Broadway from 63rd Ave to Downtown Robbinsdale	63rd Avenue Bass Lake Road	<b>9-12</b>
Brooklyn Park	On West Broadway Ave from Oak Grove Pkwy to 73rd Ave; Bottineau Blvd from 73rd Ave to County Rd 81 and West Broadway Ave	Oak Grove Parkway 93rd Avenue 85th Avenue Brooklyn Boulevard	<b>12-23</b>



1. Determine which Segment:

**Minneapolis:** Layouts 1-6

**Robbinsdale:** Layouts 6-9

**Crystal:** Layouts 9-12

**Brooklyn Park:** Layouts 12-23

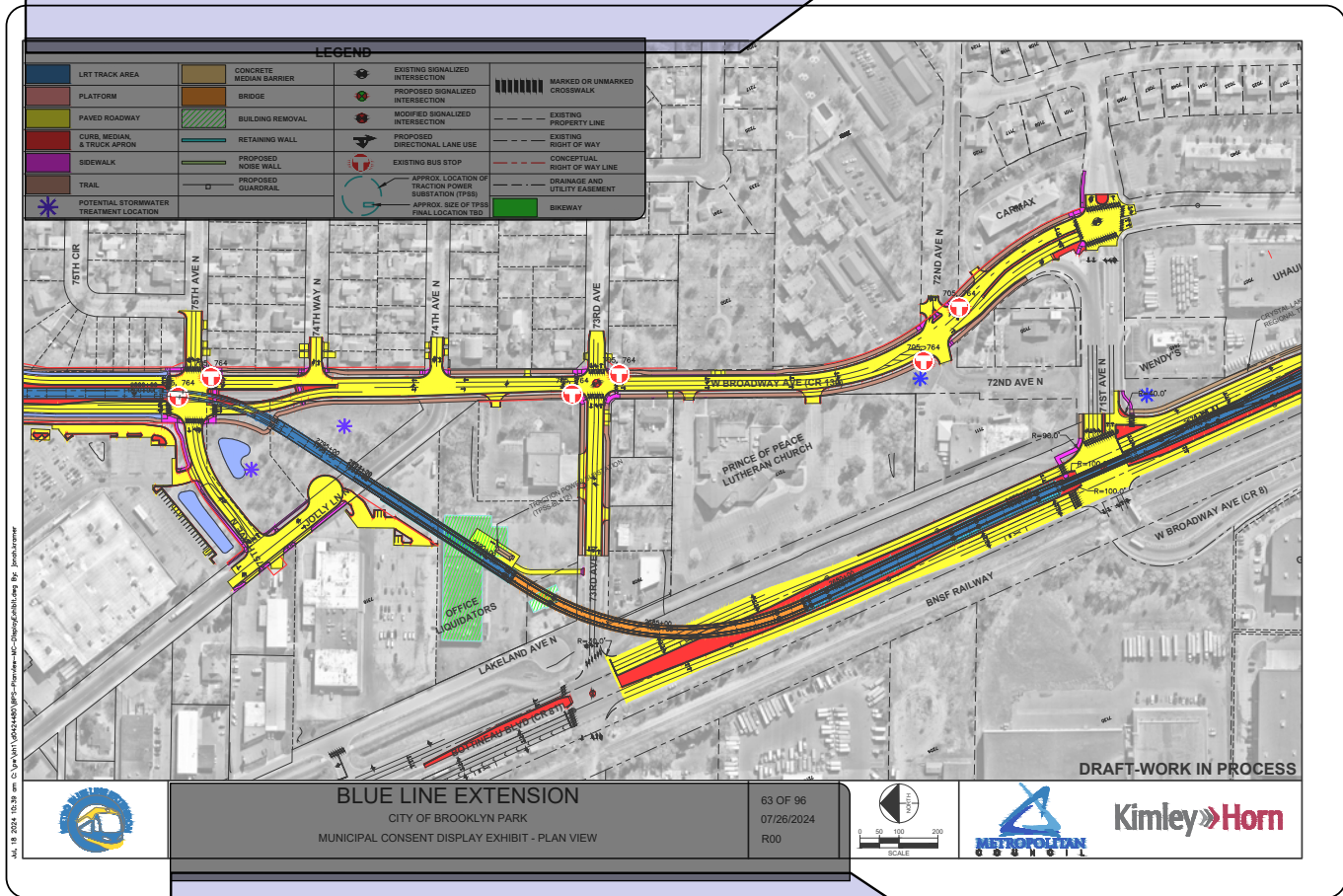
2. Review Key Map for specific layout number you want to review within each discipline.

3. Once at layout for review, refer to the legend for identifying design elements.

*For those reviewing physical copies of the Municipal Consent plans and those unable to open the roll plot, please refer to the provided Display Exhibits. These will provide an opportunity for all to review the full Municipal Consent designs in a smaller, simpler format for reviewing.*

# How to Read the Display Exhibits

LEGEND							
	LRT TRACK AREA		CONCRETE MEDIAN BARRIER		EXISTING SIGNALIZED INTERSECTION		MARKED OR UNMARKED CROSSWALK
	PLATFORM		BRIDGE		PROPOSED SIGNALIZED INTERSECTION		EXISTING PROPERTY LINE
	PAVED ROADWAY		BUILDING REMOVAL		MODIFIED SIGNALIZED INTERSECTION		EXISTING RIGHT OF WAY
	CURB, MEDIAN, & TRUCK APRON		RETAINING WALL		PROPOSED DIRECTIONAL LANE USE		CONCEPTUAL RIGHT OF WAY LINE
	SIDEWALK		PROPOSED NOISE WALL		EXISTING BUS STOP		DRAINAGE AND UTILITY EASEMENT
	TRAIL		PROPOSED GUARDRAIL		APPROX. LOCATION OF TRACTION POWER SUBSTATION (TPSS)		BIKEWAY
	POTENTIAL STORMWATER TREATMENT LOCATION				APPROX. SIZE OF TPSS FINAL LOCATION TBD		



<h2>BLUE LINE EXTENSION</h2> <p>CITY OF BROOKLYN PARK MUNICIPAL CONSENT DISPLAY EXHIBIT - PLAN VIEW</p>	<p>63 OF 96 07/26/2024 R00</p>
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# How to Comment

Printed copies of the full preliminary design plans will be available for public review at the following locations starting July 26, 2024.

## Complete Plan Sets (all cities)

Minneapolis Central Library, 300 Nicollet Mall, (second floor),  
Minneapolis, MN 55401

MnDOT Transportation Library, 395 John Ireland Blvd., St. Paul,  
MN 55155

Blue Line Extension Project Office, 6465 Wayzata Blvd., Suite 600,  
St. Louis Park, MN 55426

Metropolitan Council Library, 390 N. Robert St., St. Paul, MN 55101

Minnesota Legislative Library, 100 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.,  
St. Paul, MN 55155

North Regional Library, 1315 Lowry Ave. N., Minneapolis, MN 55411

Brookdale Library, 6125 Shingle Creek Pkwy., Brooklyn Center,  
MN 55430

## Brooklyn Park Plans

Brooklyn Park City Hall, 5200 85th Ave. N., Brooklyn Park, MN 55445

Brooklyn Park Library, 8500 West Broadway Ave., Brooklyn Park,  
MN 55445

## Crystal Plans

Crystal City Hall, 4141 Douglas Dr. N., Minneapolis, MN 55422

Rockford Road Library, 6401 N. 42nd Ave., Crystal, MN 55427

## Robbinsdale Plans

Robbinsdale City Hall, 4100 Lakeview Ave. N., Robbinsdale, MN 55422

Rockford Road Library, 6401 N. 42nd Ave., Crystal, MN 55427

## Minneapolis Plans

Minneapolis Service Center, 505 South 4th Ave – Room 220  
Minneapolis, MN 55415

North Regional Library, 1315 Lowry Ave. N., Minneapolis, MN 55411

Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board, 2117 West River Rd.,  
Minneapolis, MN 55411

All design plans can be downloaded from the Metropolitan Council's METRO Blue Line Extension Project website:

[www.BlueLineExt.org](http://www.BlueLineExt.org)

Submit written comments focused on the technical details of the design plans to your city, county and Metropolitan Council contacts listed below:

### Hennepin County:

Shahin Khazrajafari, METRO Blue Line Extension Deputy Project Director  
METRO Blue Line Extension Project Office  
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St. Louis Park, MN 55426  
BLE.Comments@hennepin.us

### City of Brooklyn Park:

Paul Mogush, Planning Manager  
5200 85th Ave. N., Brooklyn Park, MN 55443  
planning@brooklynpark.org

### City of Crystal:

John Sutter, Community Development Director  
4141 Douglas Dr. N., Crystal, MN 55422  
john.sutter@crystalmn.gov

### City of Robbinsdale:

Tim Sandvik, City Manager  
4100 Lakeview Ave. N., Robbinsdale, MN 55422  
tsandvick@ci.robbinsdale.mn.us

### City of Minneapolis:

Menno Schukking, Transportation Planner  
505 4th Ave. S., Room 410, Minneapolis, MN 55415  
bluelinecomment@minneapolismn.gov

### Metropolitan Council:

Nkongo Cigolo, Manager of Public Involvement  
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St. Louis Park, MN 55426  
Nkongo.Cigolo@metrotransit.org  
612-373-3825

## Stay Connected!

**There will be many opportunities for the public to participate in all of these next steps.**

For project questions or to invite us to an event, contact:

### Brooklyn Park/Crystal:

Joanna Ocasio-Maisonet – [Joanna.Ocasio-Maisonet@metrotransit.org](mailto:Joanna.Ocasio-Maisonet@metrotransit.org)

### Robbinsdale:

James Mockovciak – [James.Mockovciak@metrotransit.org](mailto:James.Mockovciak@metrotransit.org)

### Minneapolis:

Kaja Vang – [Kaja.Vang@metrotransit.org](mailto:Kaja.Vang@metrotransit.org)

Join the conversation at: [YourBlueLine.org](http://YourBlueLine.org)



Visit [BlueLineExt.org](http://BlueLineExt.org) for more information, to sign-up for the project newsletter, and share your comments/questions on our interactive map.

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