Agenda

• 5:00 PM: Open House
  - Opportunity for the public to ask questions of project staff

• 6:00 PM: Public Hearing
  - Welcome and brief project overview
  - Opportunity for the public to comment on plans
Purpose of Today’s Municipal Consent Public Hearing

• Provide stakeholders an opportunity to comment to the Metropolitan Council, Hennepin County and Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority on Municipal Consent plans
METRO System: All-Day, Frequent Service

- **Light Rail Transit**
  - Blue Line (2004)
  - Green Line (2014)
  - Green Line Extension (2020)
  - Blue Line Extension (2021)

- **Bus Rapid Transit**
  - Red Line (2013)
  - Orange Line (2019)
  - Gold Line (TBD)
Project Overview

- 11 new LRT stations
- 13.5 miles of double track
- 27,000 est. rides by 2040
- Serving Brooklyn Park, Crystal, Robbinsdale, Golden Valley & Minneapolis
- One seat ride from Brooklyn Park to Bloomington
- New Starts Status: Project Development
Municipal Consent Process

- Minnesota Statute 473.3994
- Local jurisdictional review and approval of physical design component of preliminary design plans
Physical Design Components

- LRT track location
- Station location and layout
- Roadway features
  - Turn lanes
  - Lane widths
  - Traffic signals
- Sidewalks
- Pedestrian crossings
- Operations and Maintenance Facility (OMF) location
- Freight track location
- System elements
BLUE LINE LRT EXTENSION
CITY OF BROOKLYN PARK
MUNICIPAL CONSENT LAYOUT
Municipal Consent Schedule

Met Council Submits Municipal Consent Plans to Cities and County
Dec 15, 2015

Met Council/Hennepin County/Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority Hold Joint Open House and Public Hearing
Jan 19, 2016

Within 45 days

Cities/County Approve Plans within 45 Days of the Met Council/Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority Joint Open House and Public Hearing
Completed by March 4, 2016

Cities Hold Public Hearings

At least 30 days
## Public Hearing Schedule

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**NOTE:** Dates are tentative until officially noticed by city/county.
Submitting Public Comments

- Public comments will be accepted until 4:00 p.m., January 29, 2016
- Submit public comments via:
  - Verbal testimony and written comments at today’s hearing
  - Project’s website: BlueLineExt.org
  - U.S. Mail: Blue Line Extension Project Office, 5514 West Broadway, Suite 200, Crystal, MN 55428 - ATTN: David Davies
  - TTY: 651.291.0904
  - E-mail: BlueLineExt@metrotransit.org
  - Fax: 763.533.4109
Next Steps
Next Steps After Municipal Consent

• Station design
• Streetscape design
• Utility relocation design
• Design advancement:
  ∙ LRT track features
  ∙ Roadway details
  ∙ OMF features
  ∙ Bridges and tunnels
  ∙ System elements
  ∙ Freight rail features
Continued Design Coordination

**Project Partners & Stakeholders**

- City Council
- City Staff
- Advisory Committee Members
- Community Members

**Issue Resolution Teams (IRT)**

**Business Community Advisory Committees (BAC/CAC)**

**Public Open Houses, City Council Meetings, Community Meetings/Events**

**Technical Project Advisory Committee (TPAC)**

**Corridor Management Committee (CMC)**

**Project Office Design Milestones**

- Municipal Consent (15% design)
- 30% Design Plan - Review & Comment
- 60% Design Plan - Review & Comment
- 90% Design Plan - Review & Comment
More Information

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