Penn Avenue South & South Wayzata Boulevard
LRT Construction Activities in Minneapolis

Tuesday, April 18, 2023
6:00-7:00 PM
held virtually via MS Teams
Welcome + Meeting Logistics

• This meeting is being recorded and will be posted to the Green Line Extension (GLE) website.

• Please mute yourself when you are not talking.

• Hold questions until the end of the presentation or type them in the chat. A majority of the time is reserved for Community Questions & Answers (Q&A) at the conclusion of the presentation. Please use the "raise hand" feature to ask a question.

Rendering of the Bryn Mawr LRT Station
Today’s Topics

• **Project Office Presentation**
  - Brief Overview of the GLE Project
  - Penn Avenue South & South Wayzata Boulevard 2023 Construction Activities/Impacts

• **Community Q&A**
What is the METRO Green Line Extension?

• Extends the Green Line with 14.5 miles of new LRT
• 16 new stations
• One seat ride from Eden Prairie to Downtown St. Paul
• Direct service to Downtown Minneapolis, U of M, stadiums
• Connections to rail and bus routes
• Downtown Minneapolis to Eden Prairie: ~35 minutes
METRO Green Line Extension Scope

• 16 new stations
• 44 structures
  – 29 new bridges: LRT, trail/pedestrian, roadway, freight
  – 7 existing bridges w/ modifications
  – 6 trail/pedestrian tunnels
  – 2 cut and cover tunnels:
    • Hwy 62: 582 ft.
    • Kenilworth: 2,236 ft.
• 15 at-grade LRT crossings
  – Includes 5 shared crossings w/ freight rail
• 127 retaining walls
• Track: ~182,000 TF
• 7.8 mi shared LRT and freight rail corridor
Work related to the construction of the Bryn Mawr LRT Station area requires a closure of the intersection at Penn Avenue South and South Wayzata Boulevard.

- **Dates / Duration:** Work begins early June 2023 and will last ~2 months.
- **Access:**
  - Detour to/from I-394 East and West
  - Trail/pedestrian/bike access maintained throughout closure
  - Metro Transit buses
- **Work hours:**
  - 7:00 AM – 6:00 PM, Monday to Friday
2023 Construction Phasing and Activities

• Major construction activities of the Penn Avenue South and South Wayzata Boulevard area:
  ▪ Utility work
  ▪ Intersection, roadway, and boulevard/median reconstruction
  ▪ Sidewalk construction

Photo of the Bryn Mawr LRT Station area under construction, April 2023
2023 Construction Phasing and Activities
Traffic Detour
Detour Details

• Motorized traffic detour
  ▪ Preserves access to on and off-ramps in both directions on I-394
  ▪ Adds ~5 minutes to get from Penn Avenue north of I-394 to intersection of South Wayzata Boulevard and Madeira Avenue
  ▪ All business access will be preserved
  ▪ Shared with City and County emergency services

• Non-motorized traffic detour
  ▪ Access will be preserved through the work zone during construction. Route may shift as work progresses.
  ▪ Peds/bikes can access the Cedar Lake Trail access point via I-394 from Penn Avenue and from South Wayzata Boulevard
  ▪ Final details being coordinated with the City. Route will be shared through Metro Transit’s Construction Update electronic news and with Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association (BMNA) once finalized
Future Construction Activities

- **Bryn Mawr Station – rail corridor**
  - Station construction – ped overpass, vertical circulation
  - Track installation
  - Trail realignment and reconstruction
- **Bryn Mawr Station – street level**
  - Sidewalks
  - Station entrance, passenger drop-off and bus stop plaza area
  - Boulevard and sidewalk work on Penn Avenue South up to Cedar Lake Road

*Photo of the Bryn Mawr LRT Station area under construction, April 2023*
Community Outreach

Completed:
• In-person visits & phone calls to local businesses the week of 4/10
• Flyers delivered to all local residences south of I-394, between Cedar Lake Parkway and Penn Avenue South the week of 4/10
• Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association (BMNA) communications
• 4/18/23 Community Meeting

On-going:
• *Construction Update* electronic news (weekly throughout the construction season)
• Timely communication with local businesses via email for business access impacts
• BMNA communications
• GLE outreach staff available for general questions
• 24-hour construction hotline for urgent construction issues
Community Q&A
Next Steps

- Updates communicated through weekly GLE Construction Update electronic news. Sign up: www.GreenLineExt.org. Includes start to work, closures, detours, timing, etc.
- Answers that are not able to be provided at this meeting will be posted to the GLE Meetings and Events page and noted in the Construction Update, as well as communicated to BMNA
- Advance signage to be in place one week before closure
- One-day closure in mid-May on eastbound South Wayzata Boulevard
Contact Information

General questions?

- GLE outreach staff for Minneapolis (email both Kaydee and David to ensure timely response):
  - Kaydee Kirk, Community Outreach Coordinator, kaydee.kirk@metrotransit.org, 612-373-3941
  - David Davies, Public Involvement Manager, david.davies@metrotransit.org, 612-373-3895

Urgent concerns?

- Call the 24-hour hotline for problems such as blocked access to business or residential areas, improper traffic sign placement or parking issues: 612-373-3933
MORE INFORMATION

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