Appendix E- Presentation at Public Hearing
Southwest Transitway DEIS
Scoping Meeting
October 7, 2008

Environmental Impact Statement

The purpose of the EIS is to conduct a full and open evaluation of environmental issues and alternatives, and to inform decision-makers and the public of reasonable alternatives that could avoid or minimize adverse impacts and enhance the quality of environment.
What is the purpose of Scoping?

Scoping ensures that the agencies and the public:

- Understand the **purpose & need** for the project
- Understand the **alternatives** being considered
- Understand the **impacts** that will be analyzed
- Understand the **process** that will be followed
Purpose & Need

- Improved Mobility.
- Competitive, reliable transit options to attract choice riders & serve transit dependents.
- Improved reverse commute transit service.

Southwest Alternatives Analysis (AA)
Environmental Impacts

- Natural/Physical
- Social
- Economic
- Transportation

Impacts

What Happens at the End of Scoping?

Publish Scoping Summary Report
- Reports ideas and comments received during Scoping
- Identifies issues to be addressed in DEIS
- Confirms the scope (alternatives and impacts) of the DEIS
What Happens After Scoping?

Evaluate Alternatives
- Screening of Alternatives
- Identify Natural/Physical, Social, Economic, & Transportation Impacts
- Document avoidance, minimization, and potential mitigation of impacts
- Select Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA)

Prepare Draft EIS
- Produce Draft EIS
- Circulate for public and agency review
- Hold Public Hearing and Finalize DEIS

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