City of Hopkins
Public Hearing on
SWLRT Municipal Consent Plans

June 3, 2014
Agenda

• 6:00 PM Open House
  ▪ Opportunity for the public to ask questions, get answers

• 7:00 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 their municipality on preliminary design plans

• Comments will be used to:
  ▪ Decide whether or not to approve the plans
  ▪ Inform municipality’s comments to be forwarded to the Met Council
SWLRT Route and Stations

Updated April 2014

Southwest LRT Stations

- Eden Prairie Town Center Station
- Golden Triangle Station
- City West Station
- Shady Oak Station
- Downtown Hopkins Station
- Hopkins Station
- Blake Station
- Louisiana Station
- Beltline Station
- Wooddale Station
- Van White Station
- Royalston Station
- Target Field Station

Connecting LRT / Rail

Planned Station

Existing Station

Southwest LRT

Miles

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EDEN PRAIRIE | MINNETONKA | EDINA | HOPKINS | ST. LOUIS PARK | MINNEAPOLIS

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Met Council Approved Project Scope and Budget

- **SWLRT Scope:**
  - 16 stations
  - 15.8 miles of new LRT double track
  - LRT tunnels in Kenilworth Corridor with LRT bridge over channel
  - Operations and Maintenance Facility located in Hopkins

- **SWLRT Budget:** $1.673B - $1.683B
Municipal Consent Process

- Minnesota Statute 473.3994
- Local jurisdictional review and approval of physical design component of preliminary design plans
Municipal Consent Process

Met Council Submits Municipal Consent Plans to Cities and County
April 22, 2014

Met Council/Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority Hold Joint Open House and Public Hearing
May 29, 2014

Cities/County hold Public Hearings
May - July, 2014

Cities/County Approve Plans within 45 Days of the Met Council/Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority Joint Open House and Public Hearing
Completed by July 14, 2014
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
Hopkins Project Highlights
Operations and Maintenance Facility (OMF)

- The METRO Blue Line (Hiawatha LRT) OMF features fully enclosed:
  - Staff offices and train control center
  - Light rail vehicle storage
  - Bays for cleaning and maintenance activities
Next Steps After Municipal Consent

- Station design and public art
- Streetscape design
- Utility relocation design
- Design advancement:
  - LRT track features
  - Roadway details
  - OMF features
  - Bridges and tunnels
  - System elements
  - Freight rail features
More Information

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