SWLRT Community Advisory Committee

October 11, 2012
Today’s Topics

• Approval of Meeting Minutes
• Corridors of Opportunity Community Engagement Grants
• Community Station Spotlight: City West and Golden Triangle
• Guides to Commenting on the DEIS
• Project Updates
• Member/Committee Reports
• Public Forum
What is Corridors of Opportunity?

• Collaborative of 24 government, non profit and for profit organizations and business leaders

• Goal: Build out the transitway system to benefit all.

• Includes 7 transitways – Hiawatha, Cedar, Bottineau, Central, Northstar, Gateway

• $22 million dollars in grants
  – 22 projects related to land use and transportation.
  – $5 million from HUD Sustainable Communities
  – $17 million from Living Cities
What funds are going to the Southwest LRT Corridor?

- Transitional Station Area Action Plans
- SW Corridor Housing Inventory
- Community Engagement Grantees
  - New American Academy
  - Blake Road Collaborative
  - La Asamblea (multi corridor)
  - Centro de Trabajadores (multi-corridor)
  - MICAH (multi-corridor)
What is the Community Engagement?

• $720,000 for engaging and building leadership capacity in communities of color, new immigrant communities, low income persons and persons with disabilities around land use and transportation.

• *Not replacing public outreach*

• Competitive grant process for community based organizations to receive funds

• Lead by three non profit leaders:
  – Repa Mekha, Nexus Community Partners
  – Russ Adams, Alliance for Metropolitan Stability
  – Ned Moore, Minnesota Center for Neighborhood organizing
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Thanks from....

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City West Station
Golden Triangle Station

Southwest LRT
Community Advisory Committee
10/11/12
Overview of the Community
Land Use Guide Plan Map 2030
About Eden Prairie

Population: 62,700
Size: 36 square miles
Parkland: 2,200 acres, including 170 miles of trails
Businesses: 3,400 including Eden Prairie Center
About Eden Prairie

- 73 percent of the City’s residents are 18 years of age and over
- 57% of the population 25 years and older have obtained a bachelor’s degree or higher
- There are an estimated 23,800 households
Population, Household & Employment Forecasts

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Southwest LRT
Comprehensive Plan

Route and Station Location

- CITY WEST
- GOLDEN TRIANGLE
- MITCHELL
- SOUTHWEST
- TOWN CENTER
City West Station
Station Location Overview

Land Use Statistics

- 374 High density owner occupied townhouses and condos
- 50,000 Sq. Ft. Retail
- 750,000 Sq. Ft. Office/Industrial
UHG Aerial Map

- SITE
- West 62nd Street
- Shady Oak Road
- City West Parkway
• 1,481,700 square feet of office
• 6700 Jobs
• 6 acres of land dedicated for LRT Station, Park and ride
• Phase 1 construction beginning in spring of 2012
• Full occupancy by 2016
• TDM Plan
UHG—Outlots for Dedicated LRT
Station Concepts by SRF

Concept 1

Concept 2

Concept 3
UHG Road Improvements
Golden Triangle Station
Station Location Overview

Demographics
Households: 234*
Employment: 3,235**
Population: 421*

*Source: City of Eden Prairie 2012
** Source: Q2 2010 MN Dept. of Employment &Economic Development (Within a ½ mile of the station stop. There are approximately 20,000 jobs in the larger business park.)
Buildings Near Station Area
Golden Triangle Study

Land Use Acreage in the GTA

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Liberty Plaza
LRT Outlot and W. 70th Street

Existing
250,000 Sq. Ft. of Office

Planned
135,000 Sq. Ft. of Office
West 70th Street
Capstone Project

Golden Triangle Station Area: Phase 2

1. Hotel (100 to 150 rooms)
2. Office (360k to 450k sq/ft)
3. Office (185k to 250k sq/ft)
4. Office (70k to 140k sq/ft)
5. Structured Parking (300 to 600 spaces)
6. Office (60k to 100k sq/ft)
7. Live/Work Housing, Community Center
8. Connectivity Improvements
9. Affordable and Market Rate Apartments (72 to 108 units)
10. Workforce Housing Townhome Units
Capstone Project

NATURAL ENVIRONMENT SYSTEM MAP

- Natural Stormwater Infrastructure
- New Dark Sky Compliant Street Lighting & Solar Traffic Signals
- Reduced Setbacks
- Green Roof
- Expanded green space
- Native Landscaping
- Boulevard Trees with Tree Wells
- Compact Design
- Passive Solar Designed Apartments
- Pervious Parking & Sidewalk Pilot Project
Capstone Project

CONNECTIVITY SYSTEM MAP

1. Shared bike trails
2. Upgraded pedestrian infrastructure
3. Improved trail network
4. Traffic Calming
5. Bike sharing program
6. Bicycle storage facilities
7. Improved connections between uses
8. Rear parking lots
Sustainability Assessment

Recommendation 2

Responsible Department: Engineering Department

Improve Connections Within and Outside the Neighborhood

Recommendations:

Short-Term
1. Reduce demands on the streets and nodes by reducing conflicts and car use and by better accommodating bicycles and pedestrians. This can be done by creating additional bike and pedestrian connections.

Long-Term
1. Increase the number of multi-modal connections in the neighborhood. This can be done by creating additional bike and pedestrian connections.

HISTORIC CENTENNIAL NEIGHBORHOOD
LAFAYETTE, IN
SUSTAINABLE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSESSMENT
May 14 - Nov. 10, 2021

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LIVE. WORK. DREAM.

GLOBAL GREEN
REACHING SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES
BUILDING BLOCKS FOR SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES GRANT PROGRAM

AGORA GROUP
Guides to Commenting on the DEIS
DEIS Update: Public Hearing dates/locations

- 11/13/12, Hennepin County Government Center, 300 Sixth Street, Room A-2400, Public Service Level (Skyway Level)
  * 4:30 PM, Formal Public Hearing

- 11/14/12, St. Louis Park City Hall, 5005 Minnetonka Blvd.
  * 6:00 PM, Formal Public Hearing

- 11/29/12, Eden Prairie City Hall, 8080 Mitchell Road
  * 6:00 PM, Formal Public Hearing

*An Open House is scheduled prior to each Public Hearing*
DEIS Comment Guides

• Environmental Quality Board’s A Citizens Guide: Commenting on Environmental Review Project

• Electronic copies available at: www.southwesttransitway.org/project-progress-past-a-future.html
DEIS Comment Guides

- Electronic copies available at swlrt.org
- Details:
  - Topics covered by the DEIS
  - Hard copy availability for public review
  - How and where to send comments
  - Public hearing dates/times
  - Translation/ADA accommodations
Next Steps

• Hennepin County collects comments
• Following the close of the comment period, Hennepin County will turn over all the comments received to the Met Council
• The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the Met Council will consider all comments submitted and provide responses to substantive comments during the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS)
Project Updates

- Preliminary Engineering Consultant Procurements – J. Alexander
- TSAAP – K. Walker
Member and Committee Reports; Public Forum

• SWLRT Corridor Management Committee (swlrt.org)
  • October 3 meeting cancelled
  • Next scheduled meeting: November 7

• SWLRT Community Business Committee (swlrt.org)
  • October 10: SWLRT “101” and LRT “101”, DEIS update

• Community Works Steering Committee (southwesttransitway.org)
  • October 18: St. Louis Park City Hall, 1:30 – 3:00 PM: meeting cancelled

• Public Forum
More Information

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