

SOUTHWEST

Green Line LRT Extension



Corridor Management Committee

October 9, 2013



Today's Topics

- Project Scope and Budget Resolution
 - Discussion
 - Approval



Project Scope and Budget Resolution

Resolution's Whereas Clauses

1. ~~State statute~~ The Governor designated the Metropolitan Council (Council) as the ~~lead agency~~ responsible authority for the Southwest LRT (SWLRT) Project;
2. The Council established the Corridor Management Committee (CMC) to advise the Council in the design and construction of the SWLRT Project;
3. The Council established the Southwest LRT Project Office (SPO) to advance the design, manage construction and overall delivery of the SWLRT Project;

Resolution's Whereas Clauses (cont)

4. The SPO developed a list of technical issues and an issue resolution process to seek input from project stakeholders on the design of the SWLRT Project, holding over 100 issue resolution team meetings with agency technical staff;
5. The SPO sought public input on technical issues on the SWLRT project by holding 15 public open houses, which were attended by over 2,000 people, receiving over 1,100 comments;
6. The SPO presented designs to the CMC that were developed through the issue resolution process; and
7. The CMC discussed the designs and provided input to the SPO.

BE IT RESOLVED CLAUSES

- BE IT RESOLVED, that the Corridor Management Committee recommends that the Metropolitan Council adopt Southwest LRT Project Scope (Attachment A) and direct the SPO to proceed with advancing the design and complete and submit Municipal Consent Plans in early 4Q 2013 to the County and the five host cities for their approval;

BE IT RESOLVED CLAUSES (cont)

- BE IT RESOLVED, that the CMC recommends that the Council adopt a project budget of \$1.553~~6~~ billion consistent with adopted project scope;

BE IT RESOLVED CLAUSES (cont)

- BE IT RESOLVED, that the CMC recommends that the project scope include shallow LRT tunnels in the Kenilworth Corridor, a south segment generally between West Lake Street Bridge and Kenilworth Channel and a north segment generally from Kenilworth Channel to north of 21st Street;

BE IT RESOLVED CLAUSES (cont)

- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the CMC recommends that the Council direct the SPO to discontinue all work related to freight rail relocation, effective immediately;

BE IT RESOLVED CLAUSES (cont)

- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the SPO continue to work with project stakeholders to provide updates on the design and cost of the SWLRT project and to seek their input as the design advances;

BE IT RESOLVED CLAUSES (cont)

- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the parties represented in the CMC agree to continue to work cooperatively as the SPO advances the design of the SWLRT and to provide input to the Council and the SPO; ~~and~~

BE IT RESOLVED CLAUSES (cont)

- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the parties represented in the CMC agree to work cooperatively to enable the Council to: a) submit a New Starts application in mid 2014 for entry into the Engineering phase; b) advocate for timely federal approval of the New Starts application; and c) take all necessary actions with the FTA to maintain the project on its current schedule, with entrance into Engineering in late 2014; and

BE IT RESOLVED CLAUSES (cont)

- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the SPO will design the SWLRT so as not to preclude a future LRT extension from Southwest Station to Mitchell Road.

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