

Joint Business and Community Advisory Committee Meeting

February 21, 2013















Today's Topics

- Transitional Station Area Action Plans
- Introduction of Community Outreach Coordinators
- Overview: SWLRT Preliminary Engineering Technical Issues and Decision-Making Process
- Workshop: Technical Issue #1: Eden Prairie Alignment
- Committee Member Reports
- Public Forum



Transitional Station Area Action Plans















Communications and Outreach Update





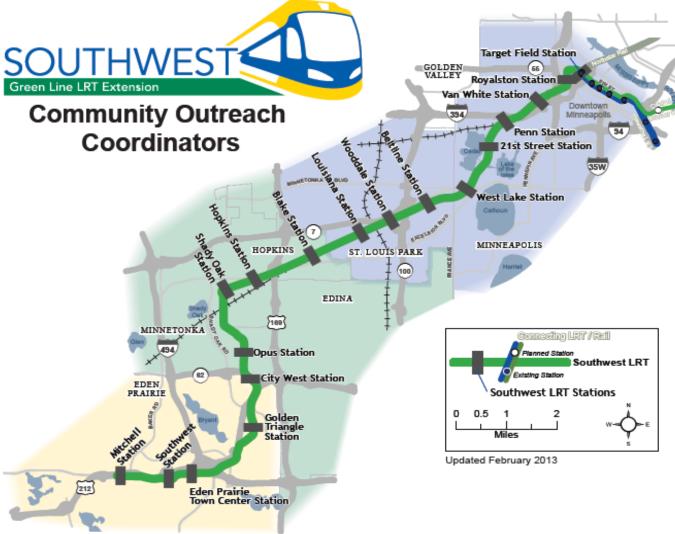












Eden Prairie

Stations: City West, Golden Triangle, Eden Prairie Town Center, Southwest, Mitchell

Minnetonka, Hopkins & Edina

Stations: Blake, Hopkins, Shady Oak, Opus

St. Louis Park & Minneapolis

Stations: Royalston, Van White, Penn, 21st St, West Lake, Beltline, Wooddale, Louisiana



SPO Community Outreach Coordinators

- Daren Nyquist: Eden Prairie
- Dan Pfeiffer: Minnetonka, Hopkins and Edina
- Sophia Ginis: St. Louis Park and Minneapolis



SPO Community Outreach Activities

Date	Event/Sponsor	SPO Activity
Jan 29	Shady Oak Road Open House/City of Eden Prairie	Staff shared project information
Jan 29	Tonka Progressives	SWLRT presentation given
Jan 29	Midtown Corridor Alternatives Analysis Open House/Metro Transit	Staff attended
Feb 05	Community Gathering: Cedar Lake Pkwy. Crossing/Public Works for Public Good	Staff participated
Feb 05	Creative CityMaking/City of Minneapolis	Staff attended
Feb 11	State of the Region/Metropolitan Council	Staff attended and shared project info
Feb 11	Southdale Y Service Club	SWLRT presentation given
Feb 14	Meet and Greet with Harrison Neighborhood Association	Staff participated and shared project info



PE Technical Issues / Issue Resolution Process







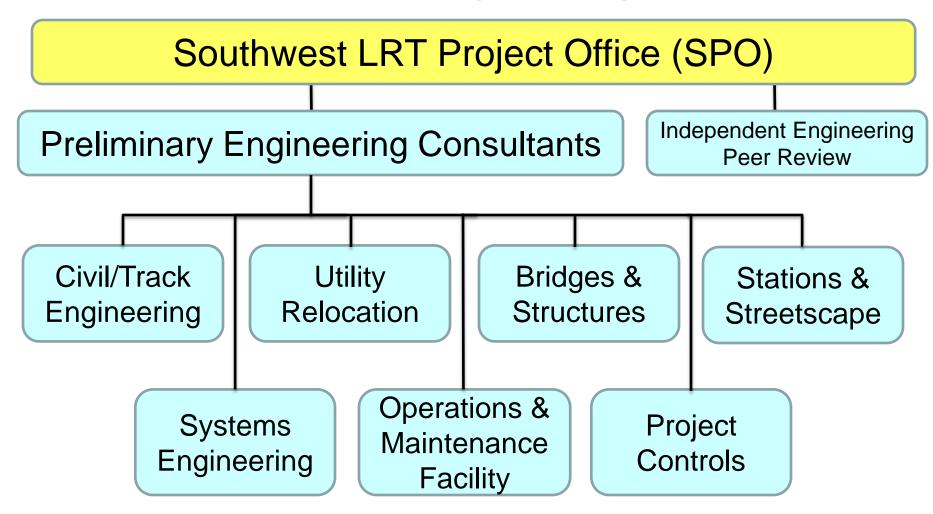








Preliminary Engineering Scope of Work - 30% Engineering



2 Miles



SWLRT Technical Issues PEC West PEC East Joint PEC West/PEC East St. Louis Park Technical issues: 1. Eden Prairie Alignment 2. Nine Mile Creek Crossing 3. Golden Triangle Station Minneapolis Shady Oak Road Crossing City West Station and TH 212/TH 62 Flyover Bridges 169 Hopkins 6. Opus Station 7. Minnetonka/Hopkins Bridge 8. Shady Oak Station Polale Station 9. PEC West/PEC East Interface Point Harriet 10. Hopkins Station 11. Excelsior Blvd. Crossing 12. Blake Station 13. Louisiana Station 14. Wooddale Station 15. TH 100 16. Beltline Station 17. West Lake Station 18. Kenilworth Corridor 19. Bassett Creek Valley Corridor Minnetonka 20. Royalston Station/Interchange Project Connection 21. Freight Rail Co-location/Relocation Alternatives System-wide technical issues (not shown): 22. Traction Power Substation and Signal Bungalow Locations 23. OMF Location Eden Prairie 24. Park & Ride, Kiss & Ride and Bus Layover Locations 25. Trails and LRT Interface Coordination



SWLRT PE Technical Issues: Define Project Elements

- Location of LRT track
- Location of freight rail track
- Location/layout of stations and station access
- Location/layout of park and ride facilities
- Location of pedestrian/bike trails impacted by project
- Layout of roadway features:
 - Turn lanes, lane widths, traffic signals
- Location/layout of OMF
- Identification of LRT systems elements



Draft SWLRT Scoping Principles

- Purpose
 - Establish a set of decision-making principles that are clear and transparent
 - Address concerns raised in the DEIS public comment process
 - Evaluate alternatives in a consistent manner



SWLRT PE Technical Issues: Issue Resolution Teams (IRTs)

- IRT Members
 - SPO Design & Engineering staff
 - SPO Environmental, Development and Outreach staff
 - PEC designers
 - Agency staff: Cities, MnDOT, County, Park Board, Watershed Districts, Freight Railroads
- IRT Meetings
 - Began in February



Typical Technical Issue Input / Feedback Process

IRTs TPAC BAC/CAC CMC Met Council

Community Engagement



A Look Ahead: Design & Engineering

- Q2/Q3 2013: Resolve Key Technical Issues
- Q3 2013: Submit Municipal Consent Plans for Agency Review
- Q4 2013: Complete Municipal Consent Approval Process
- Q1 2014: Finalize 30% Design Plans and Specs



Technical Issues Workshop: Eden Prairie Alignment















Workshop: Eden Prairie Alignment

- Comments by City of Eden Prairie Staff (5 minutes)
- Walk through alignment options (10 minutes)
- Share your thoughts/comments/input (15 minutes)
- Next Steps: Your feedback will be shared with the Corridor Management Committee on March 6



Your Comments/Thoughts/Feedback

- What key considerations should be included in identifying an alignment through Eden Prairie?
- What other key business and community stakeholders should be involved in the discussion?
- Other comments/feedback?



- Committee Member Reports
- Public Forum
- Adjourn
- Next Meeting Reminder:
 - BAC: Wednesday, March 27, 8:00 AM 9:30 AM, Southwest Project Office
 - CAC: Thursday, March 28, 6:00 PM 8:00 PM, Southwest Project Office



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