

Corridor Management Committee

November 7, 2012





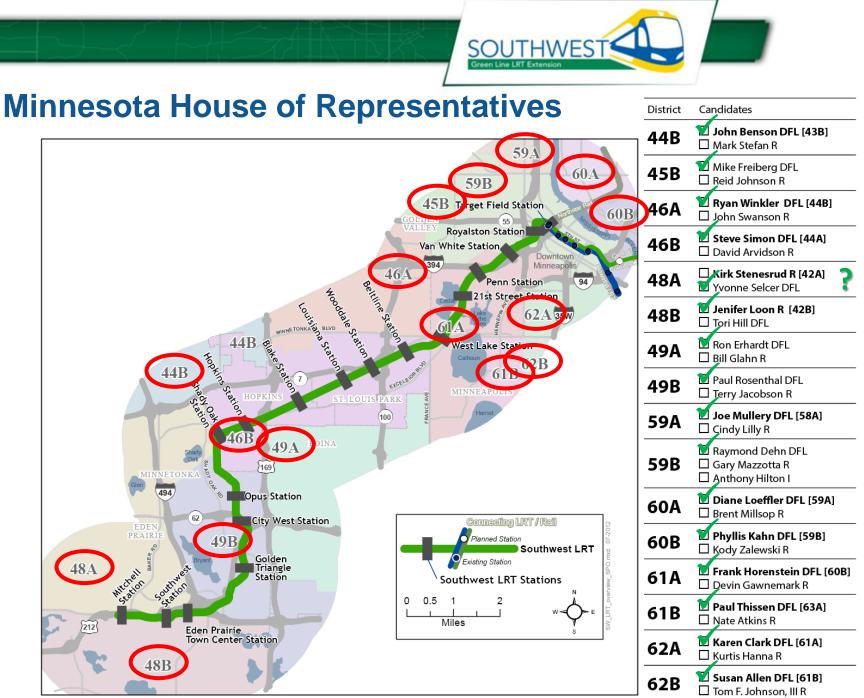
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Election Day Update



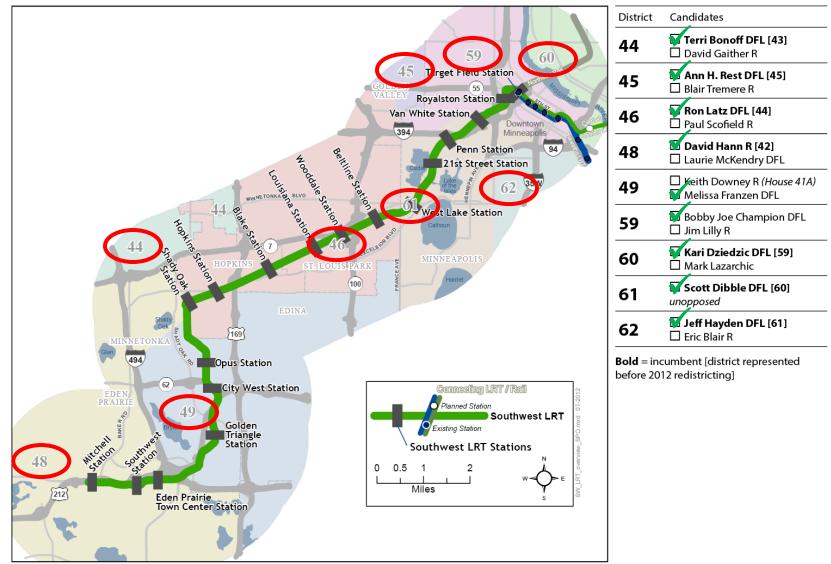


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Bold = incumbent [district represented before 2012 redistricting]



Minnesota Senate





10/1/12 SWLRT Announcement from the White House





White House Designated Southwest LRT as Nationally Significant Project

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October 10, 2012 - LRV Rollout





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SWLRT DEIS Update





DEIS Update: Public Hearing dates/locations

- 11/13/12, Hennepin County Government Center, 300 Sixth Street, Rm 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: <u>www.southwesttransitway.org/project-</u> <u>progress-past-a-future.html</u>





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

Guide to Commenting on the

Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS)

Federal and state environmental rules require that an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) be prepared for the proposed Southwest Transitway project. The EIS process includes the preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS), which must be made available for public review and comment.

The DEIS discusses: (1) the purpose and need for the project; (2) the alternatives considered; (3) the impacts of these alternatives; and (4) the agencies and persons consulted.

Comments on the DEIS will be accepted through December 11, 2012. Comments on the DEIS may be submitted through email, mail, or in person at one of the public hearings that will be held specifically for that purpose. To learn more about ways to comment on the DEIS, see "How to Comment on the DEIS."

Public hearings on the DEIS will be held in November 2012. To learn more about the hearings, see "Public Hearings."

Obtaining a Copy of the DEIS

The DEIS is available from Hennepin County's Southwest Transitway website at: http://www.southwesttransitway.org.

Printed copies of the DEIS are available for public review at several locations:

Eden Prairie: 8080 Mitchell Road

| Hennepin County Housing, Community Works & Transit | Southwest LRT Project Office 6465 Wayzata Boulevard, Suite 500 St. Louis Park | |
|---|---|--|
| 701 Fourth Avenue South, Suite 400 Minneapolis | | |
| City Halls | Libraries | |
| Minneapolis: 350 South Fifth Street | Central: 300 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis | |
| St. Louis Park: 5005 Minnetonka Boulevard | Eden Prairie: 565 Prairie Center Drive | |
| Hopkins: 1010 First Street South | Edina: 5280 Grandview Square | |
| Edina: 4801 West 50th Street | Franklin: 1314 East Franklin Avenue, Mi | |
| Minnetonka: 14600 Minnetonka Boulevard | Hopkins: 22 Eleventh Avenue North | |
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Edina: 5280 Grandview Square Franklin: 1314 East Franklin Avenue, Minneapolis Hopkins: 22 Eleventh Avenue North Minnetonka: 17524 Excelsior Boulevard Swmner: 611 Van White Memorial Blvd., Minneapolis St. Louis Bark: 3240 Library Lana



Next Steps

- Hennepin County collects comments
- Following the close of the comment period, Hennepin County will turn over all 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 in the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS)



Preliminary Engineering Consultants Procurement Update



Preliminary Engineering Consultants Scope of Work - 30% Engineering Target Field Station GOLDEN GOLDEN (55) VALLEY Royalston Station **Full SWLRT** Van White Station CP MN&S Spur Downtown 394 Minneapolis Alignment **BNSF Wayzata** Penn Station 94 Subdivision 21st Street Station S BLVD Statio West Lake Station HOPK **Beltline Station** Wooddale Station Station HOPKIN MINNEAPOLIS T. LOU ARK 100 EDINA Southwest LRT alignment MINNETONKA Opus Station CP Bass Lake Spur Southwest LRT stations (62) West Area of Work **City West Station** EDEN PRAIRÏE East Area of Work Freight rail relocation alternative Golden Witchell Witchell Triangle Southwes Freight rail co-location alternative Station 0 0.5 2 Miles 212 Eden Prairie Town Center Station

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PEC West – Proposals Received

- AECOM
- URS



PEC East – Proposals Received

- Kimley-Horn
- Parsons Brinckerhoff
- URS



Preliminary Engineering Consultants Procurement Schedule

| Major Milestones | Dates |
|------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Proposals received | 10/2/12 |
| Interview proposers | Oct/Nov 2012 |
| Proposal evaluations/negotiations | Nov/Dec 2012 |
| Contract Award / Notice to Proceed | Dec 2012 / Jan 2013 |

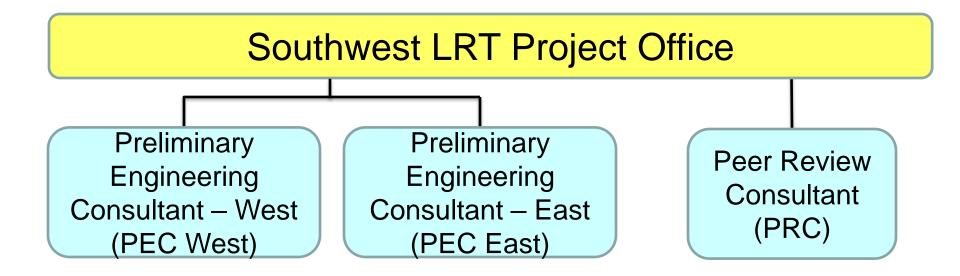


Peer Review Consultant Procurement





Peer Review Consultant (PRC)





PRC – Scope of Work

- Review design and engineering plans, specifications and calculations
 - 30%, 60%, and 90% level plan completion
- Conduct spot reports
 - PEC work products
 - Advanced design work products



PRC – Schedule

| Action | Dates |
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| Advertise RFP | Q4 2012 |
| Award Contract / Issue Notice to Proceed | Q1 2013 |

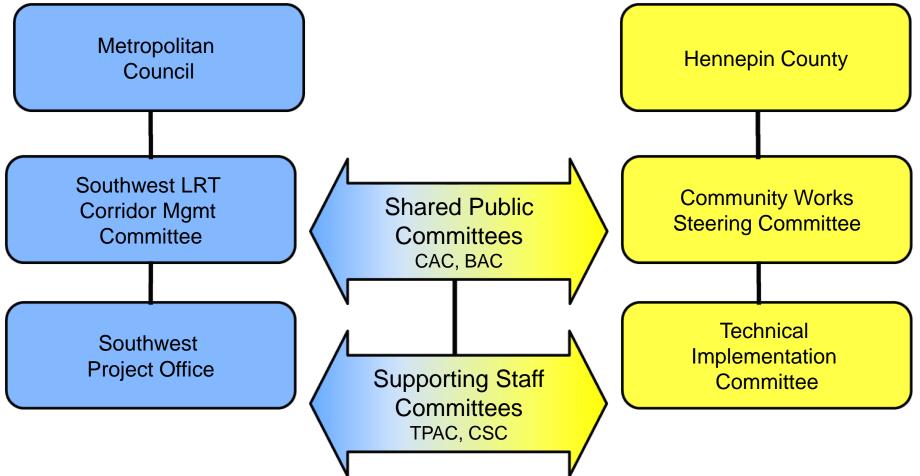


Technical Project Advisory Committee (TPAC)





Southwest LRT Committee Structure





TPAC – Overview

- Meet monthly
- Provide technical input on project design and engineering issues
- Advise on communications of technical issues with BAC, CAC, and SWCMC
- Support integration of design work with community land use and development goals and objectives
- Support the SPO in achieving goals of delivering the project on time and within budget



TPAC – Membership

- Southwest Project Office
- Metro Transit Rail Operations
- City / County Staff
 - Engineering / Public Works
 - Planning / Development
- MnDOT
- Three Rivers Park District



Communications and Outreach Update



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

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SPO Community Engagement Activities

SOUTHWEST

- Presented at City of Hopkins' Business Forum – September 27
- Presented at St. Louis Park's Bronx Park Neighborhood Association Board Meeting – October 10
- Attended City of Eden Prairie's Citywide Open House – October 13
- Toured the Franklin Operations and Maintenance Facility with SWLRT Communications Steering Committee – October 17



SPO staff presented SWLRT project information at City of Hopkins' Business Forum



SWLRT Business Advisory Committee (BAC) Report – October 10

- Topics Covered:
 - SWLRT "101"
 - LRT "101"
 - DEIS Update
 - Future Topics/Committee Priorities
- Next meeting: December 12



SWLRT Community Advisory Committee (CAC) Report – October 11

- Topics Covered:
 - Corridor of Opportunity Community Engagement Grants
 - SWLRT Station Highlight: Eden Prairie's City West and Golden Triangle Stations
 - DEIS Updates
 - SWLRT Committee and CAC Member Reports
- Next meeting: December 13

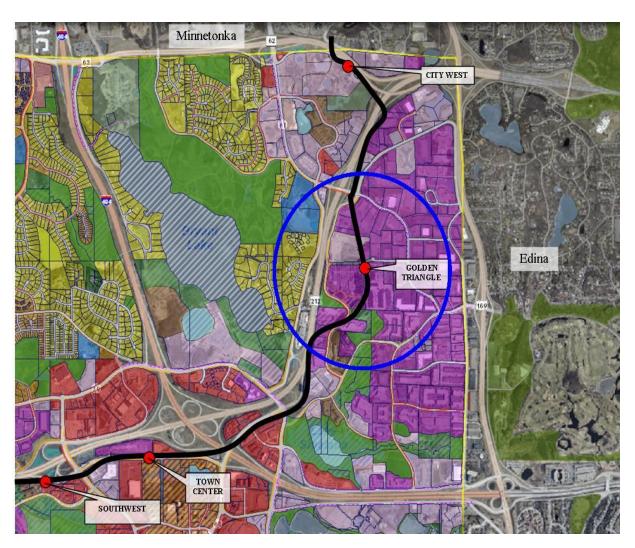


Golden Triangle Station





Station Location Overview





Demographics

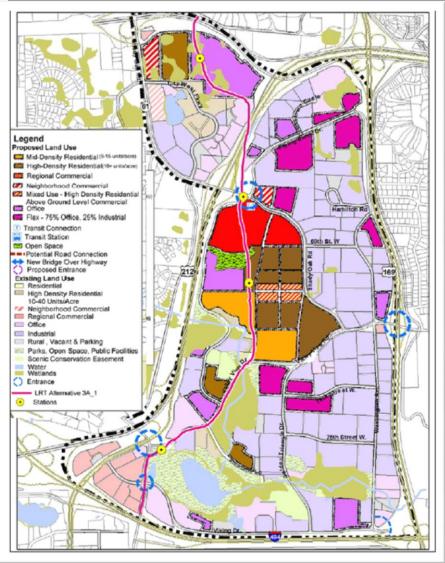
Households: 234* Employment: 3,235** Population: 421*

*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.)



Golden Triangle Study



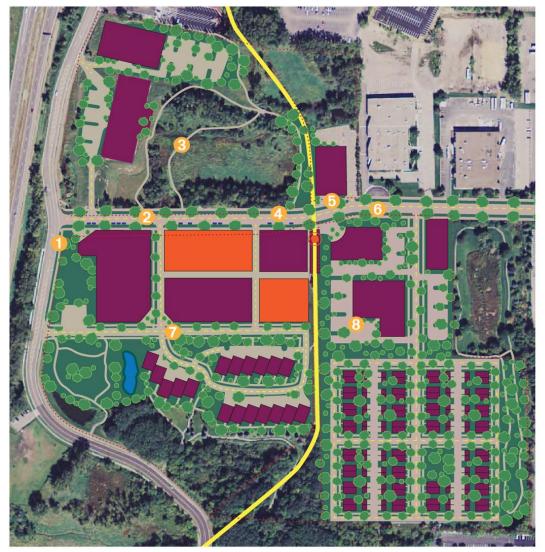
Land Use Acreage in the GTA

| Half TOD | Acres |
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| Residential | 144 |
| Neighborhood Commercial | 14 |
| Regional Commercial | 71 |
| Office | 165 |
| Industrial | 451 |
| Parking | 26 |
| Parks and Open Space | 105 |
| Mixed Use | 10 |
| Total | 976 |





Capstone Project



CONNECTIVITY SYSTEM MAP

- 60 Shared bike trails
- Opgraded pedestrian infrastructure
- **6** Improved trail network
- O Traffic Calming
- 6 Bike sharing program
- 6 Bicycle storage facilities
- Improved connections between uses
- 8 Rear parking lots





Station Area Profiles





Hopkins Profile

Mainstreet charm in the urban backyard

Hopkins Station offers small town charm along Mainstreet while metropolitan amenities remain nearby.

The station is located in a city grid with multiple redevelopment opportunities for Transit-Oriented Development, with plans for improved connections to the adjacent regional trails, pedestrian amenities and public place-making. Larger employers include the City of Hopkins, Hopkins Honda and Supervalu.

The surrounding area includes the ARTery, a two-block stretch of Eighth Avenue, with destinations like the Hopkins Center for the Arts. Walkable, bikeable, and infused with art, downtown Hopkins is a central neighborhood combining the business district with restaurants, shops and various types of housing.



Hopkins Center for the Arts is a focal point for culture and entertainment, within walking distance of several restaurants, antique and other shops and a movie theater complex.

Fast facts

| Population | 3,293 |
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| Households | 1,730 |
| Employment | 5,194 |

Population, Household, and Employment figures are within a half mile of the station stop.



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Hopkins Profile

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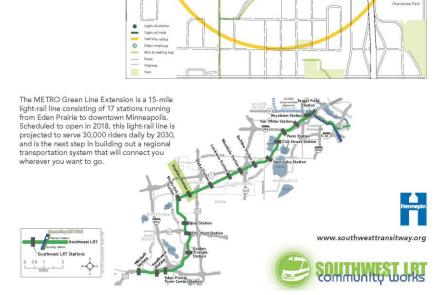
METRO Green Line extension



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Get acquainted with where Hopkins Station is located. The proposed station will be south of the intersection of Excelsior Boulevard and Eight Avenue (west of Highway 169).



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SuperValu

Buffer Park

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HOPKINS

SuperValu



More Information

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www.SWLRT.org



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SWLRT@metrotransit.org