BOTTINEAU LRT COMMUNITY WORKS
METRO BLUE LINE EXTENSION
Station area planning is...

Community-based planning that considers:

- \( \frac{1}{2} \) mile area surrounding proposed LRT station
FTA New Starts - evaluation and rating framework

New project justification rating (equal weights)

- Mobility improvements
- Environmental benefits
- Cost-effectiveness
- Economic development
- Land use
- Congestion relief
Community Input

• Residents love where they live!
  – Make sure LRT and related development preserves and enhances character of downtown.

• Pedestrian-scale, walkable design and safe station access by all modes

• Parking structure:
  – Integrated with downtown
  – Compatible with the scale and character of downtown

• Visual/physical connections to downtown from the station are very important
Community Input

Concerns and challenges

• Maintaining/improving bike and pedestrian paths, sidewalks and trails
• Providing safe & convenient railroad crossings
• Noise (bells)
• Loitering
• Concern for property values
Community Input Summary

Hopes for Robbinsdale

• Keep and strengthen Robbinsdale’s identity; show LRT riders that something is going on in Robbinsdale
• Improve roads, traffic and improve existing parking problems
• Set the stage for growth in business
• Diversify housing stock by providing more choices
• Provide a community gathering area
Community Input Summary

Vision for the future

• Vibrant, safe and active community where the walkable downtown “flows” into the neighborhoods
• Unique small town character is preserved – with some improvements
• Thriving commercial district where local businesses are supported and grow
• Diverse housing choices that are attractive and affordable for young people and older people
• Walkable, bike friendly, safe and secure station area – with community gathering or public spaces
42nd Ave and Railroad Ave looking south, proposed station area
Lakeland Ave and 41 ½ Ave looking west, downtown Robbinsdale
Lakeland Ave and 41 ½ Ave looking west, downtown Robbinsdale
Broadway and 41 ½ Ave looking west (in front of Ace Hardware), downtown Robbinsdale
Broadway and 41 ½ Ave looking west at Hubbard Marketplace (background) in front of Wuollet Bakery
Hubbard Ave and 41 ½ Ave looking west at proposed station area
Station area planning workshop proposed option – park and ride with development liner and pedestrian connection to 41 1/2
Close-up of proposed streetscape at 41 ½ Ave
Broadway and 41 ½ Ave looking west (in front of Wuollet Bakery)
Illustration of potential 41 ½ Ave promenade
Overhead view of potential dual-ramp scenario with 41 ½ Ave promenade
Close-up of station access to downtown Robbinsdale along Hubbard Marketplace
Artist rendering of station area, with Hubbard Marketplace redevelopment (center) and park and ride (left)
Artist rendering of park and ride (right) facing south, with 42\textsuperscript{nd} Ave in foreground
Artist rendering of development at 42nd Ave and Railroad Ave looking south
Artist rendering of development looking north along Hubbard Ave
Lakeland Ave looking west
Artist rendering of development, street level at Hubbard Ave and 41 ½ Ave
NEXT STEPS

Brooklyn Park
• Design Workshop: September 28 - October 2
• Community Meeting: October 1 at 6:00 PM

Crystal
• Community Meeting: September 29 at 6:00 PM
• Design Workshop: November 3 - 6
• Community Meeting: November 5 at 6:00 PM

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