Corridor Management Committee

February 19, 2015
Today’s Topics

• Advisory Committee Update
• Technical Issue #4: Golden Valley Road and Plymouth Avenue Station Update
• Technical Issue #10: West Broadway (CSAH 103) Update
• Technical Issue #13: Freight Rail Update
• Next Meeting
Advisory Committee Update
Issue Resolution Process

1. Issue Resolution Teams (IRT)
2. Technical Project Advisory Committee (TPAC)
3. Business and Community Advisory Committees (BAC/CAC)
4. Corridor Management Committee (CMC)
5. Met Council
## Technical Project Advisory Committee (TPAC) Membership

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Business and Community Advisory Committee Update

• Sent letters of invite: January 29, 2015
• Receive nominations: March 6, 2015
• Hold joint BAC/CAC kick-off: late March/early April
Technical Issue #4: Golden Valley Road and Plymouth Avenue Stations
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• Technical analysis underway for both stations
• Analysis reviewing quantitative factors
  ▪ Population & employment, cost impacts
• Analysis reviewing qualitative factors
  ▪ Access for underserved populations, connections to key destinations, accessibility, access to regional parks
• Community meeting February 26
• Share community input at March CMC meeting
Technical Issue #10:
West Broadway (CSAH 103)
Technical Issue #10: Candlewood to 93rd Ave.
Integrated Agency Approach

- Hennepin County Public and Community Works
- City of Brooklyn Park
- Blue Line Extension Project Office (BPO)
Integrated Discipline Approach

Design and Engineering

Community Outreach

Environmental
Integrated Approach For Roadway Design

• Road project covered under Minnesota environmental rules
• Hennepin County continues as lead agency, in partnership with BPO, Brooklyn Park, and stakeholders
• Environmental review complete late Fall 2015
• Final roadway design advances in tandem with Blue Line Extension LRT design
• Allows combining roadway construction with Blue Line Extension to minimize construction impacts
Public Engagement Path

• **February 2: Presentation to City Council**
  - Design, environmental and public engagement plan approach

• **February/March**
  - Neighborhood and business meetings
  - BLRT CMC update: Feb 19
  - Community open house #1: March 5
  - City Council update: March 9
Public Engagement Path

• **March**
  - Neighborhood and business meetings
  - BLRT CMC update: March 12
  - Community open house #2: March 19
  - City Council update: March 23

• **April**
  - Neighborhood and business meetings
  - Community open house #3, if needed: April 7
  - BLRT CMC update: April 9

April 27: Staff Recommendation/City Council endorsement on design/environmental approach
Technical Issue #13: Freight Rail Update
Existing BNSF Corridor
Proposed BNSF Corridor: Typical Section
Coordination

• Recurring monthly meeting with BNSF
• BNSF indicated LRT design and operations cannot preclude future track or capacity improvements
• Key issues include design, treatment of Xcel Energy transmission lines, safety
Safety

• Safety is a mutual goal; BNSF and BPO agree some level of mitigation is necessary
• Physical separation may be required depending on distance between freight and LRT track centerlines
  ▪ Continue to explore other alternatives to physical separation
Potential CP-BNSF Connection in Crystal

- BNSF and CP in discussing connecting eastbound CP mainline to southbound BNSF
- BNSF acknowledges concerns raised by BPO, project partners and other stakeholders
- BNSF and BPO remain committed to working together
Next Meeting:
Thursday, March 12
1:00 PM – 2:30 PM
More Information

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