Today’s Topics

• New Starts Update
• Environmental Update
• Bassett Creek Storm Sewer Update
• West Broadway Stations
New Starts Update
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• Project received Medium-High rating in the FY 2018 FTA New Starts Annual Report
  ▪ Based on New Starts application submitted September 2016

• Project submitted updated New Starts application on September 7, 2017
  ▪ FY 2019 FTA New Starts Annual Report
  ▪ Anticipate a Medium-High rating
New Starts Rating Components: Financial

Summary Rating

- Project Justification Rating (50%)
- Financial Rating (50%)
  - Current Capital/Operating Condition (25%)
  - Commitment of Capital/Operating Funds (25%)
  - Reasonableness of Capital/Operating Cost Estimates (50%)
New Starts Rating Components: Project Justification

Summary Rating

Project Justification Rating (50%)

- Economic Development (16.66%)
- Mobility Improvements (16.66%)
- Environmental Benefits (16.66%)
- Congestion Relief (16.66%)

Financial Rating (50%)

- Cost Effectiveness (16.66%)
- Land Use (16.66%)
2017 New Starts Submittal Changes

• Land Use and Economic Development
  ▪ Discusses advancements since 2016

• Financial Management Plan
  ▪ CTIB dissolution
  ▪ Full local funding commitment

• Revised project schedule
  ▪ Shift FFGA application from September 2017 to May 2018

• Ridership adjusted for reduction of Robbinsdale Park-n-Ride
  ▪ 550 spaces to 400 spaces
Environmental Update
Historic Properties

- Section 106 MOA implementation in process
  - Draft Interpretive Plan
  - Additional architecture/history fieldwork
  - Consultation on design for compatibility with historic properties
Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) Overview

- **Phase I ESA**
  - 2015

- **Phase II ESA**
  - 2016-2017

- **Response Action Plan**
  - 2017

- **Construction Monitoring**
  - During construction
Phase II ESA Background

• Testing for soil and ground water contamination

• Information used for:
  ▪ Design considerations
  ▪ Protecting human health and the environment during construction

• Fieldwork
  ▪ 382 borings and test pits completed
Phase II ESA - Results

- Key areas from fieldwork investigation

Crystal

Robbinsdale

Floodplain Mitigation Site

TH 55/HERC
Response Action Plan (RAP)

• Management of contaminated materials during construction

• Advanced Construction RAP
  ▪ Approved by MPCA in May 2017

• Corridor-wide RAP
  ▪ In process: anticipated Q4 2017

• Construction Monitoring
  ▪ Implementation of RAP
Bassett Creek Storm Sewer Update
Bassett Creek Storm Sewer Overview
Construction Overview

• Two bid packages:
  ▪ Material procurement
  ▪ Tunnel construction

• July 31, 2017: Material procurement contract awarded to Max Steininger, Inc.

• August 25, 2017: Tunnel construction awarded to Minger Construction Companies, Inc.
Construction Overview

- Fall 2017: Utility installation across Olson Memorial Highway (OMH)
  - Precast box culvert
  - 2 – 42” MCES conveyance pipes
  - Closure of OMH to start after Oct 27, 2017 allowing completion of I-94 work
  - Closure date(s) have been coordinated with MnDOT, Hennepin County and City of Minneapolis
  - Up to 12 day closure of OMH between West Lyndale Avenue and Van White Memorial Boulevard
  - Minger anticipates working 24 hours a day / 7 days a week during the closure of OMH
Detour Routes

Bassett Creek Tunnel Construction (see local map)
Construction Overview

- Winter 2017 / 2018: Cast in place concrete and in-place lining of MCES sewer
  - North closure concrete placement between OMH and Heritage Park townhomes occurring with lane closures on OMH
  - South closure concrete placement requires helical pile installation in the Summit OIC parking lot
  - MCES lining includes 36” pipe installed within existing egg shaped sanitary sewer
- Spring 2018: Cleanup and restoration
Public Outreach and Communications

• Key outreach & communication messages
  ▪ Project description
  ▪ Duration of construction
  ▪ Detours for vehicles, trail users, bus riders
  ▪ Where to get more information
  ▪ Who to contact if you have any questions
Public Outreach and Communications

- Coordination/information sharing meetings with
  - MnDOT
  - Metro Transit
  - County/Cities

- Media
  - Traditional: TV, cable access, radio, newspapers
  - Social media: MC Facebook, Twitter, Nextdoor

- Bassett Creek Storm Sewer video
Public Outreach and Communications

- Neighborhood/community communications
  - Neighborhood/community briefings
  - Community open house: early October
  - Leave behind/poster: project one-pager
  - Project website and newsletter
  - Variable message signs
  - GovDelivery
West Broadway Stations
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• Station design established in 30% plans
  ▪ Center platforms consistent on all BLRT station platforms
  ▪ Layout of shelters, ticket equipment, signage same on all platforms
  ▪ Stations along West Broadway center running

• Station design advancing towards 90% plans
  • Finalizing material choices, including color
  • Finalizing details, such as lighting or other unique design elements
  • Finalizing station area, including access
93rd Avenue Station Site Plan
93rd Avenue Station

Looking southwest
93rd Avenue Station

Looking northwest
85th Avenue Station Site Plan
85th Avenue Station

Looking southeast
85th Avenue Station

Looking northwest
85th Avenue Station

Looking north
Brooklyn Boulevard Station

Looking southwest
Brooklyn Boulevard Station

Looking northwest
Brooklyn Boulevard Station

Looking north
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