

SOUTHWEST

Green Line LRT Extension



Disadvantaged Business Enterprise and Workforce Advisory Committee

December 19, 2019



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Today's Topics

- Project Update
- Workforce Presentations
Follow-Up Discussion
- DBE Reporting
- Workforce Reporting
- 2019 Committee Review
- 2020 Look Ahead



SWLRT Project Update

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2020 Construction Look Ahead

- Construction on all 16 stations
- Large part of freight track complete and the start of LRT trackwork
- SouthWest Transit operating out of the temporary waiting area
- Second traffic shift for Highway 62 tunnel
- Excelsior Bridge form construction
- Kenilworth tunnel complete through Cedar Lake Parkway
- Freight bridges complete in Bass Lake Spur and Kenilworth Corridor

Construction Communications

- Sign-up for the weekly project construction updates at swlrt.org; sent out every Friday to your email and/or phone
- Follow us on
 - Twitter: [@SouthwestLRT](https://twitter.com/SouthwestLRT)
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- Learn more about the project: swlrt.org
 - Videos
 - Station renderings
 - Committee information



Digital Metrics: GovDelivery

- April 26: 8,265
- May: 15,159
- June: 15,444
- July: 15,683
- Aug: 15,587
- Sept: 15,944
- Oct: 16,100
- Nov: 16,159

CONSTRUCTION



Construction hotline

For urgent Southwest LRT construction issues, please call the 24-hour hotline at [612-373-3933](tel:612-373-3933) for assistance. Call the hotline for problems such as blocked access to business or residential areas, improper traffic sign placement or parking issues. For general questions or comments about Southwest LRT, [contact your Community Outreach Coordinator](#).

For emergencies, always call 911.

Construction activity updates

The Metropolitan Council will provide information on construction activities every Friday throughout construction. Subscribe to receive construction activity updates by email or text in the signup box in the right column.

Southwest LRT Construction Update: November 15, 2019

Holiday Construction

This update provides information for the next two weeks of upcoming construction activities. If there are any significant changes to the current schedule, we will issue an update specific to those items next week. Our next construction update will be Friday, December 6.

Crews will suspend most construction work for the Thanksgiving weekend, from Thursday November 27 through Sunday December 1. However, crews will be doing site inspections, conducting regular maintenance activities and may be

Digital Metrics: SWLRT.ORG

- Jan: 14,432
- Feb: 27,013
- March: 35,310
- April: 37,933
- May: 60,445
- June: 39,518
- July: 38,110
- Aug: 40,468
- Sept: 35,554
- Oct: 26,708
- Nov: 23,781



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SOUTHWEST LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT

METRO Green Line Extension – Eden Prairie to Downtown Minneapolis

The METRO Green Line Extension (Southwest LRT or SWLRT) will operate on a route from downtown Minneapolis through the communities of St. Louis Park, Hopkins, Minnetonka, and Eden Prairie.

The line will include 16 new stations and will be part of an integrated system of transitways, including connections to the METRO Blue Line, the Northstar Commuter Rail line, and many bus routes. At Target Field Station in Minneapolis, Green Line Extension trains will continue along the METRO Green Line, providing one-seat rides to the University of Minnesota, State Capitol area, and downtown St. Paul. [Read more project facts.](#)

Southwest LRT Construction Update: November 22, 2019

Holiday Construction

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Crews will suspend most construction work for the Thanksgiving weekend, from Thursday November 27 through Sunday December 1. However, crews will be doing site inspections, conducting regular maintenance activities and may be performing utility work in the Glenwood area.

On Thanksgiving Day, the Southwest Project Office will be closed. Staff will be on call over the holiday weekend to address urgent issues received through the hotline. All other questions will be addressed on Monday, December 2.

Highlights

- TH 62 westbound lanes will close tonight at 7:00 p.m., Friday, November 22 and reopen by 5:00 a.m. on Monday, November 25.
- Night work has resumed around the Golden Triangle Station and will continue through mid-December.

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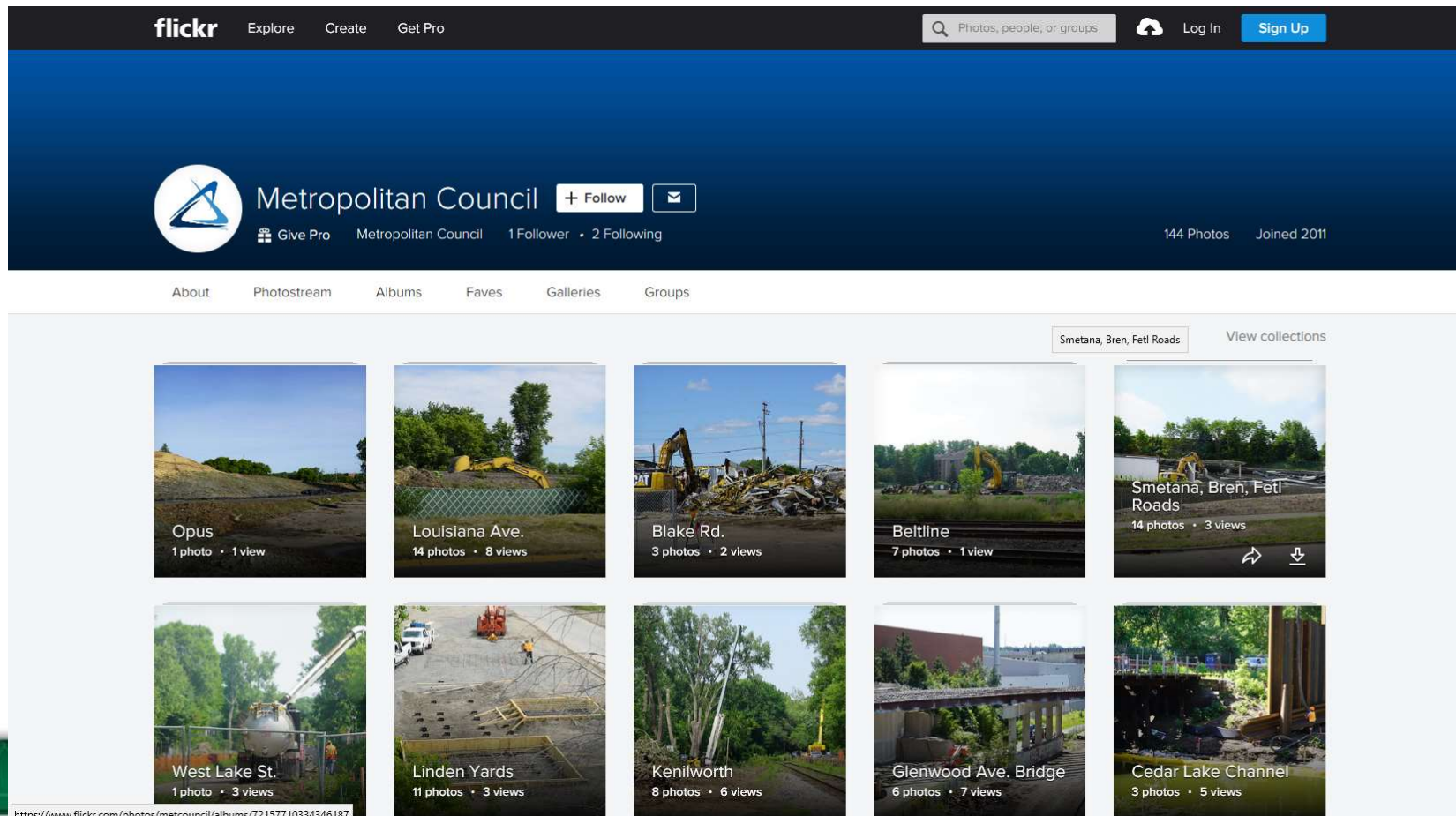
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Digital Metrics: Twitter

Month	# of Tweets	Followers	Retweets	Likes	Mentions
Jan	1	842	0	0	0
Feb	0	846	0	0	1
March	2	859	3	20	5
April	18	925	22	98	19
May	26	1.1K	88	196	29
June	9	1.2K	32	66	28
July	9	1.1K	31	64	28
Aug	8	1.2K	15	11	23
Sept	11	1.4K	27	77	15
Oct	3	1.4K	8	25	3
Nov	8	1.4K	14	36	11

Communications and Outreach

- Project Flickr account
 - Weekly uploads of project progress pictures
 - Link: [flickr.com/photos/metcouncil/albums](https://www.flickr.com/photos/metcouncil/albums)



Construction 24-Hour Hotline

- May 15: Construction hotline active
- Number of calls: 425
- Themes
 - Trails
 - Detours
 - Work hours

Southwest Light Rail Transit Construction Hotline

612-373-3933

swlrt.org

Business Outreach

- Meeting with business owners to discuss access during construction
- Developing content for customers, employees, suppliers
- Special signage



Outreach Activities



Open Houses



Trail Pop-Ups



Walking Tours



Neighborhood Meetings

2020 Upcoming Outreach Activities

- Pop-up events
- Tours
- Neighborhood meetings
- Annual community events
- Project videos



Workforce Presentations Follow-Up Discussion

Workforce Presentations

- Registered Apprenticeship
 - Partnerships: employers, training institutions, CBOs
 - Funding from state and federal sources
 - Earn while you learn career development model
- Building Stronger Communities: Construction Workforce Development Model
 - Partnerships: unions, CBOs, employers
 - Career readiness with college and union training
 - Stipend during the program and post-program support
 - January 22, 2020: SWLRT Construction Training Program Expo from 3-6 PM at Minneapolis Urban League

DBE Achievement Report

DBE Achievement as of Oct. 31, 2019

Contractor	Contract Description	Contracts	\$ DBE Goal	Billed to Date	\$ DBE to Date	% DBE to Date	Date
LMJV 16% Goal	Civil	\$802,067,738	\$128,330,838	\$107,607,014	\$15,850,333	14.73%	10/31/19
Veit 17% Goal	OMF Demo	\$404,992	\$68,849	\$399,225	\$74,610	18.69%	7/31/19
DBE Goals Average to Date		Contracts	\$ DBE Goal	Billed to Date	DBE Billed to Date	% DBE Billed to Date	
16.0% Goal		\$802,472,730	\$128,399,687	\$108,006,239	\$15,924,943	14.74%	

Lunda/CS McCrossan Joint Venture: Update on DBE Activities

LMJV Workshop Summary

- Introductions to LMJV key staff
- DBE mentor/liaisons
- Introduction to SWLRT Quality Management Program
- Workforce goals and strategies
- Applications for payment



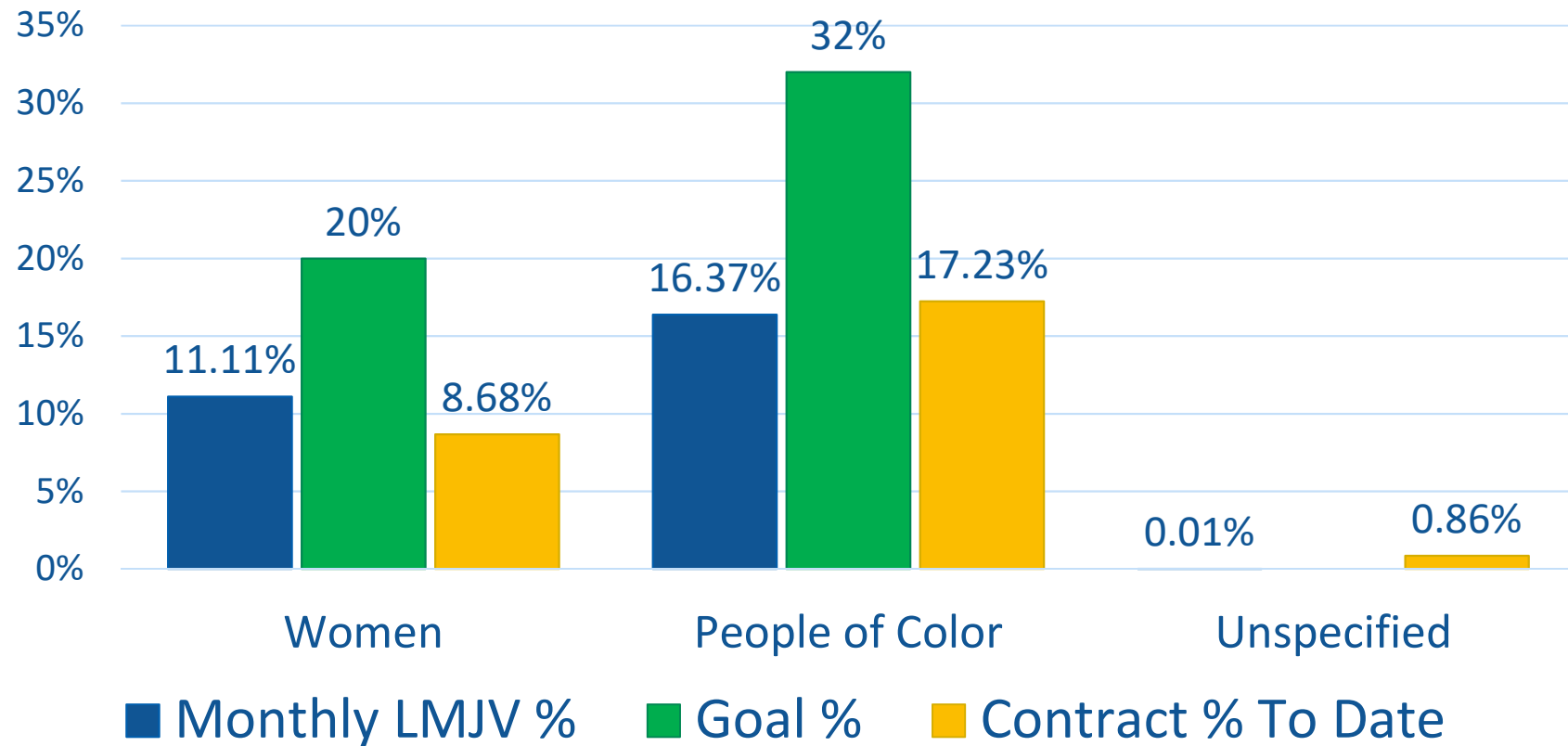
DBE Participation: 6 Week Look Ahead

- Air Fresh
- Am-Tech Design
- Big G
- Boys
- E&J Steel Erectors
- HHA
- IMO Consulting
- Public Solutions
- Safety Signs
- Standard Contracting
- Stonebrooke Fence
- ZTS
- MBE
- Pete's Water and Sewer
- Econ Placer
- Sun Mechanical
- M&J Trucking
- Eastern Rail
- Rock On Trucking

Workforce Participation Report

Workforce Participation Percentage*

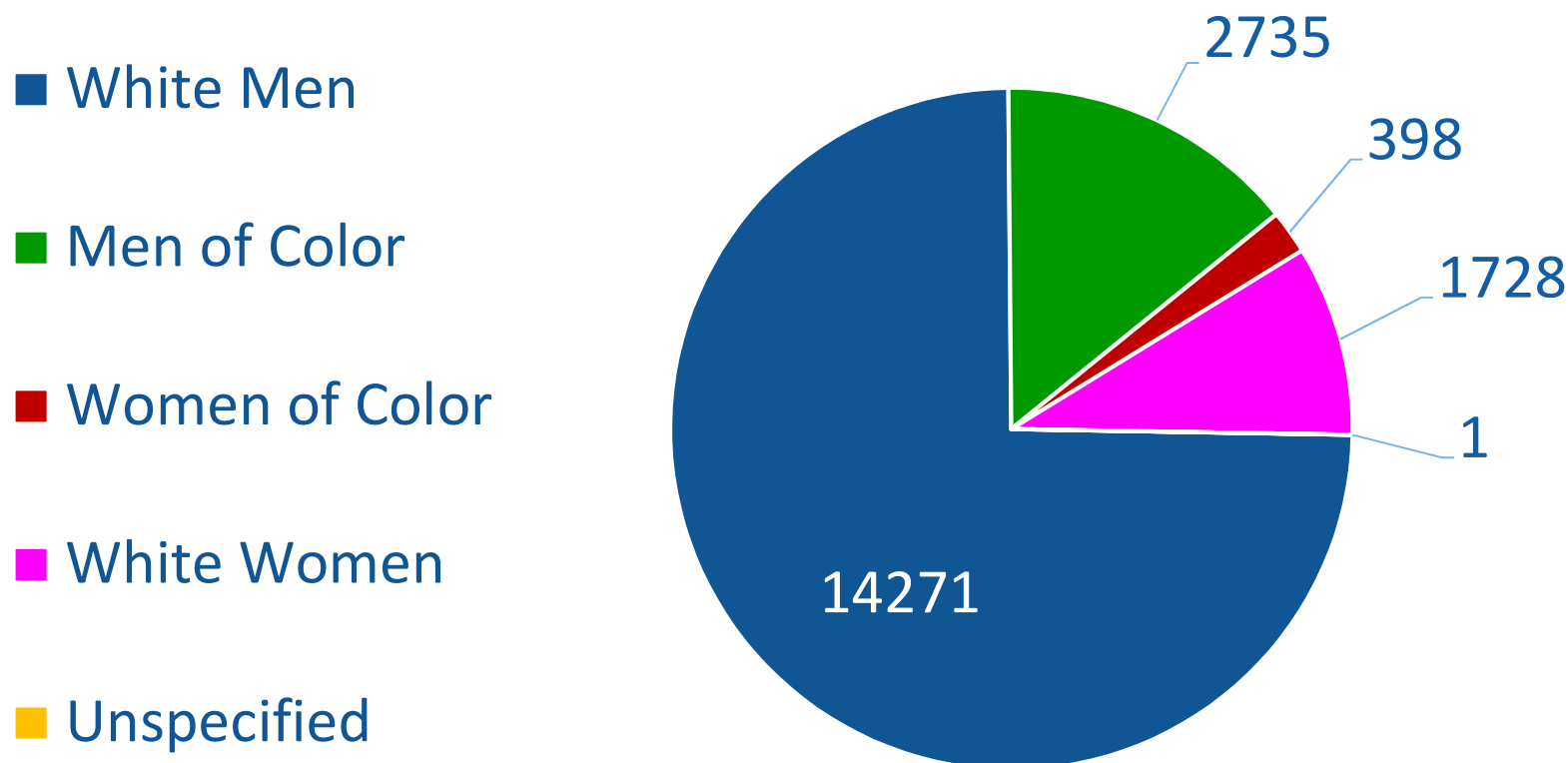
- October 2019: 19,133 hrs.
- Civil Construction Total: 77,371 hrs



*Based on MDHR Workforce Report for October 2019

Workforce Participation*

- October 2019: 19,133 hrs.
- Hours worked by category:



*Based on MDHR Workforce Report for October 2019

Lunda/CS McCrossan Joint Venture: Update on Workforce Activities

LMJV Proactive Approach to Maintaining a Welcoming Culture for Women & POC

- Partnering with unions
- Partnering with Community Based Organizations
- Partnering with government entities
- Participate in the following activities:
 - Career fairs
 - Mock interviews
 - Guest speaker at graduations
 - Conduct project tours for students participating in pre-apprentice programs

LMJV Proactive Approach to Maintaining a Welcoming Culture for Women & POC

- Assign mentors
- Annual EEO/AA onsite training
- Conduct random EEO site visits at least once a year
 - Random onsite employee interviews
 - Voluntary surveys

LMJV Internal Equity Initiatives

- Hire and retain non-trade women and POC key personnel
 - Safety Manager
 - Human Resources Generalist
 - EEO Officer
 - **Quality Manager**
 - **Accounts Payable**

2019 Committee Review

Topics From May Kickoff

- ✓ Construction workforce overview
- ✓ Registered apprenticeships
- ✓ Workforce development
- ✓ Pay cycles/Prompt payment
- ✓ Retainage
- ✓ Change orders
- Driver license/transportation barriers
- Procurement disparities
- Innovations: Working Capital Fund
- Retention: Career pathways post-SWLRT

2020 Look Ahead

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2020 Look Ahead

- Locations
- WebEx or conference call accommodations
- What other topics would the committee like to discuss?
- Who are the subject matter experts that could come present?



Next Meeting

- Next Meeting Date: January 16, 2019
- Actions items for the next meeting
- Adjourn

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