Today’s Topics

• Approval of Meeting Minutes
• Chair’s Update
• TAAC Workshop Debrief
  ▪ Golden Valley Rd Station Video
• Construction Coordination
• Olson Memorial Highway Update
  ▪ Stations
  ▪ Trees
  ▪ Floyd B Olson Statue
• Upcoming Open Houses
Chair’s Update
TAAC Workshop Debrief
Transportation Accessibility Advisory Committee (TAAC)

• Advises the Council on management policies for public transportation services in the region from the perspective of riders with disabilities

• TAAC membership includes riders and advocates for older people and the disability community, representatives of service providers and other appropriate agencies

• TAAC member Ken Rodgers serves on the BLRT Community Advisory Committee
TAAC Workshop

• Topics included project overview, station platform overview, station access overview with breakout sessions on:
  - Penn Ave Station: signalized crossing, “Z” crossings, cycle track
  - Golden Valley Rd Station: navigation and access
TAAC Workshop
TAAC Workshop Outcomes

• General support for design progression
• Signage for all users
• Design details important: pavements designed for wheelchair users, adequate width on stairs, signage
• Continue to stress importance of landscape placement and snow clearing to guide users to station
• Important to safely delineate bicycle trail users from pedestrians
Golden Valley Road Station Video
Golden Valley Road Station

- Retaining Wall with Railing
- Theodore Wirth Regional Park
- New Trail Connection
- Vertical Circulation (Elevator & Stairs)
- Corridor Protection Wall
- Golden Valley Road Station
- Passenger Drop-Off
- Bike Parking
- Park and Ride Lot
- Theodore Wirth Parkway Trail
- Theodore Wirth Parkway LRT Entrance
- Golden Valley Road LRT Entrance
- Traction Power Substation
- Bus Stop
- Trailhead
- Bassett Creek Regional Trail
- Church of St. Margaret Mary
- To Sochacki Park
- Freight Rail
- LRT
- Glenwood Parkway
- Golden Valley Road
Construction Coordination
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BLRT (2018-2021)
Metro Transit: Roadway reconstruction on OMH, construction of LRT infrastructure, bridge construction over BNSF, and bridge redecking over I-94

Theodore Wirth Parkway Bridge
MCES Forcemain / Floodplain Mitigation
Bassett Creek Tunnel
Construction Coordination

SWLRT (2017-2020)
Metro Transit: Roadway reconstruction on Royalston Ave, bridge construction at Glenwood Ave
Construction Coordination

Glenwood Ave (2019)
Hennepin County: Roadway reconstruction from Aldrich Ave to 12th St and bridge reconstruction, with access maintained to Lyndale Ave
Construction Coordination

C Line BRT & Penn Ave (2018-2019)
Metro Transit: BRT stations, roadway work, lighting, pedestrian and bike improvements
Construction Coordination

I-94 Improvements (2017-2018)
MnDOT: Roadway resurfacing and repairs to several bridges along the corridor, with little impact to BLRT based on schedule.
Agency Coordination

• Early agency coordination meetings
  ▪ 11/04/16
  ▪ 12/05/16
  ▪ 01/11/17

• Ongoing construction staging meetings
  ▪ Engineering through construction

• Develop Interagency Construction Communications Plan
Olson Memorial Highway Update
Olson Memorial Highway Update: Stations

- Designs shared November 2016 with advisory committee and community
- Comments included:
  - Make station design more unique
  - Color palettes could use warmth or a pop
  - Sister architecture of the two stations helps tie the corridor together
- Station design advancing, incorporating comments, reviewing material/color options
- Next steps: share advanced designs with community
Penn Avenue Station Context & Character Words
View from Olson Memorial Highway looking West
View from platform entry looking East
Van White Blvd Station Context & Character Words
View from Olson Memorial Highway looking Northeast
View from platform entry looking West
Olson Memorial Highway Update: Stations

- Precedent imagery: Amundson Hall, U of M
- U of M Children’s Hospital
Olson Memorial Highway Update: Stations

Penn Avenue Station Looking East
Olson Memorial Highway Update: Stations

Penn Avenue Station Looking West
Olson Memorial Highway Update: Stations

- Precedent imagery: Walker Library on Hennepin Ave
Olson Memorial Highway Update: Stations

Penn Avenue Station Looking East
Olson Memorial Highway Update: Stations

Van White Station Looking East
Olson Memorial Highway Update: Trees

- Over 240 boulevard trees impacted on Olson Memorial Highway due to reconstruction
- Working with Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board on planting plan to:
  - Plant boulevard with street trees to frame the street and provide urban canopy
  - Use assortment of tree species for better tree health and variation
- Over 120 median trees also impacted
- Working with MPRB for relocation of over 50 existing median trees to nearby parks in North Minneapolis
Olson Memorial Highway Update: Trees

At Van White Station Looking West
Floyd B. Olson Memorial Statue (HE-MPC-9013)

- Historic property
- Eligible under NRHP Criterion C, as the work of a master sculptor: Carlo Brioschi
- Project has indirect adverse effect on property
- Statue originally in median of TH 55

Floyd B. Olson Memorial Statue
Trunk Highway 55 at Penn Avenue North
Minneapolis
Floyd B. Olson Memorial Statue (HE-MPC-9013)

• Treatment Plan
  ▪ Mitigation commitment to research siting of statue
  ▪ Explore potential locations for relocating statue
  ▪ Consultation with Section 106 consulting parties
  ▪ Site design/landscaping
Upcoming Open Houses
Corridor Open Houses

- Schedule: March 20 – April 13
- Time: 4:30 – 7:00 pm
- Purpose of the community open houses:
  - Share with the public recent design updates in each community
  - Ask staff questions
- Public can submit comments through the website
More Information

Website: BlueLineExt.org
Email: BlueLineExt@metrotransit.org
Twitter: @BlueLineExt
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Open houses in Robbinsdale, Crystal, Minneapolis and Brooklyn Park will take place from 4:30 to 7:00 PM; the Golden Valley open house will take place from 4:00 to 6:30 PM.

Feel free to come and go at any time. Staff will be available to answer your questions and receive comments.

The METRO Blue Line Extension project has completed approximately 60 percent of design and engineering for the 13-mile light rail line connecting Minneapolis, Golden Valley, Crystal, Robbinsdale, and Brooklyn Park. These open houses are an opportunity to learn about the design process, review design concepts, and give feedback to project staff. Other project information will also be available including updates on LRT design issues in each community.

If you require assistance to participate, please contact Dan Pfeiffer at least seven business days before the scheduled meeting:

Email: [Daniel.Pfeiffer@metrotransit.org](mailto:Daniels.Pfeiffer@metrotransit.org)
Phone: 612-373-3897

See map of route and stations on reverse side.

Can’t make it to the meeting? Interested in sharing your thoughts? Meeting materials and a comment form will be posted on [www.BlueLineExt.org](http://www.BlueLineExt.org).
Transportation Advisory Board Members

TAB Members and Affiliations

County members

- Anoka County - Matt Look (Scott Schulte, alternate)
- Carver County - Randy Maluchnik (Tom Workman, alternate)
- Dakota County - Kathleen Gaylord (Mary Liz Holberg, alternate)
- Ramsey County - Mary Jo McGuire (Janice Rettman, alternate)
- Hennepin County - Jan Callison (Debbie Goettel, alternate)
- Scott County - Jon Ulrich (Michael Beard, alternate)
- Washington County - Karla Bigham (Fran Miron, alternate)

Citizen members

- Doug Anderson - TAB District A (Council Districts 1 and 2)
- Brad Tabke - TAB District B (Council Districts 3 and 4)
- Suzanne Sandahl - TAB District C (Council Districts 5 and 6)
- Jamez Staples - TAB District D (Council Districts 7 and 8)
- Sam Villella - TAB District E (Council Districts 9 and 10) (Christopher Geisler, alternate)
- Rolf Parsons - TAB District F (Council Districts 11 and 12) (Mark Wagner, alternate)
- Carrie Christensen - TAB District G (Council Districts 13 and 14) (Conor Johnson, alternate)
- Peter Dugan - TAB District H (Council Districts 15 and 16) (Nickolas Fox, alternate)

See map showing TAB Districts (pdf)

City Members (Appointed by Metro Cities)

- Brooklyn Park - Jeffery Lunde
- St. Louis Park - Sue Sanger (Tim Brausen, alternate)
- St. Paul - Chris Tolbert
- Edina - James Hovland, Chair
- Minneapolis - Kevin Reich (Lisa Bender, alternate)
- Hugo -Becky Petryk
- Chanhassen - Denny Laufenburger (Dan Campion, alternate)
Transportation Advisory Board Members

TAB Members and Affiliations

- Apple Valley - Mary Hamann-Roland
- Blaine - Dick Swanson
- Eagan - Gary Hansen (Bill Droste, alternate)

Agency members

- Metropolitan Council - Katie Rodriguez (Steve Elkins, alternate)
- Minnesota Department of Transportation - Scott McBride (Tim Henkel, Alternate)
- Minnesota Pollution Control Agency - David Thornton (Shannon Lotthammer, alternate)
- Metropolitan Airport Commission - Carl Crimmins
- Suburban Transit Association - Jeff Wosje, Plymouth

Transportation mode members

- Transit - Kenya McKnight
- Transit - David Van Hattum (Matt Hollinshead, alternate)
- Freight - William Goins
- Non-motorized - Ethan Fawley (Matt Privratsky, alternate)

Ex-officio (non-voting) members

- Nick Thompson - Metropolitan Council, MTS Director
- Elaine Koutsoukos - TAB Coordinator
- Steve Albrecht - TAC Chair