Committee Member Virtual Meeting Logistics

• Mute your mic when not speaking
  ▪ Your mic will be muted at the start of the meeting

• To request a turn to speak, place a comment in chat to the panelists group

• Committee members are encouraged to use their video function:
  ▪ Turn off video if you are having audio/visual issues
  ▪ Closing other applications, such as Teams or Zoom, improves video and sound quality

• The meeting is being recorded by Met Council & media
Public Attendees

- Public attendees can submit comments to sophia.ginis@metrotransit.org
  - Please send comments by Friday, October 16
  - Comments will be shared with the CMC and posted on the project’s website
Corridor Management Committee

October 8, 2020
Welcome Governor Tim Walz!
Today’s Topics

• Governor Walz
• Approval of 8/13 Meeting Minutes
• Committee Reports/Updates
• Committee Information and Discussion
• Next Meeting
Committee Reports

• Chair’s Update
• CAC/BAC Joint Meeting Report
• Engagement Contract Report
Engagement Contract Report: Preparing the 2021 Engagement Framework

• Outcome: Develop a community-informed engagement framework by January 2021

• Contract with The Alliance and Juxtaposition Arts for these deliverables:
  - Update community stakeholder lists
  - 1:1s with community stakeholders
  - Host 2 – 3 community engagement sessions to educate, engage, listen and respond
  - Online survey for community residents to uncover the issues, opportunities, and recommendations for engagement
Committee Information and Discussion

- Alignment and Engagement Principles
- Current Advisory Committees: Roles and Responsibilities
Draft Alignment Principles/Discussion

• Meet Federal Transit Administration New Starts Criteria
  - Maintain BLRT Purpose and Need
  - Maximize ridership
  - Minimize travel time
  - Maximize project rating

• Maintain Existing Alignment as Much as Possible
  - Maintain existing termini: Target Field Station in Minneapolis and Oak Grove Station in Brooklyn Park
  - Serve existing corridor cities and major destinations
Draft Alignment Principles/Discussion

• Mitigate Impacts
  ▪ Complement and avoid redundancy with planned and existing transitways
  ▪ Minimize residential impacts
Draft Engagement Principles/Discussion

• Meaningfully Engage Stakeholders
  ▪ Honor and build on previous robust community engagement
  ▪ Tailor engagement practices to meet the needs of the community

• Engage, inform, and consult diverse communities to co-create project solutions that reduce disparities
  ▪ Ensure corridor communities of all races, ethnicities, incomes and abilities are engaged so all communities share in growth opportunities
  ▪ Use community goals, priorities, and criteria for growth to inform decision-making
Current Advisory Committees: Roles and Responsibilities
Project Design and Engineering Advisory Committee Structure

- Metropolitan Council
- Blue Line Extension LRT Corridor Mgmt Committee
- Technical Project Advisory Committee
- Issue Resolution Teams
- Shared Advisory Committees
  - Community and Business Advisory Committees

- Community Works Steering Committee
- Technical Implementation Committee
- Hennepin County
BLRT Issue Resolution & Advisory Process

- Issue Resolution Teams
- Technical Project Advisory Committee
- Community and Business Advisory Committee
- Corridor Management Committee
- Met Council
Met Council and Hennepin County Staff

- Identify topics/issues for advisory committee input and feedback
- Develop meeting agendas with Advisory Committee Co-chairs
- Distribute agendas and meeting summaries
- Post committee presentations/meeting materials on BlueLineExt.org
Issue Resolution Teams

• Advise Technical Project Advisory
• Provide input on design: stations, operations and maintenance facility, bike, pedestrian, and park-and-ride facilities
• Serve as information resource and liaison to the community
Technical Project Advisory Committee

- Serve as a voice for city/agency staff
- Advise Corridor Management and Community Works Steering Committees
- Provide input on design: stations, operations and maintenance facility, bike, pedestrian, and park-and-ride facilities
- Serve as information resource and liaison to the community
Communications Steering Committee

• Membership: Cities, County, BPO, MPRB, and MnDOT communications and outreach staff

• Purpose:
  ▪ Ensure delivery of consistent key messages in all communications about the project
  ▪ Identify opportunities to leverage existing communications vehicles to promote the project
  ▪ Coordinate public information and outreach with project partners
Business & Community Advisory Committees

- IRTs
- TPAC
- BAC/CAC
- CMC
- Met Council

Advisory committee discussion and input
Community & Business Advisory Committee

Member Responsibilities

• Serve a 2-year term and attend meetings
• Actively participate in discussions; be a voice to advance the broader interests of community
• Provide input/feedback on design, engineering and construction
• Provide input/feedback on communication and public involvement efforts
• Report back to entity represented
• Listen to and respect the viewpoints of others
• Advise the CMC and Community Works Steering Committee
Advisory Committee Leadership

- Co-Chair roles/responsibilities:
  - Lead committees through their tasks and ensure charter compliance
  - Identify topics/issues of committee concern
  - Develop meeting agendas with project staff
  - Communicate committee interests at CMC
CAC Membership

• Project partner appointed members:
  - Minneapolis: 3 members
  - Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board: 2 members
  - Golden Valley: 2 members
  - Robbinsdale: 2 members
  - Crystal: 2 members
  - Brooklyn Park: 3 members

• Corridors of Opportunity Engagement Grantees: 10

• At-large representation appointed by Met Council and Hennepin County: 2
BAC Membership

- Two members appointed by each city:
  - Minneapolis, Golden Valley, Robbinsdale, Crystal, Brooklyn Park

- One member appointed by each Chambers of Commerce:
  - Minneapolis Regional, TwinWest, Robbinsdale, North Hennepin Area

- Three at-large representatives appointed by Met Council and Hennepin County
Corridor Management Committee

• State of Minnesota mandated the creation of a Corridor Management Committee (CMC) to advise the Metropolitan Council on the design and construction of light rail transit (Minn. Stat. 473.3994)

• CMC advises the Council on issues relating to LRT:
  - Environmental review
  - Preliminary design
  - Preliminary engineering
  - Final design
  - Implementation method
  - Construction
Corridor Management Committee Membership

- Metropolitan Council
- Hennepin County
- Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority
- Counties Transit Improvement Board (disbanded in 2017)
- Cities to be served by the Project
- Metro Transit
- Minnesota Department of Transportation
- Minnesota Department of Management and Budget
- Community Advisory Committee
- Business Advisory Committee
- Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board
- Equity representatives
Committee Reappointments

• Letters sent to cities and organizations November/December
  ▪ CAC/BAC member appointments
  ▪ CMC member and alternate appointments
• Nominations requested in early January
• January/February hold introductory meeting and adopt committee charters
2020 Activities

• Ongoing: Attend city council meetings
• October: Begin community conversations
• Mid-November: Host CAC/BAC meetings
• November – January: CMC/CAC/BAC reappointments
• December 10 from 1:30 – 3:00PM: CMC meeting
Post Meeting Follow-up

• Materials posted on bluelineext.org after meeting:
  ▪ Approved meeting minutes
  ▪ Video of meeting

• Stay connected:
  ▪ Project website: bluelineext.org
    ➢ Committee meeting materials: agenda, handouts, presentations, meeting minutes
    ➢ Sign-up for GovDelivery project updates
  ▪ Follow us on Twitter: @BlueLineExt
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