

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

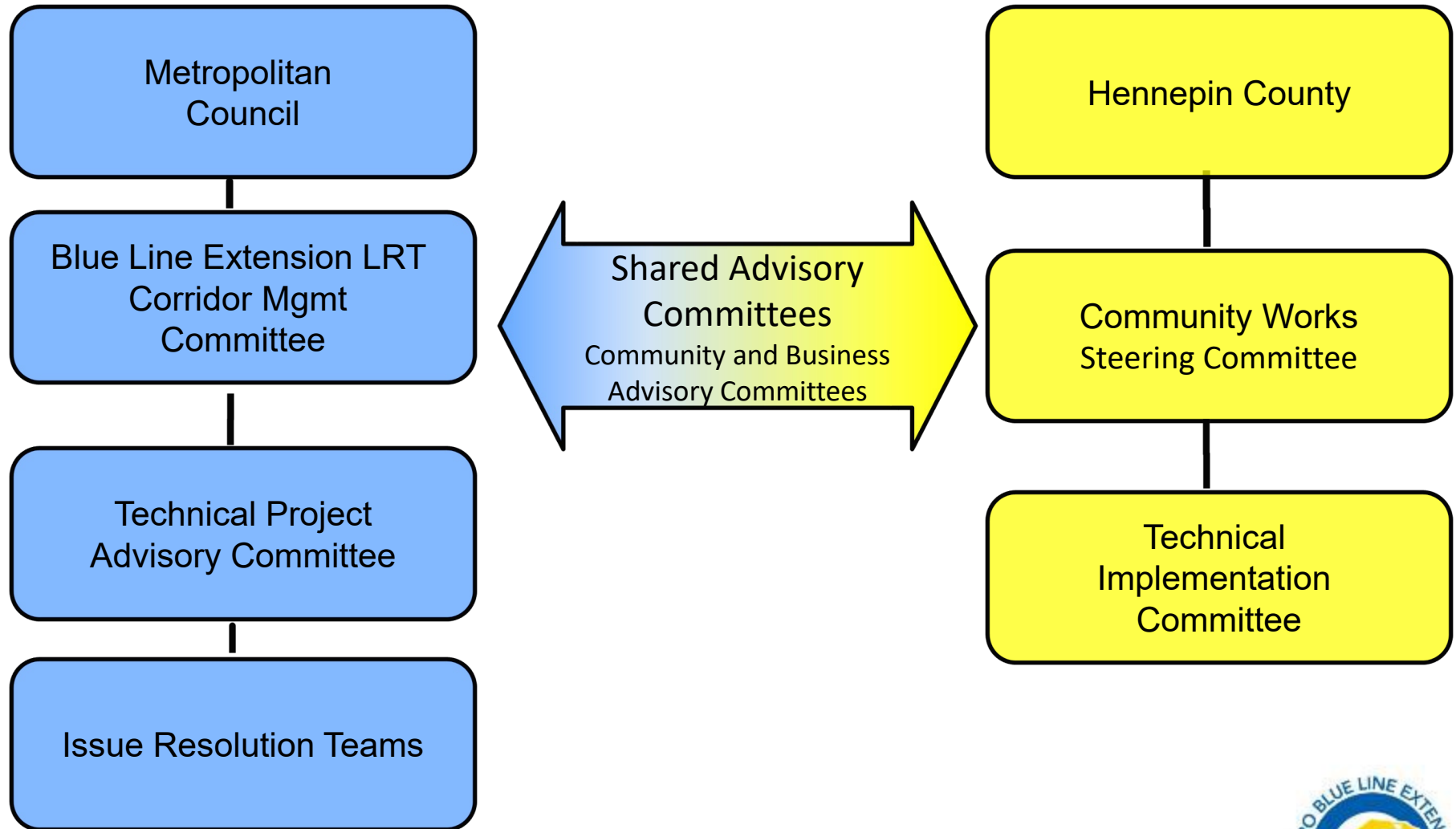
- Meaningfully Engage Stakeholders
 - Honor and build on previous robust community engagement
 - Tailor engagement practices to meet the needs of the community
- Engage, inform, and consult diverse communities to co-create project solutions that reduce disparities
 - Ensure corridor communities of all 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



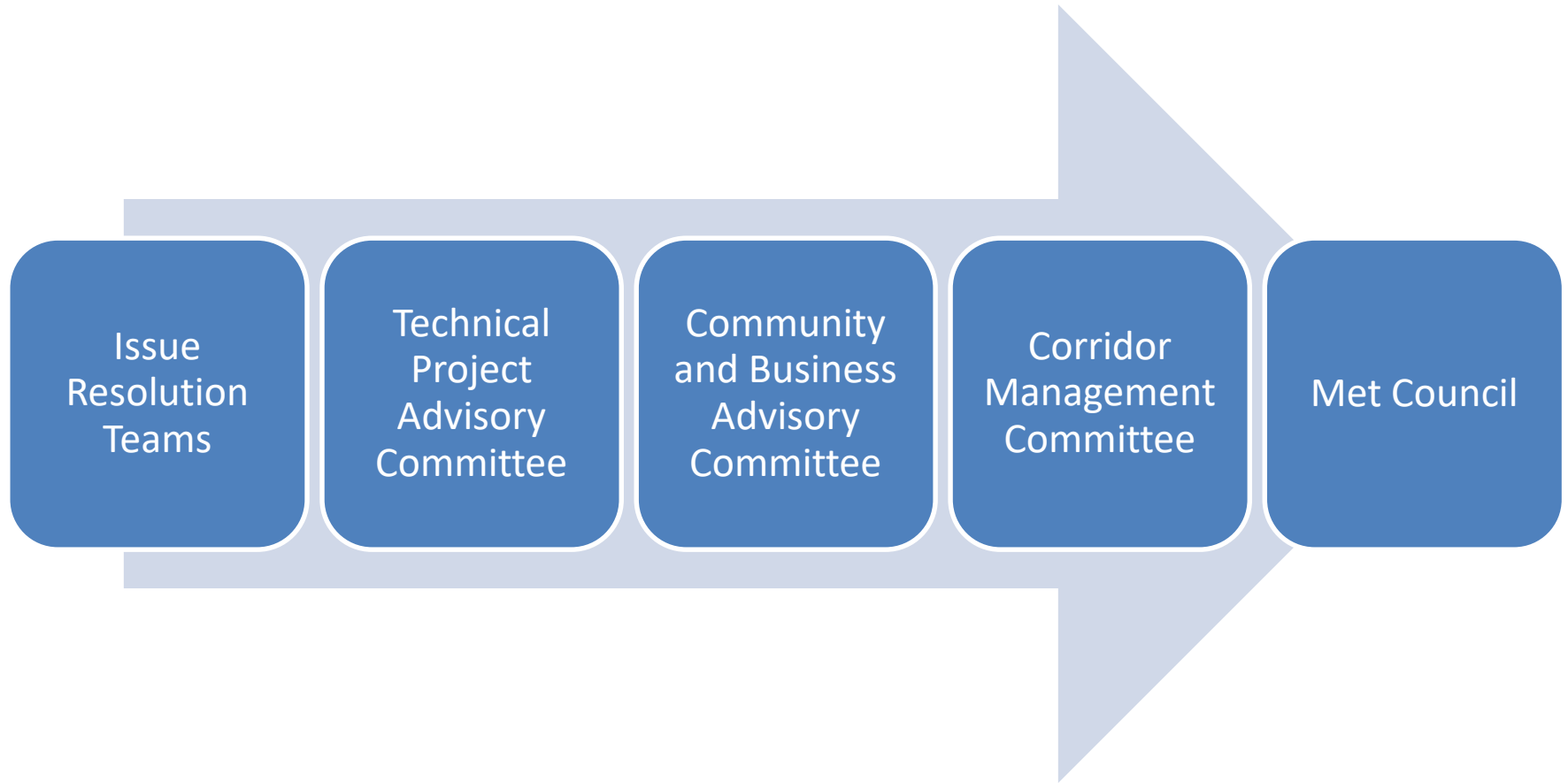
Current Advisory Committees: Roles and Responsibilities



Project Design and Engineering Advisory Committee Structure



BLRT Issue Resolution & Advisory Process



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

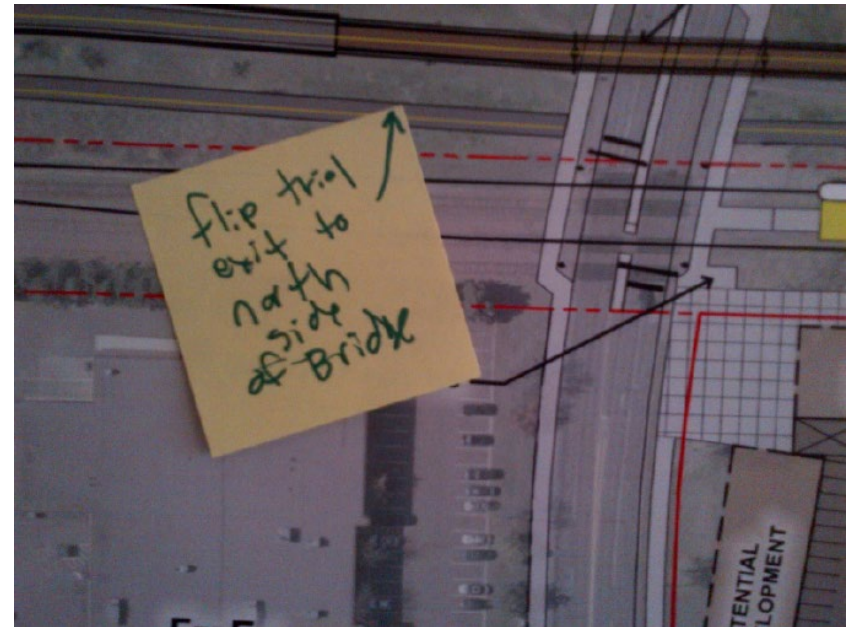


Communications Steering Committee

- 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



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
 - 2011/2012 Grantees: Asian Media Access, African Career Education and Resource, Inc., Asian Economic Development Association, Cleveland Neighborhood Association, Harrison Neighborhood Association, Masjid An-Nur, Northside Residents Redevelopment Council, La Asamblea de Derechos-Civiles, Centro de Trabajadores Unidos en la Lucha, Metropolitan Interfaith Council on Affordable Housing
- 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](https://twitter.com/BlueLineExt)
 - Connect with staff:
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METRO BLUE LINE EXTENSION

Route

Stations

Environmental

Timeline

Project Partners

METRO BLUE LINE EXTENSION

Bottineau Transitway – Minneapolis & Northwestern Communities

The METRO Blue Line Extension (LRT) will operate northwest from downtown Minneapolis through north Minneapolis, Golden Valley, Robbinsdale, Crystal and Brooklyn Park, drawing riders northwest of Brooklyn Park. The proposed alignment is primarily at-grade and will have up to 11 new stations in addition to Target Field Station and about 13 miles of double track. The line will interline with the METRO Blue Line and connect Minneapolis and the region's northwest suburbs with existing LRT on the METRO Green Line, future LRT on the METRO Green Line Extension, bus rapid transit on the METRO Red Line, the Northstar commuter rail line and local and express bus routes.

Latest News
Feds: Met Council can begin designing METRO Blue Line Extension

Route
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