

T Transportation Committee

Meeting date: December 12, 2011

Council Meeting: N/A

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date:	December 6, 2011
Subject:	Review Draft Transportation Committee 2012 Work Plan
District(s), Member(s):	All Districts
Policy/Legal Reference:	N/A
Staff Prepared/Presented:	Brian Lamb, General Manager, Metro Transit (612-349-7510) Arlene McCarthy, Director, Metropolitan Transportation Services (651-602-1754)
Division/Department:	Metro Transit and Metropolitan Transportation Services

Proposed Action/Motion

For discussion only. Approval of the 2012 Work Plan will be on the January 9, 2012 Transportation Committee agenda.

Background

Each year the Transportation Committee approves an annual work plan to guide its business and agenda. Staff has prepared a draft Transportation Committee 2012 Work Plan (attached) for review and comment by the committee. Staff will incorporate the committee's comments and prepare a final work plan for consideration by the committee at its next meeting.

The proposed draft work plan includes special projects anticipated to occur in 2012 as well as policy topics both committee members and staff have identified that the committee may consider during the year. Staff has also included routine business and information items that typically come before the committee. The work plan is intended to be a guide to the committee's work that is flexible and can be amended.

A. SPECIAL INITIATIVES / PROJECTS / POLICY TOPICS

Transit System Operations

- Transit Regional Service Improvement Plan (Metro Transit)
- Transit Fare Structure (Metro Transit & MTS)
 - Distance-based fares
 - Peak/Off Peak definitions
 - Transfer Policy
 - Annual Fare System Evaluation
- 2011 Transit Regional Route Performance Analysis (MTS)
- Green Line (Central LRT) Transit Service Study (Metro Transit)
- Minnetonka Transit Study Update (Metro Transit)
- LRT Operations & Maintenance Facility Expansion Update and Tour (Metro Transit)
- LRT Type I Overhaul Update
- Park-and-Ride Update (Metro Transit)
- Support Facility Construction Update
- Advanced Hybrid Bus Design (Metro Transit)

Transportation Planning/MPO

Highways

- RALF Program Reassessment (MTS)
- MnDOT Statewide Multimodal Plan (MTS & MnDOT)
- MnDOT Highway Investment Plan (MTS & MnDOT)
- Congestion Safety and Management Plan (CSMP) Update (MTS & MnDOT)
- Highway Funding, Distribution and Uses (MTS)
- A-Minor Arterial Evaluation Study (MTS)
- Interchange Approval Process (MTS & MnDOT)

Transit

- Regional Transitway Guidelines adoption (MTS)
- APTA Peer Review on 14-year coach bus life (MTS)
- 2012 Guideway Status Report* (MTS)
- 2012 Transportation System Performance Evaluation* (MTS)
- Public Transit Human Services Coordination Plan Update* (MTS)

Transitways

- LRT/BRT System Name and Branding adoption (MTS & Metro Transit)
- Red Line (Cedar Avenue BRT) Implementation/Start-up Plan (MTS)
- Orange Line (I-35W BRT) Update (Metro Transit)
- Northstar Ramsey Station & BNSF Negotiations Update (Metro Transit)
- Midtown Corridor Alternatives Analysis Update (Metro Transit)
- Bottineau Corridor Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) selection/TPP Amendment (MTS)
- Gateway (I-94) Corridor LPA selection/TPP Amendment (MTS)
- Arterial Transitway Corridors Study (Metro Transit)

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Aviation

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Bike and Pedestrian

- Bike Walk Twin Cities Presentation (MTS & TLC)
- Safe Routes to School Project Update/Report (MTS & TLC)
- Regional Bicycle System Master Study (MTS)

Freight

- Metro Freight Study (MTS)

Other

- Travel Behavior Inventory Update (MTS)
- Regional Travel Forecasting Model Update (MTS)
- 2011 Transportation System Performance Evaluation* (MTS)

Funding/Budget

- Regional Solicitation Programming Review Workshop with TAB (MTS)
 - STP- Complete Streets, non-motorized, A-minor arterials
 - CMAQ – TMO, Telework, facilities, vehicle funding
 - Impact of Federal transportation bill on programs
- Federal Transportation Reauthorization (MTS)

Legislative/Governance

- Governor's Transportation Funding Task Force

Transportation-Land Use/Economic Development

- Access to Destinations (joint with Comm. Dev. Cmte)- David Levinson, Mark Filipi (MTS & CD)
- Corridors of Opportunity (joint with Comm. Dev. Cmte) (MTS & CD)
 - Transit Oriented Development
 - Equitable economic development patterns
- Council TOD Funding Program (MTS & CD)
- CoO Program of Transitway Projects (MTS & CTIB)

Research/Innovation

- Center for Transportation Studies Update & Partnerships - Laurie McGinnis (Metro Transit)
- Mileage-based User Fees – MnDOT, John Doan (MTS)
- Telework and eWorkPlace – Adeel Lari and TMO Managers (MTS)
- MnDOT PPP Task Force Recommendations and Report (MTS)
- Itasca Return on Investment (ROI) Study (MTS)

Outreach

- Counties Transit Improvement Board (CTIB)
- Suburban Transit Association (STA)
- Transportation Accessibility Advisory Committee (TAAC)

B. PERIODIC / QUARTERLY UPDATES

- Green Line (Central LRT) - Metro Transit
- Green Line Extension (Southwest LRT) – Metro Transit
 - Freight reroute
 - Maintenance facility(s) siting
- The Minneapolis Interchange – Metro Transit & Hennepin County
- DBE contracting progress report – Wanda Kirkpatrick, Office of Diversity & Equal Opportunity

C. ROUTINE / OVERSIGHT FUNCTIONS (Staff initiated)

Transit System Operations (on-going)

- Approve transit operating contracts/expenditures (service contracts, fuel contracts, marketing contracts, advertising contracts, etc.)
- Approve capital contracts/construction updates (land acquisition, construction, design issues, scoping studies, vehicle purchases, etc)
- Monitor ridership – Quarterly regional ridership reports
- Approve major service level changes
- Technology updates and purchases
- Transit Link dial-a-ride, Metro Mobility and Vanpool briefings
- Fare collection annual evaluation (joint with Metro Transit)

Transportation Budget

- Operating Budget Approval
 - Strategic Discussion: June/July
 - Preliminary Budget Review: July/August
 - Operating Budget Approval: December
- Quarterly Operating Amendments: March/July/October/December
- Capital Budget
 - CIP Review: August-October
 - CIP Approval: December
- Quarterly Capital Amendments: April/July/October/December
- CTIB operating and capital grant applications, consistency finding and execution – Summer/Fall
- RALF Annual Plan – March/April
- MVST performance monitoring

Legislative Program

- Update on Governor's Budget and Bonding recommendations
- On-going Legislative Updates
- Discussion of relevant bills/updates
- Legislative Wrap-Up/Results

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Transportation Planning / MPO Activity

- Regional Solicitation process update and action (MTS)
- 2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Concurrence* (MTS)
- TIP Amendments Concurrence* (MTS)
- Urban Planning Work Program (UPWP) Approval* (MTS)
- MAC Capital Improvement Program Approval* (MTS)

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2012 WORK PLAN - TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
INFORMATION ITEMS

12/8/2011

<u>Month</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Presenter</u>
January 9	Northstar's Ramsey Station Update	Ed Byers
January 9	Arterial Transitway Corridors Study Update	Charles Carlson
January 9	BNSF (Burlington Northern) Agreements Update	Ed Byers
January 9	Southwest Light Rail Transit Update	Mark Fuhrmann
January 23	Regional Service Improvement Plan Update	John Levin
January 23	Light Rail Transit / Bus Rapid Transit System Name and Identity Recommendation	Bruce Howard
January 23	Interchange Project Update	MarySue Abel
January 23	2011 Annual Park-and-Ride Survey	Maurice Roers
February 13	Minnetonka Transit Study Update	Steve Mahowald
February 13	Linden Hills Direct Mail (Example of how we do direct mail)	Bruce Howard
February 13	Year in Review with MTS	John Sigveland
February 13	2012 Capital Amendment	Ed Petrie
February 27	Construction Update of Expansion of Operations & Maintenance Facility	Sheri Gingerich, Pat Jones
February 27	Energy Update for 2011	Pat Jones
March 12	Midtown Corridor Alternatives Analysis Update	Michael Mechtenberg
March 12	State of the Commute Survey Results	Bruce Howard
March 26	I-35W BRT Update	Charles Carlson, Adam Harrington with Engineering & Facilities
March 26	Twins 2012 Promotional Campaign	Bruce Howard
March 26	Central Corridor (Green Line) Light Rail Transit Quarterly Update	Mark Fuhrmann
April 9	Greenride Rideshare Software Demo	Bruce Howard
April 23	Light Rail Type I Overhaul Update	Ed Toomey
May 14		
May 28		
June 11	School Programs and Ridership	Bruce Howard
June 25	Title VI Policies and Analysis	John Levin
June 25	2013 Transportation Operating Budget	Ed Petrie
June 25	Central Corridor (Green Line) Light Rail Transit Quarterly Update	Mark Fuhrmann
July 9	Park-and-Ride Construction Update	Pat Jones
July 23	Advance Hybrid Design for Buses	Jan Homan
July 23	Commuter Challenge Results	Bruce Howard

