

Next Steps *to the* Southwest Transitway

October 28, 2009

A locally driven decision

- Aug 2009 – Open houses held in Hopkins, Minneapolis, Minnetonka, St. Louis Park and Eden Prairie
- Sept. 17 2009 – More than 50 testify at PAC public hearing
- Oct. 20 2009 – HCRRA public hearing

Next steps

- Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) defines the project
- Transition lead from Hennepin County Regional Rail Authority (HCRRA) to Council
- All timelines are estimates and subject to change

Selection process:

Locally Preferred Alternative

- Oct 14 - SW Policy Advisory Committee LPA recommendation
- Nov 3 – Hennepin County RRA LPA recommendation
- Late Nov/Dec – Southwest Transitway Alternatives Analysis summary report
- Jan – Council Cmte of Whole work session
- Feb – Council acts on LPA selection

TPP amendment process

- Feb/Mar – Council sets public hearing
- Mar/Apr/May – Public comment process
- June – Council acts on TPP amendment

Application to enter Preliminary Engineering

- Council leads with Hennepin County RRA
- Prepare and submit PE application
- Capital and operating cost estimates
- Financial plan
- Ridership modeling
- CEI calculation
- Risk assessment
- Management plan
- Land use
- FTA review and negotiation:
6 – 24 months

Other

- Establish Corridor Management Committee
- Complete Draft Environmental Impact Statement (Hennepin County RRA)

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