



Transportation Committee of the Planning Commission

Monday, March 22, 2020, 4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Remote meeting

1. METRO B Line Bus Rapid Transit – Adam Smith (Metro Transit) 30 minutes
2. Minnehaha Ave and Stillwater Road Resurfacing – Fay Simer (MnDOT) 30 minutes

NOTE TO COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: The chair of the Planning Commission has determined that it is not practical nor prudent for the Planning Commission and its Committees to meet in-person or pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 13D.02. In light of the COVID-19 health pandemic, it is not feasible for any member of Transportation Committee to be present at the regular location, and all members of the Transportation Committee will attend this meeting by telephone or other electronic means. It is also not feasible for members of the public to attend the meeting at its regular location due to the health pandemic and emergency. Accordingly, no meeting will be held in the 13th Floor Conference Room in City Hall Annex at 25 W. 4th Street in the City of Saint Paul.

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(612) 315-7905, Phone Conference ID: 983 253 837#

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Upcoming Transportation Committee Meetings

- April 5
- April 19

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Transportation Committee Staff Report for Projects

Committee date: March 22, 2021

Project Name: METRO B Line Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)

Geographic Scope: West Lake Street (Minneapolis) to Downtown St. Paul

Project Contact: Adam Smith, Metro Transit

Project Webpage: www.metrotransit.org/b-line-project

Project Description: New BRT line generally along Lake Street/Marshall Avenue/Selby Avenue, and associated supplementary bus route adjustments

Project Stage & General Timeline:

- Public comment on corridor plan through March 22
- Mid-2021: Metropolitan Council approval of final corridor plan
- 2021-2022: Design of stations and other improvements
- 2023-2024: Construction
- 2024: B Line service begins

Public Hearing Date & Location: n/a

Cost & Primary Funding Source(s): ~\$65 million (to be refined as the project is developed); mix of federal, state, and Metropolitan Council funds.

Transportation Committee Role:

Provide feedback on the corridor plan

Transportation Committee Staff Report for Projects

Committee date: 3.22.21

Project Name: Minnehaha Ave. and Stillwater Road Resurfacing Project

Geographic Scope: Minnehaha Ave. from No. Mendota St. to McKnight; Stillwater Road from McKnight to TH 120

Project Contact: Fay Simer, fay.simer@state.mn.us

Project Webpage: <https://www.dot.state.mn.us/metro/projects/hwy5stpaul-maplewood/index.html>

Project Description: Safety, maintenance and accessibility improvements are needed on Hwy 5/Minnehaha Ave. and Stillwater Rd. in St. Paul and Maplewood. We are planning a project from North Mendota St. to Century Ave. in 2023. The project will include repaving, maintenance, sidewalk repairs, and accessibility for all.

Project Stage & General Timeline: Design initiated; construction planned 2023-2024

Public Hearing Date & Location: Virtual open houses March 18 and March 23

Cost & Primary Funding Source(s): \$10.6M, state and federal funds

Transportation Committee Role:

- Inform project scope & approach implementation Inform design Inform
- Make recommendation

Explanation Designs are initiated. Committee members can review changes planned on the corridor and comment on project elements.