

Southwest Transitway Community Advisory Committee (CAC)

Wednesday, November 7, 2007, 6:00 to 8:00 PM Wolfe Lake Park Professional Building

<u>Agenda</u>

Ι. Introductions 6:00 to 6:30 PM • Public Outreach Overview (presentation) (group discussion) • Review meeting groundrules 11. Presentation: What is a DEIS? 6:30 to 6:45 PM Katie Walker, Southwest Transitway Project Manager (Information) III. Issues Discussion 6:45 to 7:45 PM • Identify Issues for Inclusion in DEIS (group discussion) IV. Open Forum for Non-members 7:45 to 8:00 PM

The next meeting of the Southwest Transitway Community Advisory Committee (CAC) is scheduled for Wednesday, January 2nd from 6:00 to 8:00 PM at the St. Louis Park City Hall.

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Southwest TransitwayCommunity Advisory Committee Meeting Summary

September 26, 2007 St. Louis Park City Hall

Attendees

SW CAC Members and Alternates

Other Attendees

Jeanette Colby, Kenwood Resident Matthew Dahlquist, CIDNA Transit Committee

Staff and Presenters

Katie Walker, Hennepin County Transit Manager Kathie Doty, KLD Consulting Rachel Hefte, U of MN Extension Facilitator

1) Welcome and Introductions

Rachel Hefte (group facilitator) began the meeting by introducing herself and outlining possible meeting ground rules. She asked attendees to introduce themselves and also to indicate which ground rules they felt are most important. After introductions, discussion of ground rules occurred, including the issue of email protocols, use of electronic 'chat rooms', and blogs. A general consensus was reached that, in order to be courteous and to most effectively engage in discussion, members should use the forum of the meeting for discussion of issues and that email should be used mainly to distribute information about upcoming meetings. For other matters, members should email the Hennepin County Project Manager, Katie Walker, and Katie will determine how best to distribute information to the SW CAC members and other interested parties. This and other ground rules will be summarized by Rachel Hefte for review at the next SW CAC meeting.

2) Overview of Recommended LRT Routes

Katie Walker (Southwest Project Manager) showed a video presentation that was prepared at the end of the Alternatives Analysis study showing the outcomes of this study. She then continued the overview of routes that began at the previous SW CAC meeting, describing route and station areas. Members asked questions and asked for clarification on a number of points including: ownership of various parcels; how ridership estimates are calculated; how station locations were selected; and how Park & Ride's were sized; how traffic impacts would affect the need for mitigation including grade separation

Jeanette Colby (guest) asked members to be aware and respectful of the issues that Minneapolis residents face. Art Higinbotham (West Lake St. Station Rep.) asked when the results of a separate Park and Portland study would be presented. Ms. Walker responded that the findings were delayed a few weeks due to City staff and officials being sidetracked by the 35W bridge collapse. She also emphasized that it would not be appropriate to engage in any indepth discussion about a Park and Portland alternative route as part of the SW CAC deliberations since the neighborhoods abutting Park and Portland are not represented on the SW CAC. If it is determined by the SW Policy Advisory Committee and the Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority that a Park and Portland alignment should be added to the next study phase, the SW CAC will be expanded to include community members from that area.

Maria Klein (Opus Station Rep.) asked about whether a tour of the corridor would be planned. Ms. Walker responded that it is somewhat difficult to tour some areas, but some ideas were considered with regard to how a tour might work.

3) Open Forum

No comments were made during the open forum portion of the meeting.

