



Metro Transit C Line Bus Rapid Transit

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Tonight's focus



- Introduce C Line project
- Invite discussion on potential station alternatives near Victory Memorial Parkway





- 8.5 miles from downtown to Brooklyn Center
- Approximately 20 enhanced stations
- Runs in mixed traffic (no separate bus lanes or runningway)
- Pre-boarding fare payment
- Special, 60-foot vehicles
- Transit signal priority
- Faster trip
- \$30-35 million



BRT Features









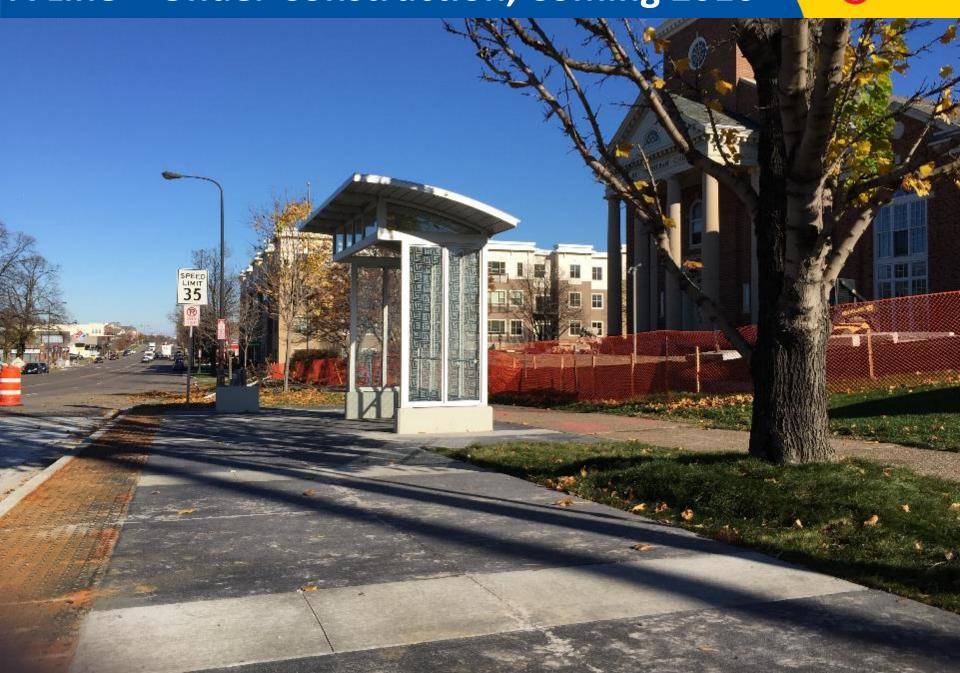






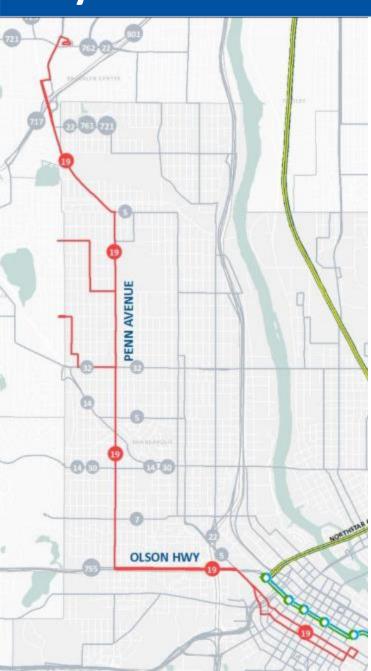






Why C Line and the Penn Avenue corridor?





Route 19:

- 7,600 Weekday Riders
- 7th Highest in Metro Transit System
- **5,000** Saturday Riders
- Carries 1 in 4 people traveling on Penn

Major Challenges:

- Limited infrastructure for customers
- Fare payment & red lights contribute to slow speeds

C Line would substantially replace Route 19



Current C Line Planning





- Currently seeking feedback on draft Station Plan
- Advancing toward design/engineering in 2016
- Targeting construction in 2017 (pending funding availability)



Osseo & Victory Station Area of Interest





Osseo & Victory Area Station Location Alternative A





Osseo & Victory Area Station Location Alternative B





Osseo & Victory Area Station Location Alternative C





Osseo & Victory Area Station Location Alternative D





What have we heard so far?



- Corridor-wide support
- Mixed response both for and against a station in the Osseo and Victory/46th from comments received during current comment period
- Desire to not locate station in front of houses (Alternatives A/B)
- An interest into taking a closer look into the nearthe-parkway options (Alternative C)
- Some desire to not have a station in the Victory neighborhood at all (Alternative D)

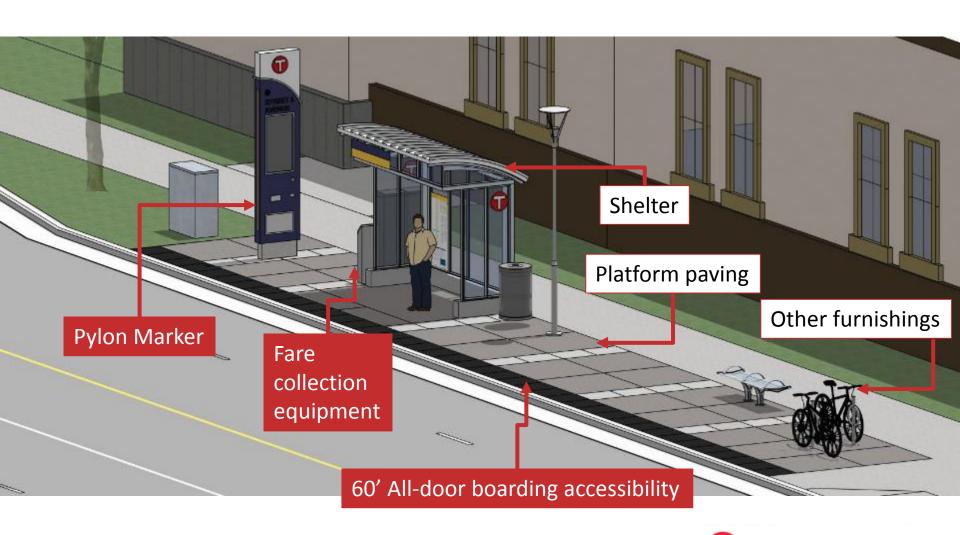






Typical Station







Next Steps & Future Dates



Station Plan Process

- Draft Station Plan comment period runs through December 20
- Recommended Station Plan to be released for public comment in early 2016 before a final approval
- Metropolitan Council approval of Station Plan spring 2016

NEPA / Section 106 Process

- Concurrent NEPA Documented Categorical Exclusion and Section 106 process
- FTA acknowledged MPRB as consulting party in December 2015
- Consultation scheduled to begin in January 2016

