METRO Orange Line
Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)

- Most heavily-traveled express bus corridor
  - 14,000 existing bus riders each weekday on 26 routes
  - Over 26,000 rides by 2040 w/ BRT
  - 210,000 cars a day
  - Past express bus investments

- Who are Orange Line riders?
  - Access to 30,000 suburban jobs
  - Better serves all-day, evening, weekend markets
  - Better serves non-downtown trips, especially to the 494 corridor
Faster, More Frequent BRT Service

• Upgrade and replace Route 535
  • 2,000+ existing daily riders
• 10-minute peak
• 15-minute midday and weekends
• 20 hours/day
• 7 days/week
• Improved connecting service, better suburb-to-suburb connections
BRT Station Components

- Heaters
- Ticket vending machines
- Materials
- Pylon
- LED Lighting
- Real-time signage
I-35W & 98th St Station

NORTHBOUND

- Pylon station marker
- Shelter with heat, light, and seating
- Ticket vending machine
- Real-time arrival information
- Information kiosk
- Bench seating
- Vertical bike parking
- Trash and recycling bins
- Fare card validators
- Textured warning strip and raised curb

SOUTHBOUND

- Bike parking loops
I-35W & 98th St Station

- 98th Street
- I-35W
- Park & Ride
- South Bloomington Transit Center
- Connecting service bus stops
- Walking routes
Survey on location of I-35W & 98th St Station (2013)

Transit riders prioritized:

- easy transfer to other routes
- speed of service to Burnsville
- proximity to the park & ride

Public comment period on station design (2016)

- park & ride is already full
- locations of platform features
- incorporate adequate wayfinding to locate platform
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