What is the purpose of this study?

Metro Transit, in partnership with Hennepin County and the City of Minneapolis, has initiated a transit study to identify possible transit improvements along West Broadway. The West Broadway Transit Study is conducting a collaborative planning process to identify and evaluate potential transit improvements along Washington Avenue and West Broadway Avenue in north Minneapolis and Robbinsdale, including evaluation of potential connections to the planned METRO Blue Line Extension (Bottineau LRT). The study will also evaluate the corridor's market potential for transit-oriented development (TOD). The intended outcome of the study is a recommended locally preferred alternative (LPA) for transit service improvements in the corridor. The modes to be evaluated in the study include street car and bus network enhancements including bus rapid transit (BRT).

How much will transitway investment cost?

Arterial BRT capital costs are estimated at \$40 million

Streetcar capital costs are estimated at \$229 million

How will Ridership be affected?

The potential transitways would carry between 3,900 and 5,000 daily trips in the year 2040.

What are the possible development effects in the corridor?

Depending on the ultimate transit mode of choice, the corridor could see increased development in the range of \$220M-\$640M.

Who contributed to this study and its findings?

Three advisory committees, more than 10 corridor-specific business owners or organizations, policymakers representing Hennepin County and the cities of Minneapolis, Robbinsdale, and Golden Valley, state legislators, and the Metropolitan Council have all provided some level of input and direction for this study. In addition, innovative community engagement efforts have reached over 500 corridor residents as part of an ongoing education and public input initiative.

Moving Forward...

The next phase of public outreach will gather public input to further inform policy makers as they review the findings of the transitway study and give their recommendation.

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2015 MAJOR MILESTONES

- Public input on how to improve transit on West Broadway
- Select up to three alternatives to be studied in detail

Technical analysis

- Share technical analysis findings with the public
- Evaluate alternatives
- Gather public input on locally preferred alternative
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- Selection of locally preferred alternative and completion of the study



Innovative community engagement efforts have been in effect since June 2015 and will continue through December 2015. Efforts have consisted of Bus Stop Outreach activities at various locations in the corridor (above), farmer's markets, Open Streets Lowry, National Night Out (below), and more.



West Broadway Study Area

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