D Line Rapid Bus

Project Planning

Heritage Park Neighborhood Association Information Session

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BRT/Small Starts Project Office
D Line Project Scope

- Substantially replaces Route 5
- 18.2 miles
- Service every 10 minutes, 20-25% faster than Route 5
- Approximately 50 stations
- More comfortable
  - Rapid bus style shelters with heat, light, security features, signage
  - Larger buses
- Improved travel time
  - Pre-boarding fare payment
  - All-door boarding
  - Transit signal priority
- 2030 daily ridership forecast with rapid bus improvements: 23,500
Project Schedule

Preliminary Planning
Inputs include:
- Technical Advisory Committee
- Community Outreach and Engagement
- City of Minneapolis Emerson-Fremont bike-ped project

2016–2017

Planning

Draft Station Plan
Winter 2018

Community Input
Winter 2018

Recommended Station Plan
Spring 2018

Action to Approve Plan
Spring 2018

Approved Station Plan
Summer 2018

Detailed Design & Engineering
2018–2019

Construction (pending full funding)
2020–2021

*Construction schedule pending full project funding
Planning Process Overview

- Planning objective: Approved *D Line Station Plan*
  - What intersection?
  - What intersection quadrant?
  - How was location determined?

- In north Minneapolis, coordination w/ the City of Minneapolis Emerson-Fremont bike-ped improvement project
  - 2018 construction for bike-ped project
• Draft *D Line Station Plan* to be released in early 2018

• Opportunities for public comment on station locations prior to formal approval by the Metropolitan Council (anticipated in summer 2018)
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