

No Rush Line Presentation
Purple Line Transit Advisory Committee

2/28/23

- 1. Introduction and Transit Solutions**
- 2. Nature of the Bruce Vento Trail (BVT)**
- 3. Butterfly presentation**
- 4. Rusty-patch Bumble Bee presentation**
- 5. BVT Beauty**
- 6. Transit Public Safety**
- 7. Surveys**
- 8. Realignment and Legislative Update**
- 9. Closing**

Coalition Activities

- **Over 6000 people have signed online petitions opposing the Purple Line**
- **1500 people have signed our paper petition**
- **Over 100 businesses have signed our petition and oppose the Line**
- **The following cities have passed resolutions or motions stating opposition to the current proposed Purple Line**
 - **City of WBL**
 - **City of Vadnais Heights**
 - **City of Gem Lake**
 - **City of Maplewood**

Transit Solutions

- **Arterial BRT** – a smaller and more flexible version BRT
- **Metro Mobility** – curb to curb service for people in our community who have specialized transit needs
- **New Trax** – a regional transit service that provides regular scheduled routes
- **Transit Link** – a Met Council on-demand service for \$3.50; Uber of Met Council transit
- **Local and Connector Routes** – use existing roadways and are adaptable to changing transit needs
- **Destination Routes** – dedicated transit service that is curb to curb for transit needy employees
- **Metro Transit Micro** – a Met Council service for near home on-demand being piloted by Met Council (“Maplewood My RIDE”?)
- **Mobility4All** – an on-demand single car service that focuses on senior curb-to-curb transit needs

National Experts in Transit

The Director of the American Public Transportation Association:

Post covid transit: “Big picture, we’ll come back differently. We’ll have to adapt to the changes.”

Art Guzzetti – VP of Policy

Mpls StarTribune - Carole Moore - 5/9/21

The Director of the Center for Transportation Studies at the U of MN:

“Transportation choices have been impacted hugely by COVID, across the board. We should think about all of our planned projects in a new way.”

Kyle Shelton – Director

St. Paul Pioneer Press - Bob Shaw - Sun, 10/17/21

The Chairman of the Metropolitan Council:

“We don’t have a clear picture of the long-term future of commuter transit demand and needs.”

Charlie Zelle – Chair Met Council

Mpls StarTribune - Mon, 11/1/21

Legislative Update

Topic	House Bill	Senate Bill	Description	Authors House/Senate
Met Council Board Members Are Elected				
	HF-2092	TBD	Metropolitan Council member election provided	Hornstein/TBD
Accountability				
	HF-1500	SF-1437	Southwest light rail transit project expenditures limited.	Petersburg/Jasinski
	HF-1530	TBD	Municipal approval of guideway plans required, municipalities allowed to revoke approval, and requesting federal funds prohibited until municipal approval is received.	Engen/TBD
	HF -1529	TBD	Responsible authorities for light rail transit projects designated.	Engen/TBD
	HF-1741	TBD	Metro counties required to report on use of transportation sales tax proceeds for guideways.	Engen/TBD
	HF-1663	TBD	Metropolitan Council prohibited from issuing certificates of participation in certain situations, and host counties required to fund specified aspects of guideways	Koznick/TBD
	TBD	SF-1625	Commissioner of Transportation responsible for LRT	Dibble

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Cost-Benefit Analysis Requirement				
	HF-1967	SF-1345	Cost-benefit analysis required for proposed guideways, and report required.	Petersburg/ Jasinski
Use of Alternative Transit Solutions				
	HF-1916	SF-1846	Metro Mobility service area expansion provided, and money appropriated.	Tabke/TBD
	HF-0405	TBD	Microtransit rideshare pilot program established, microtransit rideshare account established, report required, and money appropriated.	Quam/TBD
Study of Post-Covid Transit Needs/Ridership				
	HF-1909	SF-622	Requirement modification of a study on post-COVID pandemic public transportation	Petersburg/ Jasinski

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Safety				
	HF-0697	SF-730	Metropolitan Council requirement to publish monthly ridership numbers and quarterly crime statistics	West/Coleman
	HF-2045	TBD	Transit enforcement governing requirements amended, transit service intervention project established, working group established, and money appropriated	Tabke/TBD