

COMMENT SUMMARY: GOLDEN VALLEY MEETING

Golden Valley Road & Plymouth Avenue station alternatives

KEY MESSAGES

- *Fundamental questions and concerns exist regarding the LRT project and alignment.*
- *Concerns for location of and need for the stations; questions regarding the local benefit of LRT.*
- *Concern for the potential effect on quality of life and the environment – particularly Theodore Wirth Park.*

Ideas & Concerns

- *Concern over project cost & route, viability of the stations, and what would be the local benefit.*
- *Concern over protection of parks and wetlands and the affect on residents' quality of life.*
- *Engage the people affected by these decisions using a variety of methods (like mailings, small groups or going door-to-door) as not everyone can get to meetings.*
- *Walking and biking connections are important, especially in winter.*
- *Suggestions on parking, access and station siting & amenities.*

Challenges for station area planning

- *Providing public transportation options to destinations and services around the region, to downtown, and to jobs, (including commuting to suburbs).*
- *Ensuring safety, (personal, traffic and LRT); and addressing traffic congestion.*
- *Providing trails and sidewalks for bicycles and pedestrians.*
- *Connecting through Theodore Wirth Park.*

Considerations for station area planning

- *Consider parking management strategies, like parking permits for residents; consider park and rides.*
- *Address personal safety concerns with lighting, fences and other measures.*
- *Provide a pleasant travel experience; stations should fit in with community character.*
- *Consider ways to increase social and economic well-being; attract jobs & housing to the community.*
- *Environmental impact of LRT; preserve the environment and protect Theodore Wirth Park.*