

TAC Recommendation

Southwest LRT Technical Advisory Meeting (TAC) MEETING MOTION 09/10/09

Requested TAC Action on LPA Recommendation

To accept the consultant's recommendation that LRT 3A be identified as the preliminary LPA for the Southwest LRT project because based upon the technical analysis it is the alternative that will best meet the Southwest Transitway's purpose and need statement as expressed by the goals of improving mobility, providing a cost-effective and efficient travel option, preserving the environment, protecting quality of life, and supporting economic development.

To forward the recommendation that LRT 3A be identified as the preliminary LPA to the Southwest Policy Advisory Committee (PAC) for their consideration and to solicit public comment.

Amendment #1:

This recommendation is contingent upon the following conditions:

- 1) Hennepin County, St. Louis Park, Minneapolis, TCW and Mn/DOT will work cooperatively to identify impacts, mitigation requirements, and mitigation funding options to address the potential of rerouting freight rail.
- 2) Develop a plan of action to address this issue in a parallel process with the SW LRT DEIS.
- 3) Identify the freight rail issue and impacts as a part of the "secondary and cumulative impacts" in the DEIS

Amendment #2

That the regional trail operated by TPRD (Three Rivers Parks District) and the City of Minneapolis in the 3A corridor, as an important transportation link in the region, be addressed in the project development process as to design, funding and construction as a separate disconnected action.

Amendment #3

The region continue to explore the development of the Midtown Corridor as a transit connection between SW LRT and HLRT.