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DATE: August 28, 2014
TO: Planning Commission
FROM: Bill Dermody, City Planner
RE: Gateway Corridor Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA)

ISSUE

The City of Saint Paul is requested to take action to support the Gateway Corridor Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA).

BACKGROUND

The Transportation Committee suggested that a simple timeline and description of the actions taken be distilled from the Washington County Regional Rail Authority presentation and provided to the Planning Commission. That is the purpose of this memo. The full WCRRA presentation is also attached as reference.

The LPA falls within the broader Gateway Corridor study and development process as follows:



With regard to the LPA itself, the following is a general timeline for action:

- July 24 Gateway Corridor Commission made its preliminary LPA decision: Dedicated BRT on alignment A-B-C-D2-E2, generally following I-94
- August 7 GCC held its public hearing (at Conway Recreation Center)
- August 25 Transportation Committee made recommendation to support LPA

September 5 Planning Commission recommendation on draft LPA resolution

Sept. 17 or 24 City Council action on LPA resolution

The LPA is a preliminary indication of local government preferences. Final municipal consent is scheduled for consideration in approximately 2016.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Transportation Committee recommends that the Planning Commission recommend approval of the attached draft City Council resolution of support for the LPA, which is Dedicated BRT on the A-B-C-D2-E2 alignment.

Attachments

1. Draft LPA resolution of support
2. TC staff report
3. WCRRA presentation