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SAINT PAUL CITY COUNCIL

RUSH LINE BRT 15 PERCENT PLANS

Adopted Locally Preferred Alternative



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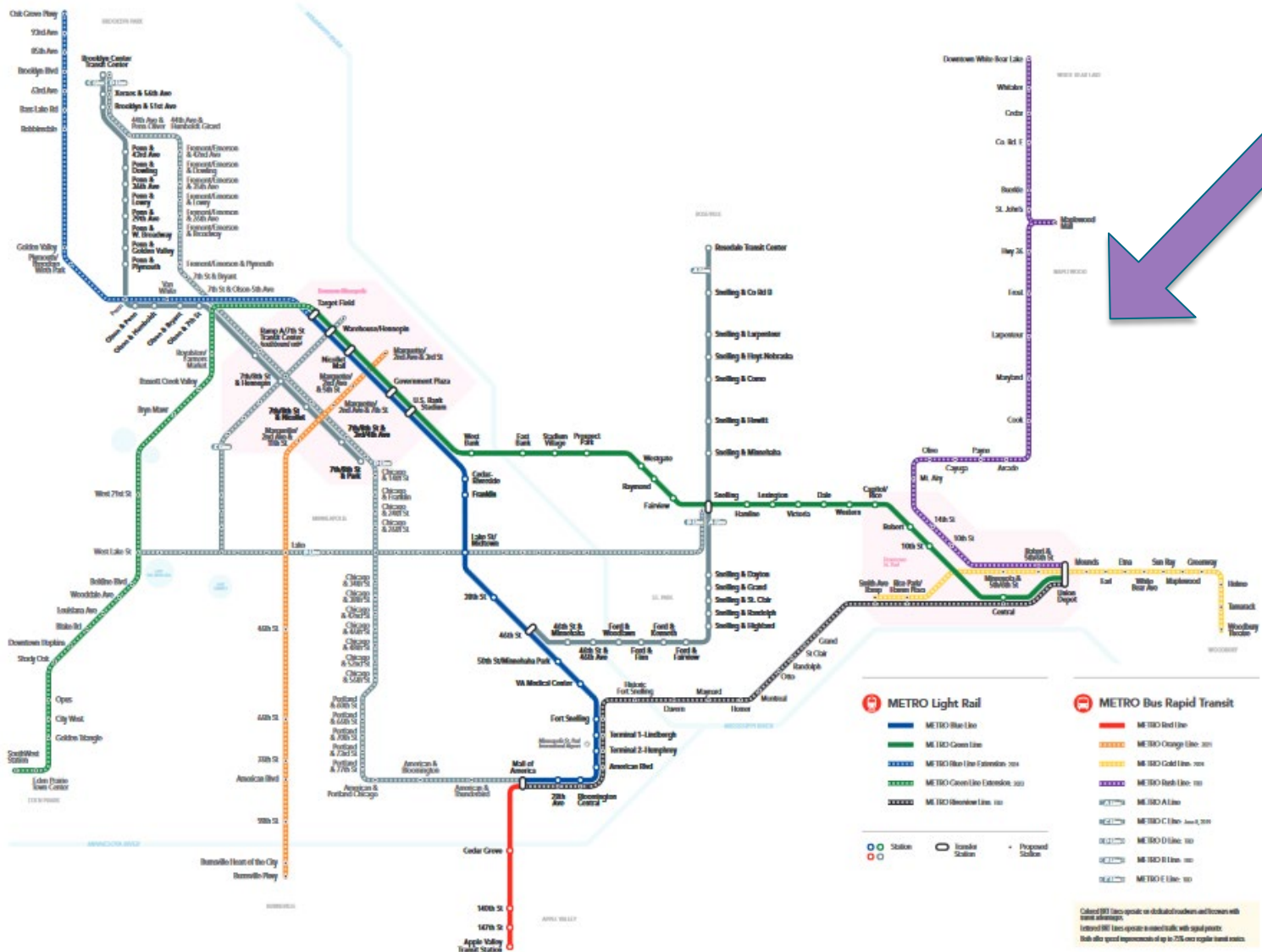
- Dedicated guideway BRT.
- Phalen Boulevard and Robert Street into downtown Saint Paul.
- Ramsey County rail right-of-way (shared with Bruce Vento Regional Trail).
- Highway 61 north of I-694 into White Bear Lake.
- Explore future connections to Hugo and Forest Lake and other system improvements.



Future Rapid Transit Network



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What is Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)

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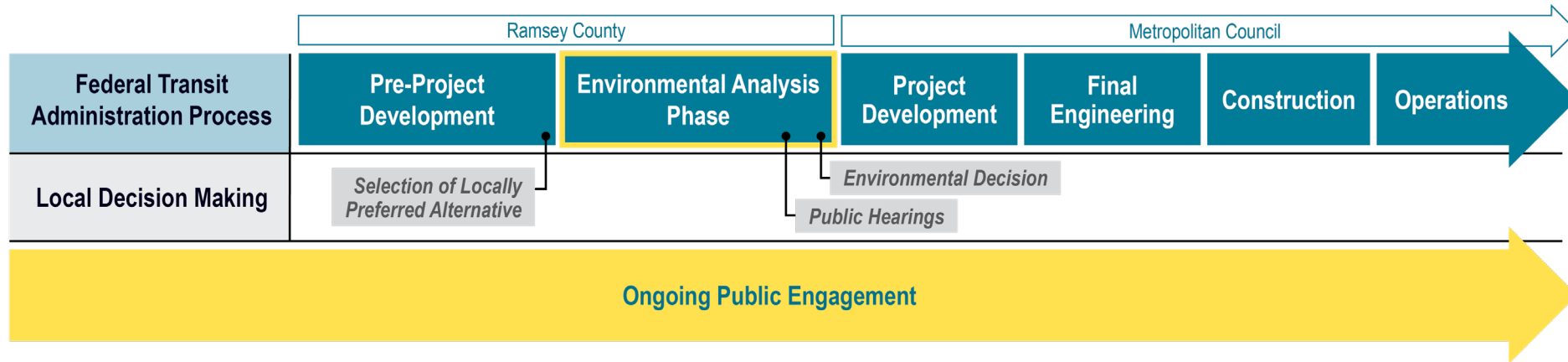


METRO Orange Line BRT I-35W & Burnsville Parkway station

- High-quality service.
- Modern buses.
- Upgraded stations.

Transitway Development Process

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- Environmental analysis (2018-2021) phase key tasks:
 - Environmental Assessment.
 - Preliminary engineering.
 - Preliminary station area planning.
 - Public engagement.
- Saint Paul represented on project advisory committees and through extensive staff coordination.

Public Engagement

- More than 170 public engagement events since 2018.
 - Thousands of people of diverse backgrounds engaged.
- Examples of how public input shaped project in Saint Paul:
 - Addition of Cook Avenue station.
 - Adjustment of Arcade Street station location and routing.
 - Preservation of some parking along Robert Street.
 - Development of Ramsey County Rail Right-of-Way Design Guide.

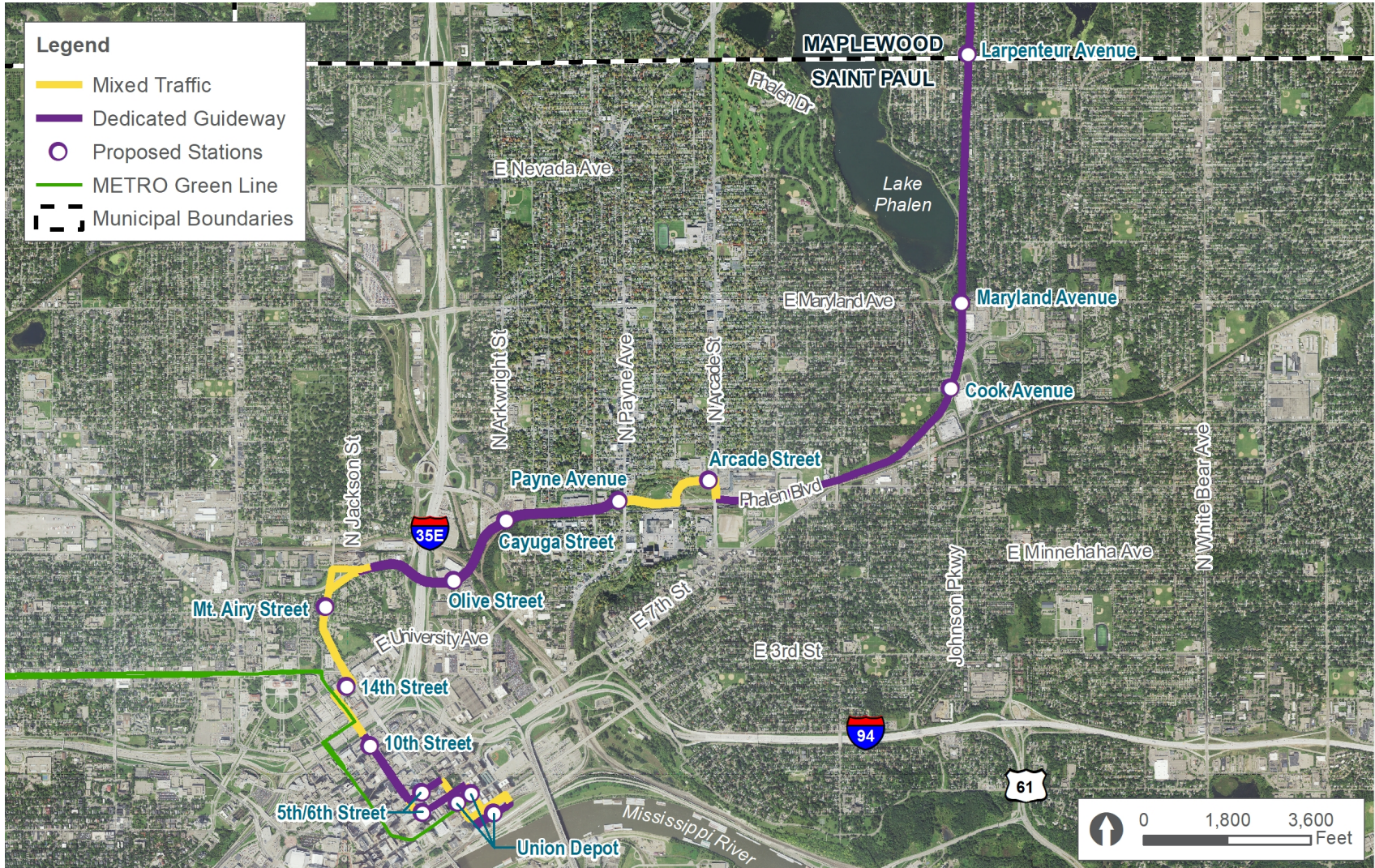


Speaking to customers at Hmong Village in 2019.

Rush Line BRT Project in Saint Paul



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15% Plans

- Define station locations.
- Depict transit guideway treatment.
- Indicate traffic signal locations.
- Identify bridge and underpass locations.
- Include sidewalk improvements to fill gaps at station locations.
- Establish potential locations for stormwater treatment.

Next Steps

- Ongoing coordination with City of Saint Paul and other project partners.
- December 2020: Publication of Environmental Assessment for public comment.
- 2021: Project transition to Metropolitan Council/Metro Transit.
- 2021-2023: Advanced station area planning.
- 2021-2024: Final engineering.
- 2024-2026: Construction.
- 2026: Bus rapid transit service begins.



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