



LOCALLY PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE

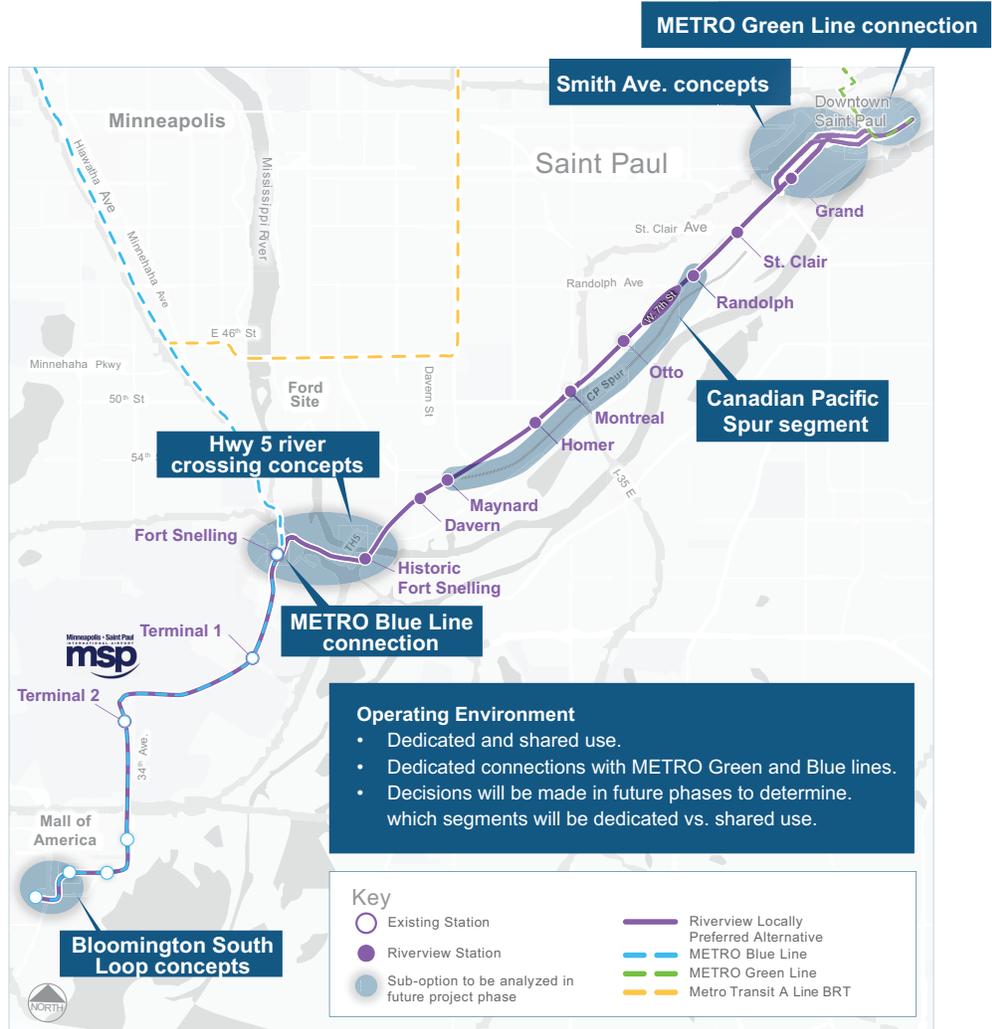
Modern Streetcar

W. 7th - Hwy 5/Fort Snelling
Saint Paul – Bloomington, Minnesota

The Riverview Corridor connects neighborhoods, historic districts, businesses, thriving commercial districts and downtown Saint Paul to the regional transportation network. It includes Union Depot and Lowertown, downtown Saint Paul, Seven Corners, West 7th and Highland Park neighborhoods, Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport, Bloomington's South Loop and the Mall of America.

The Riverview Corridor Policy Advisory Committee approved a modern streetcar route along West 7th Street as the Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) in 2017. The LPA was adopted by the Metropolitan Council into the region's Transportation Policy Plan in 2019.

The new modern streetcar line will share segments of track, stations and other infrastructure with existing METRO Blue and Green light rail lines and also connect to planned Bus Rapid Transit corridors serving the Twin Cities East Metro area.



Key characteristics of Riverview locally preferred alternative to be updated during the Engineering and Pre-Environmental Phase

<p>ROUTE LENGTH</p> <p>11.7 miles</p>	<p>TOTAL NUMBER OF STATIONS</p> <p>20</p>	<p>TRAVEL TIME</p> <p>44 min.</p>	<p>2040 DAILY RIDERSHIP</p> <p>Total 20,400 Transit-dependent 4,600 New Riders 2,700</p>	<p>ESTIMATED CAPITAL COST (2029\$)</p> <p>\$2.066B</p>	<p>OPERATION & MAINTENANCE COST (2027\$)</p> <p>\$35M per year</p>
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Engineering and Pre-Environmental Phase

The Engineering and Pre-Environmental Phase of the project began in October 2020 and will continue through 2023. Key tasks include refining the locally preferred alternative to develop the optimized modern streetcar alternative as well as a best bus alternative, evaluating the impacts and benefits to cultural and environmental resources, preparing station area plans for adoption by the Saint Paul Planning Commission and developing a streetscape improvement plan for W. 7th Street.

Community Engagement

Meaningful community engagement is critical to informed decision making and building trust among residents and business owners. Ramsey County is committed to continue public engagement through the Engineering and Pre-Environmental analysis and design process.

Next steps

The Engineering and Pre-Environmental Phase of the project begins October 2020 and continues through 2023. This phase will examine impacts and gather detailed information to inform the project's preliminary design.

Federal Transit Administration Process

