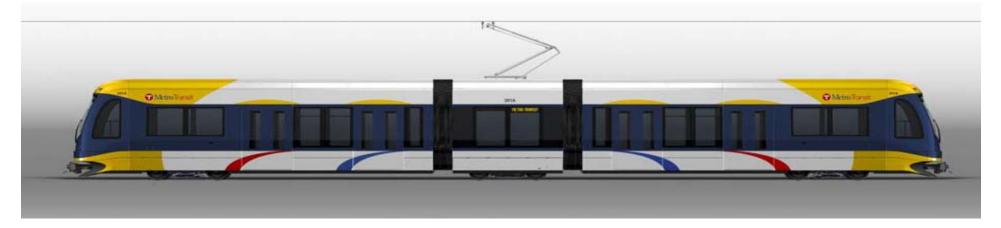
# **Southwest Light Rail** (Green Line Extension)



### **Community Works Steering Committee**

January 19, 2012





#### **SWLRT** Phases

2013

2014



- 2002 2005 Feasibility Studies
- 2005 2010 Alternatives Analysis
- 2010 2011 Pre-Preliminary Engineering
- **2011 2013 Preliminary Engineering** 
  - Record of Decision (ROD)
- 2013 2014 Final Design
  - Full Funding Grant Agreement
- 2014 2017 Construction
- 2018 Revenue Operation

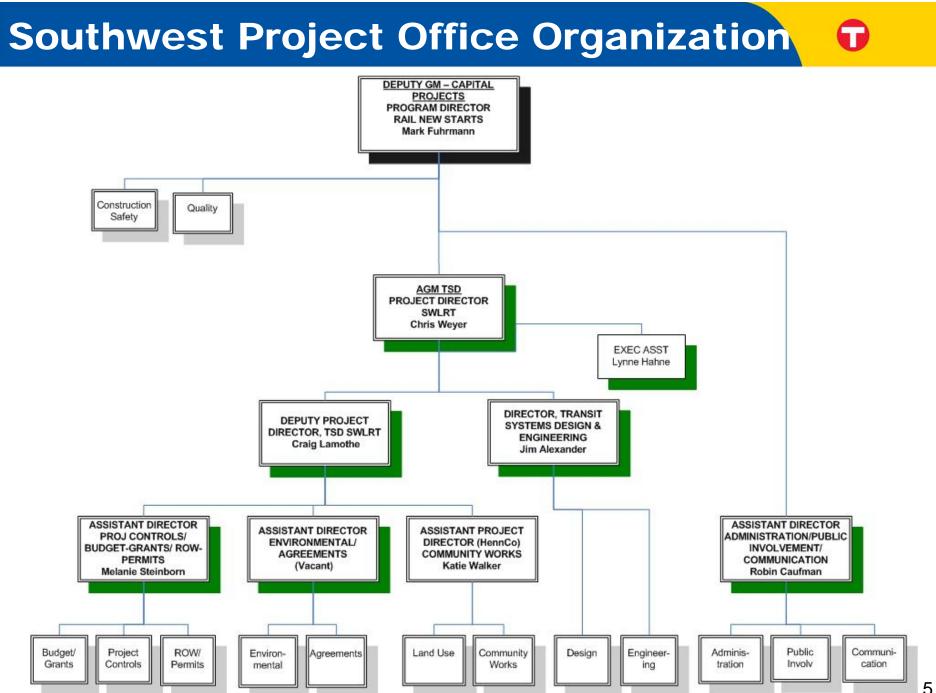
### Six Month Look Ahead

- Evaluate Engineering Services Consultant Early 2012 Proposals
- Award contract for Engineering Services March 2012 Consultant
- Begin Preliminary Survey & Geotechnical April 2012 and Other Investigations
- Move into Permanent Southwest Q2 2012
  Project Office

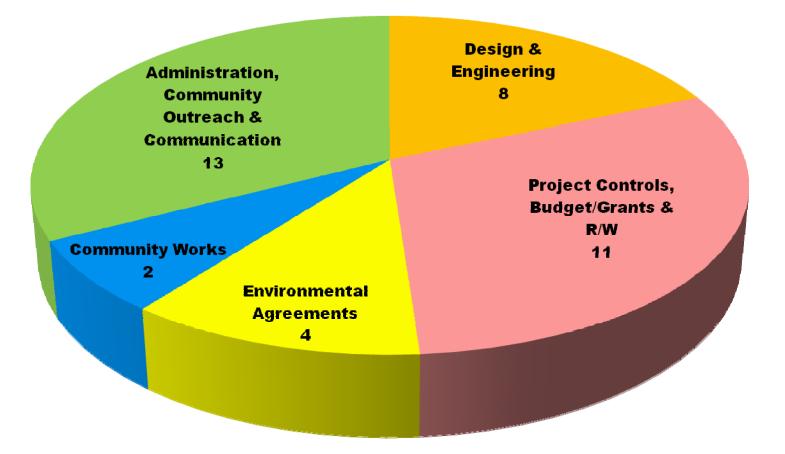
### **Project Office Staff**



- 6 positions filled; 1 position posted
- Managers and professional/technical staff needed to:
  - Support functional areas during PE
  - Satisfy FTA technical capacity requirement



## SWLRT Project Office Staff Needs for **RE**



#### **38 New FTEs**

# Background



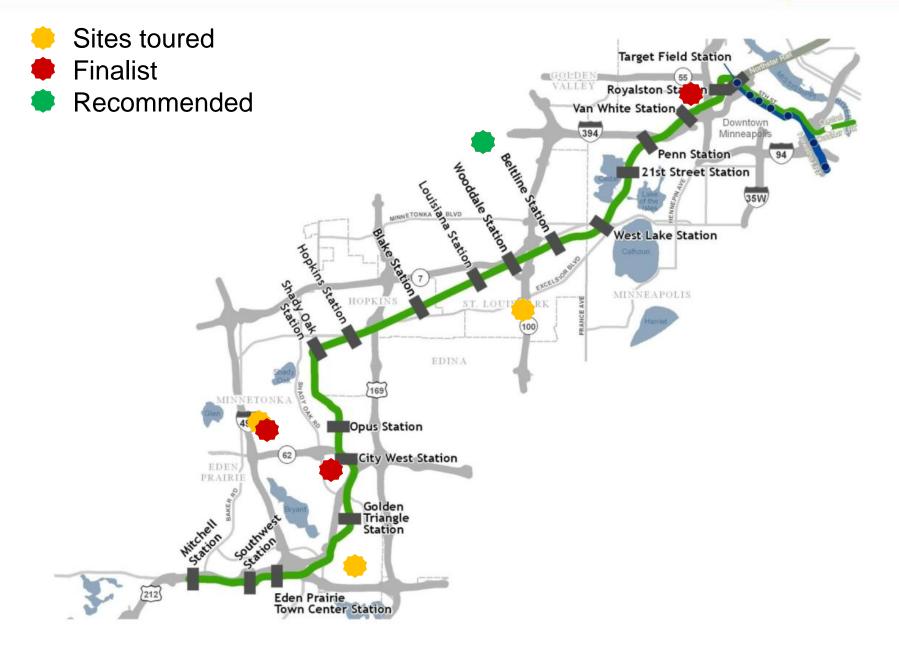
- Permanent Project Office needed by Q2 2012
- 28,000 total square feet needed for anticipated peak staff count of 140 staff
- Mobilization planned in two phases:
  - Phase One during PE (2012-13)
    - 110 to 120 staff
    - 20,000 sq. ft. (approximate)
  - Phase Two initiated by Final Design in 2014
    - Additional 20 to 30 staff
    - Additional 8,000 sq. ft. (approximate)

# Preferred Office Space Attributes

- 25,000 to 28,000 usable square feet
- Accessible to public (visible, available parking, near bus routes)
- Fiber optic connection
- Stable building ownership; responsive onsite management
- Competitive lease terms

## **Sites Toured**

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# Rationale



- Organizational benefits of co-locating with consultants
  - Increases collaboration and coordination for resolution of complex design issues
- Cost avoidance benefits of co-locating with consultants
  - Significantly reduces consultant office overhead rates by providing space for consultant staff in the project office
  - Estimated at \$3.8 million in first two years; \$15.7 million over seven years

## Lease Terms



- Terms
  - 3/1/12 to 7/31/19
  - Gross free rent for the first five months (3/1/2012 to 7/31/2012)
  - 50% gross free rent for the next 12 months (8/1/2012 to 7/31/2013)
  - Tenant improvement allowance of \$12 psf (\$263,436)
  - Termination option after third year with notice

## **Recommended Site**

#### Location: Park Place West, 6465 Wayzata Blvd., St. Louis Park

