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Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) Selection Process

In 2010 the Metropolitan Council will finalize the locally preferred alternative (LPA) selection process for the Southwest Transitway by amending the regional <u>Transportation Policy Plan</u> (TPP).

The TPP amendment process will begin with a briefing on the Southwest Transitway to the <u>Metropolitan Council Committee of the Whole</u> on Wednesday, January 20. Council members will have approximately one month to review background information on the Southwest Transitway before they meet again on Wednesday, February 24, to select the LPA, open the amendment to public comment, and set a public hearing on the amendment.

The public hearing will be held on Monday, April 12, and the public comment period will end on Thursday, April 22. The Council will meet on Wednesday, May 12, to formally amend the TPP, completing the LPA selection process for the Southwest Transitway.

In sum:

- January 20, 2010 -- Metropolitan Council Committee of the Whole meeting: briefing on Southwest LRT project development and planning to date.
- February 24, 2010 -- Metropolitan Council Committee of the Whole meeting: LPA selection, public comment period open, public hearing set.
- April 12, 2010 -- Public Hearing on Transportation Policy Plan amendment.
- April 22, 2010 -- Public comment period closed.
- May 12, 2010 -- Metropolitan Council Committee of the Whole meeting: Transportation Policy Plan amended to show Southwest Transitway LPA.

Meeting times and locations can be found on the Metropolitan Council's website at: <u>http://www.metrocouncil.org/meetings/Calendar.htm</u>

Questions on the TPP amendment process can be directed to the Metropolitan Council at 651-602-1000. <u>www.metrocouncil.org</u>