



## Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of Public Works

**Date:** October 11, 2011

**To:** Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee

**Subject:** **Metro Transit Arterial Transitway Corridors Study**

**Recommendation:**

Receive and file presentation by Metro Transit staff on the Arterial Transitway Corridors Study.

**Previous Directives:**

None

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| <b>Reviews:</b> | Permanent Review Committee (PRC):     | Not Applicable |
|                 | Civil Rights Affirmative Action Plan: | Not Applicable |
|                 | Policy Review Group (PRG):            | Not Applicable |

**Financial Impact**

No financial impact

**Community Impact**

Neighborhood Notification: Not applicable  
City Goals: CONNECTED COMMUNITIES  
Comprehensive Plan: Improving the quality of transit service on the Primary Transit Network is consistent with the transportation goals in the Comprehensive Plan.  
Zoning Code: Not Applicable

**Background/Supporting Information**

Metro Transit initiated the Arterial Transitway Corridors Study in 2011. The purpose of the study is to develop a facility and service plan to enhance efficiency, speed, reliability, customer amenities and transit market competitiveness on high demand local bus corridors identified in the Metropolitan Council's Transportation Policy Plan for Arterial Bus Rapid Transit. Seven of the eleven corridors included in the study serve Minneapolis, including: Lake Street, Central Avenue, West Broadway, Hennepin Avenue, Nicollet Avenue, and Chicago Avenue. All of the

Minneapolis corridors are also part of the City's long-term streetcar network. The eleven corridors are shown in the attached map.

Metro Transit will be hosting a series of public meetings on the study this week as follows:

- October 11, 6-8pm - Metro State University (St. Paul)
- October 12, 6-8pm - Midtown Exchange (South Minneapolis)
- October 13, 11am-1pm - Central Library (Downtown Minneapolis)

A second round of public meetings is planned for January 2012 with the study results.

More information on the project is available online: <http://www.metrotransit.org/arterial-study.aspx>.

At the October 11 Transportation & Public Works meeting, Metro Transit staff will introduce the study and preliminary findings.

