



APPENDIX H. PROPERTY IMPACTS NOTICES



Purple Line

121 7th Place E, Suite 102
St. Paul, MN 55101

October 1, 2024

«Name»

«MailAddress»

«MailCityState»

You are receiving this letter because you own or rent property that may be impacted by a public transit and roadway project on «MainStreet». The Metropolitan Council, along with Ramsey County, is implementing the METRO Purple Line Bus Rapid Transit project, which is studying a route alternative along Maryland and White Bear avenues, from Phalen Boulevard toward the Maplewood Mall area (called the “White Bear Ave Corridor”).

Project staff are evaluating a new center-running bus lanes design option in the Saint Paul section of the White Bear Ave Corridor, on Maryland and White Bear avenues (shown on the map on the next page). This design option could impact your property.

Your property at «SiteAddress» could be impacted in the following way: «Impact_Description». This impact is due to a «Type_of_Impact».

These impacts are only proposed. The actual impact will depend on the final route and design decision, which are subject to change. The project is considering two other design options that are not anticipated to permanently impact your property.

To schedule a meeting to learn more about how the Purple Line may impact your property and to share feedback, please fill out your contact information and comment on the enclosed pre-paid postcard then mail it back or submit your contact information online by scanning the QR code below.

Project staff are seeking public feedback on design options in the White Bear Ave Corridor and on the preferred Purple Line route through August 30. You are invited attend in-person and/or virtual meetings occurring in July and August to learn more (see enclosed flyer for details).

For more information about the project and upcoming engagement events, visit the project website at metrotransit.org/purple-line-project. For other questions, please contact Colin Owens at colin.owens@metrotransit.org or by phone at (612) 618-0495.

Sincerely,

Purple Line Project Team

Fill out the comment form
online by scanning this
QR code:



Map showing the Saint Paul section of the White Bear Ave Corridor (along Maryland and White Bear avenues)



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[Name Field]

[Mailing Street Address (and Unit Number) Field]

[City, State, Zip Field]

You are receiving this letter because you own or live at property that may be impacted by a public transit and roadway project on [Main Street Field]. The Metropolitan Council, along with Ramsey County, is implementing the METRO Purple Line Bus Rapid Transit project, which is studying a route alternative along Maryland and White Bear avenues, from Phalen Boulevard toward the Maplewood Mall area (called the “White Bear Ave Corridor”). Project staff are evaluating concept designs for the White Bear Ave Corridor that deliver high-quality reliable transit service, improve safety for all travelers, and meet requirements necessary to receive federal funding.

Efforts to improve safety and transit service along the corridor include adding new medians at unsignalized intersections. Medians can improve transit operations by reducing conflicts between buses and general vehicle traffic. Medians can improve pedestrian crossings by visibly marking the crosswalk for drivers and helping pedestrians cross one direction of traffic at a time. Medians can improve traffic safety by restricting left-turn and through movements across a busy road.

October 2023 through February 2024, project staff evaluated two design options for side-running bus lanes in the Saint Paul section of the White Bear Ave Corridor (shown by the dashed and purple line in the map on the next page). Staff added several medians at that time and notified the impacted properties in February 2024 (these properties are shown in solid and black lines on the following page).

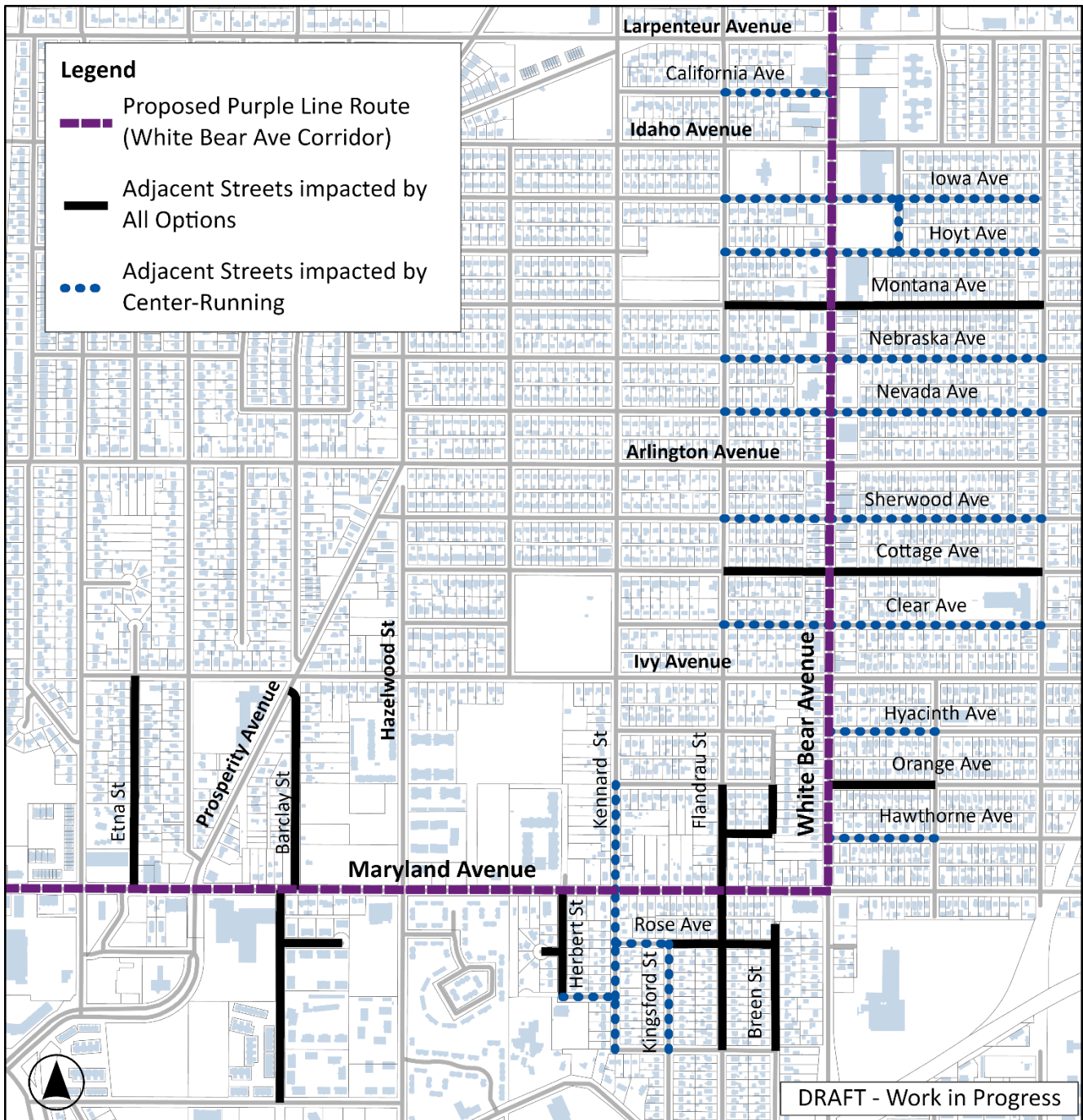
Project staff are now evaluating a new design option for center-running bus lanes. This design option includes more medians to improve transit operations and traffic safety. A new median is proposed at [Median Intersection Field] that would restrict left-turns onto and from [Restricted Movement Field]. New medians proposed in the center-running bus lanes design are shown in dotted and blue lines. The center-running bus lanes design also includes the medians included in the February 2024 notification.

These impacts are only proposed. The actual impact will depend on final route and engineering decisions, which are subject to change. Project staff are seeking public feedback on this transit design option. We would like to invite you to attend in-person and/or virtual meetings occurring in July and August (see enclosed flyer for meeting details). For more information about the project, visit the project website at metrotransit.org/purple-line-project.

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RE: Update on Purple Line property impacts

Hello [Name],

I'd like to provide an update on the Purple Line Bus Rapid Transit project. Purple Line staff are evaluating a new design option in the Saint Paul section of the White Bear Ave Corridor (along Maryland and White Bear avenues) that changes how your property could be impacted.

Purple Line staff are now evaluating a new center-running bus lanes design option that has additional impacts along Maryland and White Bear avenues in St. Paul, compared to the other two options that we presented earlier this year (and during community meetings in March and April 2024).

[Insert tailored message about property/talking points]

We are seeking public feedback on this center-running option. We are also beginning to seek feedback on the preferred Purple Line route. Feedback for both topics will be accepted through August 30.

If you would like to further discuss these potential impacts to your property, please contact me via phone or email to schedule a meeting. We'd be happy to talk through potential impacts and take your feedback during an in-person or virtual meeting.

[Email Sign-Off]

Talking points for each property

West Side Hebrew Cemetery Mark Silverberg

We presented options last time we met that would impacts to the corner of your property at Hazelwood and Maryland. The new center-running options increases the amount of impact to that corner of the cemetery. We also discussed putting a median on Maryland at Barclay St, the median remains in this option.

Saint Paul Fire Station No. 9 Jeramiah Melquist (Assistant Chief of Operations)

We may want to proactively schedule a meeting to walk through the center-running design. Would not recommend meeting with the entire fire house again.

1765 Maryland Residence Barbara (and Don) Orr – *Needs phone call (visually impaired)*

We talked through two options last time we talked that would both place a bus rapid transit platform in front of your house and close your driveway. This new center-running option maintains your driveway access and moves the bus platform closer to Flandrau. This new option does include a median in the middle of Maryland that would prevent left-turns into and out of your driveway.

Car-X Tire & Auto _____ John – *Probably needs phone call/voicemail, we did not talk much last time. (i.e., “whatever you’re proposing, I’m going to fight it”).*

The options we previously studies would close your driveway on Maryland for a new bus rapid transit platform. This new center-running option moves the location of the driveway and maintains your driveway on Maryland but includes a new median that prevents left-turns into and out of the driveway.

Pappy’s Chicago Style Eatery Alex Aqel (owner of Pappy's)

The options we presented last time we talked both closed your driveway on White Bear Ave for a new bus rapid transit platform. This new center-running option maintains your driveway on White Bear Ave because the bus platform is moved west on Maryland. This option does include a Median that will prevent left-turns into and out of the White Bear Ave driveway. There could also be additional impacts to the edge of your property along White Bear Ave caused by rebuilding the sidewalk.

House of Clocks _____ Julie Bandemer (Spoke with Julie, store manager; Bob Tuerk is the owner)

The options we presented last time we talked placed a bus rapid transit platform in front of your building, adjacent to the sidewalk. The new center-running option places in the bus platform toward the center of the roadway, across one lane of traffic. However, this option has a wider cross section at this intersection and so the sidewalk could move with 5 to 10 feet from the front door of your building.

Hayden Heights Library _____ Jennifer Brannen (Library Director)

We may want to proactively schedule a meeting to walk through the center-running design. This option keeps their driveway open but impacts their design plans in the front of their building.

Small Strip Mall (next to Library) _____ Houa Yang – Probably needs phone call

This new center-running option does not change the level of impact to your property. We could impact your building sign on White Bear Ave to relocate the sidewalk.

Sherwood Lounge _____ Colleen Humphreys (Business Owner) – *recommend emailing Colleen and Dang together; they will surely check-in with each other after receiving word.*

The new center-running option could have the same impact as Two Side-Running option we talked through last time we talked. Both of these options could impact your patio.

RCKT Tattoo Arts _____ Mark Stelmach (Goes by Dang, Owner) – *Dang attended both community meetings last Spring and is advocating for PL in the BVT Corridor to prevent disruption to businesses.*

The new center-running option could have the same impact as Two Side-Running option we talked through last time we talked. Both of these options could impact the edge of your property along White Bear Ave to relocate the sidewalk.

Date: 06/07/2024

To: Purple Line City and County Staff

From: Craig Lamothe, Project Manager, Purple Line BRT

RE: Purple Line BRT Property Impacts Engagement – Center-Running in Saint Paul

This memo is to inform Ramsey County and Saint Paul staff how and when Purple Line staff will engage with properties in the Saint Paul section of the White Bear Avenue Corridor that are impacted by the new center-running option. Purple Line staff will engage “high priority properties” that have impacts to access, parking, or other property components from stations or right-of-way expansion. The extent of property impacts is not fully known; however, Purple Line staff plan to notify these properties to start a discussion about what the impact would mean for the property and the project. We plan to engage these properties prior to broader public engagement and community meetings regarding the center-running option later this summer.

We are sharing this list of properties to request any relevant background information that may inform our engagement (e.g., concurrent property coordination with city staff, city history with the property). Please provide feedback on these properties at your earliest convenience via email or during a project meeting.

We plan to begin contacting these properties next week to schedule discussions in June and July. Purple Line staff will set up one-on-one meetings with these property owners to share project information and a close-up plan view of potential property impacts. Any properties that we previously engaged related to impacts from the other Saint Paul options but have additional impacts from the center-running option will be notified via email or phone. The broader public engagement period is scheduled to begin July 8.

Table 1 list the high priority properties in Saint Paul impacted by the center-running option. Figure 1 and 2 illustrate the locations of the high priority properties in Saint Paul.

Table 1: High Priority Properties in Saint Paul due to Center-Running Option

Property Name	Property Address:	Description of Impacts:
Nengshy Plaza	1361 Maryland Ave E	Impact to parking (from station platform)
West Side Hebrew Cemetery	1216 Barclay St	Impact to edge of property & fence (from station platform)
Residence	1514 Maryland Ave E	Impact to edge of property (from station platform)
East Saint Paul Armory	1530 Maryland Ave E	Impact to edge of property (from station platform)
Sana's Market	1541 Maryland Ave E	Impact to edge of property (from station platform)

Property Name	Property Address:	Description of Impacts:
Roosevelt Townhomes	1544 Maryland Ave E	Impact to edge of property (from station platform)
Residence	1709 Maryland Ave E	Impact to retaining wall and edge of property (from station platform)
Residence	1711 Maryland Ave E	Impact to retaining wall and edge of property (from station platform)
Residence	1715 Maryland Ave E	Impact to edge of property (from station platform)
Residence	1666 Maryland Ave E	Impact to retaining wall and edge of property (from median)
Residence	1670 Maryland Ave E	Impact to retaining wall and edge of property (from median)
Residence	1690 Maryland Ave E	Impact to edge of property (from station platform)
Residence	1692 Maryland Ave E	Impact to edge of property (from station platform)
Residence	1696 Maryland Ave E	Impact to edge of property (from station platform)
Residence	1700 Maryland Ave E	Impact to edge of property (from station platform)
Residence	1704 Maryland Ave E	Impact to edge of property (from station platform)
Residence	1706 Maryland Ave E	Impact to edge of property (from station platform)
Residence	1710 Maryland Ave E	Impact to edge of property (from station platform)
Residence	1716 Maryland Ave E	Impact to retaining wall and edge of property (from station platform)
Residence	1722 Maryland Ave E	Impact to retaining wall and edge of property (from station platform)
Residence	1726 Maryland Ave E	Impact to edge of property (from station platform)
Residence	1732 Maryland Ave E	Impact to edge of property (from station platform)
Residence	1734 Maryland Ave E	Impact to edge of property (from station platform)
Residence	1738 Maryland Ave E	Impact to edge of property & fence (from station platform)
Residence	1721 Maryland Ave E	Impact to edge of property (from station platform)
Residence	1727 Maryland Ave E	Impact to edge of property (from station platform)
Residence	1731 Maryland Ave E	Impact to edge of property (from station platform)
Residence	1733 Maryland Ave E	Impact to edge of property (from station platform)
Hazel Park Heights Condos	1776 Maryland Ave E	Impact to edge of property (from left turn lane)
Car-X Tire and Auto	1201 White Bear Ave N	Impact to access & property perimeter (from left turn lane)
Pappy's Chicago Style Eatery	1783 Maryland Ave E	Impact to access & parking (from left turn lane)
Residence	1307 White Bear Ave N	Impact to edge of property (from median)
Residence	1311 White Bear Ave N	Impact to edge of property (from median)

Property Name	Property Address:	Description of Impacts:
Sandeen's Scandinavian Gifts	1315 White Bear Ave N	Impact to edge of property (from median)
All Tech Automotive	1314 White Bear Ave N	Impact to canopy (from potential left turn lane)
Capital Brokerage/Day 2 Day Tobacco	1321 White Bear Ave N	Impact to building (from median and potential left-turn)
Life Care Animal Hospital	1328 White Bear Ave N	Impact to building (from potential left turn lane)
Residence	1330 White Bear Ave N	Impact to building (from potential left turn lane)
1335 White Bear Avenue North LLC	1335 White Bear Ave N	Impact to edge of property & fence (from potential left turn lane)
Midas	1415 White Bear Ave N	Impact to access & parking (from station platform)
Residence	1423 White Bear Ave N	Impact to edge of property (from station platform)
Residence	1427 White Bear Ave N	Impact to edge of property (from station platform)
House of Clocks	1435 White Bear Ave N	Impact to edge of property (from station platform)
It's A-Wrap Hair Studio	1410 White Bear Ave N	Impact to edge of property (from station platform)
Sherwood Lounge	1414 White Bear Ave N	Impact to patio (from station platform)
RCKT Tattoo Arts	1424 White Bear Ave N	Impact to edge of property (from station platform)
Residence	1432 White Bear Ave N	Impact to edge of property (from station platform)
Sherwood Lounge Parking lot	1440 White Bear Ave N	Impact to parking (from station platform)
Residence	1445 White Bear Ave N	Impact to edge of property (from station platform)
Residence	1447 White Bear Ave N	Impact to edge of property (from station platform)
Residence	1455 White Bear Ave N	Impact to edge of property (from station platform)
Residence	1459 White Bear Ave N	Impact to edge of property (from station platform)
Residence	1465 White Bear Ave N	Impact to edge of property (from station platform)
Shear Elegance Pet Grooming	1469 White Bear Ave N	Impact to edge of property (from station platform)
Business Center	1781 Arlington Ave E	Impact to edge of property (from station platform)
Hayden Heights Library	1456 White Bear Ave N	Impact to parking (from station platform)
Foot & Ankle Medical Clinic	1504 White Bear Ave N	Impact to edge of property (from median)
Hafner Centre	1546 White Bear Ave N	Impact to parking (from station platform)
Hillcrest Center	1600 White Bear Ave N	Impact to parking (from station platform)
Cricket	1627 White Bear Ave N	Impact to parking (from station platform)

Figure 1: Maps of High Priority Properties along Maryland Ave



Figure 2: Maps of High Priority Properties along White Bear Ave



Legend

- Purple Line: WBA Corridor
- High Priority Properties - Center-Running
- Properties Previously Contacted
- Building Footprint

This figure illustrates the location of high priority properties that Purple Line staff plan to engage. It does not illustrate the extent of property impacts.

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Fill out and return this postcard in the mail to submit a comment about the Purple Line project and/or to schedule a meeting with project staff.

Name: _____

Email or Phone:

Street Number and Name (address):

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I would like to set up a meeting with Purple Line Project Staff to discuss potential property impacts: Yes No

Write your comment/questions below:



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I would like to set up a meeting with Purple Line Project Staff to discuss potential property impacts: Yes No

Write your comment/questions below:
