



AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

**COUNCIL DISCUSSION
AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL AND CAPITAL METRO BOARD
TUESDAY, JUNE 17, 2014 AT 10:00 AM
AUSTIN CONVENTION CENTER
500 E. CESAR CHAVEZ STREET
ROOM 6AB**

Project Connect: Central Corridor Joint Meeting

Agenda

1. Welcome & Introductions
2. Recap of the Recommended Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA): Urban Rail Line from East Riverside to Highland
3. Discussion of Recommended Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA)
4. Next Steps for Action on the Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA)

Background

Project Connect is a partnership and a vision for a Central Texas high-capacity transit system. The Central Corridor is one of the region's two highest priority corridors and includes the region's core employment, education, and cultural destinations. As the foundation of Central Texas' enviable success, it also faces some of the greatest pressures due to our explosive growth.

The Central Corridor is also home to an emerging high-capacity transit system – the vision – with multiple investments in high-capacity transit beginning to take shape. The MetroRail Red Line, from Leander to Downtown, opened in 2010 and there are currently two other investments in Bus Rapid Transit (BRT), MetroRapid #801 on North Lamar/South Congress and MetroRapid #803 on Burnet/South Lamar, and one in express lanes on MoPac converging on the Central Corridor.

Input Opportunities

The Central Corridor Study project team is committed to providing ample opportunities for community input on the Urban Rail proposal. Citizen Communication is anticipated at both the Capital Metro Board of Directors and Austin City Council meetings (June 23rd and 26th, respectively). Community members may also comment on the proposal by visiting SpeakUpAustin.org until June 23, and may attend one of the many public open houses scheduled throughout Austin. For more information about upcoming public involvement activities or to request a briefing from the Project Connect team, visit ProjectConnect.com/connect/Central-Corridor.

A quorum of Council members may be present. No action will be taken.

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