

NICOLLET MALL AND DOWNTOWN TRANSIT

Reimagining how people move to and through Downtown

Project overview

The City is planning to improve downtown transit and create a more vibrant Nicollet Mall. Three options for moving transit routes from Nicollet Mall to other corridors downtown have been developed in partnership with Metro Transit. **The goal** of this work is to make transit as good or better than it is on Nicollet Mall today.

Questions we are evaluating and engaging on include:

• Transit speed and reliability improvements

- Design and safety solutions
- Traffic impacts
- Curbside use impacts
- Property access and driveways

Project goals

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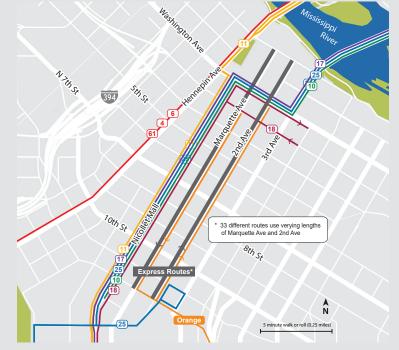
- Improve the speed and reliability of downtown transit service
- Provide convenient, safe, and comfortable access to destinations
- Provide waiting experience that is safe, comfortable, and clean
- Provide a transit experience that is simple and easy to use
- Plan for growth of local, express, and future bus rapid transit (BRT) service in downtown



- Improve walking, rolling, biking, and transit to and within downtown
- Increase greening to support a comfortable experience
- Improve curb space for activation and access
- Maintain parking and delivery access to buildings on new routes
- Improve perceived and real safety on the street

Downtown transit today

Route map of north/south transit corridors in Downtown



Characteristics of north/south transit corridors in Downtown

| | Transit routes | Buses per day | Median speed | Low income riders | Passengers per day |
|-------------------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Hennepin Avenue | 3 | 342 | 7 mph | 55% | 4,500 |
| Nicollet Mall | 5 | 654 | 5 mph | 58% | 11,700 |
| Marquette & 2nd Aves | 34 | 616 | 7 mph | 30% | 5.400 |

Data on low income riders is from 2022, all other data is from 2024.

We want your input!

Learn more and take our survey by visiting our website linked in the QR code or at the URL below:

Summer 2025

Linktr.ee/downtowntransit



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Project timeline

Summer - Fall 2024 Share 3 transit options and gather input

2025 Share findings, present tradeoffs and technical data, and gather input

Dec 2024 - Feb

Spring 2025 Share findings, present preferred transit option, and gather input

modern streets that serve all people and all the ways they want to get around.

Decision on preferred transit option; design on preferred transit option begins Full pedestrianization of Nicollet Mall begins; buses are on new corridor(s)

2026

Transportation Action Plan

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This project is aligned with the Transportation Action Plan, the City's vision for safer, greener and more

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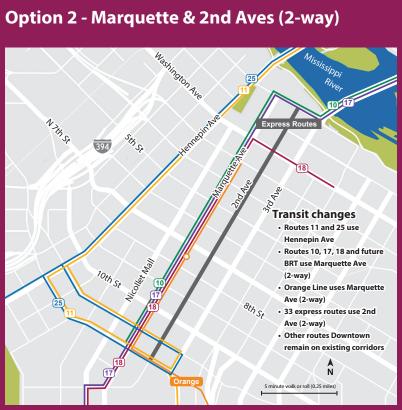
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Transit options







Transit route map for Marquette & 2nd Aves (2-way) option







Draft concept of Marquette & 2nd Aves (1-way pairs) option

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