

# GrandView District SAP - Transportation Work Group

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## Current Draft of Major Transportation Issues

Seven Categories	Principles - consistent with seven guiding principles	Ideas and Concepts	Issues and Questions	Next Steps
1. Rail or other mass transit	Preserve options for future rail-based transit; explore local light rail concept as opposed to inter-city heavy (and fast) rail, as has been previously explored. Also consider BRT options (bus rapid transit) along 100. (Principle #6)	Small, slower DMU (diesel multiple unit) trains, requiring no electrification, serving Savage to SLP, connect with SW LRT. Examples - Ottawa "O Train", San Diego "Sprinter", NJ Transit "River Line"	Can a light rail option be incorporated into Southwest LRT planning? What are the possibilities for BRT along Hwy 100?	Support Met Council in advocating lifting of Dan Patch "gag rule". Support the concept of small, "slow" light rail.
2. Multimodal access to the district	Improve access for walking and biking to and within the district (Principle #6)	Sidewalks on both sides of streets; walkways and bikeways separate from vehicle traffic	Skyways over roads? Tunnels in any locations?	TBD
3. Multimodal circulation within the district	Improve transit circulation (Principle #6)	Take into account traffic to/from OLG at peaks. Address the "zig zag" of Gus Young Drive.	What possible road realignments can be addressed over time?	TBD
4. Park and Ride role, and other parking issues	Provide adequate short term and long term parking for local businesses and activities, and for Park & Ride volume (Principle #2, #5)	Multilevel parking adjacent to Hwy 100; expansion of city-owned garage	School bus driver auto parking, Edina Family Physicians employee Parking. Can city garage be expanded upward?	Met Council 2030 regional Park and Ride plan -- area meets criteria. How to get into next Met Council development plan

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5. Connections across Hwy 100 and rail line	Facilitate more effective connections across the two north-south barriers which go through the district (Principle #3, #4)	Can Eden Ave bridge be designated for bike/ped only? Caps over freeways -- examples in Seattle, Duluth, other?	How to build over the top of rail line and/or highway? Who? How to fund?	TBD
6. Reconfiguration of Hwy 100 ramps	Free up usable land within the district by constructing more efficient entry and exit ramps on Highway 100 (Principle #1, #3)	Include Benton Ave. entry and exits into study area. Integrate plans with other land use planning.	Which public entity owns each of the overpasses of 100? Can we get accident statistics for highway ramps? Whose jurisdiction?	TBD
7. School bus garage alternatives	Find an attractive solution for an alternative location for the school bus garage either within or outside of the district, to better leverage valuable land parcel and reduce traffic and parking congestion issues.(Principle #1, #2, #3, #4, #5, #6)	(1) Move to a new location; (2) incorporate into Southdale plan; (3) school buses into Public Works facility; (4) improve current bus location; (5) incorporate into future parking structures to be built	How to structure a solution within the district? Evaluate other ideas listed.	TBD