

Metropolitan Governance Task Force:

Because of the failure of the Met Council to respond in a timely and effective manner to notifications by many of us about the safety crisis on LRT and project mismanagement of the SW LRT, my preference would be for membership to be either completely elected or a mix of elected and appointed with majority elected. I was a strong advocate (letters to the editor and otherwise) for development of LRT, but was subsequently extremely disappointed by the failure to enforce fare compliance and good conduct of passengers. Multiple times I contacted my Met Council representative, as did many others. There was no significant response until the newspapers were filled with negative stories that threatened the end of LRT expansion altogether. Even then, the response was tepid and only marginally effective. Likewise, the SW LRT routing appears to have been poorly chosen with a result in extremely high cost overruns, despite considerable public warning about that issue. Governance of Met Council must change to make it responsive to legitimate public concerns.

Thanks,

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