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D Line

D Line Station Plan Amendment #2

Chicago & 38th Street Station Update

June 2026

I. Introduction

In July 2018, the Metropolitan Council approved the final D Line Station Plan. In January 2019, the Metropolitan Council approved an addendum to the D Line Station Plan to confirm a station location at Chicago & 48th Street. In April 2022, the Metropolitan Council approved Amendment #1 to the D Line Station Plan approving two changes to the D Line: the addition of a station at Osseo & 47th Avenue and a change in platform location at the Portland & 77th Street Station.

The D Line opened for service in December 2022.

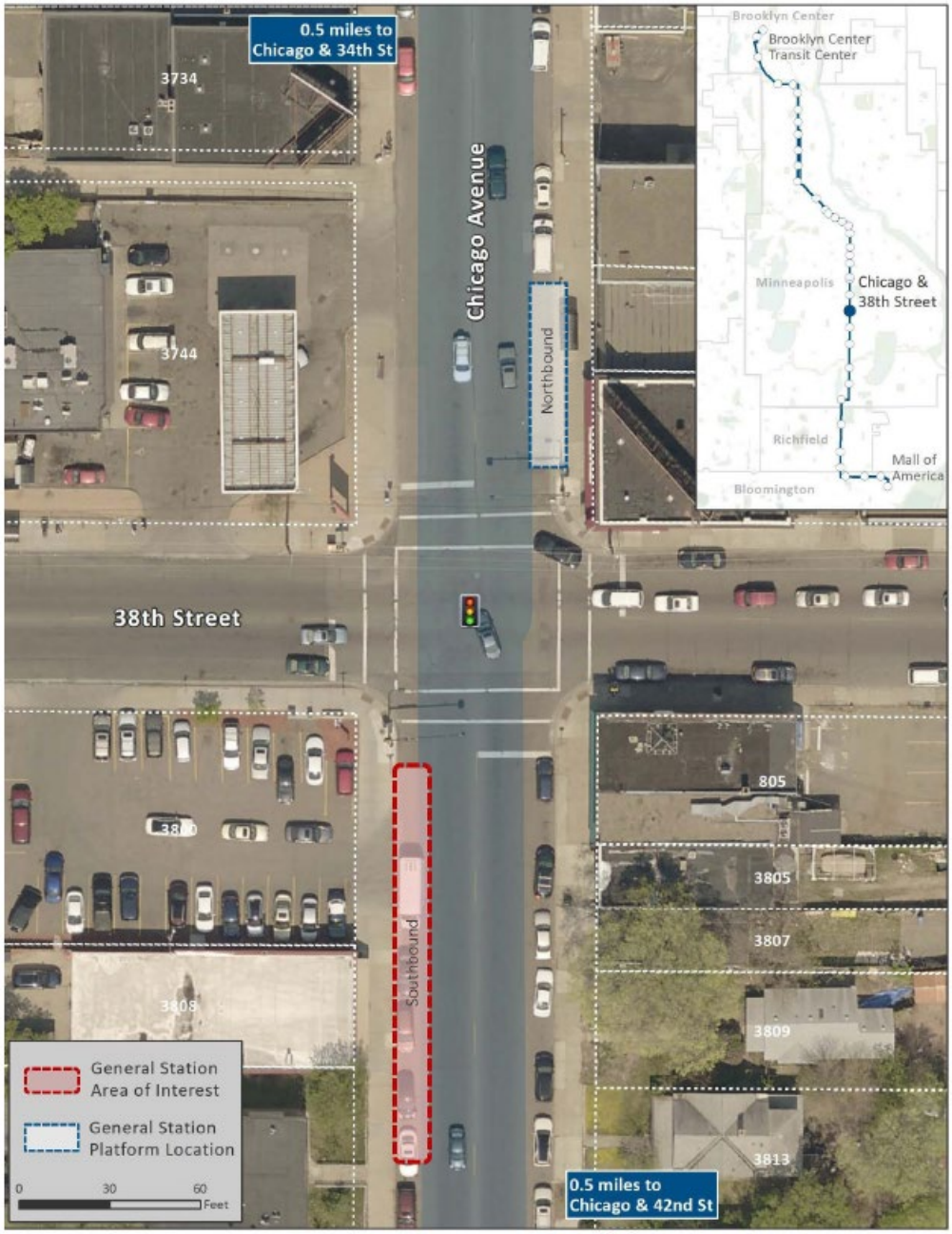
This amendment is a change to platform locations at Chicago & 38th Street. Following the murder of George Floyd, a station was not advanced at this site, and the D Line has been operating on detour on Park and Portland avenues serving temporary platforms at 38th Street.

II. Chicago & 38th Street Station

Background

The D Line Station Plan included a station at Chicago & 38th Street, including a northbound platform at the northeast quadrant of the intersection, the site of the murder of George Floyd in May 2020. Following the murder of George Floyd, a station was not advanced at this site, and the D Line has been operating on detour on Park and Portland avenues serving temporary platforms at 38th Street. Figure 1 below shows the recommended platform locations included at this intersection from the 2018 D Line Station Plan.

Figure 1: 2018 D Line Station Plan Recommendation - Chicago & 38th Street (to be updated)



In December 2025, the City-led design process culminated in City of Minneapolis approval of the "Open / Flexible" layout for the intersection. This layout returns north-south transit service to Chicago Avenue through the intersection, preserves east-west transit service on 38th Street through the intersection, adds additional multimodal improvements, and

preserves memorial and community gathering space. The approved layout includes platform locations for the D Line on the south leg of the intersection.

Construction of the intersection is planned to be completed in 2027.

Public Engagement Summary

The City of Minneapolis led public engagement efforts for the 38th & Chicago Re-Envisioned project to determine a path forward complete a needed reconstruction, preserve space for community gathering and memorial, and meet multimodal transportation needs. Engagement activities led by the City included open houses, learning table sessions, neighborhood meetings, door knocking, surveys, several community advisory committee groups, and other coordination with key stakeholders and community members. Throughout engagement, returning transit to the intersection was an important theme.

Recommendation

To align with the City of Minneapolis approved layout for the intersection, the D Line Station Plan will be amended to shift the northbound D Line platform from the northeast quadrant to the southeast quadrant of the intersection. Additionally, the southbound platform location will be refined to a more precise location on the southwest quadrant of the intersection. Figure 2 shows the amended platform locations at this intersection, aligned with the City-approved layout.

Figure 2: Amended D Line Station Plan Recommendation – Chicago & 38th Street (aligned with City-approved Layout)