

Anweiler for Mayor



Personal Rapid Transit

- No subsidies, profit for the city of 8 cents per passenger kilometer
- No congestion, no age discrimination, no disability discrimination
- 24 by 7 service
- Jobs for our citizens
- Being build at Heathrow Airport (ULTra)
- Being build in Sweden (Vectus)
- Soon to be built in the US (JPods)

Green lines are 5 km long each. They illustrate approximate coverage provided by 200 kms of network. Cost of network is about the same as the red LRT line.

Actual routes would to be determined.

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The EDICT project assesses and demonstrates the concept of Personal Rapid Transit (PRT) as a potential solution to meet this need. The assessment is being undertaken in 4 European cities: Cardiff (Wales, UK), Eindhoven (Netherlands), Huddinge (Sweden), and Ciampino (Italy).

President of Minneapolis City Council, Barbara Johnson:

Computerized transit networks or "Physical Internet" will increase personal mobility for our school kids, the economically challenged, our senior citizens, the disabled community and those stuck in rush-hour(s) traffic. It will give more people greater access to the facilities that makes Minneapolis a great city. And in the long run, besides being energy and ecologically efficient, a new job market will be created that enhances the attractiveness of living and working within our city.

As a City Council Member of our state's largest city, I firmly believe that strong leadership in a public/private alliance can quickly implement break through technologies such as yours. Our community can ill afford to wait for another war or another natural disaster to take action. Minneapolis will step up as a leader and support technologies that keeps our air cleaner, our streets less cluttered and creates long-term jobs.

The Swedish Agency for Innovation Systems Report VR 2001:3

Over 80 % of all motorized trips in Sweden are made by car. Car traffic in cities continues to grow at a rate of about 2 % annually. Road networks in large cities are congested already. Transit ridership is declining at about the same rate - 2 % annually. The efforts made so far on the improvement of public transport have been inadequate. Most of those travelling by transit today have no other alternative. They lack a driving license or access to a car.

PRT is the recommended solution:

- Present transit is not competitive
- Innovative systems offer many of the qualities of private cars
- ITS in car traffic can be applied to transit
- Direct non-stop trips on demand cut transit trip times to half
- Several developments are ready for implementation
- The new guideway systems cost less than trams
- There are several suitable applications in Sweden
- Opportunities for development by Swedish industry

