

Beijing to build two streetcar lines in Fengtai

Beijing plans to build two streetcar lines, to be named T1 and T2, in Fengtai District and link two streetcar lines with the Fangshan subway line and Subway Line 14.

Streetcar Line T1 will run from Beijing Garden Expo Park North to the Daotian subway station, while streetcar Line T2 will run from T1 to Qinglong Lake.

It is uncertain when the two streetcar lines will be open, but the government will ensure the start of the construction this year.

The energy consumption of a streetcar is about one third of the energy consumption of a traditional bus.

Moreover, Subway Line 16 and Subway Line 14, while being partially operational already, will be completed by 2018 and 2019, respectively. The capacity of Subway Line 16 is the largest of all subway lines in Beijing. It has 12 transfer stops among its 29 stops

Also, the third phase of Subway Line 8 is under construction, going from Olympic Park to the South Fifth Ring Road. The Fangshan Subway Line will be extended to the north in Fengtai district, linking with Subway Line 10 at Fengyi Bridge.

The New Airport Subway Line is also under construction and will be in service by 2019. It takes only 20 minutes to complete the whole 41.36 kilometer line, meaning it will become the fastest subway line in China.