

**ANOKA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE AGENDA
and Meeting of the Anoka County Board of Commissioners****

Commissioners Schulte (Chair), Braastad, Look and West

Monday, September 14, 2020

8:30 A.M.

**Bunker Hills Activity Center - Maple Room
550 Bunker Lake Blvd NW, Andover, MN 55304**

ACTION ITEMS

Highway

1. Consider recommending approval of Resolution #2020-TR17, a No Parking resolution restricting parking on or along the north side of CSAH 17 (Lexington Avenue NE / 193rd Avenue NE), from approximately 500 feet west of the access to Coon Lake County Park to approximately 500 feet east of the access to Coon Lake County Park, in the City of Columbus.
2. Consider recommending for approval Resolution #2020-TR21, a No Parking resolution restricting parking along the north side of CSAH 22 (Viking Boulevard NE) near Coon Lake from 500 feet east of Thielen Boulevard NE to 750 feet west of Isetta Street NE in the City of East Bethel.
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5. Consider authorizing the County Engineer to negotiate a Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) with the City of Anoka for Project SAP 002-716-020, improvements at the intersection of TH 47 and CSAH 116 (Bunker Lake Boulevard) in the Cities of Anoka and Ramsey.
6. Consider authorizing the County Engineer to negotiate a Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) with the City of Ramsey for Project SAP 002-716-020, improvements at the intersection of TH 47 and CSAH 116 (Bunker Lake Boulevard) in the Cities of Anoka and Ramsey.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Highway

7. Discuss Anoka County ADA Projects SAP 002-612-016, 002-612-017 and 002-612-0018, the reconstruction of existing pedestrian access ramps to meet current Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards along CSAH 12 (109th Avenue) between CSAH 51 (University Avenue) and TH 65 in the City of Blaine.
8. Review Corridor Updates and Project Progress.
9. Public Comments are welcome at this time. In consideration of others wishing to speak, please limit comments to 2 minutes.

** Actions taken by this Committee do not bind the County Board. In addition to the County Commissioners appointed to this committee, additional County Commissioners may attend. Non-committee Commissioners may choose to participate in the discussions and/or ask questions, but they will **not** vote on any item, nor will they agree to take a specific action on business conducted by the committee. If their attendance and limited participation in the committee meeting is considered a meeting of the County Board, this shall serve as notice of a County Board meeting. This shall also serve as notice of a County Board Meeting for any committee comprised of four or more members of the **Board**.



ANOKA COUNTY BOARD ACTION ITEM

September 14, 2020

TRANSPORTATION DIVISION

ACTION REQUESTED	<i>Consider recommending approval of Resolution #2020-TR17, a No Parking resolution restricting parking on or along the north side of CSAH 17 (Lexington Avenue NE / 193rd Avenue NE), from approximately 500 feet west of the access to Coon Lake County Park to approximately 500 feet east of the access to Coon Lake County Park in the City of Columbus.</i>
BACKGROUND	<p><i>Since improvements were completed at the Coon Lake County Park, including the boat launch and associated parking area, the park has become a popular destination for boaters and other recreational uses. Roadway users and residents in the area have alerted Highway staff to a potential safety issue caused by overflow vehicles parking along this section of CSAH 17. The subject section of roadway has narrow shoulders and limited sight distance.</i></p> <p><i>As a follow-up to the concerns mentioned above, Highway staff reviewed the reports and site conditions, and have confirmed that safety issues are created when vehicles park on both sides of this section of CSAH 17 near the access to Coon Lake County Park. In addition, Highway staff conferred with the City of Columbus, Anoka County Sheriff's Office, and Anoka County Parks Department, regarding the safety concerns.</i></p> <p><i>At the June 15, 2020 Transportation Committee meeting, Highway staff presented a draft resolution restricting parking from a point 900 feet west of the Coon Lake County Park entrance to a point 900 feet east of the Coon Lake County Park entrance along both sides of Lexington Avenue, as shown in Exhibit A. Committee members recognized and acknowledged the need to address these safety concerns. Committee members also expressed their desire to promote opportunities for the public to get out of their homes and enjoy our natural resources and the Anoka County Parks system during the COVID-19 pandemic. With both issues in mind, the committee directed Highway staff to re-visit the proposed No Parking zone request and consider other alternatives.</i></p> <p><i>Since the June 15th meeting, Highway staff have discussed several alternatives with the Anoka County Parks Director and City of Columbus to address safety and promote use of the Coon Lake County Park. As shown on Exhibit B, Highway staff recommend restricting parking from a point 500 feet west of the Coon Lake County Park entrance to a point 500 feet east of the Coon Lake County Park entrance along the north side of Lexington Avenue. This proposal provides improved sight lines for traffic entering and exiting the park entrance. Highway staff will continue to work with the City of Columbus, Anoka County Parks staff, and Anoka County Sheriff's Office to monitor parking and safety at this location.</i></p>
PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN	<i>06/15/2020 – proposed draft Resolution #2020-TR17 restricting parking 900 feet southwest and 900 feet east of the Coon Lake County Park Entrance along both sides of Lexington Avenue. The draft resolution was not supported, and Highway staff were asked to explore additional alternatives for consideration at a future Transportation Committee meeting.</i>
COMMENTS	<i>The Columbus City Council passed a resolution at their August 26, 2020 council meeting restricting parking 500 feet each direction from the park entrance along the north side of Lexington Avenue.</i>
RECOMMENDATIONS	<i>Recommend approval.</i>

RESOLUTION #2020-TR17

**REVISING REGULATED PARKING ALONG THE NORTH SIDE OF
CSAH 17 (LEXINGTON AVENUE NE / 193RD AVENUE NE)
FROM 500 FEET SOUTHWEST OF THE ACCESS TO COON LAKE COUNTY PARK
TO 500 FEET EAST OF THE ACCESS TO COON LAKE COUNTY PARK**

WHEREAS, the Anoka County Board of Commissioners is responsible for the planning, construction and maintenance of the county highway system; and,

WHEREAS, the recognition of the need to regulate parking on segments of the county highway system, in response to changes in traffic patterns, adjoining development and reconstruction of highways, is a responsibility of the County Board of Commissioners; and,

WHEREAS, road users, residents in the area, and the City of Columbus have requested that the regulated parking on CSAH 17 (Lexington Avenue NE/193rd Avenue NE) be restricted to ensure public safety.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Anoka County Board of Commissioners prohibits parking along the north side of CSAH 17 (Lexington Avenue NE/193rd Avenue NE) as follows:

From 500 feet southwest of the access to Coon Lake County Park to 500 feet east of the access to Coon Lake County Park.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the County Engineer be authorized to install signs as deemed necessary for the proper enforcement, and that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the City of Columbus.

Exhibit A - Original NO PARKING Zone Proposal

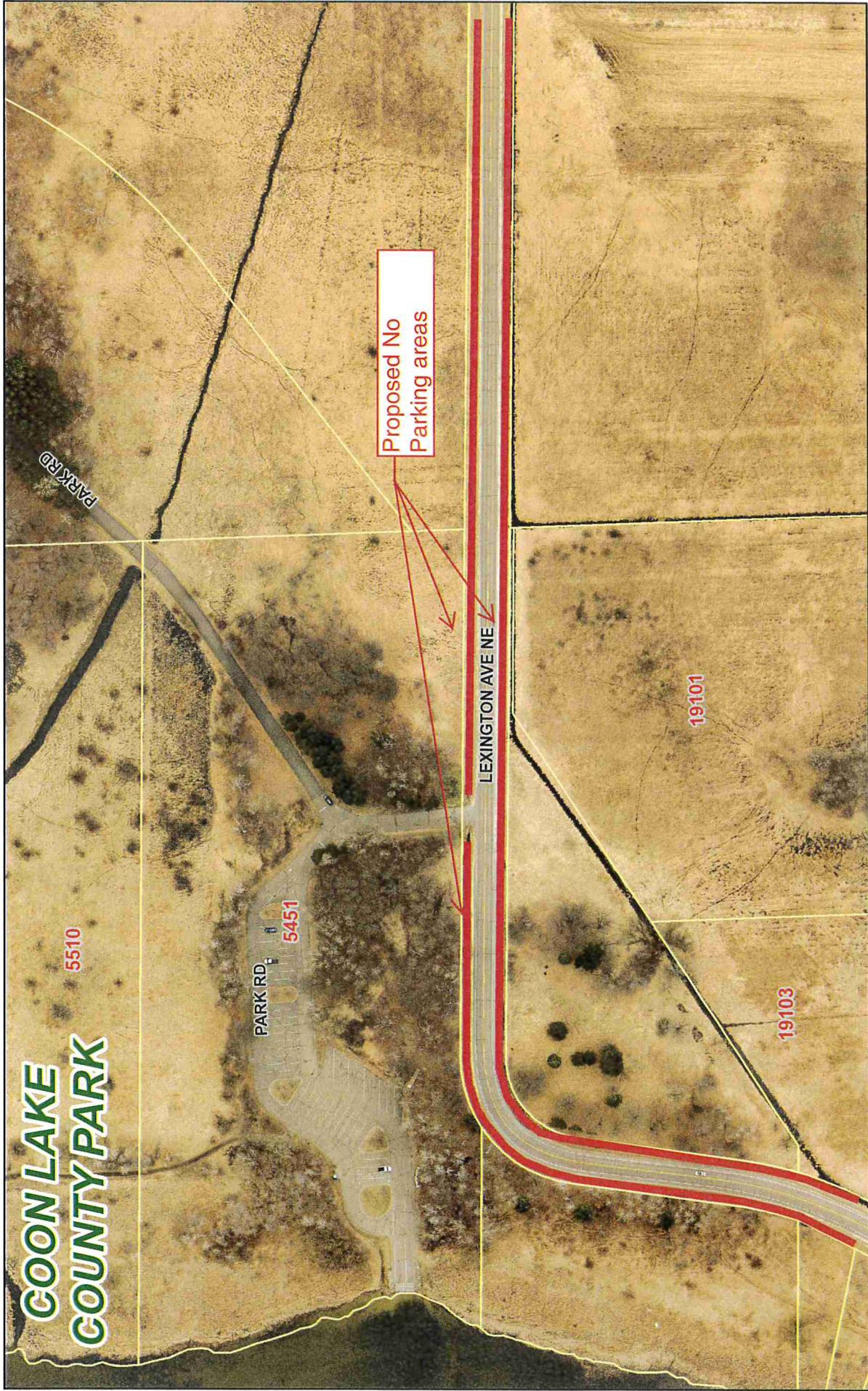
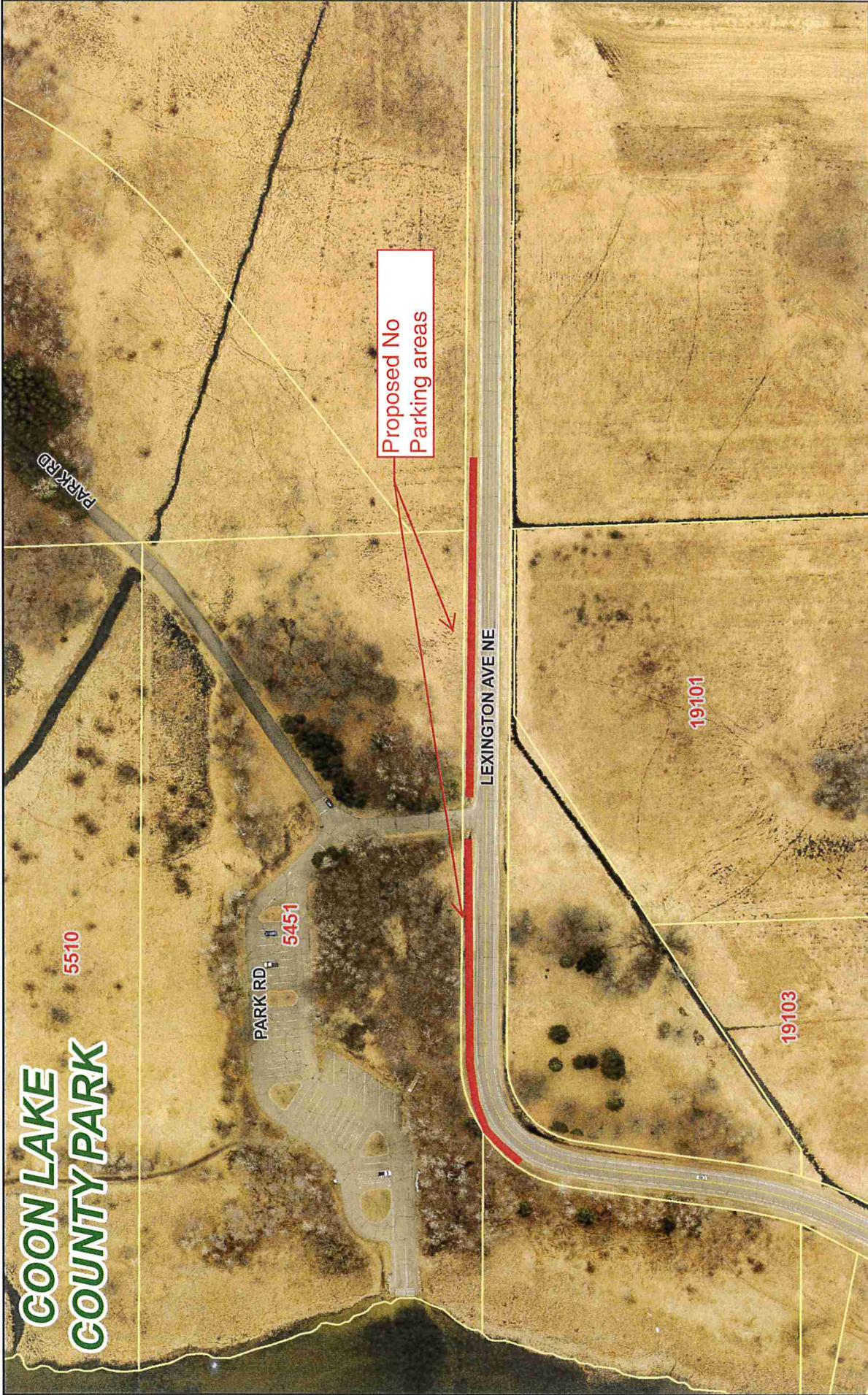


Exhibit B - Revised NO PARKING Zone Proposal





ANOKA COUNTY BOARD ACTION ITEM

September 14, 2020

TRANSPORTATION DIVISION

ACTION REQUESTED	<i>Consider recommending for approval Resolution #2020-TR21, a No Parking Resolution restricting parking along the north side of CSAH 22 (Viking Boulevard NE) near Coon Lake from 500 feet east of Thielen Boulevard NE to 750 feet west of Isetta Street NE in the City of East Bethel.</i>
BACKGROUND	<p><i>Parking on both sides of Viking Blvd is currently restricted from 500 feet west of Thielen Boulevard NE to 500 feet east of Thielen Boulevard NE (Resolution #98-61). With the increase of recreational activities experienced throughout the county and state, City officials and residents in the area are concerned about safety issues caused by vehicles parking beyond the areas already posted as No Parking along this section of CSAH 22.</i></p> <p><i>At the August 3, 2020 Transportation Committee meeting, Highway staff presented a draft resolution further restricting parking along Viking Boulevard, as follows (see Exhibit A):</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>• from Breezy Point Drive to 500 feet west of Thielen Boulevard NE (both sides of roadway);</i> <i>• from 500 feet east of Thielen Boulevard NE to 1550 feet east of Thielen Boulevard NE (north side of roadway only); and</i> <i>• from 850 feet west of Isetta Street NE to 300 feet east of Isetta Street NE (south side of roadway only).</i> <p><i>Representatives from the City, including Mayor Voss, attended the August 3, 2020 meeting, to explain their concerns and support for the requested No Parking Zone Extension described above. Committee members recognized and acknowledged the need to address these safety concerns; however, committee members also expressed their desire to promote opportunities for the public to get out of their homes and enjoy our natural resources and the Anoka County Parks system during the COVID-19 pandemic. Additionally, members of the committee expressed their concerns with pushing the parking issues further away from the boat launch by extending the No Parking Zone as requested. With each of these issues in mind, the committee directed Highway staff to re-visit the proposed No Parking Zone request and consider other alternatives.</i></p> <p><i>Over the past few weeks, Highway staff visited the site with the East Bethel City Administrator and Anoka County Parks Director, to discuss options and alternatives. Based on the constructive discussion during the field visit, all parties agree that the existing No Parking Zone should be extended along the north side of Viking Boulevard NE, from 500 feet east of Thielen Boulevard NE to 750 west of Isetta Street NE. In addition, right-turn lanes are recommended for eastbound Viking Boulevard NE at Breezy Point Drive NE, Thielen Boulevard NE, and Isetta Street NE, as shown on attached Exhibit B.</i></p>
PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN	<p><i>05/12/1998 - Approval of Resolution #98-61, prohibiting parking on CSAH 22 from 500 feet west of Thielen Boulevard NE to 500 feet east of Thielen Boulevard NE (both sides of roadway)</i></p> <p><i>08/03/2020 – Proposed draft Resolution #2020-TR21 restricting parking along Viking Boulevard NE from Breezy Point Drive to 500 feet west of Thielen Boulevard NE (both sides of roadway), from 500 feet east of Thielen Boulevard NE to 1550 feet east of Thielen Boulevard NE (north side of roadway only), and from 850 feet west of Isetta Street NE to 300 feet east of Isetta Street NE (south side of roadway only). The draft resolution was not supported, and Highway staff were asked to explore additional alternatives for consideration at a future Transportation Committee meeting.</i></p>
COMMENTS	<i>We have contacted the Anoka County Sheriff's Office, and they are in support of the additional No Parking restrictions on this section of CSAH 22.</i>
RECOMMENDATIONS	<i>Recommend approval.</i>

RESOLUTION #2020-TR21

**REVISING REGULATED PARKING ON
CSAH 22 (VIKING BOULEVARD NE)
FROM 500 FEET EAST OF THIELEN BLVD NE TO
750 FEET WEST OF ISETTA STREET NE**

WHEREAS, the Anoka County Board of Commissioners is responsible for the planning, construction and maintenance of the county highway system; and,

WHEREAS, the recognition of the need to regulate parking on segments of the county highway system, in response to changes in traffic patterns, adjoining development and reconstruction of highways, is a responsibility of the county board of commissioners; and,

WHEREAS, the City of East Bethel and residents in the area have requested that the regulated parking on CSAH 22 (Viking Boulevard NE) be restricted to ensure public safety; and,

WHEREAS, the Anoka County Board of Commissioners prohibited parking along both sides of CSAH 22 from 500 feet west of Thielen Blvd NE to 500 feet east of Thielen Blvd NE via Resolution #98-61.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Anoka County Board of Commissioners further prohibits parking along the north side of CSAH 22 (Viking Boulevard NE) from 500 feet east of Thielen Blvd NE to 750 feet west of Isetta St NE.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the County Engineer be authorized to install signs as deemed necessary for the proper enforcement, and that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the City of East Bethel.

No Parking Zones
Resolution 2020 - 38



Existing
No Parking Zone

Recommended
No Parking Zone

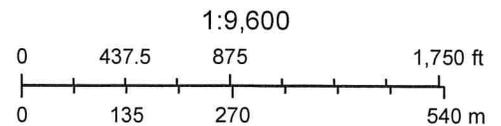
Recommended
No Parking Zone
(Both Sides of CR 22)

1 in = 752 ft





September 3, 2020





ANOKA COUNTY BOARD ACTION ITEM

September 14, 2020

TRANSPORTATION DIVISION

ACTION REQUESTED	<p><i>Consider recommending for approval Resolution #2020-TR26, authorizing the County Engineer to submit an application for funding through the Minnesota Highway Freight Program (MHFP) solicitation to help fund planned improvements along US 10/TH 169 at CSAH 56 (Ramsey Boulevard) and CSAH 57 (Sunfish Lake Boulevard) in the City of Ramsey.</i></p>
BACKGROUND	<p><i>MnDOT is currently accepting applications for federal funding through its MHFP. The MHFPG is designed to improve safety and mobility, and meet the needs of the state's freight transportation system on a local level. The proposed project to eliminate the at-grade intersections and rail crossings at CSAH 56 and CSAH 57 is a good candidate for MHFPG program.</i></p> <p><i>There are approximately \$13.6M of federal funds available in the federal fiscal year 2023, \$22.2M available in federal fiscal year 2024, and \$20M available in federal fiscal year 2025. Local agencies can request up to half of the funds available in any fiscal year. Based on the proposed project delivery timeline, the project team would like to submit an application to request \$10M in federal fiscal year 2025 to help fund the project. Applications are due September 28, 2020 with the project selection scheduled to occur on October 23, 2020.</i></p> <p><i>In addition to the resolution by Anoka County, the Highway staff are also requesting letters of support from the Metropolitan Council and the City of Ramsey.</i></p>
PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN	<p><i>04/20/2020 – approval of Contract #C0007902 with Bolton-Menk Inc. for design services.</i></p>
COMMENTS	
RECOMMENDATIONS	<p><i>Recommend approval.</i></p>

RESOLUTION #2020-TR26

**AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL OF A FUNDING APPLICATION FOR THE
US 10 AND CSAH 56 (RAMSEY BOULEVARD NW) INTERCHANGE
IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the existing at-grade intersections of US Hwy 10/169 (a Principal Arterial route) and CSAH 56 and CSAH 57 (both " A" Minor Arterial Expander routes) and the at-grade railroad crossings of the BNSF railway are unsafe and lead to traffic congestion and mobility issues; and,

WHEREAS, Anoka County and the City of Ramsey propose to grade-separate US Hwy 10/169 at CSAH 56 and CSAH 57, and the adjacent at-grade BNSF railway crossings; and,

WHEREAS, this improvement project is consistent with the goals and objectives of the Highway 10 Access Planning Study completed in 2014 in partnership between the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT), Anoka County Highway Department, City of Anoka, City of Ramsey, and Metropolitan Council; and,

WHEREAS, the Anoka County Highway Department is proposing to submit an application to the Minnesota Department of Transportation through the Minnesota Highway Freight Program, to receive federal transportation funds to construct the Ramsey Gateway (US Highway 10/169) Project in the City of Ramsey; and,

WHEREAS, Anoka County has the necessary capabilities to adequately fund its local cost share for this public improvement project:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Anoka County Highway Department is hereby authorized to submit an application to the Minnesota Department of Transportation through the Minnesota Highway Freight Program, to receive federal transportation funds to construct two interchanges and associated improvements at US Hwy 10/169 and CSAH 56 and US Hwy 10/169 and CSAH 57, in the City of Ramsey.



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September 14, 2020

TRANSPORTATION DIVISION

ACTION REQUESTED	<p><i>Consider recommending approval of Resolution #2020-TR27, a resolution authorizing Anoka County to enter into a Local Road Improvement Program (LRIP) Agreement (#C0008131) with MnDOT for Project SAP 002-656-001 for the design services for the CSAH 56 (Ramsey Boulevard) and US Highway 10 interchange project in the City of Ramsey; and authorizing the County Administrator to execute said agreement, subject to review by the County Attorney as to form and legality.</i></p>
BACKGROUND	<p><i>During the 2018 legislative session, the City of Ramsey was successful in obtaining \$2M in LRIP funds to support design services and ROW acquisition associated with the US Hwy 10/169 improvements at CSAH 56. In April of 2020, Anoka County entered into a contract with Bolton & Menk, Inc. for engineering design services associated with the proposed improvements at US Hwy 10/169 and CSAH 56.</i></p> <p><i>The attached agreement with MnDOT facilitates the use of the secured funds for design services.</i></p>
PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN	<p><i>04/20/2020 – Approved Contract #C0007902 with Bolton & Menk for design services.</i></p>
COMMENTS	
RECOMMENDATIONS	<p><i>Recommend Approval.</i></p>

RESOLUTION #2020-TR27

**APPROVING GRANT AGREEMENT
RELATING TO STATE TRANSPORTATION FUND
(LOCAL ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM BONDS)
SAP 002-656-001
(#C0008131)**

WHEREAS, Anoka County has applied to the Commissioner of Transportation for a grant from the Minnesota State Transportation Fund for improvements on U.S. Hwy 10/169 at CSAH 56 (Ramsey Boulevard) and associated corridor improvements to include frontage road and backage road improvements and a grade-separated BNSF rail crossing on CSAH 56 in the City of Ramsey; and,

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Transportation has given notice that the funding for this Project is available; and,

WHEREAS, per 2018 session law, Chapter 214, Article 3, Section 8, \$2,000,000.00 was appropriated for grants to Anoka County for environmental documentation, preliminary engineering, land acquisition, and final design engineering for the local cost shares of the interchanges and overpass on U.S. Highway 10 at CSAH 56 and the associated frontage and backage road improvements and grade-separated BNSF rail crossing on CSAH 56 connecting local streets to support the U.S. Highway 10 improvements in the City of Ramsey; and,

WHEREAS, the amount of this grant has been determined to be \$1,788,712.00 for design and professional services for the project; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Anoka County does hereby agree to the terms and conditions of the grant consistent with Minnesota Statutes Section 174.52 and will pay any additional amount by which the costs exceed the estimate, and will return any amount appropriated for the project but not required to the Minnesota State Transportation Fund. The proper county officers are authorized to execute a grant agreement, and any amendments thereto, with the Commissioner of Transportation concerning the above-reference grant.



ANOKA COUNTY BOARD ACTION ITEM

September 14, 2020

TRANSPORTATION DIVISION

ACTION REQUESTED	<i>Consider authorizing the County Engineer to negotiate a Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) with the City of Anoka for Project SAP 002-716-020, improvements at the intersection of TH 47 and CSAH 116 (Bunker Lake Boulevard) in the Cities of Anoka and Ramsey.</i>
BACKGROUND	<p><i>During the 2018 Regional Solicitation, Anoka County was awarded \$1,868,000 in federal funds to complete improvements at the TH 47/Bunker Lake Blvd intersection. The project includes the addition of dual left-turn lanes on TH 47 (for both northbound and southbound directions), ADA improvements, and modifications to the existing Rum River Oxbow Bridge to accommodate a longer right-turn lane for westbound Bunker Lake Boulevard to northbound TH 47 movements.</i></p> <p><i>To facilitate the speedy delivery of the project in 2021, prior to the start of the US Hwy 10/169 improvements in the City of Anoka, Anoka County staff successfully transferred the federal funds to another Anoka County project (Project SP 002-611-036 Foley Blvd RR Grade Separation project) and will utilize State Aid and Local Partnership Program (LLP) funds to deliver this project. The estimated construction cost is \$3.7M.</i></p> <p><i>Construction is scheduled to begin in early 2021 and be completed by the end of 2021.</i></p>
PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN	<p><i>08/19/2019 – Approval of Contract #C0007378 with WSB for design and permitting</i></p> <p><i>11/18/2019 - Resolution supporting and authorizing de-federalization / federal funding exchange</i></p>
COMMENTS	
RECOMMENDATIONS	<p><i>Approval.</i></p>

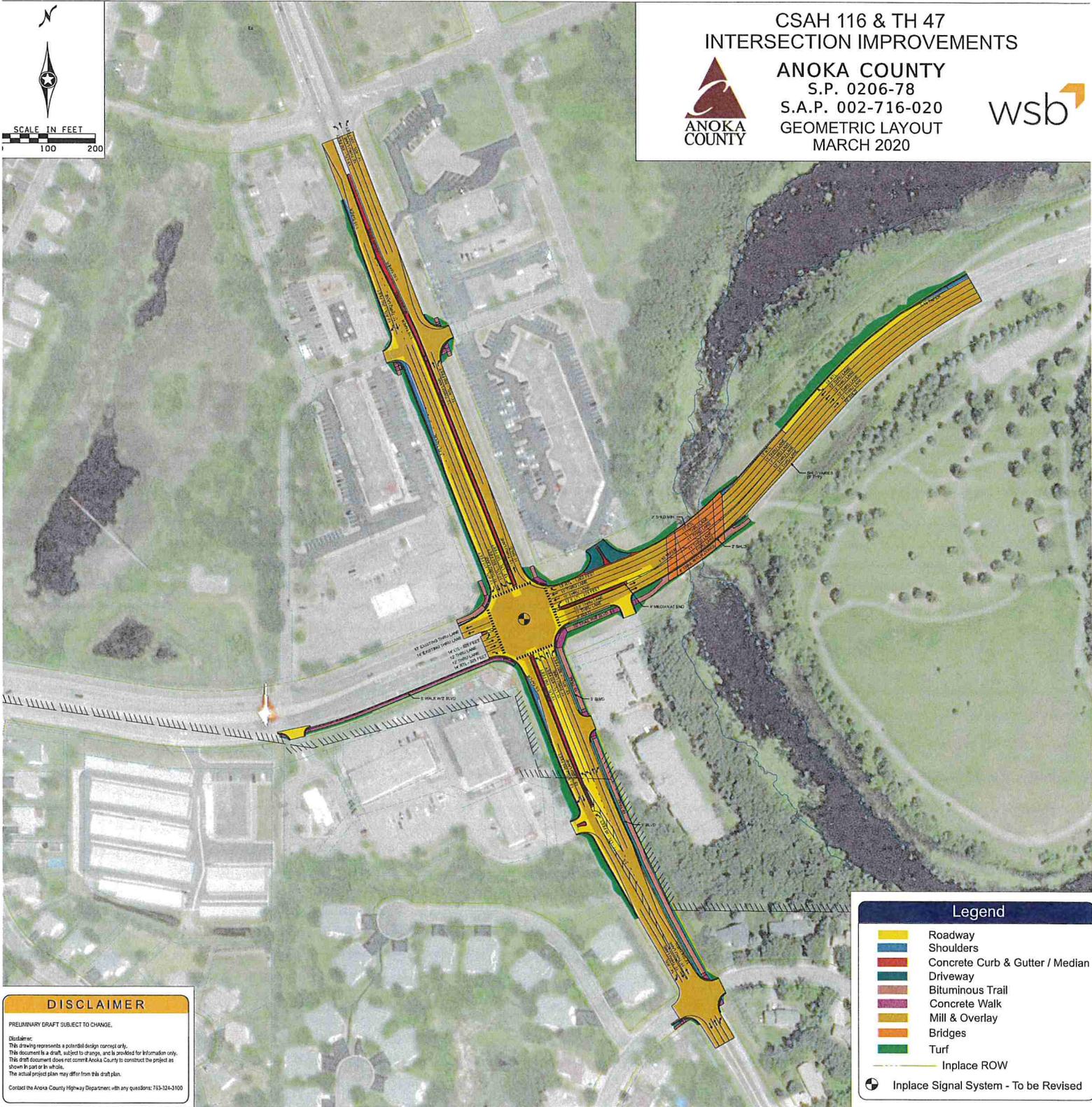
EXHIBIT A



CSAH 116 & TH 47 INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS



ANOKA COUNTY
S.P. 0206-78
S.A.P. 002-716-020
GEOMETRIC LAYOUT
MARCH 2020



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Legend

- Roadway
- Shoulders
- Concrete Curb & Gutter / Median
- Driveway
- Bituminous Trail
- Concrete Walk
- Mill & Overlay
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- Inplace ROW
- Inplace Signal System - To be Revised



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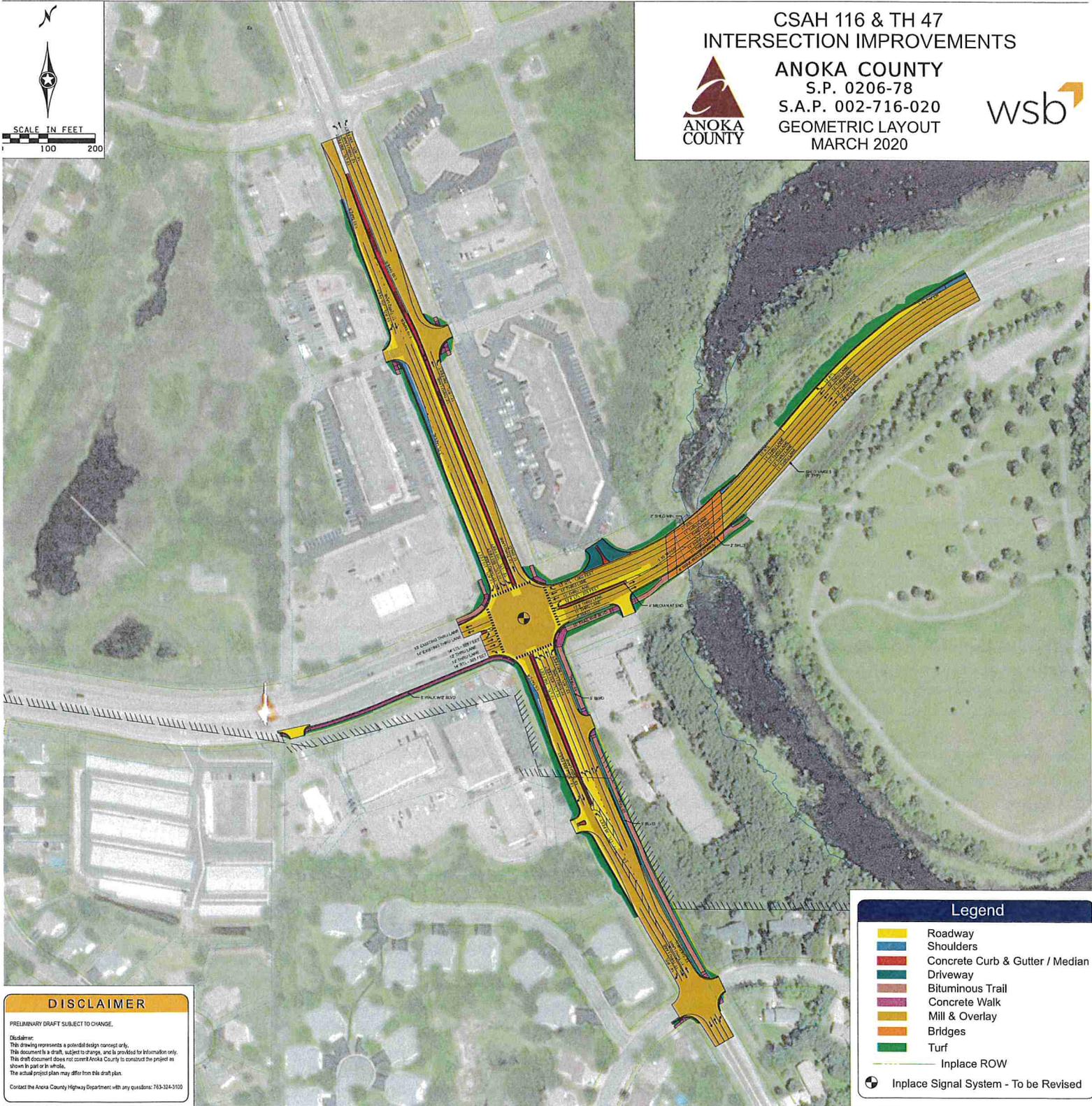
EXHIBIT A



CSAH 116 & TH 47 INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS



ANOKA COUNTY
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S.A.P. 002-716-020
GEOMETRIC LAYOUT
MARCH 2020



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ANOKA COUNTY BOARD ACTION ITEM

September 14, 2020

TRANSPORTATION DIVISION

ACTION REQUESTED	<i>Discuss Anoka County ADA Projects SAP 002-612-016, 002-612-017, and 002-612-0018, the reconstruction of existing pedestrian access ramps to meet current Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards along CSAH 12 (109th Avenue) between CSAH 51 (University Avenue) and TH 65 in the City of Blaine.</i>
BACKGROUND	<p><i>Anoka County, in partnership with MnDOT, has prepared plans and specifications to upgrade several of the pedestrian ramps located along 109th Avenue between University Avenue and TH 65. The County has selected the pedestrian ramp replacements at the intersections of 4th Street, 5th Street, and 6th Street along 109th Avenue, for repairs during the 2020 construction season. MnDOT and County staff worked together to inform and promote interest of these upcoming small projects to local Anoka County small businesses. The focus was to educate and solicit bids from local small businesses/contractors who are looking for a chance to expand their knowledge base and grow in government type work.</i></p> <p><i>The County Engineer has entered into a State of Minnesota Work Order Under Master Partnership Contract with MnDOT. This contract is a partnership where MnDOT will be the lead agency to obtain bids for the ADA project. and will assist the County in administering the projects thru construction. Anoka County Highway Engineering Staff will be present and an active part of the process thru the successful completion of the project construction.</i></p> <p><i>The bid opening resulted in a total of three bidders, of which two bidders were reviewed for submittal; the third bidder did not provide a number. MnDOT recommended approval of a Coon Rapids small business, Simmonds Contracting Services, which is an African-American TGB and Vet-owned company. Simmonds was low bidder on all three projects, with a total bid for all three projects of \$78,330.00, which is under the Engineer's Estimate. Other companies that submitted bids were Dominionaire Contracting, and Quality Cutting and Coring.</i></p>
PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN	<p><i>11/18/2019 – Approval of Resolution #2019-TR28 – Met Council transfer of Federal Funds from Projects 002-716-020 and 002-622-036 to Project 002-611-036 and acknowledgement of Met Council's defederalization conditions.</i></p> <p><i>07/14/2020 - Authorizing the County Engineer to advertise for bids for Project SAP 002-612-016, the reconstruction of existing pedestrian access ramps to meet current Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards along CSAH 12 (109th Avenue) between CSAH 51 (University Avenue) and TH 65 in the City of Blaine.</i></p>
COMMENTS	<i>Anoka County staff will continue to work with MnDOT and State Aid staff to fulfill the DBE requirements of the Met Council over the next three construction seasons (2020 through 2022) by utilizing the ADA Small Business Enterprise program.</i>
RECOMMENDATIONS	



September 14, 2020

TRANSPORTATION DIVISION

ACTION REQUESTED	Engineering Section Updates (Construction, Design, and Right-of-Way)
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CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING

CSAH 8 (Osborne Road) from TH 47 to TH 65 - This project, commonly referred to as a “road diet”, includes reconfiguring the corridor from a 4-lane section to a 3-lane section with pedestrian enhancements.

UPDATE – This project began construction on August 24th. A traffic switch, necessary to provide a safe area for motorists and construction workers to remove bituminous pavement and concrete curb, was implemented to move traffic to the north side of the roadway. During the week of September 8th, storm sewer installation will begin on the south portion of the roadway (eastbound lanes). During the week of September 14th, new concrete curb & gutter and concrete sidewalk installation will begin. Expect traffic delays during this phase of the project. This project is 5% complete.

CSAH 12 (Pedestrian Ramp Project at the intersections of 4th Street NE, 5th Street NE, and 6th Street NE)

– This project consists of removing and replacing the existing pedestrian ramps at the above intersections to meet current Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) current standards. The work consists of removing portions of the concrete ramps, concrete curb and gutter, and bituminous pavement to meet the required grades/slopes of the areas as pedestrians approach the intersections. The project is focusing on giving small businesses who typically don’t conduct government work an opportunity to learn about constructing ADA work. Each intersection will be a separate project and will be quoted/bid separately to properly size/scope these projects for small businesses. The County has partnered with MnDOT and the City of Blaine for this work.

UPDATE – MnDOT, in partnership with Anoka County, received three bids/quotes for the three different small project locations. MnDOT notified all bidders of the bid results and recommend award of the project to the lowest responsible bidder, Simmonds Contracting Services. Each project will be completed separately and will be staggered to not overlap with adjacent ADA intersection work. This project is scheduled to begin construction in mid-September, with completion in October 2020. (This project is 0% complete)

CSAH 14 (Main Street) Eastbound from CSAH 9 (Round Lake Boulevard) to Highway 10; CSAH 9 (Round Lake Boulevard) Northbound from CSAH 14 (Main Street) to Highway 10; and CSAH 116 (Bunker Lake Boulevard) Eastbound from CSAH 9 (Round Lake Boulevard) to CSAH 78 (Hanson Boulevard) - This project is a pavement micro-surfacing project where a thin layer of bituminous is constructed over the top of the existing pavement surface to fill in rutting, depressions, irregularities and other pavement surface deformities, in order to improve the smoothness and performance of the roadway longevity. After completion the roadway surfacing, the pavement messages and lines will be repainted.

UPDATE – No change from last update. This project is 99% complete, with minor clean-up yet to be done. No significant contract quantity changes to date.

CSAH 14 (125th Avenue) from Aberdeen Street to CSAH 52 (Radisson Road) in the City of Blaine – This project includes the reconstruction of the existing 4-lane undivided roadway section to include raised concrete median channelization, curb and gutter, associated drainage and ponding improvements, and pedestrian accommodations.

UPDATE – During the week of September 8th, concrete curb & gutter will be installed in the median areas where previous traffic crossovers were constructed, and bituminous patching will occur in areas adjacent to the newly constructed median curb. During the week of September 14th, the contractor will install the bituminous patching and place the final lift of bituminous on both eastbound and westbound lanes for the entire project corridor, weather permitting. This project is 85% complete.

CSAH 52 (Radisson Road) at Xylite Street – This intersection will be signalized and reconfigured to accommodate additional width necessary for vehicle traffic. SRF Consulting Group is responsible for delivery. Construction is targeted for Fall 2020 or Spring 2021.

UPDATE – The pre-construction meeting is scheduled for September 10th, with construction scheduled to begin the last week of September, weather permitting. Construction will be completed by November 20th.

CSAH 78 (Hanson Boulevard) from Jay Street/139TH Avenue to CSAH 18 (Crosstown Boulevard) in the City of Andover – The purpose of this project is to expand Hanson Boulevard between Jay Street/139th Avenue and Crosstown Boulevard to a 4-lane divided roadway.

UPDATE – No change from last update. This project is 99% complete, with minor clean-up yet to be done. Significant quantity changes include increased overruns of Muck Excavation \$67,930.20 and Granular Borrow (LV) \$24,579.88.

CSAH 78 (Hanson Boulevard) from CSAH 11 (Northdale Boulevard) to CSAH 14 (Main Street) in the City of Coon Rapids - This project includes the reconstruction of Hanson Boulevard between Northdale Boulevard and Main Street. The reconstruction will include the installation of raised medians and turn lanes. It will also incorporate the replacement of the signal system at 121st Avenue.

UPDATE – During the week of September 8th, the contractor will install the remainder of the median concrete curb & gutter at the traffic staged crossover. Preparation and grading for next week's median concrete flatwork will take place after the median curb has been placed. During the week of September 14th, the contractor will install the concrete median flatwork and patch in bituminous adjacent to the newly poured concrete curb & gutter. Motorists should expect minor delays in traffic during this construction work.

CSAH 78 (Hanson Boulevard) Railroad Grade Separation in the City of Coon Rapids - This project will grade separate Hanson Boulevard, an existing 4-lane divided roadway, over the Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) Railroad.

UPDATE – No change from last update. This project is 99% complete, with minor clean-up yet to be done. Significant quantity changes include: increased depth of 12" piling at an approved cost of \$182,855.79 (CO#6); welding of 12" piling at an approved cost of \$27,269.60 (CO#13); increased depth of 16" piling at an approved cost of \$151,457.80 (CO#4); increase in cost to convert watermain type for \$12,315.23 (CO#14); increase in cost for watermain work changes \$264,884.13 (CO#2); and increase costs for drainage structures \$129,615.50 (CO#5) to date.

CSAH 1 (Coon Rapids Boulevard) - This project is being led by City of Coon Rapids, in conjunction with the City of Coon Rapids redevelopment east of Egret Boulevard to the split at Coon Rapids Boulevard & East River Road.

UPDATE – This project is entering the final stages of construction. All lanes of traffic will be paved and open to traffic by October 1st, weather permitting. Please see the City of Coon Rapids website for more information:

<https://www.coonrapidsmn.gov/CivicSend/ViewMessage/message/110813>

Hornsby Street and Hwy 97 in the City of Columbus – this project is a realignment of Hornsby Street north of Highway 97 and includes a new signal system at the intersection.

UPDATE – This project is delayed by underground utilities. County staff are continuing to work with the utility company to relocate communication cables located within the excavation area. This project is 85% complete.

2020 County-Wide Overlay Program (various locations throughout the County) – This project consists of:

- **CSAH 1 from 111th Avenue to 600' south of CSAH 78 in the City of Coon Rapids, 2" bituminous mill and overlay.**
UPDATE: This project is scheduled to begin on September 8th. The contractor will remove bituminous and curb & gutter. During the week of September 14th, work will include the installation of curb and gutter, where removed. This project is 0% complete.
- **CSAH 9 from Hwy 10 to CSAH 116 in the City of Coon Rapids, full depth pavement removal and new bituminous replacement.**
UPDATE – This project is 98% complete, with minor clean-up yet to be done.
- **CSAH 14 700' E of HWY 10 Off-Ramp to CSAH 18 in the City of Coon Rapids, shoulder repair.**
UPDATE: Project has been rescheduled to start on September 14th and be completed in the fall of 2020. This project is 0% complete.
- **CR 60 from TH 65 to East Lake Netta Drive in the City of Ham Lake, full depth reclamation and new bituminous replacement.**
UPDATE – This project is 98% complete, with minor clean-up yet to be done.
- **CR 65 from CSAH 22 to CSAH 5 in the City of Nowthen, full depth reclamation and new bituminous replacement.**
UPDATE – This project is 98% complete. No significant contract quantity changes to date.
- **CR 72 from the North County Line to 500' West of Yukon Street NW in the City of St. Francis, new turn lanes along with full depth reclamation and new bituminous replacement.**
UPDATE – This project is 98% complete. No significant contract quantity changes to date.
- **CSAH 76 from CSAH 85 to CSAH 36 in Linwood Township, full depth reclamation and new bituminous replacement.**
UPDATE – No change from last update. This project is 98% complete, with minor clean-up yet to be done. No significant contract quantity changes to date.

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CSAH 7 (7th Avenue) from Buchanan Street to 40th Lane – This is a pavement preservation project, intended to preserve the pavement along this segment until after MnDOT’s work along US 10, at which time the corridor will be re-assessed for additional improvements.

UPDATE – Highway staff are preparing a JPA with the City of Anoka for work associated with overlay work on Buchanan Street adjacent to CSAH 7, and continue to produce roadway and signal plans in anticipation of Spring 2021 signal rehabilitation and Summer 2021 mill and overlay projects.

CSAH 11 (Foley Boulevard) BNSF RR Overpass - This project includes the construction of an overpass across the BNSF railroad between CSAH 1 (East River Road) and CR 3 (Coon Rapids Boulevard). The reconstruction will include the installation of raised medians and turn lanes along Foley Boulevard between East River Road and Coon Rapids Boulevard. The County’s consultant, TKDA, is preparing plans for the Foley Boulevard Improvements and overpass. County right-of-way and design staff are meeting with adjacent property owners.

UPDATE – Highway staff have completed the review on TKDA’s 90% construction plans, and continue to negotiate cost sharing and local or state aid funding sources as they relate to the Norway Street segment, Metro Transit park and ride facility, and BNSF railroad facilities. Final plans are anticipated to allow for off-line bridge work, surcharging and soil corrections, and tree removal that will occur during the winter 2020-2021.

CSAH 14 (Main Street) from Harpers Street to CSAH 17 (Lexington Avenue) – This project proposes to reconstruct Main Street from Harpers Street to Lexington Avenue in the City of Blaine. The project consists primarily of expanding the roadway to four lanes, with a center median for 1.3 miles.

UPDATE – Highway staff continue to work towards a 60% plan set. Anoka County submitted a federal application for this project; however, preliminary ranking indicates that this project will NOT meet the threshold for federal funding and therefore will remain as a State Aid project. This project is tentatively scheduled for the 2022 construction season.

CSAH 34 (Birch Street) from Ware Road to Deerwood Lane - CSAH 34 will be reconstructed as a 2-lane, urban section with shoulders, turn lanes, curb and gutter, median, and drainage. Current layout shows two roundabouts, one located at Tomahawk Trail and one located at West Shadow Lake Drive.

NO NEW UPDATE – Highway staff have addressed concerns with the owners at 485 Birch Street relating to tree removal within the County right of way, and continue to negotiate with the Centennial School District regarding the details of the ROW land swap opportunity adjacent to the property. Highway staff are also currently reviewing the 95% plans and remain on track for advertisement for bids later this year, with construction scheduled to begin in Spring 2021.

CSAH 56/CSAH 57 Grade Separation over US 10 & BNSF Railroad [Ramsey Gateway] – The purpose of this project is to change the existing at-grade intersection at Ramsey Boulevard to a grade-separated interchange and railroad line overpass at Ramsey Boulevard across US 10 & the BNSF Railroad, and consists of constructing the CSAH 56 mainline bridge over US 10 and the BNSF railroad, and constructing full access freeway ramps.

UPDATE – A project information page has been created and is available for public viewing within the Highway Department webpages on the Anoka County website. Highway staff continue to work with the consultant, Bolton and Menk, to amend the previous contract to include an expanded scope of project to include the CSAH 57 (Sunfish Lake Boulevard) preliminary layout and environmental documentation. Highway staff also continue to explore alternate designs at the intersection with CSAH 57 to enhance efficiencies and minimize right of way impacts, and continue to work with State and Federal agencies to secure all funding for the expanded project.

CSAH 116 (Bunker Lake Boulevard) at TH 47 Reconstruction – This project will reconfigure this intersection to accommodate additional width necessary for vehicle and pedestrian traffic. Changes are intended to fix the geometric constraints that prevent the intersection from operating at maximum capacity. Pedestrian enhancements are also included.

NO NEW UPDATE – Highway staff are working to acquire over \$120,000 in local partnership program (MnDOT) money to replace the signal at the intersection rather than revise it as originally scoped. Highway staff also continue to complete the cost-sharing agreements necessary for Joint Power Agreements with state and local agencies. JPAs are expected to be ready in the coming weeks. Plan production is on-going, with an anticipated advertisement for bids to occur in November 2020, bid award in January 2021, and construction scheduled to start in Spring 2021.

CSAH 116 (Bunker Lake Boulevard) from approximately Van Buren Street to TH 65 – This project proposes to reconstruct Bunker Lake Boulevard from east of Jefferson Street to approximately the Johnson Street intersection in the City of Ham Lake. The project consists primarily of expanding the roadway to four lanes with a center median, pedestrian accommodations, and drainage improvements.

NO NEW UPDATE - This project has been moved to the 2024 construction season. Highway staff continue to work with MnDOT and the City of Ham Lake on an interim solution, focusing on low cost/high impact spot improvements closer to the intersection of Bunker Lake Boulevard and TH 65, until it can be expanded in the 2024 project.

US 10 from CSAH 78 (Hanson Boulevard) to CSAH 9 (Round Lake Boulevard) [ADD A LANE] – This project proposes to add a third lane to US 10 between Hanson Boulevard and Round Lake Boulevard. The project is intended to facilitate the through-put of traffic on US 10 and alleviate the problem of vehicles exiting US 10 onto the county system to avoid daily congestion on US 10. Construction is scheduled for 2021.

NO NEW UPDATE – TKDA has been directed to proceed to produce a 30% plan set, including work for a third lane for both eastbound and westbound lanes of US 10. Additionally, TKDA has been directed to prepare environmental documents consistent with federal guidelines in the event federal stimulus funds become available. TKDA continues to work with MnDOT and Highway staff on related design issues.

Bridge Repair/Rehabilitation 002-618-034 & 002-622-036 – These projects include the replacement of Bridge #02549 on CSAH 18/Coon Creek Boulevard over Coon Creek in the City of Coon Rapids, and the rehabilitation and widening of Bridge #02519 on CSAH 22 (Viking Boulevard) over Rum River in the City of Oak Grove. Construction of both projects is tentatively scheduled for Spring 2022.

UPDATE – Highway staff have prepared a Request for Proposals to complete preliminary and final design services related to the replacement of these bridges. The RFP is expected to go out in the next two weeks to three consultants capable of delivering bridge projects.