



## Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of Public Works

**Date:** April 3, 2012  
**To:** The Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation and Public Works Committee

**Subject:** Penn Avenue S (MN-62 to 50<sup>th</sup> Street W) Reconstruction Project No 6748

**Recommendation:**

- A. Approve the attached project layout for reconstruction of Penn Avenue S between MN-62 (Crosstown) and 50<sup>th</sup> Street W.
- B. Authorize Public Works to negotiate with private property owners to acquire and execute easements and additional right of way, if necessary.

**Previous Directives:** none

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**Approved by:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Presenters:** Jeff Handeland, P.E., Project Engineer, Transportation Planning and Engineering

**Reviews:**

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| Permanent Review Committee (PRC) | Approval _____ | Not applicable <u>  X  </u> |
| Policy review Group (PRG)        | Approval _____ | Not applicable <u>  X  </u> |

**Financial Impact** (Check those that apply)

- No financial impact - or - Action is within current department budget (If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget
- Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
- Action requires use of contingency or reserves
- Business Plan:  Action is within the plan.  Action requires a change to plan.
- Other financial impact:
- Request provided to department's Finance Dept. contact when provided to the Committee Coordinator

## **Community Impact**

Neighborhood Meetings: Public meetings held January 10 and March 6, 2012.  
City Goals: Maintain the physical infrastructure to ensure a healthy, vital and safe city  
Comprehensive Plan: Not Applicable  
Zoning Code: Not Applicable

## **Background/Supporting Information**

### Project/Scope

Penn Avenue is a Municipal State Aid route (MSA 426) from MN-62 to 50<sup>th</sup> Street W. Penn Avenue was constructed in 1955 and overlaid in 1993. Penn Avenue has a pavement condition index rating of 43 (in a range of 0 to 100, where 100 is best). The segment is 1.5 miles in length with an existing ADT of 12,300 at the south end and 5,800 at the north end. Future ADT is estimated to reach 13,800 at the south end and 6,400 at the north end.

The current roadway carries two-way traffic (one lane each direction) and a parking lane on each side of the roadway. The proposed roadway will also carry two-way traffic (one lane for each direction). A parking lane will be on the east side of the roadway. A parking lane will also be on the west side of the roadway except on the segments between 51<sup>st</sup> Street and Cromwell Drive, between 56<sup>th</sup> Street and 58<sup>th</sup> Street, and in proximity to the proposed left turn lane. A left turn lane is proposed for north-bound traffic at 60<sup>th</sup> Street. The proposed driving lane widths are 11 feet where adjacent to parking lanes and 13 to 15 feet where not adjacent to parking lanes. Proposed parking lane widths are 8 to 10 feet. The proposed left turn lane is 10 feet wide. Curb extensions (bump outs) are proposed at select intersection corners. Please see the attached layout.

Public Works has worked with affected property owners at two public project meetings to complete the project layout.

### Schedule

The final design for Penn Avenue is scheduled to be complete by the end of 2012 south of 54<sup>th</sup> Street and by the end of 2013 north of 54<sup>th</sup> Street. The construction of this project is scheduled for 2013 south of 54<sup>th</sup> Street and 2014 north of 54<sup>th</sup> Street.

### Next Steps

At a future meeting, we will return to your committee to designate the project and to set an assessment hearing.

### **Authorize Public Works to obtain right-of-way or easements**

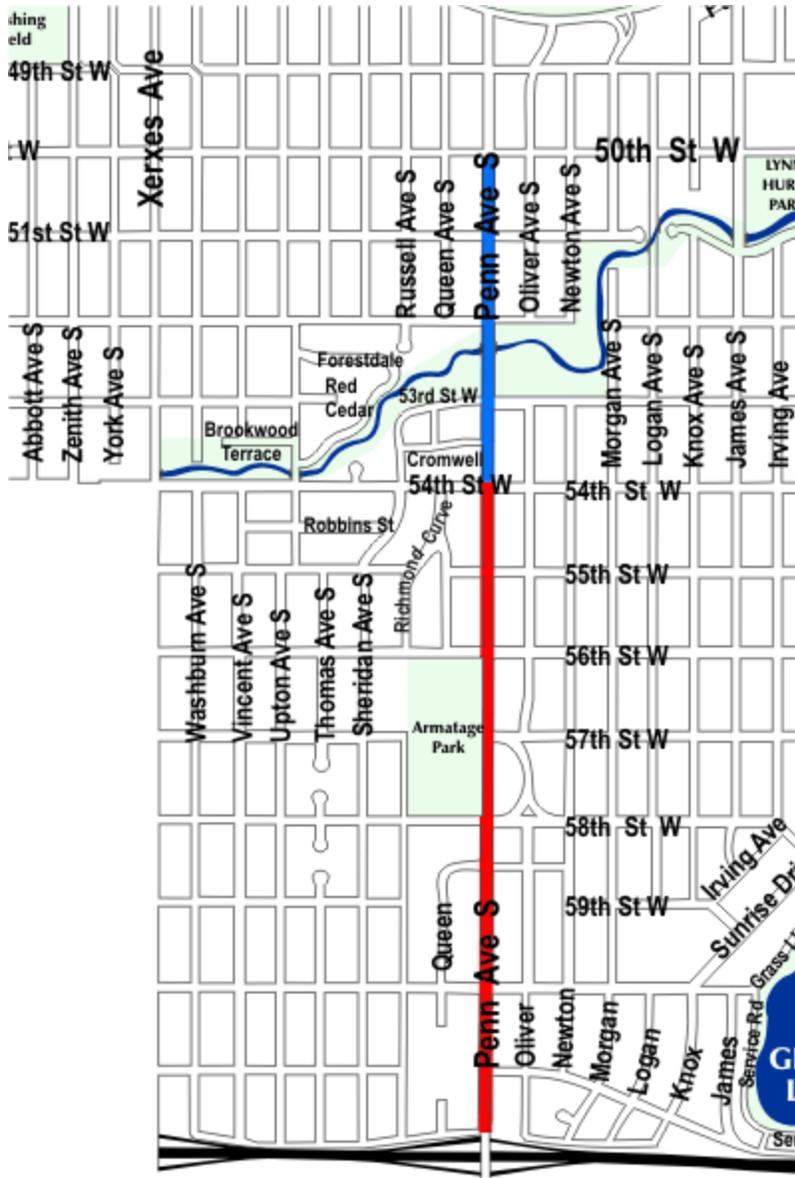
Staff is requesting authorization to allow Public Works to negotiate with private property owners to acquire permanent sidewalk easements and additional right of way if needed. Currently, it is not anticipated that permanent easements will be needed and not known if temporary construction easements will be needed to facilitate construction.

Attachment 1 – Map

Attachment 2 – Proposed Project Layout

Cc: Council Member Hodges, Ward 13

# Penn Avenue S Reconstruction Project Map



-  2013 Construction
-  2014 Construction



**T&PW** - Your Committee, having under consideration the Penn Ave Reconstruction Project No 6748 (between MN-62 and 50th St), now recommends:

- a) Approval of the project layout as set forth in Petn No \_\_\_\_\_;
- b) That the proper City officers be authorized to negotiate with private property owners to acquire and execute additional easements and additional right-of-way, if needed.