

Attachment 2 - Preliminary 2006 Capital Budget Requests

1. **Local Government:** City of Minneapolis
2. **Project Title:** Cedar Lake Regional Trail (Phase 3)
3. **Project Priority:** To Be Determined
4. **Project Location:** BNSF Corridor (Royalston Avenue to West River Parkway)
5. **Total Project Cost:** \$8,281,250
6. **Request for 2006 State Funds:** \$1,816,250
7. **State Funds Request in 2008**
8. **State Funds Request in 2010**
9. **Non-State Funds Available Or To Be Contributed to the Project:**
 - \$5,300,000 Federal Funding
 - \$1,165,000 City of Minneapolis Funding
10. **Project description and rationale:** This regional trail project will complete the last segment of the Cedar Lake Regional Trail from the existing Cedar Lake Trail (currently terminates at Royalston Avenue) to the Mississippi River. This commuter trail is projected to carry over 1,000 bicyclists and 1,000 pedestrians per day (on an average Spring, Summer, and Fall day. This commuter trail is needed to provide safer and more convenient access into Downtown Minneapolis and will help provide congestion relief to the I-394 corridor. This final segment of the Cedar Lake Trail will be a part of a network of trails that currently serves St. Louis Park, Hopkins, Eden Prairie, Minnetonka, Shorewood, Excelsior, Victoria, Chanhassen, and Chaska in addition to the City of Minneapolis.
11. **Ownership:** The City of Minneapolis will own and operate the trail.
12. **Detailed Project Costs:**
 - Design/Construction Engineering:** \$1,656,250
 - Construction (Includes Land Acquisition):** \$6,625,000
13. **Project length:** Approximately 1 mile
14. **Project Schedule:** Start Construction Spring 2006;
Complete Construction Spring 2007

15. State Operating Funds: The Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board will maintain the trail. This trail may be added to the Regional Trail System when the project has been completed.

16. City Council Resolution: Attached

17. Contact Persons: Donald Pflaum; City of Minneapolis Public Works
Robb Urquhart; City of Minneapolis Public Works



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

Date: August 30, 2005
To: Honorable Scott Benson, Chair, Intergovernmental Relations Committee

Referral to:

Subject: Resolution supporting Phase 3 of the Cedar Lake Regional Trail as part of the city's state bonding legislative agenda.

Recommendation:

Approve the attached resolution language supporting the proposed projects

Previous Directives:

- City Council Action on February 8, 2005 supporting the Cedar Lake Trail (Phase 3) as part of the cities federal legislative agenda

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Approved by:

Klara A. Fabry, P.E., City Engineer, Director of Public Works

Presenters: Donald Pflaum, Traffic and Parking Services

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 – Capital Only

Action requires use of contingency or reserves

Other financial impact (Explain): Future operational costs will be incurred

Request provided to the Budget Office when provided to the Committee Coordinator

Project Description:

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and more convenient access into Downtown Minneapolis, to complete a difficult gap in the regional trail system, and to provide congestion relief to the entire SW Metro area. This final segment of the Cedar Lake Trail will be a part of a network of trails that currently serves St. Louis Park, Hopkins, Eden Prairie, Minnetonka, Shorewood, Excelsior, Victoria, Chanhassen, and Chaska in addition to the City of Minneapolis. This project is scheduled for 2006/2007 construction.

Project Funding:

Phase 3 of the Cedar Lake Regional Trail received \$3.0 Million in the SAFETEA-LU legislation that was recently passed by Congress and signed into law by the President. In addition, Phase 3 of the Cedar Lake Regional Trail has received \$2.3 Million in federal funding through the Metropolitan Council TEA-21 Regional Solicitation. Both of these federal appropriations requires a 20% local match. Additional funding is required to complete final design and engineering. Due to the magnitude and complexity of this project, it is essential that outside funding be used to help complete this project. Nearly 80% of the funding for this \$8.3 Million project has already been secured including \$5.3 Million in federal funding and over \$1.3 Million in City of Minneapolis CIP funding. An additional \$1,816,250 is needed to complete the project.

Recommendation:

Approve the attached resolution language supporting that State Bonding Funds be pursued to secure the funding required to complete the last phase of the Cedar Lake Regional Trail.

Attachments:

Attachment 1: Map of Cedar Lake Trail

Attachment 2: 2006 State Bonding Request Form

Attachment 3: Resolution supporting the Cedar Lake Regional Trail (Phase 3)

C: Gene Ranieri, Director Intergovernmental Relations

Pierre Willette, IGR

Robb Urquhart, PW

Attachment 3:

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORTING THE COMPLETION OF THE CEDAR LAKE TRAIL TO THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER

WHEREAS; Minneapolis is, according to the 2000 Census Supplemental Survey, the number one bicycle commuter city in the nation over 200,000 population; and

WHEREAS; the Cedar Lake Regional Trail is an important asset to the City of Minneapolis, Hennepin County, the Metropolitan area, and the State of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS; completing the Cedar Lake Regional Trail to the river will form a superb link to the Grand Rounds National Scenic Byway; and

WHEREAS; completing the Cedar Lake Regional Trail will connect the Mississippi River to the entire western metropolitan area by linking with the Kenilworth Trail, Bassetts Creek Trail, Midtown Greenway, and Hennepin County Southwest Corridor systems; and

WHEREAS; public safety is the number one reason for keeping the Cedar Lake Regional Trail in the railroad corridor instead of crossing city streets; and

WHEREAS; the financing of this last section of the Cedar Lake Regional Trail in the corridor to link the lakes to the river will be both privately and publicly funded; and

WHEREAS; the Cedar Lake Regional Trail is included in the 2001 City Council, Mayor, and Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board approved Minneapolis Bicycle Master Plan; and

WHEREAS; nearly 80% of the funds required to complete this project have already been secured; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS that; the Minneapolis City Council supports the completion of Phase 3 of the Cedar Lake Trail by requesting that the State of Minnesota appropriate \$1,816,250 in the 2006 State Bonding Legislation for Phase 3 of the Cedar Lake Regional Trail.