



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

Date: August 12, 2008
To: Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee
Subject: 2nd Ave N Reconstruction Project (Washington Ave to 3rd St N) Layout

Recommendation:

Adoption of a Resolution Approving the recommended layout for 2nd Ave N between Washington Ave and 3rd St N, dated July 24, 2008.

Previous Directives:

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Approved by:

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Presenters: Jenifer Loritz, P.E., Project Manager, Transportation Planning & Engineering

Reviews

Permanent Review Committee (PRC):	Approval	NA	Date
Civil Rights Affirmative Action Plan	Approval	NA	Date
Policy Review Group (PRG):	Approval	NA	Date

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 (Explain):
 Request provided to department's Finance Dept. contact when provided to the Committee Coordinator

Background/Supporting Information

The 2nd Ave N Reconstruction Project is a project identified in the City's Five Year Capital Improvement Program for construction in 2009. The project will consist of the complete removal and replacement of the pavement, curb and gutter and sidewalk surfaces. Utility work will be conducted as necessary.

The proposed layout for the project includes 3 traveling lanes, 2 in the north-easterly direction and one in the south-westerly direction, parking on both sides of the street and wider sidewalks. The project team is also working to include trees in tree grates in the final design. It is important to note that this segment of roadway is converting from a one-way to a two-way as a part of the overall conversion of 2nd Ave N being undertaken by the Twins Ballpark Project as mitigation for the loss of 3rd Ave N between 5th St N and 7th St N. The proposed lane configuration along the project length has been coordinated with the overall conversion project.

2nd Ave N in the project area is a Municipal State Aid Route and acts as a distributor for traffic coming into the City on I-394 and I-94. The proposed layout meets minimum design guidelines as set forth by State Aid and the City's Design Guidelines for Streets and Sidewalks. Public participation was solicited at a public meeting held on June 18, 2008 and via mailings. Comments received regarding the proposed layout were favorable.

Attachment: Proposed Layout

Cc: Council Member Lisa Goodman, Ward 7

Colvin Roy
Resolution No. _____

Approving the layout for 2nd Ave N from Washington Ave to 3rd St N.

Whereas, the reconstruction of 2nd Ave N (MSA 208) from Washington Ave to 3rd St N is included in the City's approved Five Year Capital Improvement Program; and

Whereas, the proposed layout meets minimum design guidelines as set forth by State Aid and the City's Design Guidelines for Streets and Sidewalks.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by The City of Minneapolis:

That the City approve the layout (dated July 24, 2008) for 2nd Ave N from Washington Ave to 3rd St N, as submitted.