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SUBJECT: Hiawatha Trail Extension Enhancement Authorization

CC: Don Elwood, Heidi Hamilton, Jon Wertjes, Council Members, Mayor Rybak, Robin Garwood, Jack Yuzna

The Transit for Livable Communities' NTP Liaison Committee met last week to discuss your request for additional funding to enhance the Hiawatha Trail Extension Project.

Your request for an additional $230,000 based on the estimated budget below was approved with conditions:

Bump Out/Curb Extensions at 3rd and McGrew	$75,000
Ped/Bicycle Flasher System at 3rd and McGrew	$50,000
Colored Concrete vs Bituminus pavement for off-street trail	$40,000
Seal Coat all of 3rd vs sandblast	$35,000
New Street/Trail Lighting along 3rd (east of McGrew)	$21,000
Chain Link Fence along LRT as per Metro Transit	$5,000
Additional Street Striping recommended by John LaPlante	$2,500
Total Enhancement	**$228,500**
Construction Engineering (10% Enhancement Total)	$22,850
Total Enhancement Cost	**$251,350**
Estimated City proposed contribution:	($21,350)
Total requested:	**$230,000**

Condition 1: *That the enhancement of the crossing at Norm McGrew (aka 9th Ave S), will in no way preclude future consideration of a separate project for a Cycle Track and/or contra-flow bike lane on 3rd Street that continues to be championed by many in the bicycling community.*

Condition 2: *That none of the above enhancements will delay project implementation.*

Condition 3: *That project will be completed by September 1, 2010.*

Thanks Ole, for your diligence and commitment to the execution of this Project. We work forward to working with you further should any issues arise.