

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

Date: February 28, 2006

To: Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee

Referral to: Honorable Paul Ostrow, Chair Ways & Means/Budget Committee

Subject: Plymouth Avenue Bridge in Wirth Park

Recommendation:

Amend the 2006 Capital Improvement Appropriation Resolution (Resolution 2005R-658) by increasing the appropriation and adding State Bridge Bonds as a revenue source for the Plymouth Avenue Bridge in the amount of \$1,265,563.98 (Fund/Agency/Org 4100 937 9386 Source 3225 Project BR007). Any excess authorized State Bridge Bonds will be returned to the State. The total project budget will be increased from \$1,429,000 to \$2,694,563.

Previous Directives:

Committee Coordinator

- December 16, 2002 (2002R-476) adopting the 2003-2007 Five Year Capital Program
- September 27, 2002 (2002R-335) authorizing entering into Cooperative Agreement with the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad for reconstruction of the Plymouth Avenue Bridge

Prepared by: Robb Urquhart, P.E. Project Engineer 673-2628 Approved by: Klara A. Fabry, P.E., City Engineer, Director of Public Works Presenter: Robb Urguhart, P.E., Project Engineer Approval _____ Not applicable _ Approval ____ Not applicable _ Permanent Review Committee (PRC) Policy review Group (PRG) **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: X 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

Community Impact

Neighborhood Notification: Not Applicable

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

The bridge is located on Plymouth Avenue between Xerxes and Theodore Wirth Parkway in Golden Valley. The Plymouth Avenue Bridge is a jointly owned structure of the Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board and the Burlington Northern/Santa Fe Railroad, and is the main connection between the City of Minneapolis and Theodore Wirth Park. The bridge is structurally deficient, with a sufficiency rating of 43.6 on a scale of 100. Bridge ratings below 50 are considered structurally deficient. This project replaces a structurally deficient bridge by rehabilitating the existing substructure and construction of a new superstructure. The project will improve the load carrying capacity of the bridge, providing safe access for vehicles and pedestrians over existing railroad tracks, Bassett Creek and an existing bike path. The approach roadways will also be re-paved.

This project was approved for construction in the 2002 Capital Budget. Net Dept Bonds have been sold, the Burlington Northern / Santa Fe Agreement has been executed and the City of Minneapolis pursed and was approved for up to \$1,265,563.98 of State Bridge Bonds.

Sources for the project are as follows:

City of Minneapolis Net Debt Bonds Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad State Bridge Bonds \$ 736,000 (2002R-476) 693,000 (2002R-476) 1,265,000 (current Action) \$ 2,694,000

Construction commenced in 2005, and the project will be completed in 2006.

Att.: Map

Cc: Council Member Don Samuels, Ward 5
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