

## A Resolution Regarding the Hennepin County Cedar Avenue Reconstruction Project

Date: August 19, 2024

Motion: Moved by: Henrik Kowalkowski Seconded by: Lou Miranda

WHEREAS; Hennepin County will be reconstructing Cedar Avenue (CSAH 152) from 24<sup>th</sup> St to Lake St (CSAH 3) in 2026; and,

WHEREAS; The preferred layout is Alternative B and includes dedicated bike facilities and green space; and,

WHEREAS; This was the layout option the Hennepin ATC previously expressed support for; and,

WHEREAS; Physically separated trails, bicycle facilities, and raised pedestrian and bicycle crossings provide greater safety and comfort for people riding bikes, walking, rolling and driving; and,

WHEREAS; The Hennepin County Active Transportation Committee (ATC) has reviewed the project and discussed its merits with County staff;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED;

The Hennepin County Active Transportation Committee supports the Cedar Avenue Reconstruction Project preferred layout option Alternative B.

Hennepin County Active Transportation Committee:

Tammy McLemore – District 1	Absent	Larissa Lavrov – District 4	Absent
Gilbert Odonkor – District 1	Aye	Henrik Kowalkowski – District 5	Aye
Jenny Ackerson – District 2	Absent	Lou Dzierzak – District 5	Absent
Billy Binder – District 2	Aye	Luke Van Santen – District 6	Aye
Dave Carlson – District 3	Aye	Lou Miranda – District 6	Aye
Laura Groenjes Mitchell – District 3	Aye	Greg Anderson – District 7	Absent
Haley Foydel – District 4	Absent	Clara Sandberg – District 7	Aye

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Attest: 

Jordan Kocak, Hennepin County Pedestrian & Bicycle Coordinator

## **A Resolution regarding the Hennepin County Cedar Avenue Reconstruction Project**

Date: March 18, 2024

Motion: Moved by: Lou Dzierzak Seconded by: Larissa Lavrov

WHEREAS; Hennepin County will be reconstructing Cedar Avenue (CSAH 152) from 24<sup>th</sup> Street to Lake Street (CSAH 3) in 2026; and,

WHEREAS; The project is evaluating two layout options. Layout A with enhanced greening and Layout B with enhanced bikeway; and,

WHEREAS; Physically separated trails and bicycle facilities provide greater safety and comfort for people riding bikes, walking and rolling; and,

WHEREAS; during Phase 1, the public voted for Environment and health as by far the highest priority, followed by pedestrians (and then bicycles, while car parking came last); and,

WHEREAS; a primary goal was maintaining older trees, and Layout B doesn't sacrifice trees for general travel lanes; and,

WHEREAS; Layout B maximizes protected bikeways and minimizes car parking space; and,

WHEREAS; NACTO recommends a bidirectional bikeway width of 12 feet, down to 8 feet in constrained corridors, yet this project leaves a foot or more of unused space between property lines & city/county right of way while promulgating an 8-foot bikeway width; and,

WHEREAS; The Hennepin County Active Transportation Committee (ATC) has reviewed the project and discussed its merits with County staff;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED;

The Hennepin County Active Transportation Committee supports Layout B with enhanced bikeway. To be in alignment with the NACTO design guidance minimum 10-ft wide protected bike lanes should be used. On-street parking widths greater than eight feet should only be used for accessible parking spaces.

Hennepin County Active Transportation Committee:

Tammy McLemore – District 1	absent	Larissa Lavrov – District 4	aye
Gilbert Odonkor – District 1	aye	Henrik Kowalkowski – District 5	aye
Jenny Ackerson – District 2	aye	Lou Dzierzak – District 5	aye
Billy Binder – District 2	aye	Luke Van Santen – District 6	aye
Dave Carlson – District 3	absent	Lou Miranda – District 6	aye
Laura Groenjes Mitchell – District 3	absent	Greg Anderson – District 7	aye
Haley Foydel – District 4	aye	Clara Sandberg – District 7	aye

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Attest:   
Jordan Kocak, Hennepin County Pedestrian & Bicycle Coordinator

## A Resolution supporting the Hennepin County Franklin Avenue Reconstruction Project

Date: February 26, 2024

Motion: Moved by: Henrik Kowalkowski Seconded by: Larissa Lavrov

WHEREAS; Hennepin County will be reconstructing Franklin Avenue from Lyndale Avenue to Chicago Avenue in 2025; and,

WHEREAS; The project is at the 30% design phase and Hennepin County has advanced a proposed design that includes a center left turn lane, boulevards and separated bike lanes behind the curb and pedestrian safety and mobility improvements; and,

WHEREAS; Physically separated trails and bicycle facilities provide greater safety and comfort for people riding bikes, walking and rolling; and,

WHEREAS; The Hennepin County Active Transportation Committee (ATC) has reviewed the project and discussed its merits with County staff;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED;

The Hennepin County Active Transportation Committee supports Hennepin County's Franklin Avenue Reconstruction Project. The ATC is disappointed that utilities will not be buried with this project and asks the county and city to review this policy for future projects to remove the cost burden on the local property owners.

Hennepin County Active Transportation Committee:

Tammy McLemore – District 1	aye	Larissa Lavrov – District 4	aye
Gilbert Odonkor – District 1	aye	Henrik Kowalkowski – District 5	aye
Jenny Ackerson – District 2	aye	Lou Dzierzak – District 5	aye
Billy Binder – District 2	aye	Luke Van Santen – District 6	aye
Dave Carlson – District 3	aye	Lou Miranda – District 6	aye
Laura Groenjes Mitchell – District 3	aye	Greg Anderson – District 7	absent
Haley Foydel – District 4	aye	Clara Sandberg – District 7	aye

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Attest: 

Jordan Kocak, Hennepin County Pedestrian & Bicycle Coordinator

## **A Resolution Regarding the Hennepin County Lowry Avenue Reconstruction Project – Phase 2**

Date: August 19, 2024

Motion: Moved by: Billy Binder Seconded by: Laura Mitchell

WHEREAS; Hennepin County will be reconstructing Lowry Avenue (CSAH 153) from Washington St to Marshall St (CSAH 23) in 2026; and,

WHEREAS; The preferred layout includes a multiuse trail on the north side of the roadway, a 3-lane road, pedestrian refuge medians and green space; and,

WHEREAS; Lowry Avenue is an integral corridor in Hennepin County that extends uninterrupted the full width of the City of Minneapolis, connecting diverse, transit- and non- motorized dependent communities that would benefit from new, protected bike and pedestrian connections along Lowry Avenue; and,

WHEREAS; The ATC supports the projects direction to widening the shared use path where possible by two feet to create a consistent 10 foot trail width; and,

WHEREAS; The ATC supports the addition of medians with pedestrian and bike curb ramps to support safe crossings across Lowry Ave; and,

WHEREAS; University Ave and Central Ave intersections will be constructed by MnDOT at a later date and shall incorporate design standards, including a 10 foot multiuse trail, consistent with the Hennepin County project; and,

WHEREAS, the section of the Lowry Avenue NE that passes under the BNSF railroad bridge just west of 7th Street NE and Washington Street NE is dark and unsafe environment for people walking and biking; and,

WHEREAS; The Hennepin County Active Transportation Committee (ATC) has reviewed the project and discussed its merits with County staff;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED;

The Hennepin County Active Transportation Committee supports the Lowry Avenue Reconstruction Project phase 2 layout as shown during the July 15, 2024 Hennepin ATC meeting. The ATC urges the Lowry Ave project to include interim striping, signage and barriers to facilitate the safe passage of pedestrians and bicyclists through the intersections of University Ave and Central Ave. The ATC asks for better lighting and general streetscape improvements for the area under the BNSF rail bridge.

Hennepin County Active Transportation Committee:

Tammy McLemore – District 1	Absent	Larissa Lavrov – District 4	Absent
Gilbert Odonkor – District 1	Aye	Henrik Kowalkowski – District 5	Aye
Jenny Ackerson – District 2	Absent	Lou Dzierzak – District 5	Absent
Billy Binder – District 2	Aye	Luke Van Santen – District 6	Aye
Dave Carlson – District 3	Aye	Lou Miranda – District 6	Aye
Laura Groenjes Mitchell – District 3	Aye	Greg Anderson – District 7	Absent
Haley Foydel – District 4	Absent	Clara Sandberg – District 7	Aye

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Attest:   
Jordan Kocak, Hennepin County Pedestrian & Bicycle Coordinator

## A Resolution Regarding the Hennepin County Nicollet Avenue Reconstruction Project

Date: July 15, 2024

Motion: Moved by: Lou Dzierzak Seconded by: Luke Van Santen

WHEREAS; Hennepin County will be reconstructing Nicollet Avenue (CSAH 52) from 77<sup>th</sup> St to 66<sup>th</sup> St (CSAH 53) in 2026; and,

WHEREAS; The preferred layout includes a directional one-way cycle track + sidewalk; and,

WHEREAS; This was the layout option the Hennepin ATC previously expressed support for; and,

WHEREAS; Physically separated trails, bicycle facilities, raised pedestrian and bicycle crossings, roundabouts and right-in-right-out medians with protected pedestrian crossings provide greater safety and comfort for people riding bikes, walking, rolling and driving; and,

WHEREAS; The Hennepin County Active Transportation Committee (ATC) has reviewed the project and discussed its merits with County staff;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED;

The Hennepin County Active Transportation Committee supports the Nicollet Avenue Reconstruction Project preferred layout option.

Hennepin County Active Transportation Committee:

Tammy McLemore – District 1	absent	Larissa Lavrov – District 4	aye
Gilbert Odonkor – District 1	absent	Henrik Kowalkowski – District 5	aye
Jenny Ackerson – District 2	aye	Lou Dzierzak – District 5	aye
Billy Binder – District 2	absent	Luke Van Santen – District 6	aye
Dave Carlson – District 3	absent	Lou Miranda – District 6	aye
Laura Groenjes Mitchell – District 3	aye	Greg Anderson – District 7	aye
Haley Foydel – District 4	absent	Clara Sandberg – District 7	aye

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Attest:   
Jordan Kocak, Hennepin County Pedestrian & Bicycle Coordinator

## A Resolution regarding the Hennepin County Nicollet Avenue Reconstruction Project

Date: April 15, 2024

Motion: Moved by: Greg Anderson    Seconded by: Tammy McLemore

WHEREAS; Hennepin County will be reconstructing Nicollet Avenue (CSAH 52) from 77<sup>th</sup> St to 66<sup>th</sup> St (CSAH 53) in 2026; and,

WHEREAS; The project is evaluating three layout options. 1. One-way cycle track + sidewalk 2. Two-way cycle track + sidewalk 3. Side path + sidewalk; and,

WHEREAS; Physically separated trails and bicycle facilities provide greater safety and comfort for people riding bikes, walking and rolling; and,

WHEREAS; Layout option 1 supports transportation modal equity for all users; and,

WHEREAS; Layout option 1 provides the most logical active transportation choices with separated and safe bike facilities and sidewalk which will encourage use and reduce vehicle miles traveled; and,

WHEREAS; Layout option 1 is very similar to the 66<sup>th</sup> Street cross section. 66<sup>th</sup> Street has been operating successfully and this cross section is known to city residents and travelers; and,

WHEREAS; The Hennepin County Active Transportation Committee (ATC) has reviewed the project and discussed its merits with County staff;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED;

The Hennepin County Active Transportation Committee supports layout option 1, the one-way cycle track + sidewalk. Option 3 the side path + sidewalk is not appropriate for this corridor and should not be considered as an option.

Hennepin County Active Transportation Committee:

Tammy McLemore – District 1	aye	Larissa Lavrov – District 4	absent
Gilbert Odonkor – District 1	aye	Henrik Kowalkowski – District 5	aye



Jenny Ackerson – District 2	absent	Lou Dzierzak – District 5	aye
Billy Binder – District 2	absent	Luke Van Santen – District 6	aye
Dave Carlson – District 3	aye	Lou Miranda – District 6	aye
Laura Groenjes Mitchell – District 3	aye	Greg Anderson – District 7	aye
Haley Foydel – District 4	aye	Clara Sandberg – District 7	absent

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Attest:   
Jordan Kocak, Hennepin County Pedestrian & Bicycle Coordinator

## A Resolution Regarding the Minneapolis Southside Greenway

Date: September 16, 2024

Motion: Moved by: Larissa Lavrov Seconded by: Tammy McLemore

WHEREAS; The Southside Greenway is a proposed north/ south bicycle and pedestrian corridor that would connect Downtown Minneapolis and South Minneapolis; and,

WHEREAS; The preferred route includes Park Avenue and Portland Avenue between 40<sup>th</sup> Street and the City of Richfield; and,

WHEREAS; Hennepin County is designing enhanced bike facilities on Park Avenue (CSAH 33) and Portland Avenue (CSAH 35) from I-94 to 46<sup>th</sup> Street as part of the Park and Portland roadway improvements project; and,

WHEREAS; As county roads this presents an opportunity for Hennepin County to collaborate with the Southside Greenway to design Park Avenue and Portland Avenue between 40<sup>th</sup> Street and 46<sup>th</sup> Street in a way that is compatible with the design goals of the Southside Greenway; and,

WHEREAS; The Hennepin County Active Transportation Committee (ATC) has reviewed the project and discussed its merits with County staff;


NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED;

The Hennepin County Active Transportation Committee supports the Southside Greenway project. The ATC asks the project manager for the Park and Portland roadway improvements project to coordinate with the organizers of the Southside Greenway to ensure that the project is built in a way that is consistent with the Southside Greenway.

Hennepin County Active Transportation Committee:

Tammy McLemore – District 1	aye	Larissa Lavrov – District 4	aye
Gilbert Odonkor – District 1	aye	Henrik Kowalkowski – District 5	aye
Jenny Ackerson – District 2	aye	Lou Dzierzak – District 5	absent
Billy Binder – District 2	aye	Luke Van Santen – District 6	aye
Dave Carlson – District 3	absent	Lou Miranda – District 6	aye
Laura Groenjes Mitchell – District 3	aye	Greg Anderson – District 7	aye
Haley Foydel – District 4	aye	Clara Sandberg – District 7	absent

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Attest:   
Jordan Kocak, Hennepin County Pedestrian & Bicycle Coordinator

**A Resolution supporting Three Rivers Park District efforts to apply for funding in the 2024 Rebuilding America Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grant program**

Date: January 22, 2024

Motion: Moved by: Tammy Mclemore Seconded by: Jenny Ackerson

WHEREAS; The Federal Rebuilding America Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) program released the 2024 application for to apply for federal grant funding to construct multi-use trails and bicycle facilities; and,

WHEREAS; Three Rivers Park District intends to submit an application for federal grant funding for construction of the Mississippi River Trail (MRT) in Hennepin County; and,

WHEREAS; The project includes:

- Constructing 3.5 miles of the Mississippi River Trail (West Mississippi River Regional Trail) within the City of Champlin
- Include a new roundabout at Winnetka Avenue (CSAH 103) and West River Road (CSAH 12)
- Improve 18 intersections with turn and bypass lane modifications

WHEREAS; These projects are consistent with the 2040 Hennepin County Bicycle Transportation Plan; Pedestrian Plan; Complete and Green Streets Policy; Climate Action Plan; and,

WHEREAS; Physically separated trails and bicycle facilities provide greater safety and comfort for people riding bikes, walking and rolling; and,

WHEREAS, trails connecting as directly as possible to destinations are recognized as preferable; and,

WHEREAS; The Hennepin County Active Transportation Committee (ATC) has reviewed the proposed application efforts and discussed its merits with County staff;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED;

The Hennepin County Active Transportation Committee supports Three Rivers Park District in efforts to secure federal funds through the 2024 Rebuilding America Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grant program.

Hennepin County Active Transportation Committee:

Tammy McLemore – District 1	aye	Larissa Lavrov – District 4	absent
Gilbert Odonkor – District 1	absent	vacant – District 5	
Jenny Ackerson – District 2	aye	Lou Dzierzak – District 5	aye
Billy Binder – District 2	aye	Luke Van Santen – District 6	aye
Dave Carlson – District 3	aye	Lou Miranda – District 6	aye
Laura Groenjes Mitchell – District 3	aye	Greg Anderson – District 7	absent
Haley Foydel – District 4	aye	vacant – District 7	

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Attest:   
Jordan Kocak, Hennepin County Pedestrian & Bicycle Coordinator

## A Resolution Supporting the Three Rivers Park District 2025 RAISE Grant

Date: December 16, 2024

Motion: Moved by: Dave Carlson Seconded by: Luke Van Santen

WHEREAS; Three Rivers Park District is applying to the 2025 RAISE Grant Program for the Mississippi River Trail (MRT) Expansion Project; and,

WHEREAS; This project will fill a critical 3.5-mile gap in Champlin, MN and run parallel with Hennepin County CSAH 12; and,

WHEREAS; When complete this project will fill a gap in the existing off-road trail corridor and provide a safe, protected and consistently designed multi-use trail for people walking, biking, and rolling where no facility or designated space currently exists; and,

WHEREAS; The project includes intersection improvements and lane reconfigurations to the adjacent CSAH 12 (West River Road) to ensure efficient and effective vehicular mobility as well; and,

WHEREAS; The Hennepin County Active Transportation Committee (ATC) has reviewed the project and discussed its merits with County staff;


NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED;

The Hennepin County Active Transportation Committee supports Three Rivers Park District's application to the 2025 RAISE Grant Program for the Mississippi River Trail (MRT) Expansion Project.

Hennepin County Active Transportation Committee:

Tammy McLemore – District 1	Aye	Larissa Lavrov – District 4	Aye
Gilbert Odonkor – District 1	Aye	Henrik Kowalkowski – District 5	Aye
Jenny Ackerson – District 2	Aye	Lou Dzierzak – District 5	Absent
Billy Binder – District 2	Aye	Luke Van Santen – District 6	Aye
Dave Carlson – District 3	Aye	Lou Miranda – District 6	Absent
Laura Groenjes Mitchell – District 3	Aye	Greg Anderson – District 7	Aye
Haley Foydel – District 4	Aye	Clara Sandberg – District 7	Aye

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Attest:   
Jordan Kocak, Hennepin County Pedestrian & Bicycle Coordinator