

A Resolution Regarding the MnDOT University Avenue Northeast Reconstruction Project

Date: April 21, 2025

Motion: Moved by: Seth Stattmiller Seconded by: Nicole Armstrong

WHEREAS; MnDOT will be reconstructing University Avenue (TH 47) from Central Ave SE to 27th Ave NE in 2027; and,

WHEREAS; During the February 24, 2025 Hennepin ATC meeting a proposed corridor design was shown that includes 4-to 3-lane conversion, sidewalk level separated bike lanes between Central Ave and 1st Ave NE, boulevard and sidewalk space among other street elements; and,

WHEREAS; The project is proposing several options for major intersection redesign at Broadway St NE and Lowry Ave NE; and,

WHEREAS; Other proposed intersection designs at University Ave and Lowry Ave NE remove businesses from the intersection or interrupt traffic operations to an unrealistic level; and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED;

That the Hennepin Active Transportation Committee supports the following proposed elements of the MNDOT University Avenue project; 4-to 3-lane conversion, separated bike lanes between Central Ave and 1st Ave NE, expanded pedestrian space and boulevards and pedestrian refuge medians. The ATC supports the addition of a roundabout intersection design option at Broadway St, and the shifting to the south intersection design option at Lowry Ave. The ATC recommends that bike facilities be included for the entire extent of the University Ave Corridor rather than the limited amount proposed by MnDOT.

Hennepin County Active Transportation Committee:

Tammy McLemore – District 1	Aye	Larissa Lavrov – District 4	Absent
Nicole Armstrong – District 1	Aye	Henrik Kowalkowski – District 5	Aye
Seth Stattmiller – District 2	Aye	Lou Dzierzak – District 5	Aye
Billy Binder – District 2	Aye	Luke Van Santen – District 6	Aye
Dave Carlson – District 3	Aye	Anne Vogel – District 6	Absent
Ethan Kleinbaum – District 3	Aye	Greg Anderson – District 7	Aye
Haley Foydel – District 4	Aye	Clara Sandberg – District 7	Aye