
Appendix F

**Memorandum of
Agreement between the
FHWA, the Minnesota
State Historic
Preservation Office and
the Advisory Council on
Historic Preservation, for
TH 55 (Hiawatha Avenue),
1984**

Advisory Council On Historic Preservation

The Old Post Office Building
1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, #809
Washington, DC 20004

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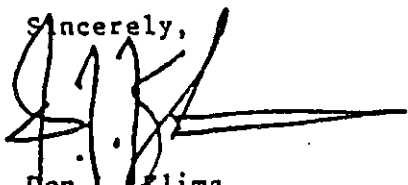
Mr. Roger Borg
Division Administrator
Federal Highway Administration
Suite 490, Metro Square Building
7th & Roberts Streets
St. Paul, MN 55101

Dear Mr. Borg:

The enclosed Memorandum of Agreement has been ratified by the Chairman of the Council. This document constitutes the comments of the Council required by Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and the Council's regulations. A copy of the ratified Agreement has also been sent to the Minnesota State Historic Preservation Officer.

On behalf of the Chairman, we commend your efforts in developing this project and appreciate the responsive manner in which your agency has planned for historic values. We look forward to working with you on future projects.

Sincerely,



Don L. Klima
Chief, Eastern Division
of Project Review

Enclosure

Memorandum of Agreement
TH 55, Hiawatha Avenue
From 59th Street South to
Franklin Avenue
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Whereas, the Minnesota Department of Transportation and the City of Minneapolis have proposed to construct TH 55, Hiawatha Avenue from 59th Street South to Franklin Avenue in Minneapolis; and

Whereas, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), proposes to assist funding the construction of Hiawatha Avenue; and,

Whereas, the Federal Highway Administration has determined that construction of Hiawatha Avenue will have an effect upon the Minnehaha Falls Historic District, including the Minnehaha Depot (Princess Station) and the R. F. Jones House which are included in the National Register of Historic Places; and,

Whereas, the FHWA has requested comments of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (16 U.S.C. 470) and its implementing regulations, "Protection of Historic and Cultural Properties" (36 CFR Part 800),

Now, therefore, the FHWA, the Minnesota State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation agree that the undertaking shall be implemented in accordance with the following stipulations in order to take into account the effect of the undertaking on the historic properties.

Stipulations

The FHWA will insure that the Minnesota Department of Transportation and the City of Minneapolis include the following mitigations in the undertaking:

1. Minnehaha Depot

- a. Construction of a design concept which will provide for a distance of approximately 50 feet between the Depot and the noise wall along Hiawatha Avenue. The height of the noise wall will be approximately 8.5 feet which is needed to reduce L_{10} noise levels to 70 dBA adjacent to the Depot. Materials selected for construction of the wall will be submitted to the SHPO and the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB) for review and comment. The wall materials should be complementary to the Depot and Minnehaha Park.

2. R. F. Jones (Longfellow House)

- a. The MPRB and the SHPO will be contacted prior to the relocation of the R. F. Jones House to assure that the proposed relocation site will maintain the historic relationship between Longfellow Lagoon and the Jones House. Both MPRB and SHPO approval of the relocation site will be required.

- b. Before the Jones House is removed from its current location, the Historic American Buildings Survey/Historic American Engineering Record (HABS/HAER) shall be contacted and such documentation of the Jones House in its current setting and context as requested by HABS/HAER shall be provided.
- c. The Jones House will be moved in accordance with recommended approaches in the Department of Interior's Moving Historic Buildings in consultation with the SHPO and the MPRB by a professional mover who has the capability to move the historic structures properly.
- d. Within 90 days after the move, the SHPO shall reevaluate the Jones House on its new site and make a recommendation to the Secretary of the Interior as to its continued inclusion in the National Register.

3. Minnehaha Falls Historic District

- a. Detailed construction plans will be submitted to the SHPO and the MPRB for the section of Hiawatha Avenue within the boundaries of the Historic District for review and comment. To the extent practicable, all SHPO and MPRB comments will be incorporated into final design.
- b. Archeological monitoring of the Longfellow Gardens area and of other areas as determined from the SHPO review of detailed design plans will take place during roadway construction activities, such as excavation, which could result in uncovering of currently unknown archeological resources. All archeological monitoring will be conducted by or done under the supervision of a person meeting the appropriate qualification standards set forth in the Department of Interior's Professional Qualification Standards.
- c. Selection and choice of materials for landscape treatment of the Noise Wall and the covered roadway will be developed through consultation with the SHPO and the MPRB. To the extent practicable, SHPO and MPRB comments and recommendations will be incorporated into the final design and construction of Hiawatha Avenue.
- d. Construction activities will be undertaken in compliance with Mn/DOT Standard Specifications 1717, Air and Water Pollution, and 1803.5, Erosion Control, to avoid any adverse impact on Minnehaha Creek or Falls due to soil erosion.

4. Other areas within the project limits

- a. Archeological monitoring of the open field near County Road 62 will take place during construction because of the potential for discovering artifacts associated with the early use of Fort Snelling, located about one mile to the southeast.
- b. Proposed locations, design, and specifications of LRT Stations in the downtown area will be submitted to SHPO for review and comment.

5. Any issues that have not been satisfactorily resolved through the review and comment process outlined in Stipulations 1 through 4, will be forwarded to the ACHP for review and comment prior to any action taking place which will impact that issue. FHWA will assure that full consideration is given to resulting ACHP comments prior to continuing with the project.

Execution of this Memorandum of Agreement evidences that the Federal Highway Administration has afforded the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation a reasonable opportunity to comment on the proposed construction of Hiawatha Avenue and its effects on Historic Properties and that the Federal Highway Administration has taken into account the effects of this project on historic properties.

James E. H. John 3/19/84
District Engineer, FHWA Date

Russell W. Fridley 3/11/84
Minnesota Historic Preservation Officer Date

Robert Sawyer April 12, 1984
Executive Director, ACHP Date

Alexander Albrecht 4/16/84
Chairman, ACHP Date

Concur: Perry Smith 3/7/84
Minneapolis Date

Concur: W. J. H. H. H. H. 3/7/84
Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board Date

Concur: F. C. Marshall 3/12/84
Mn/DOT Date