



## HIGHWAY 61 ROAD RECONSTRUCTION OVERVIEW / TIMELINE

**April 2003** The TH 61 Corridor Management Study was released by MN DOT. This study was prepared in cooperation with the City and was the first time the City had documented plans for the 3 lane conversation.

**January 2012** The City adopted it's Comprehensive Plan with the following transportation strategy: Reduce the number of lanes along Highway 61.

**2015** In 2015, the City began the process of looking into roadway changes to Highway 61 through Lake City. The first step to this process involved conducting a scoping study, which outlined a project area, gathered preliminary data and discussed design options. This study was delivered in early 2016.

**March 2016** The City conduced a series of open houses in March of 2016 to go over the proposed changes with community members.

**August 2016** City Council considered alternatives and directed staff to pursue a three lane configuration.

**December 2016** In December, the City Council approved a Letter of Intent with MNDOT and directed staff to continue pursuing the highway reconstruction project which would create 3 lanes for traffic flow with additional available space for pedestrians, bicycles and wider vehicle shoulders.

**February/March 2017** City Council holds information sessions to learn more about trucks and traffic, safety, aesthetics, potential environmental and wellness improvements, design and funding.

**April 2017** City Council will discuss financing and vote on funding for the 2020 highway project and consider a design contract and Joint Powers Agreement with MN DOT. Will lay out roles an responsibilities between

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