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## MINUTES

### Highway 61 Reconstruction Project – PMT #14

December 19, 2018

Lake City - City Hall

Meeting Chair: Chris Hiniker

Minutes by: SEH

Present: Scott Jensen, Megan Smith, Chris Hiniker, Bill Anderson, Rob Keehn, Aaron Breyfogle, Ken Taillon, Andy Masterpole, Chad Jorgenson

Copies to: PMT members

#### I. PMT #13 Review

a. Since the last meeting SEH met with MnDOT to review construction staging and detour options.

#### II. Maintenance of Traffic

a. Chad reviewed the proposed detour route maps and details of the possible staging of traffic during construction on the north end of the project along with a possible option of a detour via TH 58 and CSAH 5 from Red Wing. More discussion with MnDOT and Goodhue County will be needed including determining bridge conditions on the proposed detour route.

b. Discussed possible construction schedule starting mid-April. First phase, Elm to Lyon, could be completed in three months. All construction would wrap-up in mid-October.

c. The contractor may need to begin demo on both ends of the job at the same time depending on which detour is used on the north end.

d. Campground roads are private so will not be able to use for a detour.

e. Discussed setting a target date for an open house, maybe after 60% review comments? Need to begin engaging the affected property owners regarding the construction process, associated impacts, and options for minimizing adverse impacts.

f. MnDOT has begun assembling pedestrian traffic plans for all major projects. **Aaron will provide an example to SEH.**

g. Megan said the Chamber is going to have a consultant come in and offer advice to local businesses for strategies to use during construction.

#### III. Amenities.

a. Reviewed layout showing proposed lighting and tree locations. Ken discussed lighting spacing and types. Typically there are seven pedestrian lights per block and taller lights at each intersection between Elm and Jewell. Between Jewell and Central Point there are tall lights at each intersection as well as approximately at each mid- block.

- b. The City recently installed the sample pedestrian level light fixture across from City Hall for demonstration purposes.
  - c. **SEH was directed to move the crosswalk at Central Point onto the center median.**
  - d. Andy reviewed the trees which are set approximately 15 to 20 feet from lights; 8 to 10 feet from driveways; and kept away from intersections to maintain sight distances. The group generally concurred with the plans for incorporation into the 60% plans. **SEH will prepare a clean layout for the future public open house.**
  - e. Discussed possibility of wrap around landscaping at some intersections like Center and Marion. This would need to be limited to within the current construction limits.
  - f. Andy noted the narrow boulevard between Chestnut and Walnut limited tree locations to the bump-outs.
  - g. Trees between Elm and Jewell will be in structural soil. Between Jewell and Central Point they will be in native soil. Trees along the lake will have up-lights.
  - h. Discussed options for receptacles by the trees for seasonal lights. **SEH will verify whether receptacles at trees are included in the budget and also present options for review (with consideration for protecting from damage).** Ken indicated it costs approximately \$1,000 per tree to provide electricity. It was noted that at a minimum conduit should be provided to each tree.
  - i. **SEH will address reducing the number of trees in the medians given maintenance and sight distance considerations. SEH will compile different median tree and turf options from other communities.**
  - j. Private utilities may be in the way of some of the proposed trees and lights. **SEH will send the 60% plans to affected utilities.**
  - k. Discussed temporary lighting to be used during construction. **Ken will meet with city staff and look at possible feed points, etc.**
  - l. Discussed old brick buildings in downtown and the possibility of damage during construction. It was suggested that the city should take pictures in advance of construction and advise property owners to do the same.
- IV. 60% plan submittal is set for end of January pending potential grant money for storm basins at the north end of the project. The basin design could delay the submittal.
- V. **SEH will send a copy of the storm basins grant application to Rob.**
- VI. PMT meetings will be set on an every other month interval starting in January. **Rob will provide a revised list of PMT members to SEH, then SEH will email the 2019 meeting schedule.**

SEH believes that this document accurately reflects the business transacted during the meeting. If any attendee believes that there are any inconsistencies, omissions or errors in the minutes, they should notify the writer at once. Unless objections are raised within seven (7) days, we will consider this account accurate and acceptable to all.

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