I-494: Airport to Hwy 169
Local Goals Discussion

Special Meeting
Richfield City Council
Bloomington City Council
April 9, 2019
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- **Overview of project;**

- Confirm that both cities are committed to success of the regional system and the improvements proposed.

- Review the regional goals developed with the project and discuss their benefit to both cities;

- Review and develop draft local goals between the two cities (Transportation, Economic, Environmental); and
Study of corridor from MN River/Airport to Hwy 169

$204 Million for MnPASS and NB to WB move of 35W/494 interchange

Access Changes (Nicollet/Portland/12th/24th via 77th underpass)

Bridge Reconstruction (France/82nd Street/RR/Nicollet/Pedestrian/Portland/12th)
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Regional Transportation Goals

- **Address deficient infrastructure** in the corridor (i.e. bridges, pavement conditions, retaining walls, etc.)
- Bring pedestrian facilities to **ADA standards** within construction limits
- Connect neighborhoods by **constructing missing pedestrian facilities & providing improved facilities** on new bridges
- Maintain/improve **transit advantages**
- **Allow direct connection** of planned Highway 77 MnPASS facility and planned I-494 MnPASS facility
- **Access changes** on 12th, Portland & Nicollet Avenue interchanges and 24th Ave via a new 77th Street connection under TH77
- Develop a **phased implementation plan** for the corridor expansion vision
- **Improve safety** along the I-494 corridor
- **Improve travel time reliability** on the I-494 corridor
- **Reduce the amount of traffic diverting** off the regional transportation system onto the local road system
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Reliever System

- Completion of 77th Street underpass prior to access closures or changes at 12th, Portland, & Nicollet
- Maintain or improve operations on 77th Street and on American Boulevard (key intersections include Penn, Lyndale, Portland)
- Improve operations on 76th Street from I-35W to Xerxes Ave (coordinate with PRO2 signal timing project) including ramp access to I-35W to accommodate Penn Avenue access changes

Local Mobility

- Minimize the amount of traffic diverting off the regional transportation system onto the local road system (North of 77th Street, south of American Boulevard)
- Improve multimodal crossings (and approaches to the crossings) of I-494 (both on Avenue bridges and bike/ped bridges)
- Facilitate continuity and expansion of transit service on the local road network (Metro Transit D Line and others)
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Construction Impacts

- Environmental **sustainability focus** on solutions (storm water, air quality, etc.)
- Maintain or improve **traffic operations along detour routes** prior to I-494 traffic impacts (TH62 - Crosstown)
- Minimize **impacts to local roadway network** during construction
Local Transportation Goals

Local Economic Vitality

- Develop an identifiable I-494 corridor and attractive gateways to Richfield/Bloomington (coordination with required bridge reconstructions)
- Provide access that will encourage the availability of quality goods, services, and employment opportunities for residents
- Provide access to encourage the Cedar Corridor Redevelopment
- Incorporate design that will provide community continuity and not barriers
- Accommodate business growth by addressing transportation needs
- Maximize/utilize excess right-of-way
- Limit right-of-way impacts to existing properties
- Environmental justice focus on solutions (social, community populations, economic disadvantaged, etc.)
- Help businesses to manage impacts of construction
- Minimize impacts to businesses during construction
- Minimize impacts to businesses access in final design
- Minimize local agency project costs