

Richfield Transportation Commission
DRAFT Meeting Minutes
December 7, 2011

7:00 p.m. | Richfield Municipal Center | Bartholomew Room

Commission members in attendance: Martin Kirsch (Chair); Pat Sorensen; Sara Nutter; Gail Lund; Gary Ness; Peter Easterlund, Tim Carter.

Liasons: Bob Shotwell.

City Staff: Jeff Pearson; Kristin Asher.

Others: David Gepner

I. Call to Order

M. Kirsch called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

II. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Easterlund to approve agenda, s/ Carter. Motion carried.

III. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion by Easterlund to approve November 2, 2011 meeting minutes, s/ Lund. Motion carried.

IV. I-494 Construction Projects

-MN/DOT Presentation

Scott Pedersen of Mn/DOT presented an overview of the upcoming I-494 projects. Per discussion, staff will draft a resolution of municipal consent for the Commission to review. The Commission will then recommend a final version for City Council consideration.

V. Upton Avenue & 76th Street Signal

Pearson reviewed the results of the public open house and comments received. He recommended that no action be taken on the signal at this time due to overwhelming neighborhood disapproval, lack of winter experience with the revised timing, and concern for pedestrian crossings with no stop control. Motion made by Tim Carter to hold any physical changes to the signal until the end of 2012 and then reevaluate the situation. Second by Easterlund, motion carried unanimously.

VI. West Richfield Basket Weave Stop Sign Overlay

Pearson presented areas of possible changes that were inconsistent with the current policy. The Commission expressed concern that this was proposing time-consuming changes without any real public request for the action. Motion by Carter to not make recommended changes at this time and review future changes on a case by case basis. Second by Ness, motion carried unanimously.

VII. Portland Avenue Feedback

Pearson presented the survey that was posted on the City website along with the postcard to the neighborhood notifying them of the possible feedback opportunity. Staff will present the final results at a future meeting.

VIII. County Road Discussion

Pearson briefly explained the revised emphasis on identifying priority of County Road segments for reconstruction. The issue will be a Commission task in 2012.

IX. Adjournment

M/ Easterlund to adjourn, s/Lund. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 9:02 P.M.

X. January meeting was cancelled. The next Transportation Commission meeting will be held on February 1, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the Richfield Municipal Center, Bartholomew Room.