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Re: Proposed 167st Avenue Reconstruction Project Update

City Improvement Project #23-04 proposes to reconstruct 167st Avenue between CSAH 5/Nowthen Blvd and State Highway 47/St. Francis boulevard in 2023. This project is included in the 2023 – 2032 Capital Improvement Program (CIP). Property Owners will not be assessed for these improvements.

On May 23, 2023, the Ramsey City Council approved plans and specifications and authorized advertisements for bids for this project. Bids for the project will be opened on June 20, 2023.

Proposed Project Schedule:

- June 20, 2023, bids will be opened and reviewed to ensure they comply with all bidding requirements.
- June 27, 2023, the lowest responsible bid will be presented to City Council for award of a construction contract.
- Early to mid-July 2023, the Contractor may begin construction. Before construction begins, the City and Contractor hold a pre-construction meeting, during which time the Contractor provides their proposed construction schedule and contact information. Another letter will be mailed after the pre-construction meeting with specific construction information.
- October 13, 2023, the Contractor substantially completes construction, including finishing all driveway repairs and having the new bituminous pavement in-place.
- November 10, 2023, the Contractor reaches final completion on the project, including project clean up and creating a punch list of minor items to be repaired or adjusted.
- Spring/Summer 2024, final project completion, including turf establishment and punch list items.

Proposed Improvements:

167th Avenue is a Municipal State Aid (MSA) street and will be required to meet MSA design standards. Pavement widths are proposed to remain the same as exists today, but shoulders will be converted to pedestrian facilities on both sides.

No municipal utility improvements are proposed as part of this project.

Property Impacts:

Access to abutting properties will be maintained throughout construction as best as practical. City Staff will work with all property owners during construction to ensure they are informed in advance of any work that will affect

and/or interrupt access to their property for any length of time, particularly due to reconstructing driveway aprons. Access for emergency services will be maintained throughout construction.

Private lawn irrigation systems may be impacted by this work. Relocating and/or repairing private irrigation systems within public right of ways as needed to accommodate construction is the responsibility of the property owner. If you have a below ground irrigation system, you will be asked to mark your sprinkler heads with flags or stakes to assist the Contractor in preventing or minimizing damage to your system during construction. Free flags will be available at the Engineering Department in the Ramsey Municipal Center located on the 2nd floor at the above address. To help ensure that your system will not be damaged during this project, please relocate sprinkler heads and other system components located within the construction limits. City Staff will mark construction limits for you upon request.

Project Costs/Funding:

The engineer's opinion of probable costs for the proposed improvements is \$1,787,846. Estimated costs include 23-percent indirect costs for administration, engineering, finance, and legal costs. The improvements are proposed to be funded using a combination of Municipal State Aid Funds and Stormwater Utility Funds. Again, property owners will not be assessed for these improvements. This is an estimate based on final plans and anticipated 2023 construction costs. The final project costs may vary dependent upon actual bid prices and quantities.

Project Webpage:

More details on this project are available on the project webpage at <http://www.cityoframsey.com/901/167th-Avenue-Reconstructions-IP-23-04>. This webpage will be updated as new information becomes available.

Please feel free to contact me at 763-433-9825 or bwestby@cityoframsey.com with any questions related to this project. If the project moves forward to construction, you will receive another letter containing more information on the project, including the proposed schedule, who to contact during construction, and reminding you to mark underground irrigation system lines and components with flags if applicable.

Sincerely,



Bruce Westby
City Engineer/Public Works Director