



AGENDA

**City Council Work Session
Monday, September 28, 2026
Council Chambers
(following the Regular Meeting at 6 p.m.)**

1. Presentation regarding the County Road 16 (Stoltzman Road) Corridor Study.
2. Adjournment

CSAH 16 (Stoltzman Road) Corridor Study

*City Council Workshop
September 28, 2026*

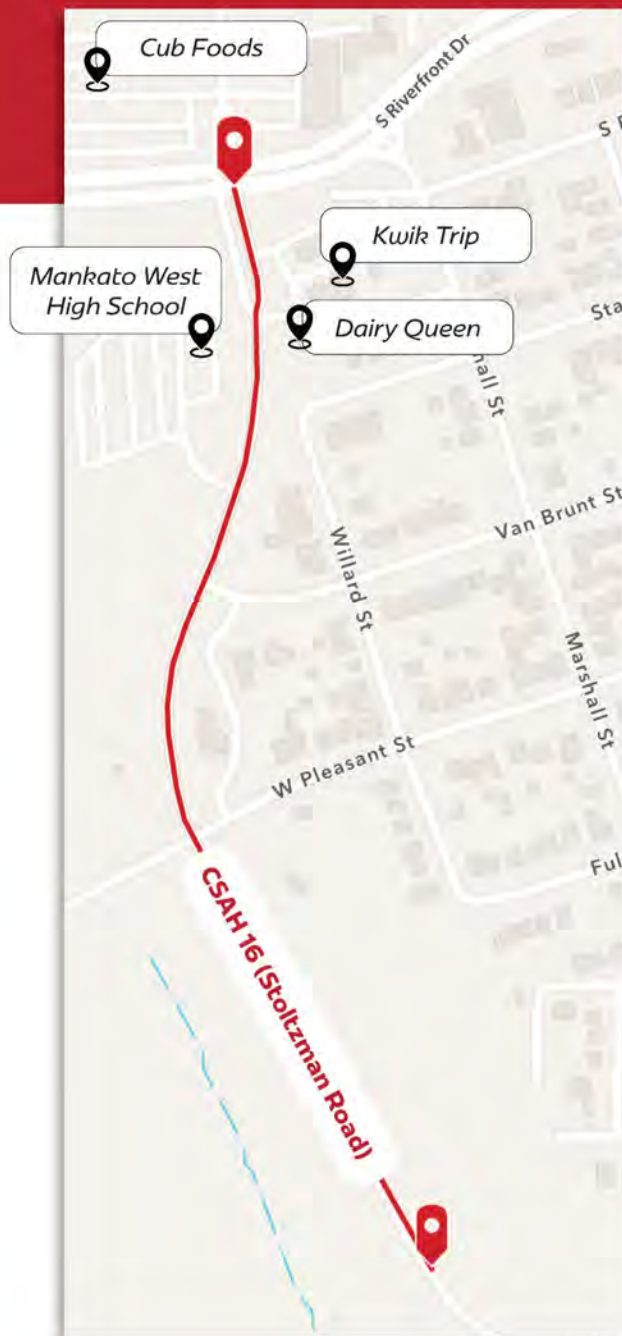
Agenda

- 1** Study Goals and Schedule
- 2** Issues and Needs Assessment (Technical & Engagement)
- 3** Concept Discussion
- 4** Upcoming Engagement



CSAH 16 (Stoltzman Road) Corridor Study

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Project Overview

MAPO, Blue Earth County, and the City of Mankato are leading the CSAH 16 (Stoltzman Road) Corridor Study. This study will assess how Stoltzman Road is working today (for vehicles, pedestrians, bicyclists, buses, and other users) and how it could be improved.

As part of this study, the project team will evaluate existing and future corridor issues and needs, engage with the community, and evaluate alternatives to identify a preferred future design improving overall corridor safety and operations for all users.

Schedule



Questions?

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Visit the website:

Scan the QR code or
use the URL below:

tinyurl.com/CSAH16Study

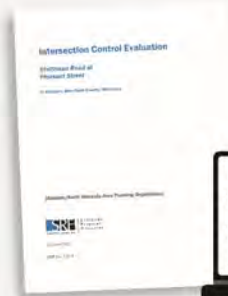


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Related Studies

Several past studies have been completed which will help guide decision-making on Stoltzman Road. These include the 2017 Stoltzman Road & Pleasant Street Intersection Control Evaluation (ICE), the 2024 Stoltzman Road & Riverfront Intersection Control Evaluation (ICE), and the MAPO 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan.



Read the 2017 ICE Report

2017 Stoltzman Road & Pleasant Street Intersection Control Evaluation (ICE)

Key takeaways:

- 2017 traffic volumes did not warrant any traffic control change
- Forecasted 2037 volumes suggested a traffic signal could be installed
- An all-way stop, traffic signal, and roundabout were evaluated - **all-way stop is recommended based on delay, right-of-way impacts, and cost**
- **This ICE report will be updated as part of the corridor study**



Read the 2024 ICE Report

2024 Stoltzman Road & Riverfront Drive Intersection Control Evaluation (ICE)

Key takeaways:

- **A multi-lane roundabout is the recommended alternative based on benefits, cost, input from the public, input from stakeholder groups, and technical analysis**
- A roundabout would decrease higher severity crashes
- Pedestrian safety is improved (recommended flashing beacons for crossing)
- Roundabout would reduce delay for all traffic approaches



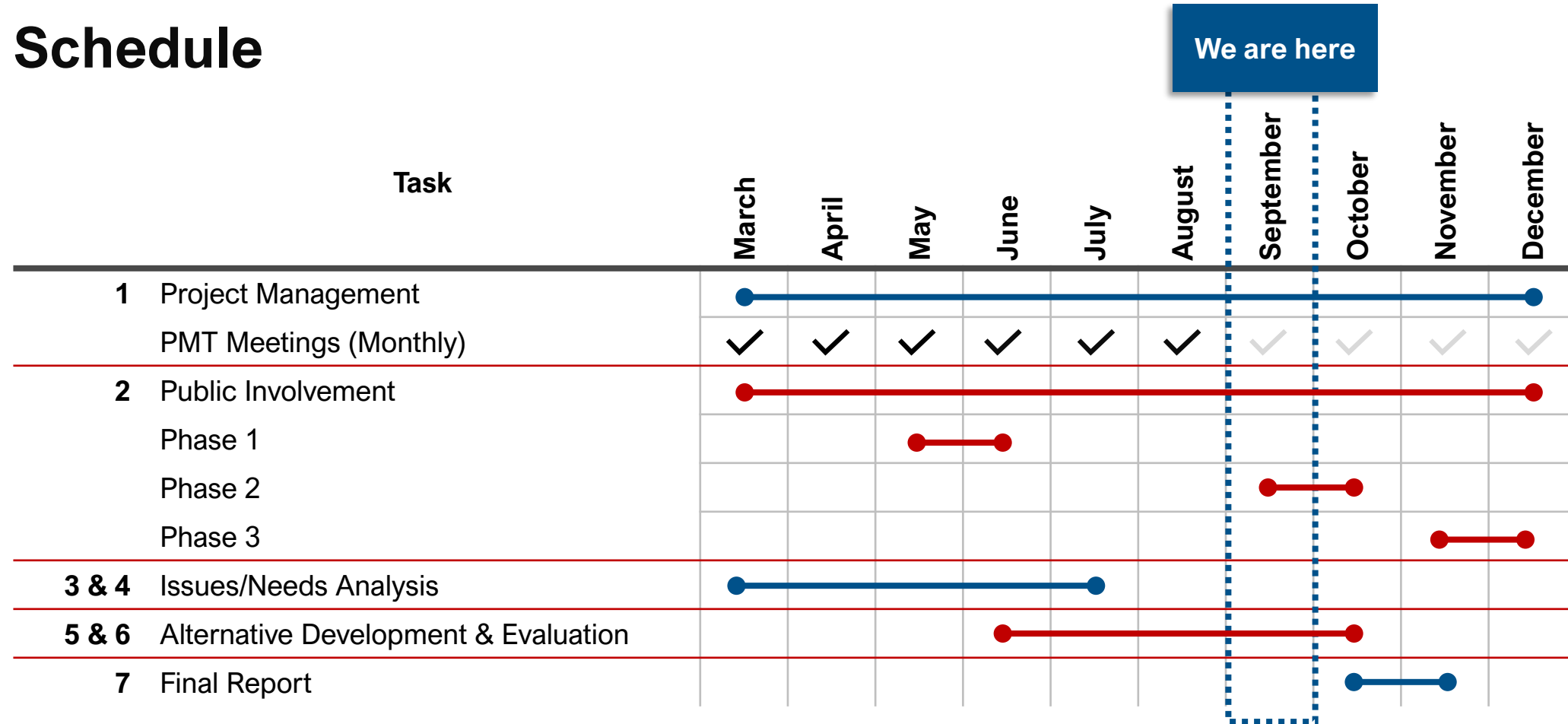
Read the 2050 MTP

MAPO 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan

Key takeaways:

- **Multimodal improvements along Stoltzman Road (such as pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure) are recommended**
- Congestion is likely to occur by 2050 on the southern portion of Stoltzman Road

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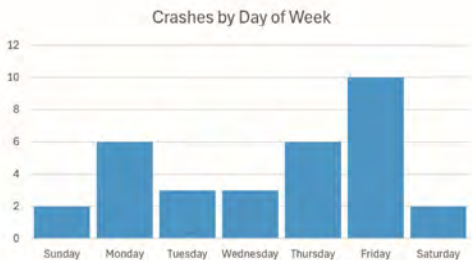
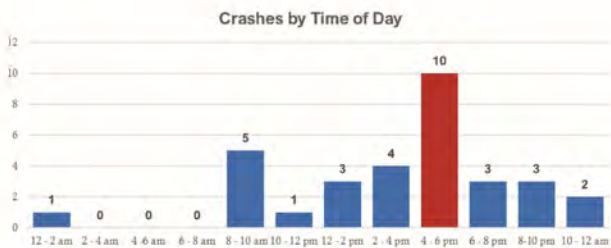
Crash History

40 crashes
in the last five
years
(2021-2025)

32 of 40
occurred at
intersections or
pedestrian
crossings

27 of 40
were property
damage only

**7 bike/ped
crashes**
in last 10 years
(5 at Riverfront,
2 at Pleasant)



Traffic Volumes

Peak corridor activity occurs
from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. and 3
to 6 p.m.



Engagement

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Six community events were hosted to talk with community members about the project, share information, and gather input, along with an elected officials meeting.

Mankato West JV Track Meet Pop Up

May 18, 2026
10 attendees

Dairy Queen Pop-Up

May 21, 2026
10 attendees

Stakeholder Meetings (3)

June 17, 22, & 29,
2026

Public Open House

June 23, 2026
43 attendees

Elected Officials Meeting

June 29, 2026

ONLINE SURVEYS

The [Stoltzman Road \(CSAH 16\) Corridor Study website](#) launched in Phase 1 to share important project information and connect community to feedback opportunities. An online survey was available May 15 through July 2 and received 98 responses. A student survey was available May 15 through June 25 and received 10 responses.





Issues and Needs Summary



Safety and traffic operations were top priorities: Concerns about congestion, driver confusion, vehicle speeds, and difficult turning movements



Desire for **intersection improvements**, particularly at West Pleasant and Riverfront



Request for **walking and bicycling improvements**, including safer crossings, improved pedestrian visibility, sidewalk or trail extensions, and better separation from traffic



School access and circulation were a recurring concern, with feedback focused on student crossings, driveway operations, peak-period congestion, and the need for safer, more efficient access to Mankato West High School



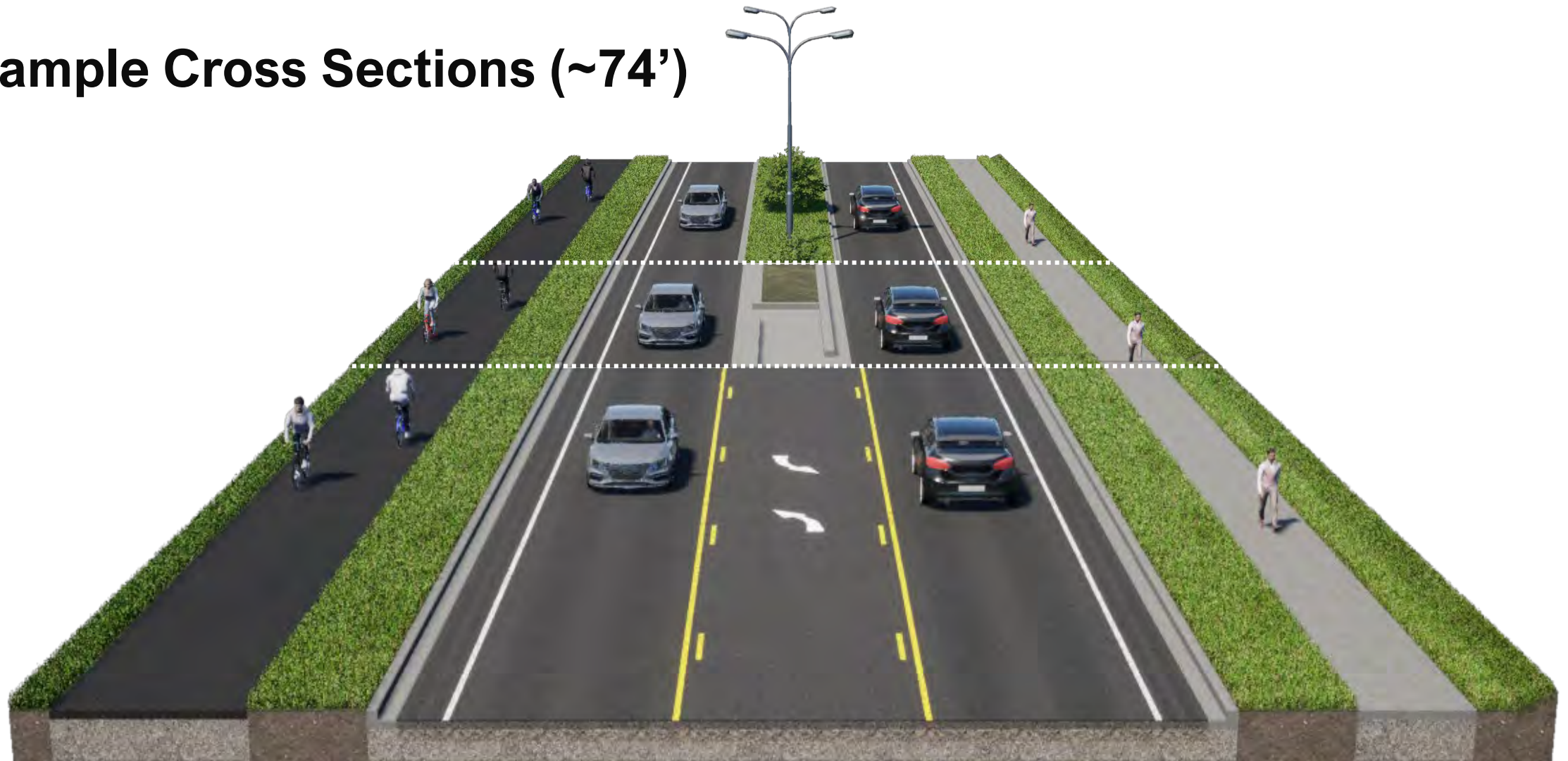
Businesses emphasized maintaining **reliable site access, delivery access, and construction staging** that minimizes impacts to daily operations and seasonal business activity.



Concept / Design Considerations

- 1) The future traffic controls at the Riverfront Drive and Pleasant Street intersections influence the corridor cross-section and access management options, as well as implementation
- 2) Improve multimodal facilities along and across CSAH 16, including at Riverfront Drive, Pleasant Street, and the High School mid-block crossing
- 3) Investigate a second access location to the High School
 - **Riverfront Drive, North of Ped Crossing, Existing, or Across from Van Brunt Street**
- 4) Maintain corridor mobility and business accessibility
- 5) Align the corridor cross-section to help manage vehicle speeds
- 6) Minimize right-of-way, property, and infrastructure impacts
(e.g., High School Parking, Stoltzman Park, Flood Control Box Culvert)

Example Cross Sections (~74')





Upcoming Engagement Opportunities

- **Goal:** Gather input on potential improvements / corridor vision
- **Activities:**
 - Online Survey #2
 - Stakeholder Meetings Round 2 (Business, Elected Official, School District)
 - Potential Community Pop-Ups (3)
 - Homecoming Football Game @ Mankato West 10/9
 - Football Game 10/27
 - [Mankato Marathon](#) 10/17 (Stoltzman & W. Pleasant listed as ideal spectator location)
 - [Day of the Dead](#) (on Riverfront) 10/31
 - Open House #2

Potential dates:

October 21, 22, 27, 28, or 29

Location TBD



Thank you!