

City of Ramsey
Agenda
Park and Recreation Commission
Thursday August 11, 2011

6:30 pm

Sunfish Lake Park, 6330 Sunwood Drive NW

In the event of inclement weather, meeting will be held at the Municipal Center, in the Lake Itasca room.

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Citizen Input**
- 3. Approve Agenda**
- 4. Approve Minutes**
 1. Approve Park and Recreation Commission meeting minutes date July 14, 2011.
- 5. Commission Business**
 1. Recommend Approval of 2011 Park's Capital Improvement – Central Park's Parkway
 2. Trail Planning – Recommend Future Park Land Dedication West of Mississippi West Regional Park
- 6. Commission/Staff Input**
 1. Commission/Staff Input
- 7. Adjournment**

Park and Recreation Commission

4. 1.

Meeting Date: 08/11/2011

By: MaryJo Warner, Engineering/Public Works

Title:

Approve Park and Recreation Commission meeting minutes date July 14, 2011.

Background:

The Park and Recreation Commission held its regular meeting on July 14, 2011.

Notification:

Observations:

Funding Source:

n/a

Staff Recommendation:

Commission Action:

Approve Park and Recreation Commission meeting minutes dated July 14, 2011.

Attachments

Minutes 07.14.11

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**PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION
CITY OF RAMSEY
ANOKA COUNTY
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

The Ramsey Park and Recreation Commission conducted a regular meeting on July 14, 2011, at The Draw, 7401 East Ramsey Parkway NW, Ramsey, Minnesota.

Commission Members Present: Chairperson Melody Shryock
 Commissioner Shane Bennett
 Commissioner Richard Chubb
 Commissioner Andrew Fyten
 Commissioner David Minke

Commission Members Absent: Vice Chair Angela Olsen
 Commissioner Bridget Barr

Also Present: Parks Supervisor Mark Riverblood

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Shryock called the Park and Recreation Commission meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

CITIZEN INPUT

Tabled until after Case #5.1.

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Commissioner Bennett , seconded by Commissioner Minke to approve the Park and Recreation Commission meeting agenda for the meeting dated July 14, 2011 as presented.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Chairperson Shryock, Commissioners Bennett, Chubb, Fyten, and Minke. Voting No: None. Absent: Commissioner Bennett and Olsen.

APPROVE MINUTES

Motion by Commissioner Fyten , seconded by Commissioner Bennett, to approve the following Park and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting Minutes:

- 1) Park and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting Minutes dated June 9, 2011.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Chairperson Shryock, Commissioners Bennett, Chubb, Fyten, and Minke. Voting No: None. Absent: Commissioner Barr and Olsen.

COMMISSION BUSINESS

Case #5.1: Consider Park and Recreation Commission Involvement at Happy Days

Parks Supervisor Riverblood discussed that the Commission would like to get more involved in other things such as Happy Days and turned it over to Commissioner Chubb for discussion. Commissioner Chubb stated there are two areas that the Happy Days Committee is looking for the Commissions help with. One is assistance with the parade set up and line up and the other is bingo. The Commission discussed volunteer groups for example the girl scouts to assist with monitoring the parade event.

Chairperson Shryock offered some Boy Scout names for the Happy Days Committee to contact.

CITIZEN INPUT

Kotchi Prosper, 15540 Iodine Street NW, Ramsey, the Traveling Director for the Northern Lights Soccer Club. Mr. Prosper was present to speak on behalf of the Northern Lights Soccer Club to discuss if there has been any progress of a building at Elmcrest Park.

Parks Supervisor River discussed the CIP and is shown as a placeholder at \$500,000 and sanitary sewer needs to be placed there and the other separate project is the play ground element. He discussed a partial match for use with park trust fund dollars and we are looking for a community match to that.

Park Supervisor Riverblood discussed the benefit to the local retailers when a tournament is played and what the community payback is.

Park Supervisor Riverblood also discussed the best way to start the process is for the residents to speak out in support of a new building as part of park dedication monies.

Commissioner Bennett agrees and as a Commission they are in support of this. We need to be creative with the use of volunteers and the Northern Lights Soccer club.

There was discussion of the entire Anoka Ramsey Youth Association participation in the maintenance of this building.

Mr. Kotchi discussed as of right now they host two tournaments and with a building it would attract more tournaments out to this field.

Chairperson Shryock discussed the more state wide tournaments that we can attract and how it would help our future economic growth.

Park Supervisor Riverblood discussed the possibility of creating a task force in support of encouraging this issue to continue.

The consensus of the Commission is to bring this back for discussion in August as a report from Northern Light Soccer.

Case #5.2: Acknowledge Park Dedication and Trail Fees for the Proposed Stoney River Memory Care/Assisted Living Facility

Parks Supervisor Riverblood reviewed this is an update on the park and trail dedication the Commission had recommended previously and that staff has routed this matter directly to the Planning Commission with the logical park and trail fee requirements.

Commissioner Shryock stated the trail connection along County Road 5 is an important trail connection.

Case #5.3: Recommend to City Council to apply for Federal Transportation Enhancement Funding – Mississippi River Trail

Parks Supervisor Riverblood wanted to report to the Commission that he received a letter from Anoka County stating that they are committing to \$300,000 for year 2016 to local match for this million dollar project.

Motion by Commissioner Minke, seconded by Commissioner Bennett to recommend to City Council that staff be authorized to apply for Federal funding for the Mississippi River Trail.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Chairperson Shryock, Commissioners Bennett, Chubb, Fyten, and Minke. Voting No: None. Absent: Commissioners Barr and Olsen.

COMMISSION/STAFF INPUT

Parks Supervisor Riverblood discussed the four Safe Routes to School programs and that priority one is the connection from Sunwood Drive to the Ramsey Elementary school. Priority two is south of Sunfish Lake Park. Priority three is on County Road 5 to Hwy 47 and Priority four is the Pact Charter School corner.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Chubb, seconded by Commissioner Bennett to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried.

The Park and Recreation Commission meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Riverblood
Parks Supervisor

Park and Recreation Commission

5. 1.

Meeting Date: 08/11/2011

By: Mark Riverblood, Engineering/Public Works

Title:

Recommend Approval of 2011 Park's Capital Improvement – Central Park's Parkway

Background:

The 2011 Parks Capital Improvement Program proposes the conversion of the existing park drive up to the Park Center Building in Central park to a 'one-way,' with the extension of this to the east, towards softball fields #5 and #6. At that point additional park bays may be added, and the parkway would continue to the property line – joining a new public road on a north/south alignment (Yolite Street on the grid), extending down to the existing 161st Avenue.

This estimated \$200,000 capital improvement is in the CIP as a solution to the need for additional parking during peak periods, and to reduce pedestrian/vehicle conflicts on the driveway leading up to the Park Center Building.

Attached is a schematic design illustrating the proposed parkway and parking improvements.

Notification:

Observations:

An opportunity for developing the improvements discussed, exists as the St. Katherine Drexel Church owns the 33 acres east of the park, and under any development scenario, Park Dedication is due, resulting in the ROW needed for the aforementioned parkway and future street.

In 2010, City Council identified the Central Park 'parkway' as a Strategic Goal, and authorized staff to enter into discussions with the church to see if the land could be acquired in advance of development, such that the parkway could be constructed in 2011. After a lengthy period of negotiation, the church and city staff have terms outlined that appear mutually favorable. A draft Acquisition Agreement is anticipated to be before Council later this month, together with the cost estimate for the cost of the roadway and parking improvements.

The purpose of this case is to recommend that City Council move forward with this proposed Capital Improvement, such that the project may substantially complete before the peak park patron period in May of 2012.

Funding Source:

This project is shown within the 2011 - 2015 CIP as funded by the Park Trust Fund at \$135,000 for 2011. Staff recommends that the new improvements include concrete curb and gutter, and therefore the project cost and scope may include monies and elements that were proposed for future years.

Upon City Council approval to proceed, plans and spec would be developed, and let for bid - wherein the precise cost of the project may be known.

Staff Recommendation:

Commission Action:

Motion to recommend City Council direct staff to proceed to preparing plans and specifications for Central Park's Parkway and related improvements.

Attachments

Parkway - Schematic Design

2011 CIP Project Page

Form Review

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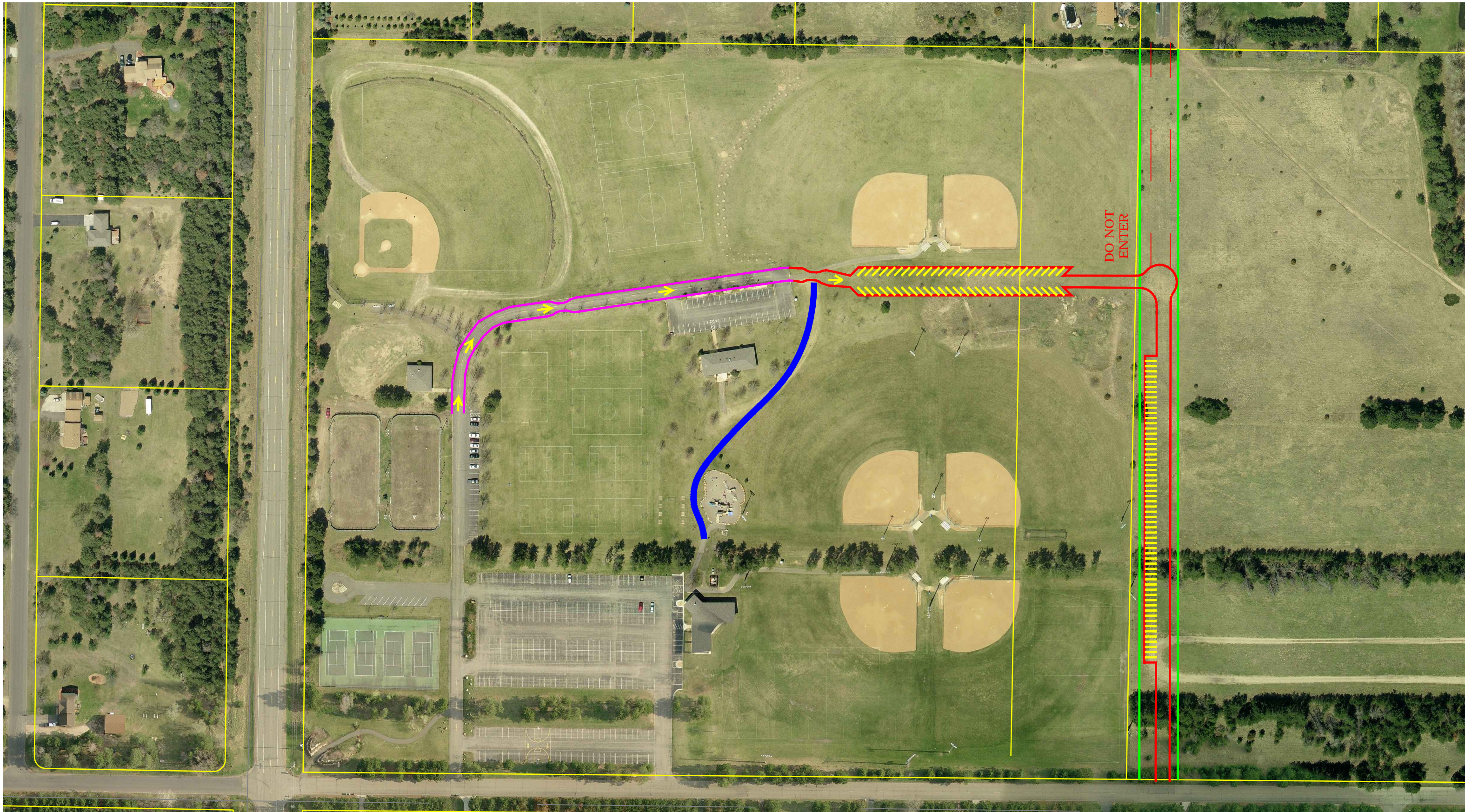
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DO NOT
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Capital Improvement Program
City of Ramsey, Minnesota

2011 *thru* 2015

Department Park Improvements

Contact

Project #	06-PARK-008
Project Name	Redevelopment of Central Park

Type Improvement
 Useful Life 20 Years
 Category Park Improvement
 Priority 6-Planned
 Status Active

Description	Total Project Cost: \$635,000
<p>The drive to the Park Center building would be extended to connect to Yolite Street and the proposed land use of the 35 acres east of the park.</p> <p>This project is being divided into two projects. For 2011 this consists of the extension of the parkway and outlet to the east. Projected for 2014 will be the installation of curbing and removal of the post and cable vehicle barriers around the parking lots. The cost of the 2011 program is \$135,000.</p>	

Justification
<p>Additional parking would occur along this new one way drive parkway, and some parking may be considered where the underutilized sedimentation basin currently exists, or this basin may be used for the adjoining land use, with the new parking occurring to the east.</p>

Expenditures	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Total
Improvements Other than Build	135,000			500,000		635,000
Total	135,000			500,000		635,000

Funding Sources	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Total
Park Improvement Trust Fund	135,000			250,000		385,000
Youth Association				250,000		250,000
Total	135,000			500,000		635,000

Park and Recreation Commission

5. 2.

Meeting Date: 08/11/2011

By: Mark Riverblood, Engineering/Public Works

Title:

Trail Planning – Recommend Future Park Land Dedication West of Mississippi West Regional Park

Background:

Two trail planning activities recently have revealed the need for two relatively small parcels of land south of Hwy's #10 & #169 across from the COR - to allow for the construction of trail facilities. The first is the August 2011 submission of a grant for the Federal funding for the Mississippi River Trail (MRT).

The second, and somewhat related project was the completion of the schematic design for the pedestrian bridge over the aforementioned highway and it's connection to the MRT. Both of these future trail projects serve the public best if they can may be planned for by 'touching' the opposite corners of the Hope Fellowship church property immediately west, and northwest of Mississippi West Regional Park. It should be added, that because of the small impact and the connections these trail facilities afford, staff also believes the value of this vacant parcel is benefited at such time as the trails are available.

Notification:

Observations:

Attached are three exhibits that show the relationship of the trails and parcels referenced above. The purpose of this case is to acknowledge for mapping and planning purposes, that these two areas (identified in red) be recommended for acquisition as part of future Park Dedication or by trail easements.

Funding Source:

This case does not recommend monetary expenditures.

Staff Recommendation:

Commission Action:

Motion to recommend that the city identify two portions of the Hope Fellowship property for potential Park Dedication satisfaction at the time of development, or before, to provide for the construction of trail related facilities.

Attachments

MRT and Ped Overpass areas

Ped Overpass/Bridge

Rails Station and Ped Overpass Footprint

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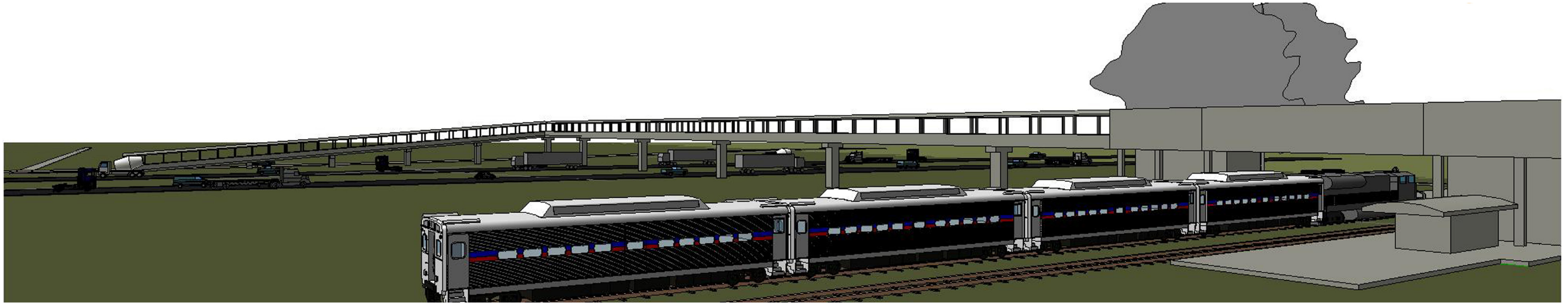


'Stars' indicate proposed Park Dedication

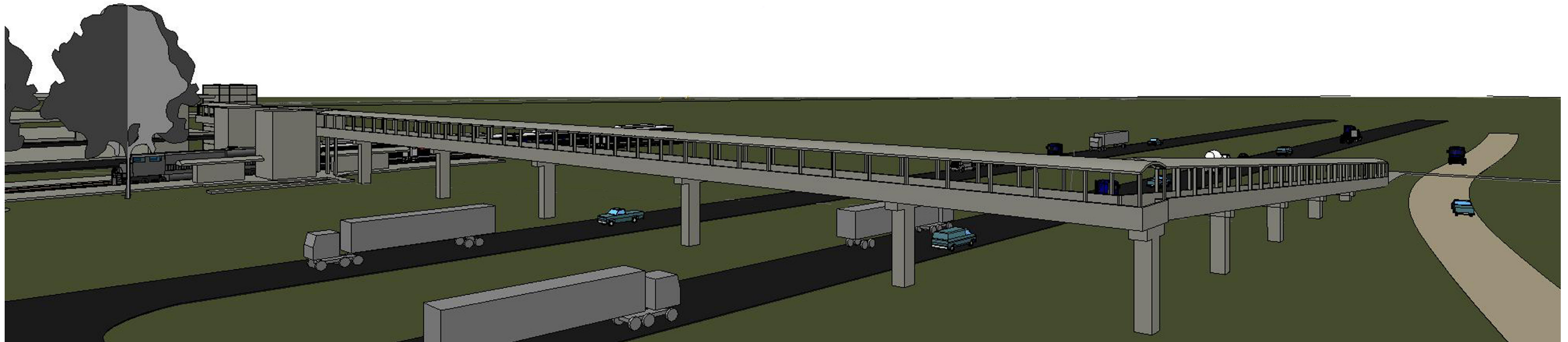


Red triangle represents proposed Park Dedication or Trail Easement for the Mississippi River Trail

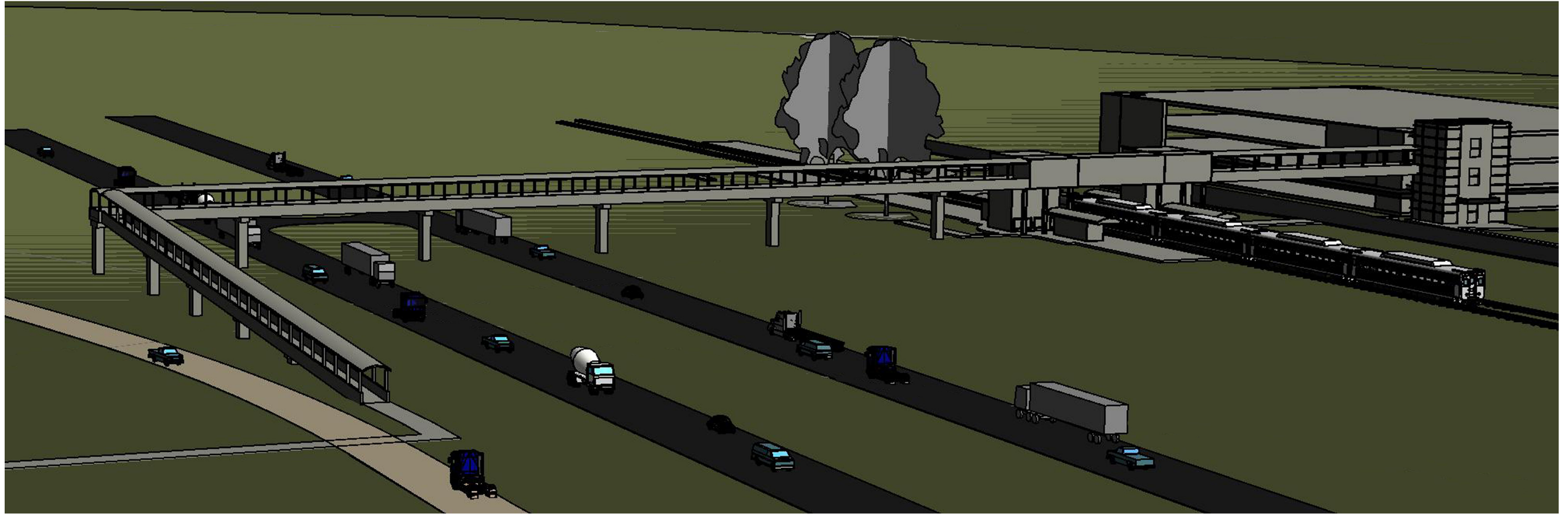
Red rectangle (north) represents proposed (partial) future frontage road need or Park Dedication for Pedestrian Overpass



View looking Southwest



View looking Northeast




View looking Northwest



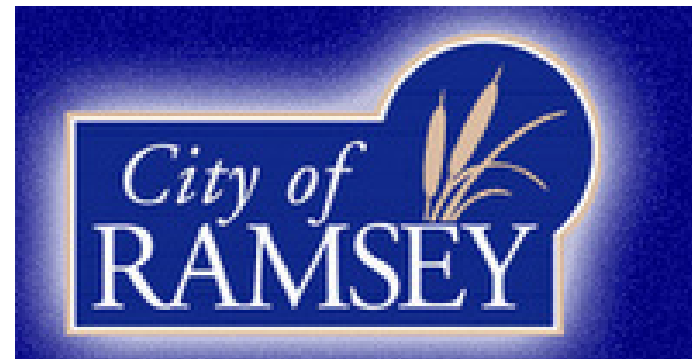
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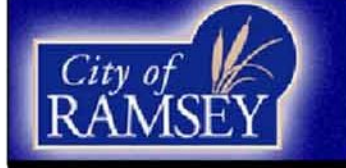
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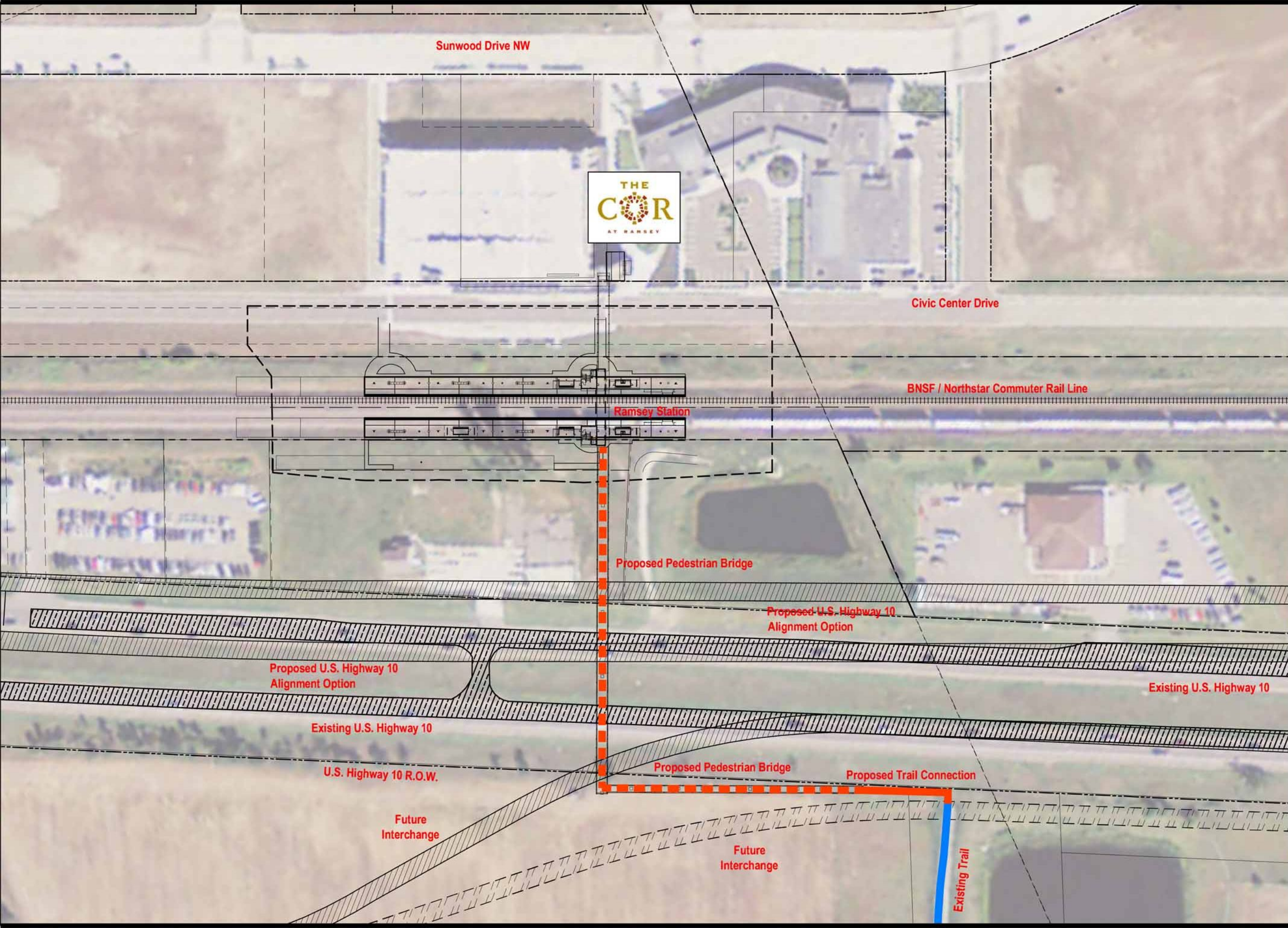


Highway 10
Pedestrian Bridge
8.1.2011



LEGEND

-  PROPOSED TRAIL LOCATION
-  PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE
-  EXISTING TRAIL



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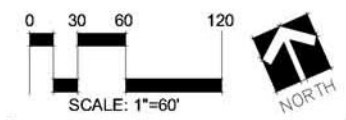
PROJECT NAME:

Hwy. 10 & 169 Pedestrian Bridge

PROJECT LOCATION:
Ramsey, Minnesota

DRAWING TITLE:

SITE PLAN



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Park and Recreation Commission

6. 1.

Meeting Date: 08/11/2011

By: Mark Riverblood, Engineering/Public Works

Title:

Commission/Staff Input

Background:

- Status of Planning for Elmcrest Park's Playground and Building
- Concerts and Farmers Market
- (Adjourn to Inspect Canoe and Kayak System)

Notification:

Observations:

Funding Source:

N/A

Staff Recommendation:

Commission Action:

Attachments

August Concert Flyer

The Draw Schedule, 2nd half

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'THE DRAW' SUMMER EVENT SERIES

AUGUST 11:

TODD ANDERSON AS ELVIS

• 6:30 - 7:30 P.M.



• PRESENTED BY:



AUGUST 18:

MINNESOTA DIXIE

• 6:30 - 7:45 P.M.



• PRESENTED BY:



REMEMBER: THE FARMER'S
MARKET IS JUST ACROSS
THE STREET



EVENT DETAILS

AUGUST 11: TODD ANDERSON AS ELVIS

Todd Anderson as Elvis is a delightfully entertaining show for all ages! Todd's voice, costumes and moves are an exciting depiction of an actual Elvis concert. Todd's friendly interaction with his audience is quite remarkable as he connects to them with humorous stage bits and beautiful satin scarves. Todd Anderson is a featured performer for Royal Caribbean Cruise Lines and performs nationally for Corporate, Professional and Private parties!

Sponsored by Ramsey AFSCME Local 2454

AFSCME is the nation's largest and fastest growing public services employees union with more than 1.6 million active and retired members. AFSCME advocates for fairness in the workplace, excellence in public services and prosperity and opportunity for all working families.

AUGUST 18: MINNESOTA DIXIE

MN Dixie is a 6 piece jazz musical group that plays both traditional and contemporary music. They have been playing together for over 20 years. Their fun family oriented show includes vocals, comedy and instrumentals.

Sponsored by Ramsey Rotary

Ramsey Rotary began in 2004 and is made up of local Ramsey professionals and residents. Members volunteer their time and resources to the mission and projects of the club as well as those of Rotary International.

The club actively serves the community by generating funds to make Ramsey a better place to live and work. The club meets every Wednesday at noon at the Wells Catering meeting facility located just off Hwy 10 in Ramsey.

www.CORatRAMSEY.com

'The Draw' - 7401 E Ramsey Parkway, Ramsey, MN 55303 (within The COR)

'The Draw' Summer Event Series



Presented by:



DATE: **TIME:** **ACT:**

July 21 **6:00-9:00pm** **Bill and Tom Show**

The Bill & Tom Show is a 2 man Guitar/Piano Duo playing popular good time songs from the 60's and 70's. *Sponsor: The New Allina Medical Clinic—Ramsey*

July 28 **7:00-9:00pm** **1st Things 1st**

1st Things 1st is a tribute to great writers and performers of 40's and 50's. The musical revue is a fun, high energy show that has delighted all ages. *Sponsor: Ramsey Seniors*

Aug 04 **6:30-8:30pm** **THE LAW BAND**

With a unique blend of classic, modern and southern rock as well as classic and modern country The Law Band is a local favorite. *Sponsor: FIELD LAW, P.A.*

Aug 11 **6:30-7:30pm** **Elvis, Todd Anderson**

Elvis is a delightfully entertaining show for all ages! Todd's voice, costumes and moves are an exciting depiction of an actual Elvis concert. *Sponsor: Ramsey AFSME*

Aug 18 **6:30-7:45pm** **Minnesota Dixie**

Specializing in Dixieland Jazz, MN Dixie offers something for everyone: Fond musical memories for the older, fun songs for the younger and more. *Sponsor: Ramsey Rotary*

Aug 25 **8:00-9:30pm** **Movie Night: The Pursuit of Happiness**

Starring Oscar nominated Will Smith, this tearjerker about a struggling single parent who's determined to build a better life for his family. *Sponsor: Trott Brook Financial*

Sep 01 **6:30-8:30pm** **Roadhouse Blue Band**

Roadhouse Blue is a variety/classic country/rock band which has been playing for 29 years. 2012 will be their 30th year as a band. *Sponsor: Killebrew Beverages (Free samples!)*

Sep 08 **8:00-9:30pm** **Movie Night: Kicking and Screaming**

Phil Weston, a lifelong victim of his father's competitive nature, takes on the coaching duties of a kids' soccer team in this Will Ferrell comedy. *Sponsor: Ramsey Housing & Redevel. Authority*

Sep 15 **5:30-7:30pm** **BOB FM Live Broadcast, Community Picnic, Free Food**

Community picnic with a BOB FM live broadcast. Shop at the farmers market taking place across the street and you will receive free food from the grill in the amphitheater. *Sponsor: BOB FM*



Thursday Nights: from June 23- Sept 15 there will be an event every Thursday at 'The Draw' Amphitheater

Farmers Market: takes place every Thursday from 3-7 across the street from the amphitheater in 'The Draw'

'The Draw' 7401 E Ramsey Parkway, Ramsey, MN 55303 (within the COR)