

Councilmember _____ introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

RESOLUTION #20-083

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR RAMSEY BOULEVARD / HIGHWAY 10 GRADE-SEPARATION IMPROVEMENTS REGIONAL SOLICITATION APPLICATION

WHEREAS, Ramsey Boulevard/CSAH 56 is an “A” minor arterial expander route that provides an important north-south transportation connection in Anoka County; and,

WHEREAS, existing and future traffic volumes on Highway 10 through the City of Ramsey are such that safety and travel delay congestion will become a greater concern at the existing at-grade intersection of Ramsey Boulevard/CSAH 56 and U.S. Highway 10; and,

WHEREAS, existing and future train traffic volumes are such that safety will become a greater concern at the existing at-grade Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) railway crossing of Ramsey Boulevard/CSAH 56 north of U.S. Highway 10; and,

WHEREAS, existing and future traffic volumes on Ramsey Boulevard/CSAH 56 are such that travel delay congestion is and will continue to negatively impact the ability of the corridor to move traffic; and,

WHEREAS, in September 2014, the Cities of Ramsey and Anoka, along with the Minnesota Department of Transportation, Anoka County, and the Metropolitan Council, completed the Highway 10 Access Planning Study, which indicated grade-separated crossings of Ramsey Boulevard/CSAH 56 at U.S. Highway 10 and the BNSF railway crossing are warranted; and,

WHEREAS, on October 28th, 2014, the City of Ramsey adopted the Highway 10 Access Planning Study supporting the mutual goals and objectives to improve the operations and safety of Highway 10 in balance with local community values; and,

WHEREAS, Anoka County desires to submit an application to the Metropolitan Council for Regional Solicitation funding for program years 2024 and 2025 to receive up to \$10 million in federal transportation funds to grade-separate Ramsey Boulevard/CSAH 56 from Highway 10 and from the BNSF railway crossing.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RAMSEY, ANOKA COUNTY, STATE OF MINNESOTA, as follows:

- 1) That the City of Ramsey supports Anoka County in submitting a Regional Solicitation funding application to the Metropolitan Council for \$10 million in federal funding to construct grade-separation improvements for Ramsey Boulevard/CSAH 56 at U.S. Highway 10, and at the Burlington Northern Santa Fe railway crossing, through the Strategic Capacity (Roadway Expansion) category.

- 2) That the City of Ramsey supports Anoka County's pursuit of federal funding for constructing grade-separation improvements for Ramsey Boulevard/CSAH 56 at U.S. Highway 10, and at the Burlington Northern Santa Fe railway crossing, in program years 2024 and 2025.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Councilmember _____, and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

and the following voted against the same:

and the following abstained:

and the following were absent:

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted by the Ramsey City Council this the 28th day of April, 2020.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk