

Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_ introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

**RESOLUTION #21-222**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT WITH ANOKA COUNTY FOR INTERIM BUNKER LAKE BOULEVARD/COUNTY ROAD 116 IMPROVEMENTS**

**WHEREAS**, a Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) was entered into on April 12, 2005, by and between the County of Anoka and the City of Ramsey defining various public works improvements required to support development of Ramsey Town Center (RTC; now The COR), along with the required processes and cost-shares associated with the improvements; and

**WHEREAS**, the JPA specifies that the City of Ramsey is responsible for expanding Bunker Lake Boulevard/CSAH 116 between Armstrong Boulevard/CSAH 83 and Ramsey Boulevard/CSAH 56 to a four lane divided highway with turn lanes, and for constructing signal systems at Center Street and Sunwood Drive; and

**WHEREAS**, numerous major improvement projects are proposed along U.S. Highway 10/169 through the cities of Anoka and Ramsey between 2022 and 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) studied potential traffic impacts to nearby roadways resulting from the proposed improvements along U.S. Highway 10/169 and determined that Bunker Lake Boulevard will be the most commonly used alternate route and that traffic volumes on Bunker Lake Boulevard between 7th Avenue/CSAH 7 and Armstrong Boulevard/CSAH 83 will double from 2022 through 2025, and that Bunker Lake Boulevard requires improvements to safely accommodate the added traffic; and

**WHEREAS**, Anoka County proposes to complete various interim improvements to Bunker Lake Boulevard/CSAH 116 between Armstrong Boulevard/CSAH 83 and Sunfish Lake Boulevard/CSAH 57 to accommodate the increased traffic volumes from 2022 through 2025, and requests that the City of Ramsey enter into a Joint Powers Agreement to define the respective costs and responsibilities of both parties for the proposed interim improvements; and

**WHEREAS**, the JPA that was entered into on April 12, 2005, by and between the County of Anoka and the City of Ramsey, is not proposed to be amended at this time as a result of the proposed interim improvements; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Ramsey and Anoka County desire to work cooperatively to safely accommodate the increased traffic on Bunker Lake Boulevard/CSAH 116 between Armstrong Boulevard/CSAH 83 and Sunfish Lake Boulevard/CSAH 57 during the proposed improvements along U.S. Highway 10/169 between 2022 and 2025, and beyond.

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

- 1) That the City of Ramsey desires to work cooperatively with Anoka County to safely accommodate increased traffic volumes on Bunker Lake Boulevard/CSAH 116 between Armstrong Boulevard/CSAH 83 and Sunfish Lake Boulevard/CSAH 57 during the proposed improvements along U.S. Highway 10/169 between 2022 and 2025, and beyond.
- 2) That the Mayor, City Administrator, City Engineer and City Attorney are hereby directed to execute the Joint Powers Agreement for the interim improvements to Bunker Lake Boulevard/CSAH 116 between Armstrong Boulevard/CSAH 83 and Sunfish Lake Boulevard/CSAH 57.

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 27<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2021.

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Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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City Clerk