

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

RESOLUTION #21-044

RESOLUTION ADOPTING CONCEPT LEVEL LAYOUT REVIEW COMMENTS ON ANOKA COUNTY'S INTERIM IMPROVEMENTS PROPOSED TO BUNKER LAKE BOULEVARD/COUNTY ROAD 116

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 (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 ultimately expanding Bunker Lake Boulevard/CR 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, Anoka County proposes to construct interim improvements to Bunker Lake Boulevard/CR 116 between Armstrong Boulevard/CSAH 83 and Sunfish Lake Boulevard/CSAH 57 to accommodate the safe and efficient movement of traffic during the construction of proposed improvements to Highway 10 through the cities of Anoka and Ramsey from 2022 through 2025; and

WHEREAS, Anoka County has prepared a concept level layout for the proposed interim improvements and has requested formal comments from the City of Ramsey on the concept level layout with a revised date of February 2, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the City of Ramsey and Anoka County desire to work cooperatively to accommodate the safe and efficient movement of traffic on Bunker Lake Boulevard/CR 116 between Armstrong Boulevard/CSAH 83 and Sunfish Lake Boulevard/CSAH 57 during the construction of proposed improvements to Highway 10 through the cities of Anoka and Ramsey from 2022 through 2025.

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 offers the following comments on Anoka County's concept level layout for proposed interim improvements to Bunker Lake Boulevard/CR 116 between Armstrong Boulevard/CSAH 83 and Sunfish Lake Boulevard/CSAH 57 with a revised date of February 2, 2021.
 - a. The City of Ramsey supports the turn lane improvements proposed between Armstrong Boulevard/CSAH 83 and Ramsey Boulevard/CSAH 56 due to the direct benefit to local traffic.

- b. The City of Ramsey strongly opposes the temporary access restrictions proposed at Limonite Street due to concerns with added traffic on 147th Avenue and Hematite Street due to the numerous drivers wanting to access eastbound Bunker Lake Boulevard from the residential neighborhood.
- c. The City of Ramsey has concerns with the temporary signal system proposed at the intersection of Bunker Lake Boulevard and Sunwood Drive as this will prevent the City from constructing dedicated turn lanes on Sunwood Drive given that the improvements will only be temporary and will be thrown away when the permanent signal is installed in the future.
- d. The City of Ramsey strongly opposes the permanent access restrictions proposed between Sunwood Drive and Sunfish Lake Boulevard due to anticipated negative impacts to numerous local businesses.
- e. The City of Ramsey respectfully requests that Anoka County assist the City in constructing watermain improvements under and along Bunker Lake Boulevard in conjunction with the interim Bunker Lake Boulevard improvements as required to support the City's proposed water treatment plant.
- f. The City of Ramsey respectfully requests that these comments be carefully considered and addressed, and that revised layouts/plans continue to be submitted for ongoing review and comment by the City of Ramsey through final plans.

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

Mayor Kuzma
Councilmember Riley
Councilmember Specht
Councilmember Howell
Councilmember Musgrove
Councilmember Woestehoff

and the following voted against the same:

None

and the following abstained:

None

and the following were absent:


Existing Vacancy

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted by the Ramsey City Council this the 8th day of February, 2021.



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Clerk