

# APPENDIX C



## HASTINGS AREA ROADWAY SYSTEM STUDY MEETING SUMMARY – OPEN HOUSE #1

Tuesday, August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2007, 4:00 – 8:00 PM, Hastings City Hall

**Project Management Team (PMT) Representatives Attending:** Scott Peters, Brian Sorenson, Lynn Moratzka, Tom Montgomery, Nick Egger, John Hinzman, Ann Braden, Ken Johnson, Bob Rotty, Terry Flower, and Gina Mitchell.

**Overall Attendance:** 34 non-PMT members signed in.

### Information Displayed:

1. Rationale for Study, Goals & Objectives, Evaluation Criteria
2. Study Schedule
3. Existing Functional Classification (aerial and city illustrations)
4. Draft Hastings 2030 Land Use Plan
5. Environmental & Cultural Resources
  - a. Historic, Architectural Sites, Cemeteries, Leaking Underground Storage Tanks
  - b. Prime & Other Important Farmland
  - c. Agricultural Preservation Land
  - d. Soil Suitability
  - e. Water Resources
  - f. Parks & Trails
  - g. Threatened & Endangered Species
  - h. Woodlands
6. CSAH 47 Issues Map
7. Study Area Issues Map

### Handouts:

1. Rationale for Study, Goals & Objectives, Evaluation Criteria handout
2. Study Area Issues Map
3. Comment form with map

### Written Comments Received:

 four written comments received

- CSAH 42 – excessive speeds in residential area, by hospital, and senior housing; desire for 4-way stop on Pleasant to accommodate bikes and pedestrians; desire for Wisconsin travelers to use a route other than CSAH 42
- Highway 55/CSAH 42 Intersection – worse after improvements were made
- Highway 55 – upgrading necessary west of Hastings
- Jacob Avenue – flooding susceptibility on or near road in spring and during heavy rains
- 170<sup>th</sup> Street & Jacob Avenue – most viable north/south and east/west routes
- Impacts to Irrigated Fields – preserve irrigated farm land
- Future City Development – do not allow additional development south of CSAH 47 until land within city limits has been exhausted
- Vermillion River – leave land close to river in grass and trees to protect trout
- Overall – desire for Dakota County to create a public awareness campaign to change driving habits, statistics due not reflect near-miss accidents

**Comments Provided by Public & Documented by Dakota County and Bolton & Menk Staff:**

- Cemeteries – sites identified near 170<sup>th</sup> Street west of CR 89, southeast corner of Highway 61 and CR 62, and south of CSAH 47 west of city limits (E ½ of NE ¼, Section 5, Marshan Township)
- Impact Fees – question as to why Dakota County and its townships should have to pay for infrastructure needs caused by development occurring in city
- Highway 55 – question as to the potential to improve road by removing signals or accesses to move vehicles more efficiently so the route is more attractive than CSAH 42 through the Hastings area
- CSAH 42 – potential for traffic calming strategies to make route less attractive than Highway 55 and reduce speeds; current status of trail and why it couldn't be located within CR 87 right-of-way
- Future City Development Area – development should occur west of Jacob Avenue versus south of existing city limits to preserve irrigation systems, valuable farmland, and maximum crop efficiency (double crops – peas first, then corn)
- Future Zoning & Timing of Highway 61 Improvements – would like to know how the area will be zoned (commercial versus residential) and when future improvements will be made on Highway 61 west of Highway 316 so money isn't spent on current property if it is going to change soon
- Potential Historic Site – Question regarding historic site located west of Highway 61 approximately 1 mile south of city limits (NE corner of SE ¼, Section 9, Marshan Township)
- Irrigated Lands – additions and deletions to display
- Endangered and Threatened Rare Natural Features – potential for dry grassland, short stem prairie, remnants of very rare plants and bird species in vicinity of 170<sup>th</sup> Street
- Issues Map
  - CSAH 42 – Speeding, lack of shoulders, road used as an alternative to Highway 55, no sidewalk or tail crossing near Pleasant
  - West 31<sup>st</sup> Street – used as a short cut through neighborhood
  - Private use air strip located south of 170<sup>th</sup> Street and east of Knox Path



## HASTINGS AREA ROADWAY SYSTEM STUDY MEETING SUMMARY – OPEN HOUSE #2

Thursday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2008, 4:00 – 6:30 PM, Hastings City Hall

**Project Management Team (PMT) Representatives Attending:** Scott Peters, Brian Sorenson, Tom Montgomery, Nick Egger, John Hinzman, Ann Braden, Ken Johnson, Kurt Chatfield, Bob Rotty, John Bremer, and Gina Mitchell.

**Overall Attendance:** 19 non-PMT members signed in

### **Information Displayed:**

1. Rationale for Study, Goals & Objectives, Evaluation Criteria
2. Existing Functional Classification (aerial and city illustrations)
3. Study Area Issues Map
4. Alternatives A–F
5. Conclusions (2)

### **Handouts:**

1. Rationale for Study, Goals & Objectives, Evaluation Criteria
2. Highway 61 Bridge Over the Mississippi River in Hastings
3. Comment form with map

### **Written Comments Received:** four written comments received

- Desire for more donuts (roundabouts) in the vicinity of East 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Streets
- Concerns about TH 316 intersection safety and operation and desire for stop signs at Tuttle, Coborns, Ice Arena, Spiral, and 31<sup>st</sup> Street; desire for playground access in South Pines
- Concerns regarding lack of preservation of the secluded setting and neighborhood near Kendel Avenue/Kendel Circle; supports Alternative C with Pleasant Avenue terminating at Tuttle Drive
- Goodhue County interest in mobility provided by Alternatives C & E

### **Comments Provided by Public & Documented by Dakota County and Bolton & Menk Staff:**

- Timing of roadway improvements, including discussion of development driven initiatives occurring at the time of change in land use