

**CITY OF FALCON HEIGHTS**  
City Council Workshop  
City Hall  
2077 West Larpenteur Avenue

**AGENDA**  
July 7, 2021  
6:30 P.M.

- A. CALL TO ORDER:
- B. ROLL CALL: ANDREWS \_\_\_ GUSTAFSON \_\_\_ LEEHY \_\_\_  
                  MIAZGA \_\_\_ WEHYEE \_\_\_  
  
                  STAFF PRESENT: THONGVANH \_\_\_ THAMMAVONGSA \_\_\_
- C. PRESENTATIONS:
- D. POLICY ITEMS:
  - 1. Police Services
  - 2. Pavement Management Project (PMP) – Alley Improvements
  - 3. 2023 Pavement Management Project – Garden Ave Discussion
  - 4. Sister City
- E. INFORMATION/ ANNOUNCEMENTS:
- F. ADJOURNMENT:

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## REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

<b>Meeting Date</b>	July 7, 2021
<b>Agenda Item</b>	Policy D1
<b>Attachment</b>	Documents
<b>Submitted By</b>	Sack Thongvanh, City Administrator

<b>Item</b>	Police Services
<b>Description</b>	Undersheriff Jeff Ramacher has requested a meeting with the City Council to discuss a new option that has presented itself with the retirement of the MN State Fair’s Police Chief and the dissolving of their Police Department. Ramsey County currently providing short term coverage for the State Fair, but has continued discussion with the State Fair to potential provide long-term police services. If Ramsey County successfully secures a contract with the State Fair, I was told by Undersheriff Jeff Ramacher that the concerns Sheriff Fletcher had during his presentation to the City Council in September 2020 would be a non-issue. The concerns Sheriff Fletcher expressed during the meeting is outlined in his letter to not renew the contract.
<b>Budget Impact</b>	TBD
<b>Attachment(s)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• City Letter to Not Renew Police Contract</li> <li>• Ramsey County Sheriff’s Office - Not to Renew Agreement</li> </ul>
<b>Action(s) Requested</b>	This is for informational purposes. Staff continues to work with the City of Saint Paul.

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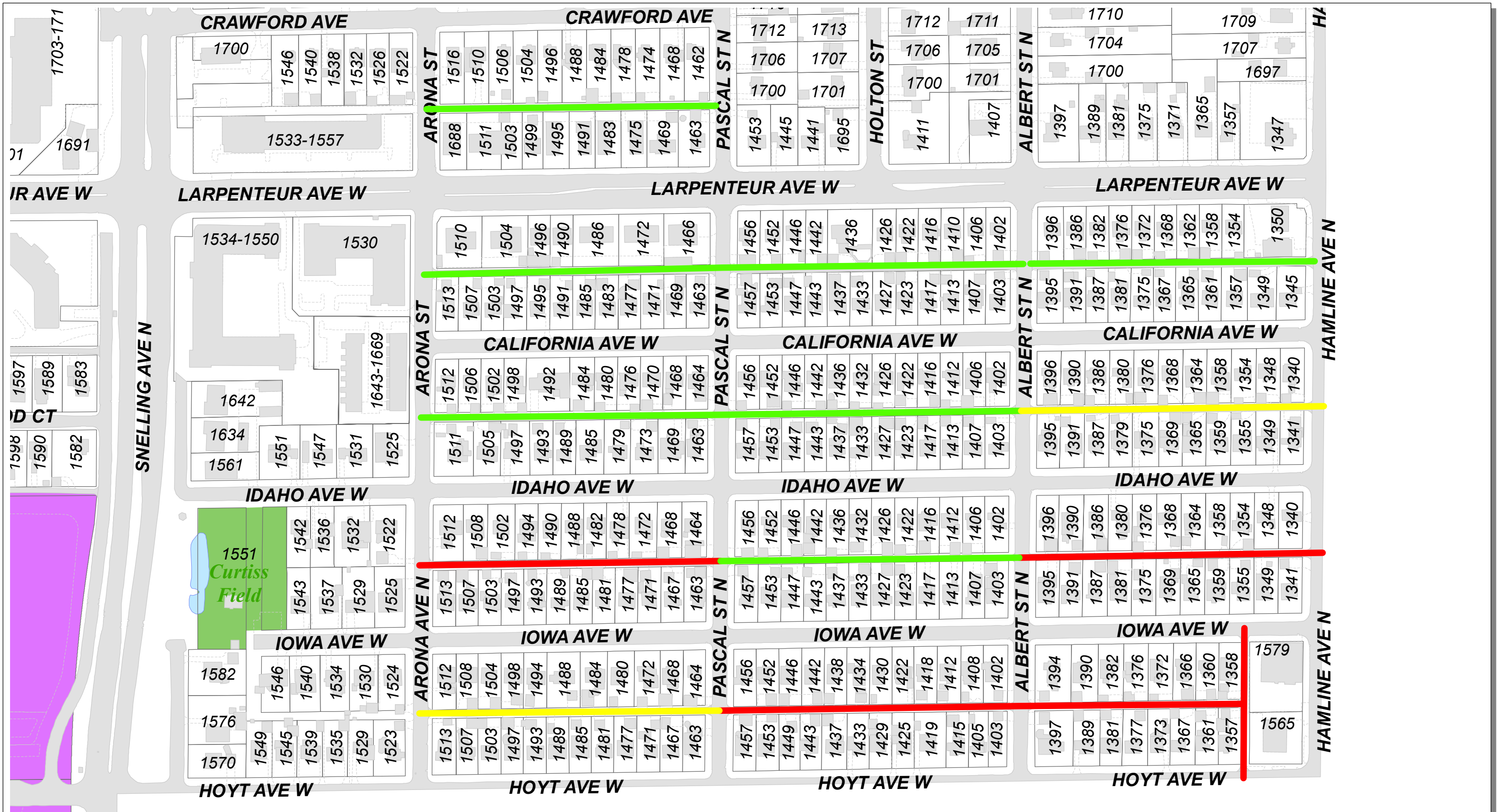


## REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

<b>Meeting Date</b>	July 7, 2021
<b>Agenda Item</b>	Policy D2
<b>Attachment</b>	Alleyway Map
<b>Submitted By</b>	Jesse Freihammer, City Engineer

<b>Item</b>	Pavement Management Project (PMP) - Alley Improvements
<b>Description</b>	<p>At the June 6, 2021 Council meeting, the Council agreed to push back the alley improvements for the Idaho/Iowa alleyway between Pascal St. and Arona St until next summer. Since that time engineering staff did a survey of other alleys to see if they should be considered for improvements.</p> <p>Attached is a map with simple condition rating. The other alleys are in similar condition to the Idaho/Iowa alleyway between Pascal St. and Arona St and are shown in red. Most of the poor pavement is related to pavement delamination or poor drainage. The overall pavement structure appears to be in good shape.</p> <p>Since alleys get assessed at 90% to adjacent property owners, staff would like feedback from the Council on if these alleys should be considered. The current alley under consideration was petitioned for improvements.</p> <p>Staff will provide a quick presentation on the alleys and start a discussion on how to possibly add additional alleys to a future project.</p>
<b>Budget Impact</b>	If additional alleyways are considered, the City's cost is 10%. The other 90% is paid by the adjacent property owners based on the City's assessment policy.
<b>Attachment(s)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alleyway Map</li> </ul>
<b>Action(s) Requested</b>	Have discussion on alleyways and provide direction on if additional alleyways should be included in a future project.

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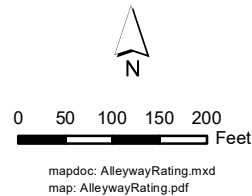


# Alleyway Pavement Condition

- Poor Condition
- Fair Condition
- Good Condition

Data Sources and Contacts:  
 \* Ramsey County GIS Base Map (6/02/21)  
 \* City of Roseville Engineering Department  
 For further information regarding the contents of this map contact:  
 City of Roseville, Engineering Department,  
 2660 Civic Center Drive, Roseville MN

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Prepared by:  
 City of Roseville Engineering Department  
 July 1, 2021

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## REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

<b>Meeting Date</b>	July 7, 2021
<b>Agenda Item</b>	Policy D3
<b>Attachment</b>	Project Location Map, Presentation
<b>Submitted By</b>	Jesse Freihammer, City Engineer

<b>Item</b>	2023 Pavement Management Project - Garden Avenue Discussion
<b>Description</b>	<p>At the May 6, 2020 Council meeting, Council pushed the Garden Avenue project back to 2023 based on recommendations by staff. The Garden Avenue project was originally planned for 2015 construction but was delayed at that time due to discussion of street layout and possibly adding a sidewalk. The project has been a delayed additional time since to make a good discussion of the project layout can take place.</p> <p>Since 2015 the municipal state aid rules have been modified so there are more design options for different roadway cross sections available that could address problems identified in 2015. Staff will go through the presentation to discuss possible layout options as well as funding options for sidewalks if this is a consideration. Staff will also go over a proposed project schedule with public involvement since a new layout of Garden Avenue could be considered.</p>
<b>Budget Impact</b>	Once Garden Avenue is constructed, there will be costs for both the City and residents. These costs would be ultimately determined in a feasibility study once a preferred layout was determined.
<b>Attachment(s)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Project Location Map</li> <li>• Presentation</li> </ul>
<b>Action(s) Requested</b>	Receive Presentation for the Garden Avenue Project and provide feedback on project development and public engagement.

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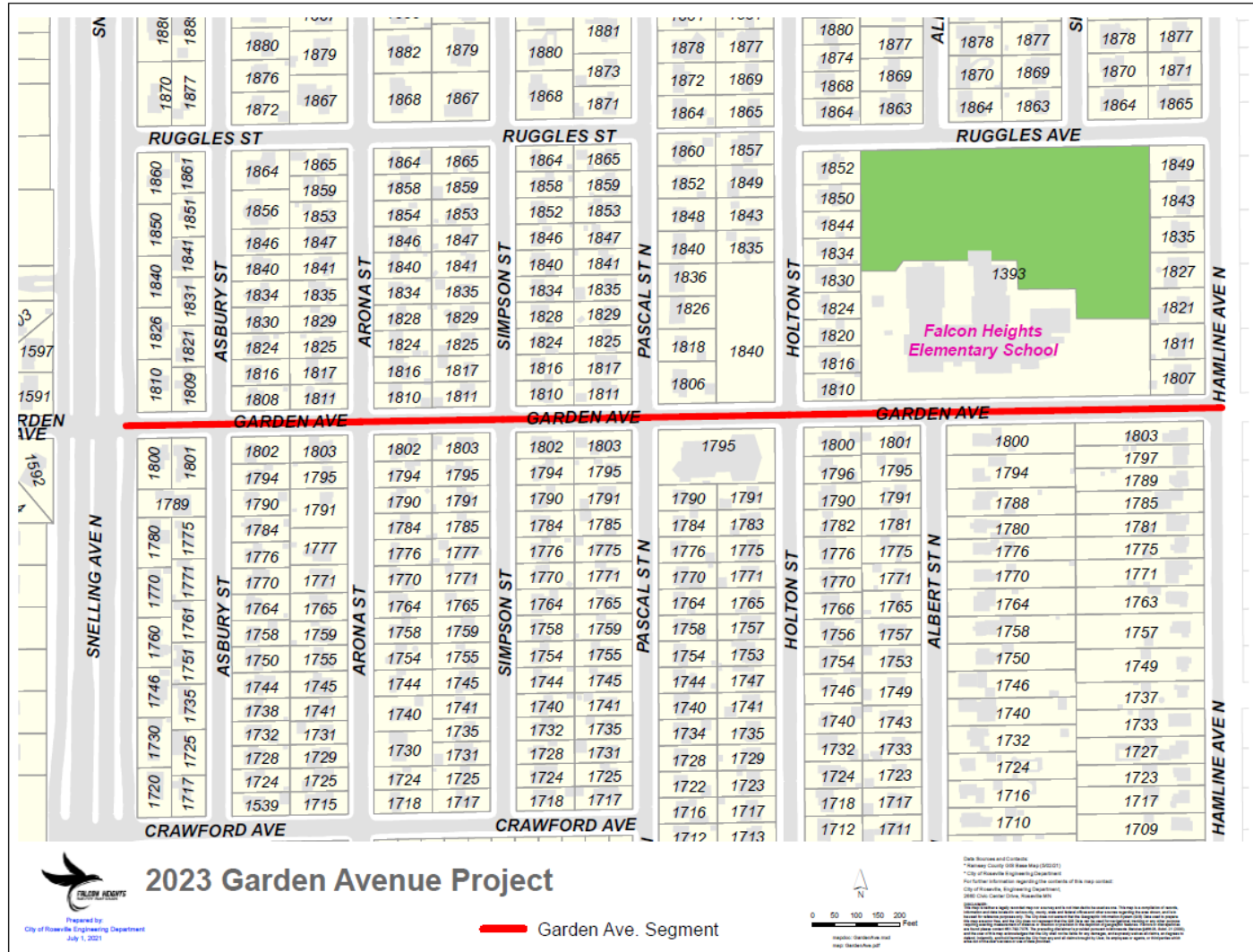


# Garden Avenue - 2023



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# Garden Avenue



# Garden Avenue

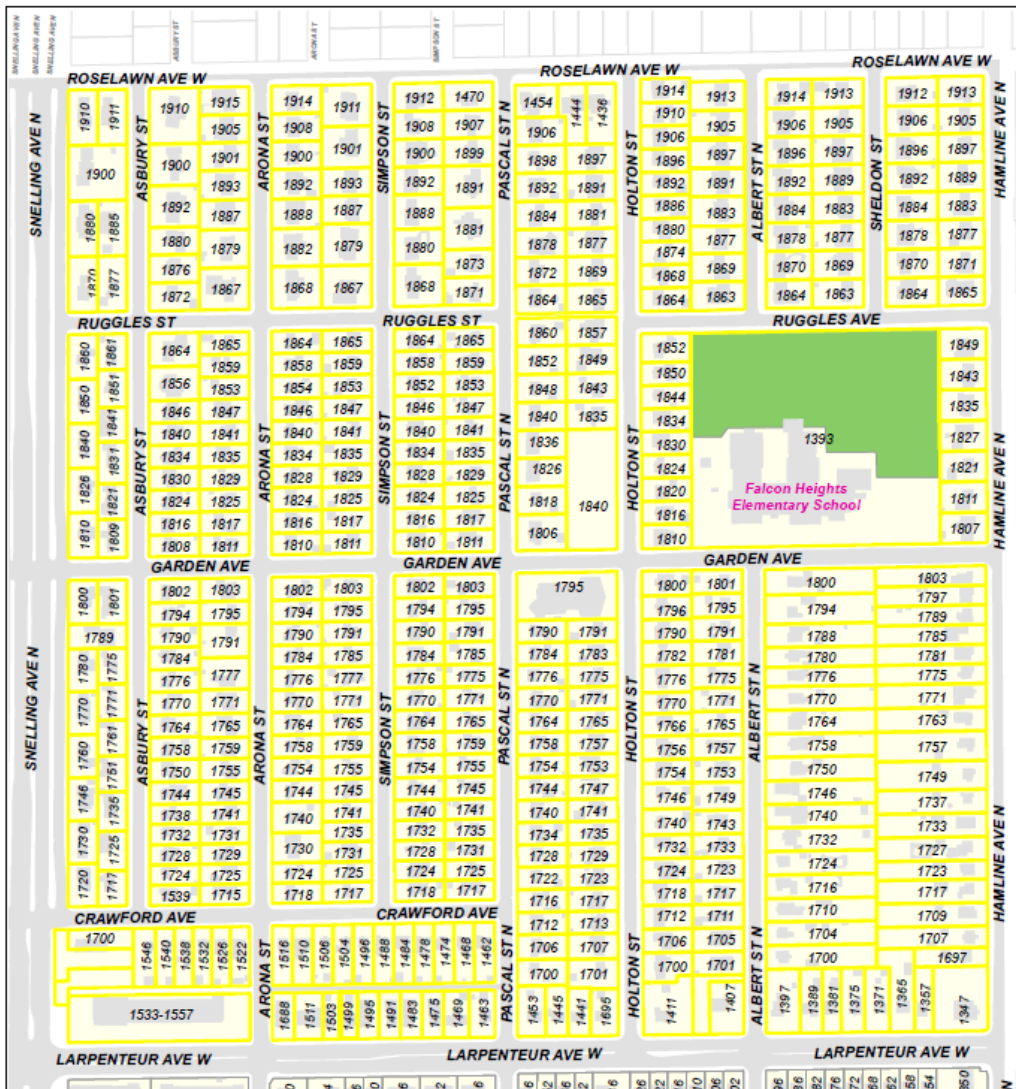
- History of Garden
  - Road was originally constructed in the 1950's
  - Road was widen to current conditions in the 1970's
  - Project was originally scheduled for a reclaim and inlay in 2015
- Potential Issues/Opportunities
  - School zone & lack of pedestrian infrastructure
  - Sidewalk assessment district
- Proposed public involvement

# Garden Avenue – Sidewalk Assessment District Option

- **435.44 SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS; COSTS SPLIT BY BENEFIT.**
- **Subdivision 1. Authorized.**
- Any municipality may, by ordinance, establish sidewalk improvement districts within a municipality, and have authority to defray all or part of the total costs of sidewalk construction and repair by district benefits and apportioning the district's cost to all of the parcels located in the district on a direct or indirect benefit basis.
- **Subd. 2. For safety.**
- The governing body of any municipality may establish sidewalk districts on the basis that all areas within each district have safe pedestrian walkways to and from schools and school bus stops, public transportation facilities, and other services to the neighborhood and community.
- **Subd. 3. Uniformity; wide sidewalks; indirect benefit.**
- The total costs of sidewalk district improvements may be apportioned and assessed to all parcels or tracts of land located in the established assessment district on a uniform basis as to each classification of real estate. Where sidewalk widths are wider than the standard width of the district, the additional costs may be assessed as a direct benefit to the abutting property. An indirect district benefit assessment may involve all parcels or tracts of land located in the assessment district without regard to location of sidewalks, as it is deemed that all parcels or tracts of land within the assessment district benefit equally.
- **Subd. 4. Up to five years.**
- The governing body may assess the costs on all district sidewalk improvements up to a maximum of five years on equal annual installments, plus interest on the unpaid balance.



# Garden Avenue – Sidewalk Assessment District Option



- Would need to establish a City Ordinance
- Define improvement area
- Define type of improvements

# Garden Ave — Existing west of Holton — 36' wide



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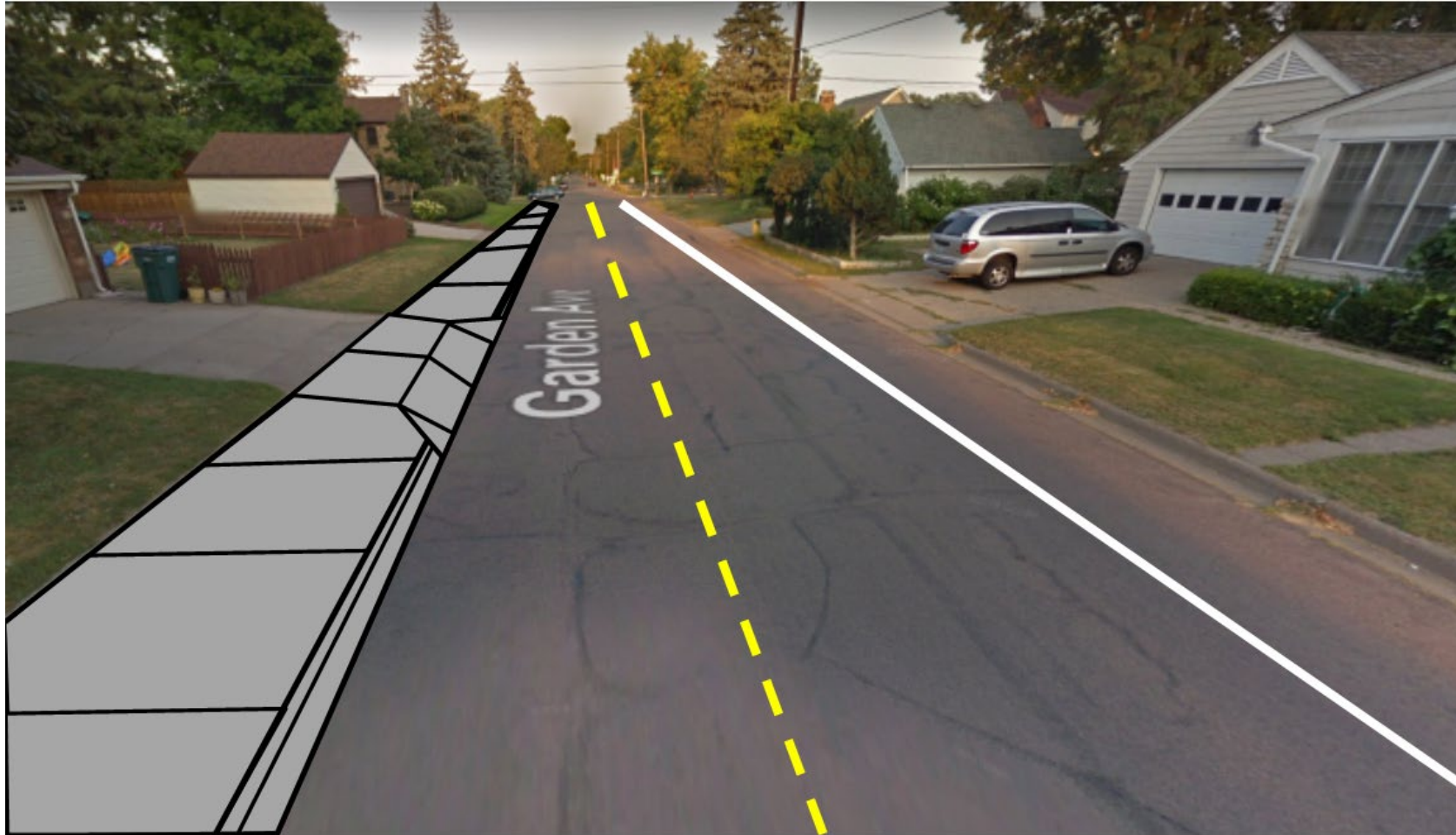
# Garden Ave — Option A west of Holton

## Narrow road to 29' with 7' SW adjacent to curb



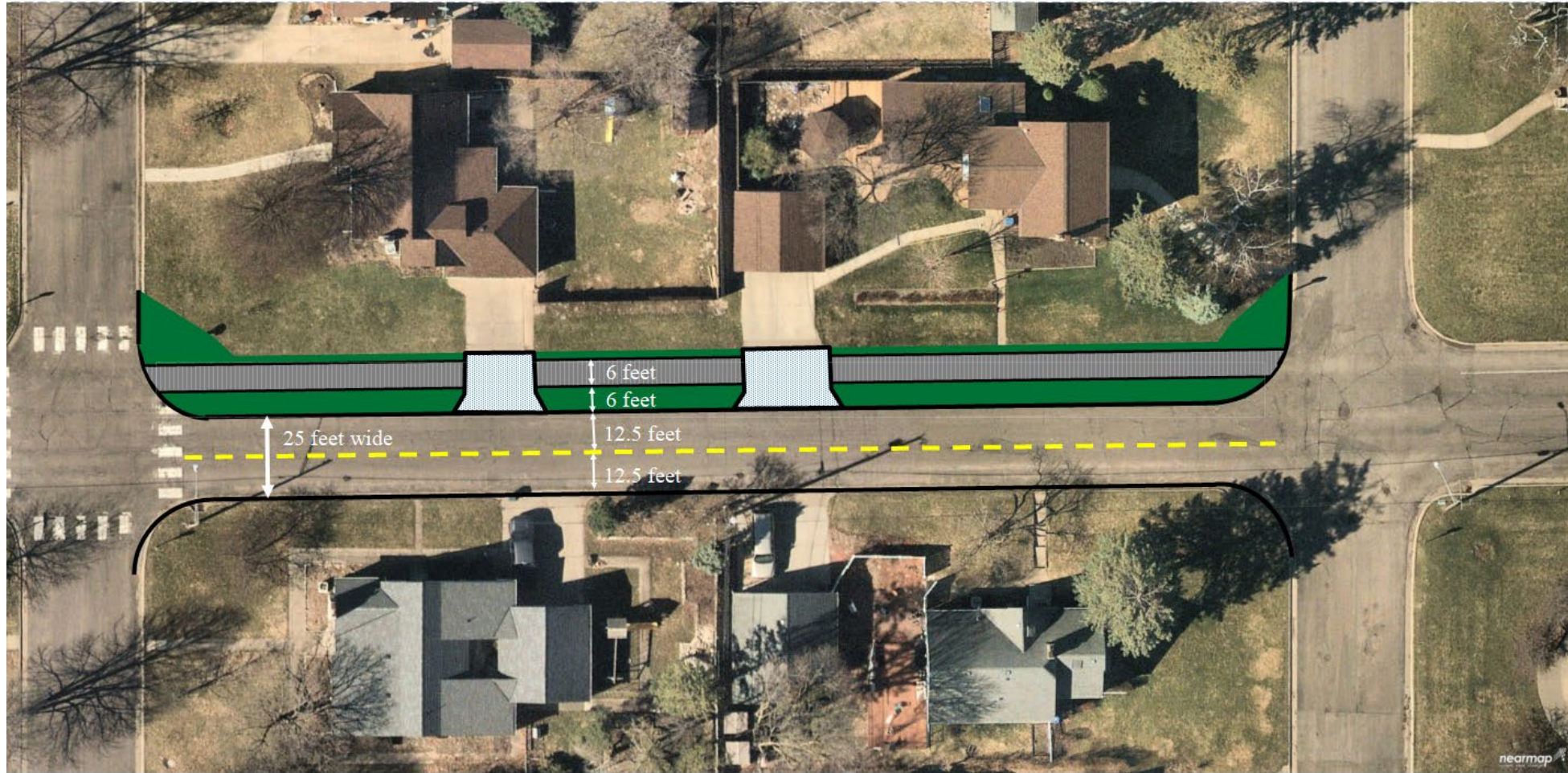
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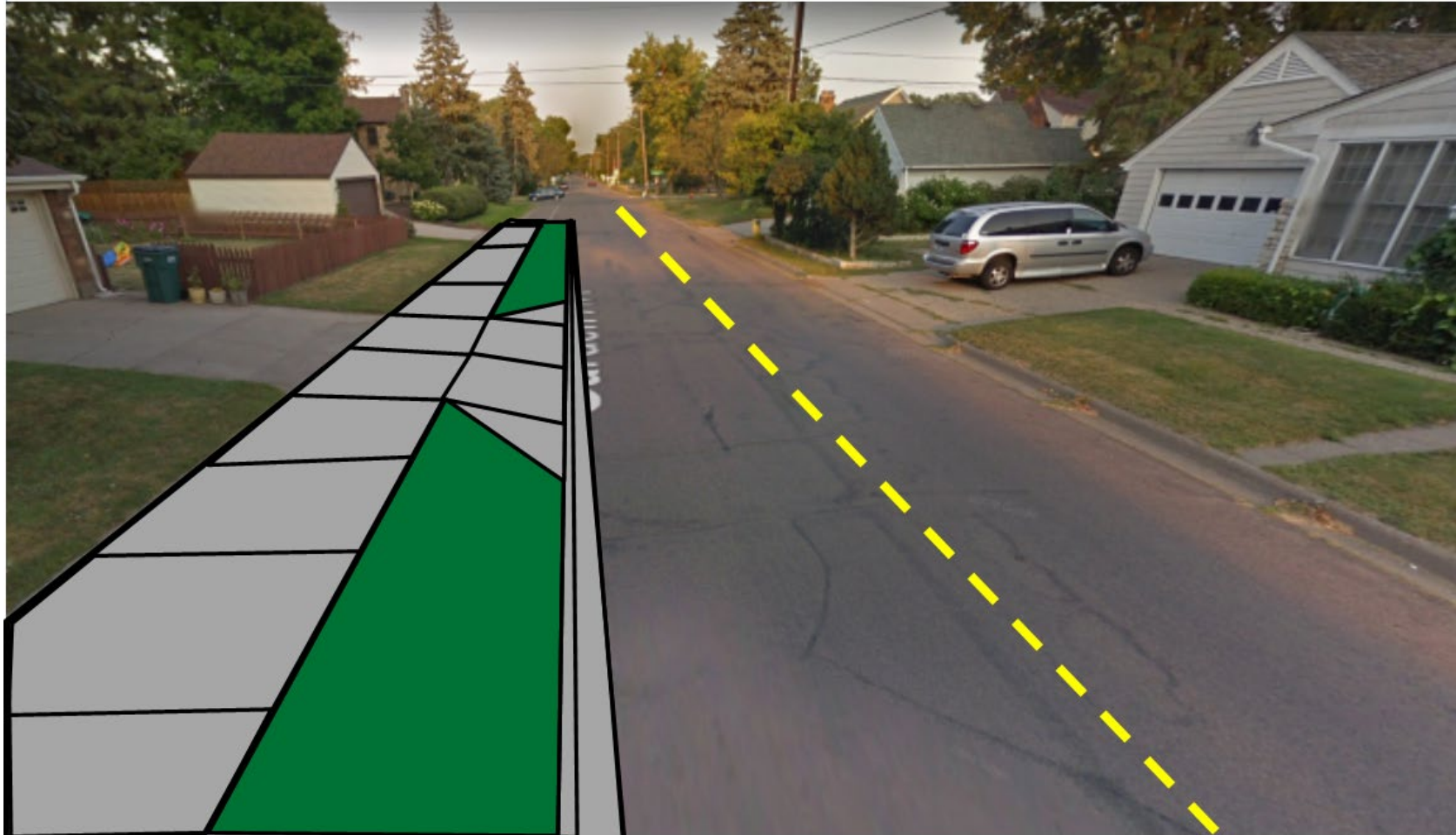
# Garden Ave — Option B west of Holton

## Narrow road to 25' with 6' SW and 6' turf boulevard



# Garden Ave — Option B west of Holton

## Narrow road to 25' with 6' SW and 6' turf boulevard



# Garden Ave — Falcon Heights Elementary

Narrow road at ends to 29' with 7' SW adjacent to curb





# Garden Ave — Falcon Heights Elementary

Narrow road at ends to 26' with 7' SW adjacent to curb small boulevard



# Garden Avenue – Public Involvement

## Possible Schedule

- ❖ #1 Preliminary Feedback
  - ❖ Neighborhood Meeting in **August or September**
  - ❖ Falcon Heights PTA meeting in **Fall 2021**
- ❖ #2 Secondary feedback on updated design options and costs
  - ❖ Neighborhood Meeting in **Winter 2021-2022**
- ❖ #3 Public Hearing – **October 2022**
  - ❖ Council receives feasibility report
  - ❖ Council meeting to approve final layout.
  - ❖ Authorize preparation of plans and specifications
- ❖ Overall 2023 PMP
  - ❖ Accept plans and specifications and order advertisement for bids for the project - **Winter 2022**
  - ❖ Award Bids for the project - **March 2023**
  - ❖ Construct Project - **June through September 2023**
  - ❖ Declare costs and order preparation of proposed assessment and call assessment hearing- **September 2023**
  - ❖ Final assessment hearing, adopt and confirm assessments - **October 2023**

# Actions Requested

- ❖ Have discussion of public engagement and process

Questions?