



MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

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RESOLUTION

AGENDA ITEM: State Highway 36 South Frontage Road Study – Resolution Approving the Minnesota Department of Transportation Agency Agreement No. 03330

SUBMITTED BY: Jack Griffin, City Engineer

THROUGH: Dean A. Zuleger, City Administrator

SUMMARY AND ACTION REQUESTED: The City Council is respectfully requested to consider approving Resolution No. 2013-24 Approving the Minnesota Department of Transportation Agency Agreement No. 03330 for the Federal Aid Funding for State Highway 36 South Frontage Road Study.

STAFF REPORT: On behalf of the City, MnDOT applied for and secured Federal Aid Funding to complete preliminary engineering work to develop a preferred future alignment of a south frontage road to State Highway 36.

Federal Aid Funding has been obtained in the amount of 80% of the project costs, or \$64,000. The City of Lake Elmo must pay the balance of \$16,000 and any costs over and above the project budget, if necessary. Costs incurred prior to this authorization are not eligible for federal participation. The preliminary engineering work will be completed by the City of Lake Elmo, through its consultant, with MnDOT designated to act as the City's agent to accept and disburse funds as incurred for the Project. The City is further subject of the terms and conditions as identified in the attached Agreement.

The project will endeavor to identify improvements along the State Highway 36 corridor necessary to improve east-west access for Lake Elmo property owners and businesses. The project will consist of three phases including concept development, preliminary design and layout of a preferred alternative, and preparation of a Met Council interchange request for the preferred alternative.

The work will be participative in nature seeking to gain stakeholder input and guidance and will include at least two council workshops, meetings with city staff, and meetings with MnDOT, Washington County, Met Council and the City of Grant. A project schedule will be developed once the City's consultant has been retained.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff is recommending that the City Council approve Resolution No. 2013-24 Approving the Minnesota Department of Transportation Agency Agreement No. 03330.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution No. 2013-24
2. Minnesota Department of Transportation Agency Agreement No. 03330