

T Transportation Committee
For the Metropolitan Council meeting of March 14,
2012

Item: 2012-71
Consent

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date Prepared: February 28, 2012

Subject: Controlled Access Approval for construction of an interchange at TH 169 and CSAH 30 (93rd Avenue) in Brooklyn Park, Review #20910-2

Proposed Action:

That the Metropolitan Council, approve a request by MnDOT to construct an interchange at TH 169 and 93rd Avenue in Brooklyn Park, conditional upon any significant changes in the design of the proposed project being subject to further review and approval by the Metropolitan Council prior to construction.

Summary of Committee Discussion / Questions:

MTS Senior Planner Ann Braden presented this item. Schreiber noted that although there has been no opposition to this project from governmental entities, there has been some citizen opposition, but she and Reynoso both stated that this project is very necessary.

Motion by Schreiber, seconded by Smith and passed.

Hearing no objection, Chair Elkins stated that this item could proceed to the full Council as a consent item.

T Transportation Committee
Meeting date: February 27, 2012,
For the Council Meeting of March 14, 2012

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date: February 10, 2012
Subject: Controlled Access Approval for construction of an interchange at TH 169 and CSAH 30 (93rd Avenue) in Brooklyn Park. Review #20910-2
District(s), Member(s): District 2, Lona Schreiber
Policy/Legal Reference: Mn. Statute 473.166
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Division/Department: Metropolitan Transportation Services

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Background

Minnesota state law (MS. 473.166) requires that the Council approve any controlled access highway in the metropolitan area before construction or right-of-way acquisition begins. This is to ensure that proposed highway projects are consistent with regional policies and plans. This project replaces the existing signalized intersection in Brooklyn Park at TH 169 and CSAH 30 (93rd Avenue) with a grade-separated interchange. The interchange will have loop ramps for vehicles exiting from northbound TH 169 and vehicles entering TH 169 southbound from 93rd Avenue. The interchange is located between the recently reconstructed TH 169/ CR 81/CR 109 interchange ("the triangle interchange") and the TH 610/TH169 interchange (see attached maps). It eliminates the last remaining signalized intersection on TH 169 between TH 610 in Brooklyn Park and I-494 in Bloomington. If approved, construction will begin in the spring of 2013 and will be completed in the fall.

Rationale

TH 169 is a principal arterial highway that serves as an important component of the state and regional transportation system, supporting local and regional economic development. The project is consistent with the regional Transportation Policy Plan.

Funding

The estimated project cost is \$18M and is funded one third each by the MnDOT Metro District, Brooklyn Park/ Hennepin County and MnDOT's competitive Safety and Mobility (SAM) Interchange Program.

Known Support/Opposition

There is no known opposition to the project.



Project Area Map

TH 169/93rd Ave. (CSAH 30) Interchange Project

Figure 2




TH 169/93rd Avenue (CSAH 30) Interchange Project Layout
 SP: 2750-75

Figure 3