# REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Date: 3/22/10 Item No.: 11.a

Department Approval City Manager Approval

Item Description: Public Improvement Hearing for Rice Street/ TH 36 Bridge Reconstruction

**Project** 

#### BACKGROUND

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2 On February 8, 2010, the City Council received the feasibility report for the Rice Street/TH 36 Bridge

- Reconstruction Project and ordered the public hearing. Prior to opening the hearing, staff will present
- 4 general information regarding construction, standards, and assessments that apply for this project. This
- 5 project is being managed by Ramsey County and MnDOT.

The purpose of the proposed Rice Street/Highway 36 interchange improvements is to address existing and future safety and operational deficiencies. The need for the project is driven by:

- Anticipated increase in traffic volumes on Rice Street from 20,000 vehicles per day to (existing) to 27,200 vehicles per day (2033)
- Rice Street bridge over Highway 36 no longer meets current geometric standards
- Rice Street bridge is in poor condition and eligible for federal bridge replacement funding.
- Closely spaced intersections do not comply with current Mn/DOT access management standards and cause traffic flow issues
- Non- motorized transportation facilities along Rice Street are not continuous, creating a bottleneck at TH 36.

As traffic volumes increase, safety and traffic operations will continue to deteriorate if existing deficiencies are not addressed. The feasibility report details the proposed design, neighborhood impact, estimated cost and proposed funding for the construction of these public improvements. Consistent with Ramsey County's cost sharing policy, a portion of the street reconstruction costs will be charged to the City of Roseville. It is the City's policy to assess adjacent property owners for up to 25% of the City of Roseville's cost for County Projects.

#### **POLICY OBJECTIVE**

Because this is a street reconstruction project, the City's policy is to assess a portion of the costs as allowed for in State Statute 429. Assuming this project is completed by fall 2011, the final assessment amount would be determined following a thorough review of the proposed assessments by the Council at an assessment hearing in the fall of 2012. These assessments can either be paid up front in the fall of 2012, or be put against taxes payable in 2013 for 15 years at around 7% (rate set at time of hearing).

This project has financial implications for the city including the following:

- 1. Assessments levied in accordance with the City's assessment policy.
- 2. Use of Municipal State Aid (MSA) dollars to fund the majority of Roseville's portion of the cost for the Rice Street/ TH 36 reconstruction project.
- 3. Expenditure of utility fund dollars to pay for the repairs needed to the existing utility

system.

The special assessment rate was calculated as follows:

Assessment Summary	
Roseville Street Reconstruction Costs	\$199,600.00
Ramsey County Inspection (12%)	\$44,700.00
Roseville Engineering Cost (5%)	\$9,980.00
Right-of-way acquisition	\$25,000.00
Total assessable project cost	\$279,280.00
Total Frontage (feet)	1,791.06
Assessment Rate (100%)	\$155.93
Assessment Rate (25%)	\$38.98

The final plans and specifications are available in the office of the City Engineer for review. Staff has reviewed the plans at each stage of their development and has found them to be consistent with the feasibility report that has been provided to the City Council.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACTS**

The Ramsey County TH 36/Rice Street Interchange Improvements, Roseville City Project 09-11, are proposed to be financed through various Federal, State, County and City funding sources. The following is a summers of the current financing plan for the project

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Financing Source	Amount
Federal Surface Transportation Program (STP) Funds	\$7,000,000
Local Interchange Funds	\$5,000,000
State of Minnesota	\$2,000,000
Department Of Employment & Economic Development (DEED) Funds	\$1,500,000
State Aid Turn Back Funds	\$2,200,000
Mn/DOT Bridge Funds	\$5,000,000
Mn/DOT Cooperative Agreement	\$590,000
City of Roseville	\$465,000
City of Little Canada	\$350,000
City of Maplewood	\$120,000
Roseville Community Requested Facility Charge	\$325,000
Little Canada Franchise Fee	\$350,000
Other Funds	\$3,800,000
Total	\$28,700,000

Roseville's share of the overall project cost is approximately 2 percent. The City of Roseville share of the project costs will be funded with Municipal State Aid funds, utility funds, and assessments as shown in the table below:

Financing Source	Estimated Amount
Municipal State Aid (MSA)	\$201,380
Special Assessments	\$69,820
Water Utility Fund	\$193,800
Total	\$465,000

#### 47 STAFF RECOMMENDATION

- Staff recommends that the City Council order these proposed public improvements and approve
- plans and specifications consistent with the feasibility report provided to the City Council on
- 50 February 8, 2010.

## 51 REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION

- 52 Approve a resolution ordering the improvement and approving plans and specifications for the Rice
- 53 Street/ TH 36 Bridge Reconstruction Project

Prepared by: Debra Bloom, City Engineer

Attachments: A: Resolution ordering the improvement and approving plans and specifications for the Rice Street/

TH 36 Bridge Reconstruction Project.

#### EXTRACT OF MINUTES OF MEETING 1 2 OF CITY COUNCIL 3 OF CITY OF ROSEVILLE 4 RAMSEY COUNTY, MINNESOTA 5 6 7 Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Roseville, 8 Minnesota, was held in the City Hall in said City on Monday, March 22, 2010 at 6:00 o'clock p.m. 9 10 The following members were present: and the following were absent: 11 12 introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption: Mayor 13 14 RESOLUTION NO. 15 16 RESOLUTION ORDERING THE IMPROVEMENT AND 17 APPROVING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR 18 THE RICE STREET/ TH 36 BRIDGE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT 19 20 WHEREAS, a resolution of the City Council of Roseville adopted February 8, 2010, received the 21 feasibility report and fixed a date for a Council hearing on the Rice Street/TH 36 Bridge 22 Reconstruction Project. 23 24 WHEREAS, ten days mailed notice and two weeks' published notice of the hearing was given, and 25 the hearing was held thereon on March 22, 2010, at which all persons desiring to be heard were 26 given an opportunity to be heard thereon; 27 28 WHEREAS, the City Engineer has reviewed the plans and specifications to ensure they represent the 29 items included within the feasibility report for this project and has presented such plans and 30 specifications to the Council for approval: 31 32 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Roseville, Minnesota: 33 34 1. Such improvement is necessary, cost-effective, and feasible as detailed in the feasibility 35 report. 36 2. Such improvement is hereby ordered as proposed in the Council resolution adopted March 37 22, 2010. 38 3. The City of Roseville will work with Ramsey County on this Ramsey County led 39 reconstruction project. 40 4. The plans and specifications, as prepared by Ramsey County, are hereby approved. 41 42 The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by and upon vote 43 being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: 44 and the following voted against the same: . 45

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1	STATE OF MINNESOTA )
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3	COUNTY OF RAMSEY )
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5	I, the undersigned, being the duly qualified City Manager of the City of Roseville, Minnesota, do
6	hereby certify that I have carefully compared the attached and foregoing extract of minutes of a
7	regular meeting of the City Council of said City held on the 22nd day of March, 2010, with the
8	original thereof on file in my office, and the same is a full, true and complete transcript.
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10	Adopted by the Council this 22nd day of March, 2010.
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15	(SEAL) William J. Malinen, City Manager
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