City of Eden Prairie – District 3

10197 Eden Prairie Road
Comprehensive Plan Amendment

December 16, 2019
Community Development Committee
Amendment Details

Pre-Amendment

Post-Amendment

Legend:
- Parks / Open Space
- Low Density Residential
- Rural
- MUSA Boundary
Amendment Details

• Steep, erodible slopes
• High quality ecological area
• Adjacent to protected areas
Findings

That the proposed amendment:
• Conforms to regional system plans.
• Is inconsistent with Natural Resources Policies in Thrive MSP 2040, but consistent with other policies.
• Is not compatible with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service’s Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge Comprehensive Conservation Plan, but compatible with the plans of other adjacent and affected jurisdictions.
Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council:

1. Adopt the attached Review Record and allow the City of Eden Prairie to place the 10197 Eden Prairie Road Comprehensive Plan Amendments into effect.
Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council:

2. Find that the amendment is inconsistent with Natural Resource policies in Thrive MSP 2040, and that urbanization of the parcel is inadvisable. Urbanization at even low residential densities can result in the permanent loss of the site’s existing diverse ecological integrity with the process of grading for buildable homesite(s), provision of necessary support infrastructure, and the inevitable introduction of invasive vegetative species into the area.
Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council:

3. Strongly encourage the City to:
   a. Reconsider the development of this property due to the limited development capacity and the potential for environmental degradation on and adjacent to the site.
   b. Complete further analysis to determine the level of development that is suitable for the site including environmental review, steep slopes, bluffs, tree removal and replacement, cultural/archeological studies, and shoreland and floodplain information.
   c. Collaborate with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and other entities that consider the overall environmental and aesthetic conditions of the Refuge and its surroundings.
Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council:

4. Advise the City to implement the additional advisory comments in the Review Record for Natural Resources.