Business Item 2020-231

Coon Creek Regional Trail Master Plan Amendment - Anoka County

September 3, 2020

Metropolitan Parks and Open Space Commission
Coon Creek Regional Trail
Existing Conditions
Proposed Pedestrian Bridge
Development Concept

Coon Rapids Boulevard with proposed pedestrian bridge.
Public Participation Activities

Strategies to Inform:
• City-wide newsletter sought to reach the city-wide population of 26,385
• Four City meetings and Two open houses: over 1,000 people attended
• County webpage and social media reached more than 20,000 people

Strategies to Consult:
• Survey and preference boards received input from more than 125 respondents
• Open house and listening sessions engaged the general public and Transformative Circle, a local non-profit
Public Advice and Learnings

Main Topics

Safety:
• High vehicle speeds
• Snow clearing from sidewalks
• More safe crossings and lighting

Access:
• More sidewalks, wayfinding, and bike lanes
• Better bus stop maintenance
• Bridge access directions

Cost:
• Too much money for little benefit

Use:
• Perception of limited use

Other needs:
• Potholes, fixing roads, and maintenance
Equity Analysis

Project Data:
• Localized analysis in the project vicinity

Consulted:
• Apartment complexes near the project
• Transformative Circle, a local non-profit

Advice:
• Safety related to vehicle speed, sidewalk access, and cross walk and lighting improvements

Transparency:
• Each comment was responded to or included for future work

Accountability:
• The County followed-up with participants
## Estimated Project Costs

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Rationale for Proposed Action

- The Coon Creek Regional Park Master Plan Amendment is consistent with the requirements of the:
  - 2040 Regional Parks Policy Plan, including Planning Policy Strategy 1
  - Other Council policies
Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council:

• Approve the Coon Creek Regional Trail Master Plan Amendment.
Thank you

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