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Memorandum:

TO: Mayor Krachmer and City Council Members

FROM: Jesse Farrell, Director of Public Works / City Engineer

DATE: April 18, 2023

SUBJECT: Hodgson Road – 2023 and 2024 Improvements

Background

Ramsey County has been working towards a significant reconstruction project on Hodgson Road (County Road 49) for the last few years. The project involves full reconstruction of Hodgson Road between Rice Street and Bridge Street (near to Highway 96). The vast majority of this project is in Shoreview, but it will have impacts in Vadnais Heights, including a roundabout at Rice Street and an access closure at Martin Way.

Hodgson Road will be reconstructed from Gramsie Road / Rice Street to Bridge Street in Shoreview. The design process is nearly complete and construction is anticipated to begin in 2023. The purpose of the design and reconstruction project is to:

- Improve pedestrian and bike access in alignment with Ramsey County's All-Abilities Transportation Network plan. Pedestrian facilities will help connect users to parks, schools, churches and residential neighborhoods.
- Replace the aging pavement.
- Improve stormwater management.

County staff will be present to inform the City Council of project development efforts and timelines for the work.

I will also be available for any questions you may have at the April 18, 2023 City Council workshop meeting.

Attachments

Hodgson Reconstruction – Presentation Materials

Hodgson Road Reconstruction Project

Gramsie Road/Rice Street to Highway 96

August 3, 2022 - Vadnais Heights City Council

Project Description

- Reconstructed Roadway, Urban Typical Section
- Pedestrian and Bike facilities
- New Roundabout at Hodgson/Rice/Gramsie
- Speed Limit Revised from 45mph to 40mph



Improvements Along Rice Street



- Suzanne Avenue, no change
- Martin Way, access modification
 - Emergency Vehicle Access maintained
 - New turnaround will accommodate a school bus
- Southwood Drive, no change
- County Road F, intersection reconstructed
- Trail along east side of Rice Street reconstructed

Schedule



Hodgson Road – Gramsie Road to Bridge Street



Thank you!
Questions?