



To: MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Agenda Item #: IV. J.

From: Mark K. Nolan, AICP, Transportation Planner

Action

Discussion

Date: April 21, 2015

Information

Subject: Resolution No. 2015-40 Declaring the 2015 “Open Streets on 50th” Event as an Official City of Edina Event

Action Requested:

Adopt the attached resolution.

Information / Background:

Over the past several months an Open Streets planning committee has been meeting on a monthly basis to discuss the potential for Edina to host an “Open Streets” event in 2015. This committee is made up representatives of the following groups:

- Parks & recreation staff
- Engineering staff
- Public works staff
- Edina police department staff
- Edina fire department staff
- City Council
- Edina Transportation Commission
- Bike Edina and Walk Edina Working Groups
- Bloomington Public Health
- 50th & France Business & Professional Association
- Edina Community Education Services

Open Streets events temporarily open a street up for people to walk, bike, exercise, dance and more by closing the street to motorized traffic for s hours on a weekend day, all at no charge to participants (see the Open Streets Project website for more information: <http://openstreetsproject.org/>). The City, through the Edina Community Foundation (which is serving as the Charitable Giving Partner for the event), is receiving a total of \$16,000 from the following grants and contributions to be used for this event:

- \$5,000 Statewide Health Improvement Program grant from the Minnesota Department of Health
- \$6,000 contribution from the 50th & France Business & Professional Association
- \$5,000 sponsorship donation from Allina Health

The Open Streets event will be called “Open Streets on 50th” and will be held on Sunday Sep.27, 2015 from 1:00pm to 5:00pm on nearly one mile of West 50th Street between Browndale Avenue and Beard Avenue South (in Minneapolis) and would incorporate a vibrant mix of uses including city parks, religious institutions,

single- and multi-family residential uses, a business district and senior housing. The City of Minneapolis and the Minneapolis Bicycle Coalition have been contacted regarding the event and are working with members of the planning committee on their participation and support.

The Open Streets planning committee is asking City Council to adopt the attached resolution declaring the 2015 “Open Streets on 50th” event as an official City of Edina event.

Attachment:

Resolution No. 2015-40

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-40
Declaring the 2015 “Open Streets on 50th” Event an Official City of Edina Event

WHEREAS, Open Streets events temporarily open a street up for people to walk, bike, exercise, dance and more by closing the street to motorized traffic for several hours on a Saturday or Sunday, all at no charge to participants; and,

WHEREAS, an Open Streets event will help achieve key community goals in the City’s 2008 Comprehensive Plan, including safe walking, bicycling and driving, reduced energy consumption, and promoting health; and,

WHEREAS, an Open Streets event will also tie directly to the City’s adopted Living Streets Policy vision in areas including transportation utilizing all modes, residents and families regularly choose to walk or bike, streets enhance community identity, streets are inviting and encourage human activity, and streets support vibrant commerce; and,

WHEREAS, an Open Streets event builds on Edina’s public health tradition formally supported by do.town events and outreach, Bike Edina advocacy and events, Active Living and approved Active Routes to Schools Comprehensive Plan; and,

WHEREAS, an Open Streets event called “Open Streets on 50th” will be held on Sunday Sep.27, 2015 from 1:00pm to 5:00pm on nearly one mile of West 50th Street between Browndale Avenue and Beard Avenue South (in Minneapolis) and would incorporate a vibrant mix of uses including city parks, religious institutions, single- and multi-family residential uses, a business district and senior housing; and,

WHEREAS, the Edina Community Foundation is serving as the City’s Charitable Giving Partner for this event; and,

WHEREAS, the City, through the Edina Community Foundation, is receiving a \$5,000 Statewide Health Improvement Program (SHIP) grant from the Minnesota Department of Health to be used for a 2015 Open Streets event in Edina; and,

WHEREAS, the 50th & France Business and Professional Association is contributing \$6,000 through the Edina Community Foundation for a 2015 Open Streets Event; and,

WHEREAS, Allina Health is contributing a \$5,000 sponsorship donation through the Edina Community Foundation for the Open Streets on 50th event; and,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Edina hereby declares the Open Streets on 50th event, to be held on September 27, 2015, an official City of Edina event.

Dated: April 21, 2015

Attest: _____
Debra A. Mangen, City Clerk

STATE OF MINNESOTA)
COUNTY OF HENNEPIN)SS
CITY OF EDINA)

James B. Hovland, Mayor

CERTIFICATE OF CITY CLERK

I, the undersigned duly appointed and acting City Clerk for the City of Edina do hereby certify that the attached and foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Edina City Council at its Regular Meeting of April 21, 2015, and as recorded in the Minutes of said Regular Meeting.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said City this _____ day of _____, 20____.

City Clerk