



To: MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Agenda Item #: IV.F.

From: Cary Teague, Community Development Director

Action

Discussion

Date: September 16, 2015

Information

Subject: Resolution No. 2015 - 87 Supporting a Funding Application of the City of Bloomington to the Westbound On-ramp to I-494 at East Bush Lake Road

Action Requested:

Adopt the attached resolution supporting the westbound on-ramp to I-494 at East Bush Lake Road funding application by the City of Bloomington.

Information/Background:

The City of Bloomington is putting together a funding request to the Transportation Economic Development (TED) to create an on-ramp to I-494 at East Bush Lake Road (See attached map). The westbound on-ramp to I-494 at East Bush Lake Road (CSAH 28) was not constructed with the initial construction of I-494 in this area due to conflicts with an existing railroad bridge. It is believed that providing westbound access to I-494 at East Bush Lake Road (CSAH 28) would be beneficial to both the Normandale Lake District within the City of Bloomington, as well as redevelopment occurring within the City of Edina by improving the transportation network by diminishing congestion at access points to Minnesota Trunk Highway 100.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Resolution No. 2015 - 87
- Design of the improvement project.



RESOLUTION NO. 2015-87

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE WESTBOUND ON-RAMP
TO I-494 AT EAST BUSH LAKE ROAD (CSAH 28) FUNDING APPLICATION TO BE MADE BY THE
CITY OF BLOOMINGTON

WHEREAS, the City of Bloomington intends to submit a funding application to construct a westbound on-ramp to I-494 at East Bush Lake Road; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Economic Development (TED) Program is a partnership between the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) and the Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) that awards grants to fund state trunk highway projects that support growing industry and business and improve the transportation network for all users; and

WHEREAS, the westbound on-ramp to I-494 at East Bush Lake Road (CSAH 28) was not constructed with the initial construction of I-494 in this area due to conflicts with an existing railroad bridge; and

WHEREAS, additional design options for the westbound on-ramp to I-494 at East Bush Lake Road (CSAH 28) have been considered and an on-ramp configuration has been evaluated that would no longer conflict with the existing railroad bridge; and

WHEREAS, providing westbound access to I-494 at East Bush Lake Road (CSAH 28) would be beneficial to both the Normandale Lake District within the City of Bloomington, as well as redevelopment occurring within the City of Edina by improving the transportation network by diminishing congestion at access points to Minnesota Trunk Highway 100; and

WHEREAS, constructing westbound access to I-494 will improve the efficiency and safety of the transportation network and promote economic growth by providing additional job opportunities through the expansion of local businesses; and

WHEREAS, the 2015 TED Program solicitation will fund up to \$30 million in capital assistance for highway improvement projects, with a maximum of \$10 million provided to any one project; and

WHEREAS, the TED Program funding would complement the federal grant funds awarded to the City of Bloomington on July 22, 2015, as well as other local funding to allow for the completion of the on-ramp improvement project.

WHEREAS, if awarded funding from the Transportation Economic Development (TED) Program, the City of Bloomington has agreed to commit funding to aid in the completion of the project.

CITY OF EDINA

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Edina to support the City of Bloomington in its pursuit of the Transportation Economic Development (TED) Program funds, and

Adopted this 16th day of September, 2015.

ATTEST: _____
Debra A. Mangen, City Clerk

James B. Hovland, Mayor

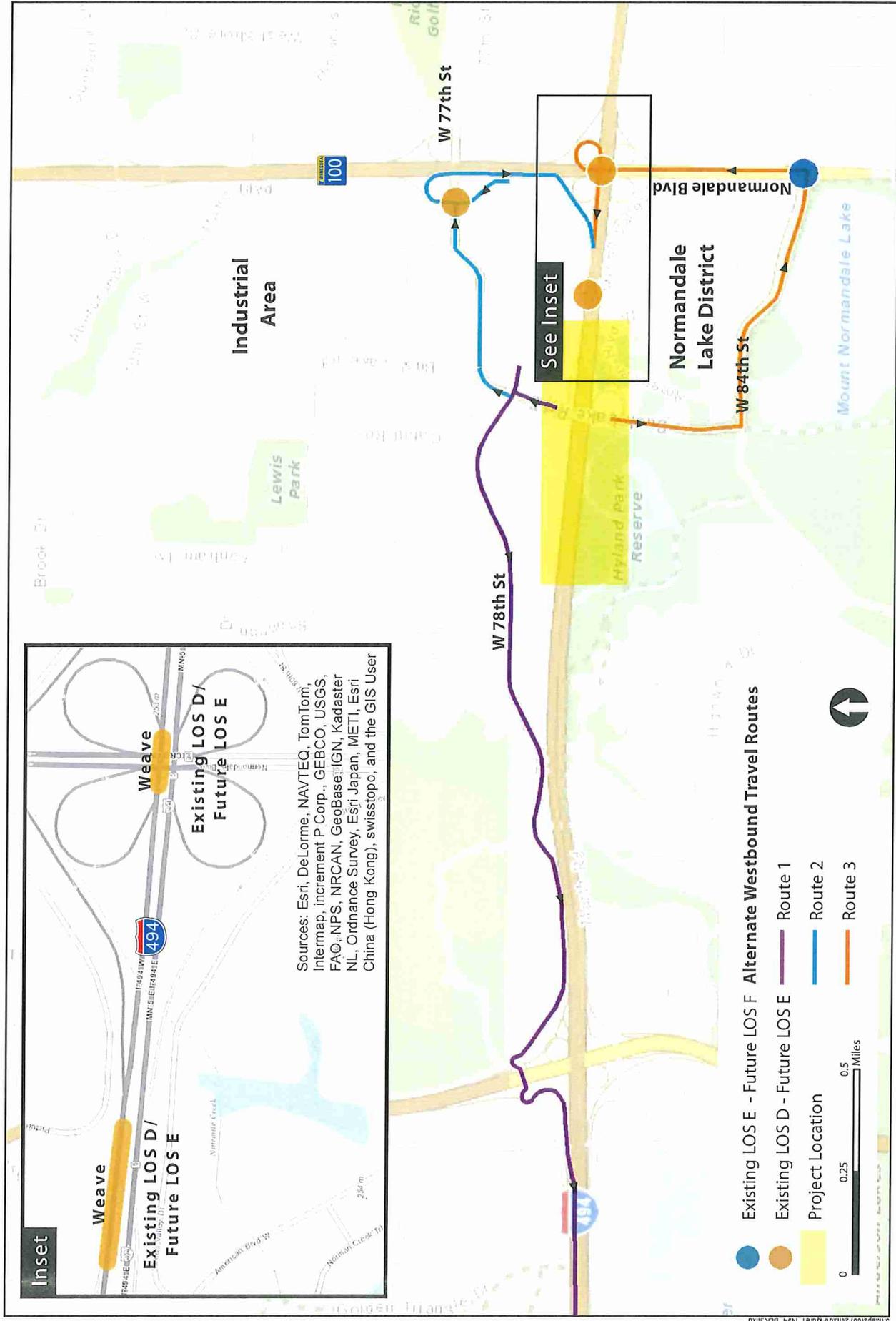
STATE OF MINNESOTA)
COUNTY OF HENNEPIN)SS
CITY OF EDINA)

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 September 16, 2015, and as recorded in the Minutes of said Regular Meeting.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said City this ____ day of _____, 2015.

City Clerk

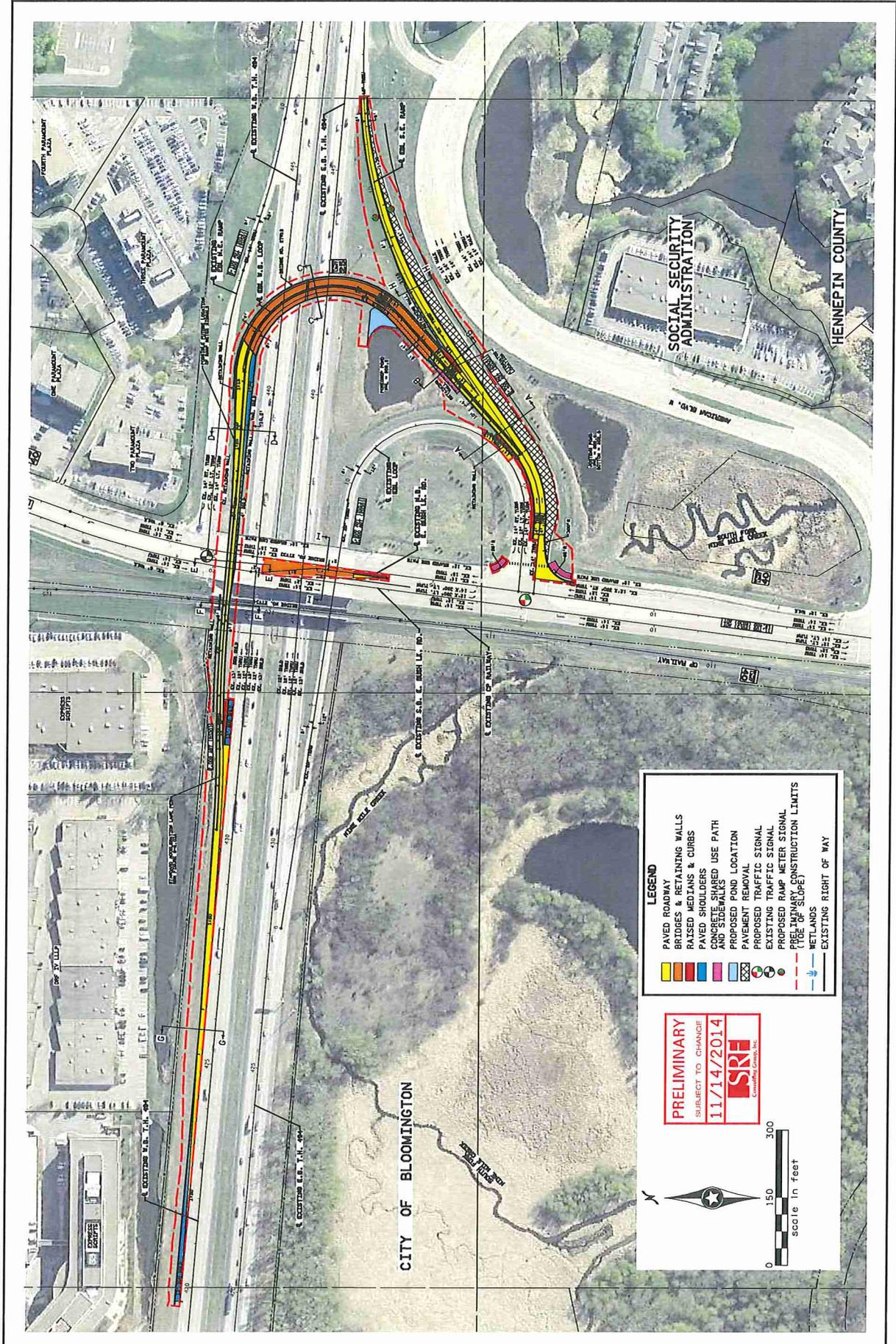


Project Area Traffic Issues - Existing and Future No Build

I-494 and East Bush Lake Road Regional Solicitation Application

City of Bloomington, MN

Figure 1



Project Overview
 I-494 and East Bush Lake Road Regional Funding Application
 City of Bloomington

Figure 2