



2014 Neighborhood Roadway Improvement Projects Introduction

Public Improvement Hearings

December 10, 2013



Infrastructure Projects

- Edina Vision 20/20

“Our mission is to provide effective and valued public services, *maintain a sound public infrastructure*, offer premier public facilities and guide the development and redevelopment of lands, *all in a manner which sustains and improves the uncommonly high quality of life enjoyed by our residents and businesses.*”

- Edina will be the preeminent place for living, learning, raising families and doing business.



MN State Statutes Chapter 429. Local Improvement, Special Assessments

Initiation of improvement project by staff, Council or by petition.

Ten days notice is sent to affected property owners and legal notice is placed in paper (Edina Sun) prior to the Public Hearing.

Feasibility Report prepared by Professional Engineer and accepted by Council.

Conduct Public Hearing to order the project.



MN State Statutes Chapter 429. Local Improvement, Special Assessments

Ordering of improvement project requires a 4 of 5 majority vote of Council if project is not initiated by residents (if petitioned by residents normally 3 of 5 Council votes)

Once City Council orders project, assessments become pending. All assessments are preliminary until project is completed.



Do Taxes Cover Street Projects?

- Roughly 20 percent of your property taxes go to the City for expenses such as Police, Fire, Parks and Public Works (snowplowing, pothole repairs, sealcoating, and other street maintenance).
- Resident taxes do not pay for street reconstruction.



Funding

- Projects are funded by a combination of special assessments to residents and the City's Utility Funds
- Special assessments to residents cover 100 percent of roadway costs for local street reconstruction.



Funding

- Residential Equivalent Unit (REU) – Typically one single family home.
- Commercial Properties – REU's calculated based on gross floor area and type of business.
- Assessment Rate per REU =

Assessable Project Costs

of REU's



Funding

- Assessment hearing occurs one year after project completion
- Assessments are payable over 15 years



Project Schedule

Project Open House 2012	October 8, 2012
Neighborhood Informational Meeting	July 29, 2013
Transportation Commission Review	Sept. / October / November 2013
<i>Receive Feasibility Report and Public Hearing</i>	<i>December 10, 2013</i>
Bid Opening / Award Contract	Feb / April 2014
Begin Construction	May 2014
Complete Construction	Fall 2014
Final Assessment Hearing	Fall 2015



Questions?

Comments?



Property Impacts

- Items located within the City's right-of-way may be damaged
 - Irrigation and pet containment will be repaired by the contractor.
 - Plantings and other landscape features can be removed before the project.
 - The City will seed in the right-of-way after the project is complete.
 - The City encourages private utility companies (gas, electric, telephone and cable TV) to upgrade or repair utilities along the project area.



Property Impacts

- Items located within the City's right-of-way may be damaged
 - Spot driveway end replacement

