

TH 47 Transportation Analysis

Public Meeting Summary

August 24, 2006

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Below are the comments received at the public meeting on August 24, 2006. Comments include those received at the meeting and those sent via mail or email.

Alignments

TH 47 Alignment (2)

TH 47 Turnback to City Street (4)

Thurston Avenue Alignment – (9 for 4 against)

CSAH 57 Alignment

Why wasn't CR 56 considered?

Why wasn't CSAH 7 considered?

McKinley Street Connection

CSAH 5 to Four-Lanes

Mississippi Crossing

Rum River Crossing

Congestion

Addressing TH 47 and CSAH 116 (7)

Funding

Cost of studies instead of making improvements

Funding through voter referendum

Open discussion and fair compensation for right-of-way

Cost of NorthStar

Land Use/Zoning

Why did they allow building when TH 47 was already a problem? (6)

Recommend zoning changes new development access at controlled intersections.

Multi-Modal

Add bike paths or widen shoulders on TH 47. (4)

More pedestrian and bike crossing areas are needed on TH 47. (2)

Northstar (1 for 1 against)

Speed

The speed is too high on TH 47. (9)

The speed is too high 167th Avenue. (2)

The speed is too high on CR 63. (2)

The speed is too high CSAH 5. (3)

Thurston Avenue is a four-lane street. Why does the speed drop to 30 mph in Anoka?

Help slow traffic on Dysprosium Street.

Traffic Control

Traffic Signals

Add stoplight at TH 47/167th Avenue. (2)

Add stoplight at TH 47/164th Avenue. (2)

Add stoplight at TH 47/160th Avenue.

Add a stop light at TH 47/McKinley Street. (2)

Other

A caution sign is needed south of TH 47/CR 27.

Put flashing triangle sign up at intersection ahead (reading blind hill) at TH 47/CR 27.

Intersection at 142nd Avenue still needs improvement.

At TH47/Nowthen Boulevard/CSAH , drivers coming from Nowthen Boulevard do not yield to drivers on TH 47.

Stop sign needed at intersection south of Alpine Drive and CSAH 5.

Put lights along TH 47 and more signs.

Roadway striping needs to be more noticeable. (3)

Uneven pavement at new development near CR 63. (3)

Geometric Improvements

Horizontal and Vertical Curves

180th Avenue Creek Bridge (12)

Horizontal and Vertical Alignment

CR 63 Creek Bridge (5)

Horizontal Alignment

167th Avenue

Horizontal and Vertical Alignment

Fairgrounds (10)

Horizontal Alignment and Aesthetics

Move to Bunker Park.

Close off secondary street to TH 47 near fairgrounds.

Recycling Facility (9)

Horizontal Alignment

Aesthetics

Environmental Concerns

Heavy Truck Traffic

Railroad

Overpass for railroad on TH 47. (9)

Northstar will add to congestion. (3)

Sunfish Lake Boulevard, many big trucks cause problems at railroad.

Shoulders

Widen shoulders on TH 47. (4)

CR 63 (Green Valley Road) needs shoulders.

Need shoulder on TH 47 between TH 10 and Dunham Drive.

Turn Lanes

Add turn lanes at TH 47/CR 63. (2)

Passing lanes from 167th Avenue to Green Valley Road.

Left turn into Boy Scout Camp when going south on TH 47 is very dangerous.

Need a left turn lane at 157th Avenue onto River Pines from south. (2)

Add turn lanes to CSAH 5. (2)

Southbound traffic needs a longer right turn lane onto CSAH 5 from TH 47.

Need to redo the intersection at CSAH 5 and TH 47. Merging traffic causes a huge traffic delay when school starts. Need a right turn light.

Add turn lanes from TH 10 to CSAH 116 on TH 47. (2)

Add turn lane or bypass lane at McKinley Street.

Need northbound lanes at railroad crossing at TH 47 to switch to left turn lane and right lane for highway traffic. (2)

Other Project Related

Involve the public.

Map east and west feeder to north and south main roads.

What about homes on St Francis Boulevard – eminent domain?

Take care of or remove plantings in the median on TH 47.

Plan frontage roads, not speed bumps.

Other

Put Dunham Oaks back in Anoka city streets.

Widen TH 10.

Add frontage roads to business on TH 10 and reduce access to major intersections only.

Start preliminary plans for CSAH 22.

What type of housing is going in off CSAH 5 or 167th Avenue?

Build another bridge crossing across the Mississippi.

Children's World Daycare Center – who places a daycare center playground right up to a busy highway? There is just a chain link fence and a guardrail between small children playing and heavy traffic. That's an accident waiting to happen.