



Public Meeting
Thursday, May 19, 2011, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

WELCOME

Tonight's meeting will provide an opportunity to learn more about the progress of the Northern Rochester Transportation Study (NRTS) since the last public meeting in April 2010. The City of Rochester and the Minnesota Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT) District 6 have completed the Northern Rochester Transportation Study, and a phased implementation plan for NRTS has been developed (2035 timeframe). A project overview and layouts showing recommended NRTS projects are also available for review. Project staff are on hand to answer questions and listen to concerns. A brief presentation will begin at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting is set up in four stations:

Station 1: Welcome

- Sign in
- Key Study Area Issues
- Existing and Future Traffic Operations
- Purpose and Need
- Comment forms and comment box

Station 2: Recommended Alternative

- Recommended Alternative Layout

Station 3: Highway 52/65th Street Interchange Project

- Highway 52/65th Street Layout
- Next Steps

Station 4: 55th Street Improvements

- Phased Implementation Layout
- Phase I – 55th Street Improvement Project
- Next Steps

WHAT IS THE NORTHERN ROCHESTER TRANSPORTATION STUDY?

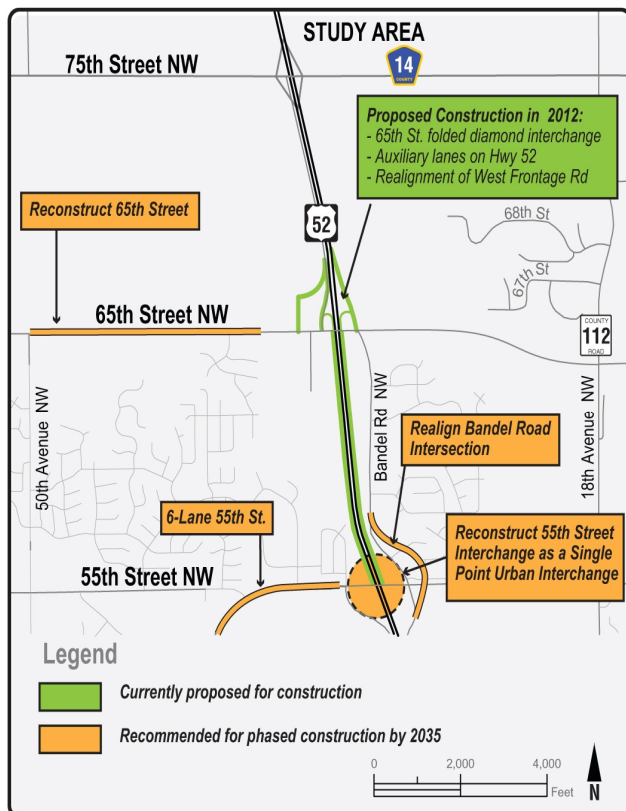
The Northern Rochester Transportation Study was initiated by the City of Rochester and Mn/DOT District 6 to respond to existing and projected traffic and safety issues along 55th Street NW, 65th Street NW, and 75th Street NW, near Highway 52. The goal of the study is to develop a unified transportation plan for northwest Rochester that can be implemented over time to address long-range traffic demands.

NEXT STEPS

- **Highway 52/65th Street Interchange Project** – Based on the recommendations of NRTS, a folded diamond interchange at the intersection of 65th Street NW and Highway 52 is proposed for construction in 2012. The project also includes auxiliary lanes on Highway 52 between 55th Street NW and 65th Street NW and realignment of the west frontage road in the northwest quadrant of the interchange area. Engineering design and environmental studies are currently underway. Publication of an environmental document and public hearing for this project will occur in 2011.

- **Phase I - 55th Street Improvement Project** - The City has secured funding for improvements along 55th Street within the Highway 52/55th Street interchange area. It is anticipated that the first phase of the 55th Street improvements will include the widening of the 55th Street Bridge, intersection improvements at the ramp terminals, and traffic signal timing revisions. Environmental document and public hearing for this project will occur in 2011. Construction is proposed in 2013.
- **Subsequent Projects** - The following improvement projects will be phased over the next 25 years based on future needs and funding availability:
 - **Phase II - 55th Street Improvement Project:** Including the easterly relocation of the East Frontage Road/Bandel Road intersection.
 - **Phase III - 55th Street Improvement Project:** Reconfiguration of the Highway 52/55th Street interchange.
 - **Phase IV - 55th Street Improvement Project:** Upgrade 55th Street to a six-lane divided roadway between the relocated East Frontage Road/Bandel Road intersection and Member's Parkway.
 - **65th Street west of Highway 52:** Reconstruct 65th Street between 50th Avenue and the west frontage road.
- * **Note:** There are no plans for construction of a west frontage road along either the Clearwater Road or Chateau Road alignment within the 2035 timeframe.

NRTS YEAR 2035 RECOMMENDATIONS



WHERE CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION?

- Study Website - www.northernrochesterstudy.com

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