

SPECIAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Monday, June 30, 2014

Vice Chairman James Norwood called the meeting of the Brainerd Planning Commission to order at 4:05 p.m. in the Fire Station Training Room

Noted present were Commissioners Cole, Hayden, Pritschet, and Straw. Commissioners Matten and Plantenberg were noted absent. Also present was Walkable Bikeable City Committee (WBCC) members Jan Burton, George Fruth and Ed Shaw; MNDOT Project Manager Jim Hallgren, Assistant City Engineer Jesse Freihammer and City Planner Mark Ostgarden.

The meeting purpose was a presentation by MNDOT Project Manager Jim Hallgren about the proposed S. 6th Street project planned for 2017 reconstruction. He described the project area being from Hwy 210 to Joseph Street. Design options being considered are reconstructing with the current 5 lane design or reduce the roadway to 3 lanes which would permit adding bicycle lanes, create area for a boulevard and allow room for sidewalk.

Ed Shaw presented the WBCC position of supporting the 3 lane roadway option.

Following Mr. Hallgren's presentation, Assistant City Engineer Jessie Freihammer presented a plan to continue with a nonmotorized amenity on the east side of S. 6th Street from Joseph Street to Industrial Park Road. The options are to construct a 6' wide concrete sidewalk or an 8' wide asphalt trail. The non-motorized amenity is planned to be constructed in conjunction with the MNDOT project.

Motion by Pritschet and seconded by Straw to adjourn at 5:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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City Planner