

CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS 420 NORTH POKEGAMA AVE.

Meeting Agenda Full Detail City Council Work Session

Monday, February 27, 2012

Conference Room 2A

Immediately following the closed session.

CALL TO ORDER: Pursuant to due notice and call thereof a Special Meeting/Worksession of the Grand Rapids City Council will be held on Monday, February 27, 2012 immediately following the Closed meeting in Conference Room 2A, 420 North Pokegama Avenue, Grand Rapids, Minnesota.

CALL OF ROLL: On a call of roll, the following members were present:

Discussion Items

1. 12-0113 CP 2012-9, Fifth Street North Restriping.

Attachments: Layout Drawings.pdf

Traffic Graphs.pdf

2. 10-1227

Review regular meeting agenda and other business as noted.

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Attest:

Shawn Gillen, City Administrator



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Legislation Details (With Text)

File #: 12-0113 Version: 1 Name: CP 2012-9 5th Street Conversion

Type: Agenda Item Status: CC Worksession

File created: 2/21/2012 In control: City Council Work Session

On agenda: 2/27/2012 Final action:

Title: CP 2012-9, Fifth Street North Restriping.

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CP 2012-9, Fifth Street North Restriping.

Body

Background Information:

City staff in conjunction with MN/DOT have been working on a complete streets planning document for the City. One of the preliminary recommendations is add dedicated bicycle lanes to 5th Street North from 6th Avenue NE to 4th Avenue NW, by converting the existing four lane vehicle section to a three-lane vehicle section. The three-lane vehicle section would consist of one-lane in each direction and a center-turn lane. This would then provide room to add a dedicated bike lane in both directions. Parking would need to be eliminated between 3rd Avenue NE and 6th Avenue NE which is almost non-existent at this time. Concept drawings are attached for reference.

City staff also attended a workshop addressing the conversion of four-lane roadways to three-lane roadways at the annual City Engineers Association of Minnesota conference in January of this year. Case studies have shown that three-lane roadways can accommodate up to 19,000 Average Daily Traffic (ADT), depending on access points. Fifth streets highest ADT section is 9,100 between Pokegama Avenue and 1st Avenue NW. The case studies also indicated that the roads became safer for both vehicles and pedestrians with the reduction in speed of up to 4 mph, shorter distance for pedestrians to cross in front of vehicles. Graphs regarding ADT and vehicle lane accommodations are attached for reference.

This conversion would be on a trial basis and short-term paint that would last three to four years would be utilized. Then in 2016, when 5th Street North is milled and overlaid, a final decision can be made on the effectiveness of the three-lane section and the utilization rate of the dedicated bicycle lanes.

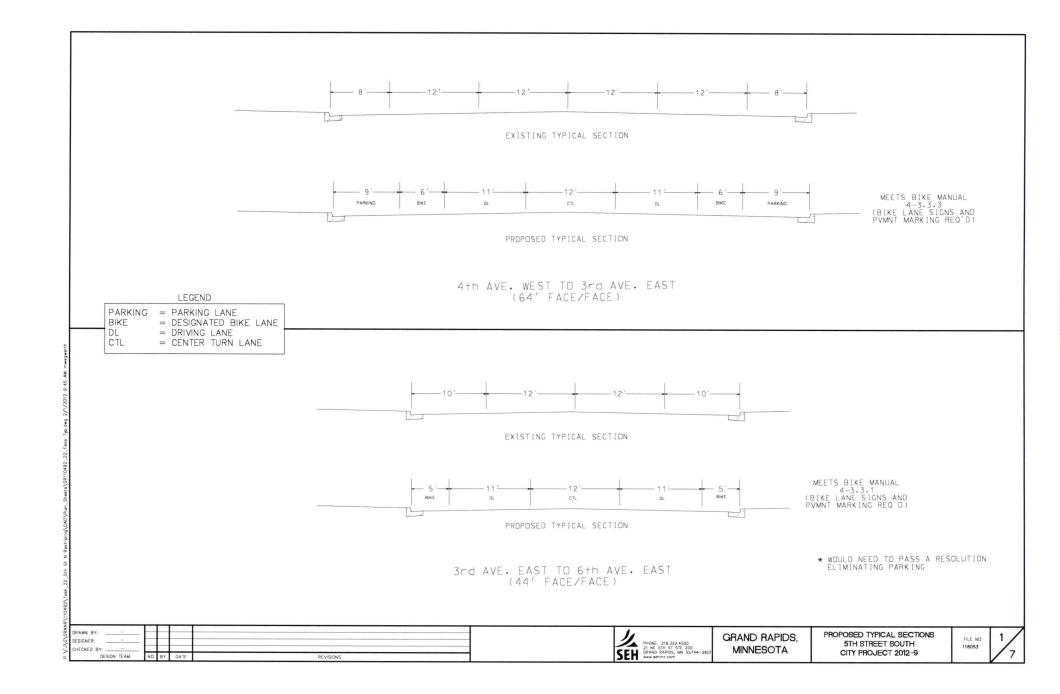
City staff have generated an opinion of cost at \$35,000. On the regular agenda there is an RCA to submit a grant application to Bikes Belong for a \$10,000. Staff would be coming back to council in late May or June to get final approval to move forward with the conversion project.

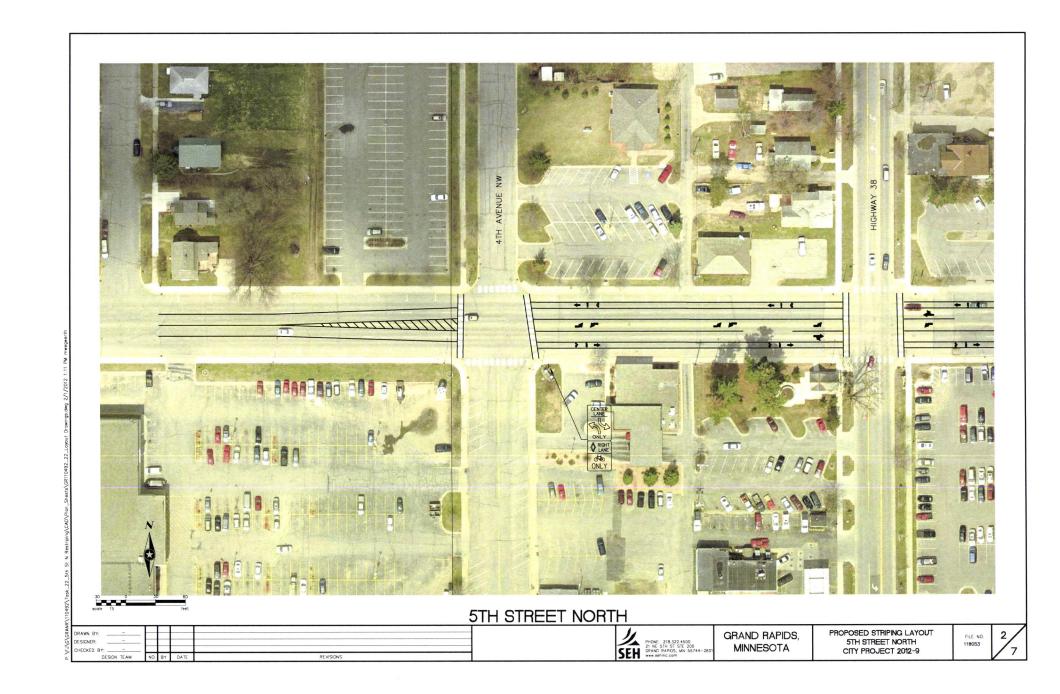
Staff Recommendation:

City staff is currently not making a recommendation.

Requested City Council Action

Consider having a discussion at the work session on this item.





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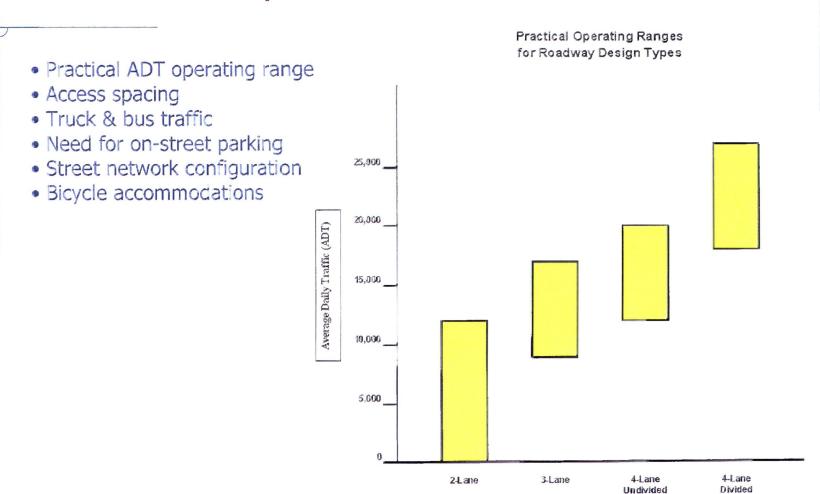
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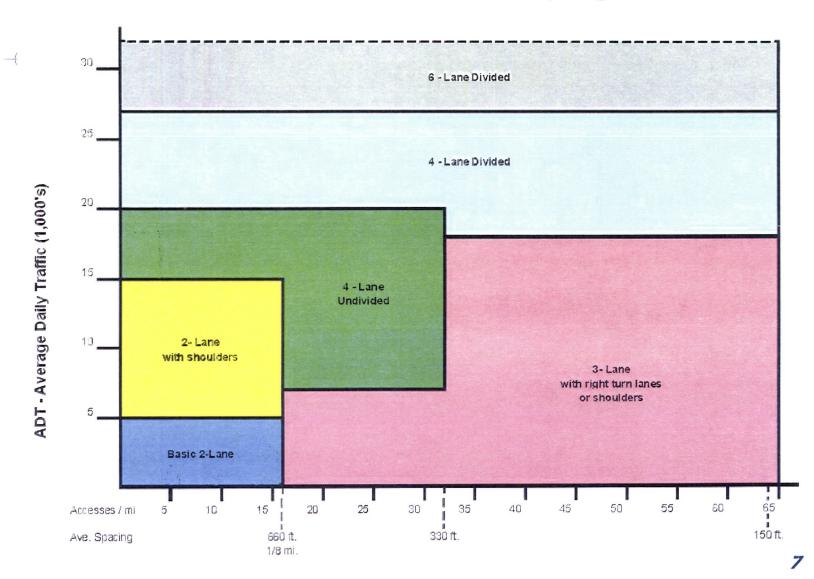
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Context is Important



Choice of Roadway Section Based on ADT and Access Spacing





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