

Nov. 16, 2023

**Cedar Lake Road and Louisiana Avenue Improvements – Section 4(f) De Minimis Public Comment Period**

PUBLIC NOTICE and OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMENT

The City of St. Louis Park is planning to reconstruct Cedar Lake Road from Highway 169 to Kentucky Avenue and Louisiana Avenue from Wayzata Boulevard to the railroad bridge south of 23rd Street. Improvements include pavement resurfacing, traffic signal replacements, new pedestrian and bicycle routes, and a roundabout at the intersection of Cedar Lake Road and Louisiana Avenue.

In accordance with 23 CFR 774.5, the City of St. Louis Park is soliciting comments on the acquisition needs this project would require from Willow Park, Cedar Knoll Park, Northside Park, and Cedar Manor Park. The project would have no impact on any existing park facilities or in any way prohibit common uses of these parks. This project requires easement for the addition of pedestrian/bicycle trails that will minimally encroach on the edges of the four parks. The proposed impacts are described below:

- Cedar Knoll Park: 600 square feet of permanent easement acquisition and 1,000 square feet of temporary easement during construction.
- Northside Park: 1,000 square feet of permanent easement acquisition, 2,500 square feet of temporary easement during construction.
- Willow Park: 174 square feet of permanent easement acquisition, 4,092 square feet of temporary easement during construction.
- Cedar Manor Park: 11,838 square feet of permanent easement acquisition, 11,266 square feet of temporary easement during construction.

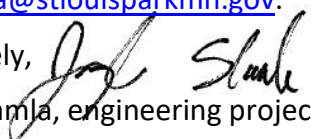
The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has made a preliminary determination that the proposed action at Willow Park, Cedar Knoll Park, Northside Park, and Cedar Manor Park is a Section 4(f) de minimis action in accordance with 23 CFR 774.5, conditioned on public review and comment. A de minimis finding is made when uses of Section 4(f) land will have no adverse effect on the protected park and recreational resources.

Comments must be submitted on or before **Dec. 1, 2023** to Joe Shamla, engineering project manager, by email to [jshamla@stlouisparkmn.gov](mailto:jshamla@stlouisparkmn.gov), by phone at 952.924.2552 or via an online comment form on the project website: <https://bit.ly/RedoCedarLou>. Comments will become part of the official record and will be considered when making future project-related decisions.

Information on this project is available at <https://bit.ly/RedoCedarLou> or St. Louis Park City Hall (5005 Minnetonka Blvd St Louis Park, MN 55416).

If you have any questions or comments about the project, contact me at 952.924.2552 or [jshamla@stlouisparkmn.gov](mailto:jshamla@stlouisparkmn.gov).

Sincerely,

  
Joe Shamla, engineering project manager