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Sept. 13, 2024

Re: Open House: MnDOT I-394 and Louisiana Avenue project
Wednesday, Sept. 25, 2024, 4:30-6:30 p.m., City Hall Community Room

Dear Community Member:

In 2025, MnDOT has a project proposed for I-394 and Louisiana Avenue, including:

- I-394 eastbound lane extension. Construct an extension of the general-purpose lane on eastbound I-394 from the Louisiana Avenue exit ramp to Louisiana Avenue entrance ramp.
- To build this project, MnDOT requires the transfer of permanent right of way on Wayzata Boulevard from the City of St Louis Park to MnDOT.
- Construct a new auxiliary lane from the eastbound Louisiana Avenue on-ramp to the Xenia Avenue/Park Place Boulevard exit.
- Replace I-394 and Louisiana Avenue north and south ramp signal systems.
- Remove channelized right turns at the I-394 and Louisiana Avenue north and south ramp intersections.
- Relocate city watermain on Wayzata Boulevard between 500 feet west of Dakota Avenue and Dakota Avenue.

A public hearing for this project was held on Sept. 9, 2024. During the public hearing, there were many questions from the public regarding what modifications MnDOT would be making to the highway, ramps and Wayzata Boulevard. To provide this information more comprehensively, you are invited to an open house to further discuss the details of the project with MnDOT:

Wednesday, Sept. 25, 2024, 4:30-6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Community Room 5005 Minnetonka Blvd, St. Louis Park, MN 55416

There will be no formal presentation at this meeting, and you can attend anytime during the open house hours. MnDOT staff will be available to provide details about the project and answer questions. Additional information is posted on the *MnDOT I-394 and Louisiana Avenue* project website https://bit.ly/mndot394andlouisiana.

To provide time to hold this open house, this project will not return to the council for decision until Oct. 7, 2024.

If you have questions or can't attend the meeting and would like to make arrangements to discuss the project at another time, please contact Nicole Stromgren, MnDOT project manager, at 612.441.1931 or nicole.stromgren@state.mn.us

Debra Heiser, P.E., engineering director

Sincerely,

cc: City manager, ward 4 council member