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DATE: June 5, 2015

TO: City Council Members

FROM: Jonathan Sage-Martinson

SUBJECT: 8-80 Vitality Fund: Payne and Bedford intersection realignment

Project Description

This project will realign the intersection at Payne Ave and Bedford Street. Project boundaries are Bedford Street from Beaumont to Tedesco, and the north curb line of Payne Ave from Tedesco to Beaumont. This project will provide a safer pedestrian crossing and better pedestrian environment on Payne Ave at Bedford and at Tedesco. This project also removes some paved areas and replaces them with green space.

This improvement was recommended in a report prepared by Saint Paul Design Center in June 2014 entitled "Payne Avenue Street Improvements: Minnehaha Avenue to East 7th Street." This report was coordinated with the Railroad Island Task Force, and convened a team of stakeholders for two days of workshops in early 2014 with a goal of making recommendations to improve pedestrian and vehicular access through new alignment strategies for Payne Avenue and adjoining cross streets.

Costs

This project's funding is solely from the 8-80 Vitality fund for \$1,000,000.

Timeline

June 2015-Dec. 2015 Property Acquisition

June 2015-Dec. 2015 Preliminary Design and Approval

Construction Plans Dec. 2015-March 2016

Potential Design Concept

A conceptual drawing from the report shows an array of possible improvements for this stretch of Payne Ave, including the intersection and parking improvements, as follows:

