

From: Diane May]
Sent: Friday, September 18, 2015 9:16 AM
To: Dermody, Bill (CI-StPaul)
Subject: Re: Gold Line Station Area Plans public hearing

I read all of the Gold Line Station Area Plans for the proposed Mounds Station and as I understand it, I like what I saw. From everything I read there were no "takes" of property in this Historic District and there was no mention of taking 652 Conway Street which Dayton's Bluff Neighborhood Housing Service put half a million in STAR grant money into, fully restore it, and is now being used for affordable housing.

I like the proposal of fixing sidewalks and installing more Historic-looking Lighting. I myself, kissed the uneven pavement last week as I fell head-first as I was walking my dog around the Dayton's Bluff Recreation Center and Achievement Plus School's greenspace. The sidewalk is so uneven around the school and on parts of Maria Avenue it is wise to invest in fixing it for the safety of pedestrians. The new lighting is also very welcome as we have a hodgepodge of lighting down here on Euclid Street and everyone knows good lighting deters the criminal element.

I like the proposed roundabout on Mounds and the traffic light close to the end of Surrey. I will gladly give up being able to turn right on 3rd Street off of Mounds Blvd (after traveling westbound on Hwy 94) to keep these safety measures in place.

I am also pretty excited about the greenspace proposed around the Mounds Station. We have often talked about what can make our neighborhood more welcoming to people coming from downtown St Paul and that will really be a nice welcome even if people don't stop right away to enjoy it.

Good job, as I am understanding everything. And I am also glad to know you are finally talking to MNDOT to coordinate the proposed Sound Wall changes into your plans. Sincerely, Diane May
Sitting-Board President of DBNHS and homeowner in the Dayton's Bluff Historic District