

**To: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL.**

**FROM: Dave Maroney, City Administrator.**

**SUBJECT: *Supporting Phase II of the CSAH 24 Southeast Collector.***

**DATE: June 13, 2019.**

**BACKGROUND.**

Goodhue County continues work to complete the remaining section of CSAH 24 connecting TH 52 to TH 19. Various factors have “slowed” completion of this project and the City of Cannon Falls has been asked to reaffirm its support for completion of the final phase.

**REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION.**

The City Council is asked to reaffirm and evidence their support for completion of this project by passage of the accompanying Resolution – Staff request and recommend approval.

**CITY OF CANNON FALLS  
GOODHUE COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 2429**

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING PHASE II OF CSAH 24 SOUTHEAST COLLECTOR**

**WHEREAS**, several long-range planning studies completed by the City of Cannon Falls, specifically the Comprehensive Plan (2003) identified substantial growth in the Southeast portion of the City and an increase in traffic from the southeast to the eastern portion of the City that includes the High School; and

**WHEREAS**, the current geometry of the intersection of TH 19/ TH 20 is not sufficient to handle the anticipated traffic volumes; and

**WHEREAS**, the revision of the intersection of TH 19/ TH 20 to accommodate this traffic would include the loss of several historic downtown buildings and on-street parking; and

**WHEREAS**, the Cannon Falls Transportation Study Report (2004) acknowledged the issue at the intersection of TH 19/ TH 20, and recommended a future roadway connection between the eastern portion of the City that includes the High School to the southeast portion of Cannon Falls; and

**WHEREAS**, the Goodhue County Transportation Plan (2004) identified as important that same future roadway connection between the eastern portion of the City that includes the High School to the southeast portion of Cannon Falls and that roadway is now titled the Southeast Collector; and

**WHEREAS**, a completed Southeast Collector would allow the future traffic volumes generated by the anticipated growth between the southeast portion of the City to the eastern portion of the City that includes the High School, to travel via this new north/south roadway without having to enter residential neighborhoods or the downtown area of Cannon Falls and therefore eliminate the potential loss of several historic downtown buildings and on-street parking at the TH 19 / TH 20 intersection, and

**WHEREAS**, emergency response times from the north and northeast areas of the City to the hospital site at CSAH 24 / TH 52 would be greatly enhanced by the completion of the Southeast Collector, and

**WHEREAS**, on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2010, the City Council of the City of Cannon Falls resolved its support for the Southeast Collector along its selected alignment, and

**WHEREAS**, Phase I of the Southeast Collector was completed from TH 52 to CSAH 25 in 2014, and Phase II awaits right-of-way acquisition before its work can begin.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City Council of the City of Cannon Falls reaffirms its support for the completion of the final phase of the Southeast Collector linking TH 52 and TH 19, and encourages the landowners along the corridor to support the acquisition of new right of way necessary for the project.

**ADOPTED** by the City Council of Cannon Falls this 18<sup>th</sup> day of June 2019.

**CITY OF CANNON FALLS**

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John O. Althoff, Mayor

ATTEST: 

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Dave Maroney, City Administrator