

# MEETING SUMMARY

## ELECTED OFFICIAL GOAL SETTING SESSION

June 25, 2019

Washington County Service Center, Cottage Grove

## Attendees

- Anne Claflin, *Representative, MN House*
- Bruce Zanner, *Councilmember, City of St. Paul Park*
- Dave Thiede, *Councilmember, City of Cottage Grove*
- Dick Adams, *Town Chair, Grey Cloud Island Township*
- Jeff Swenson, *Councilmember, City of St. Paul Park Councilmember*
- Jennifer Levitt, *Administrator, City of Cottage Grove*
- Karla Bigham, *Senator, MN State Senate*
- Paul Schoenecker, *Supervisor, Grey Cloud Island Township*
- Sandi Dingle, *Mayor, City of St. Paul Park*
- Tanya Foote, *Councilmember, St. Paul Park City*
- Tony Jurgens, *Representative, MN House*
- Wayne Sandberg, *County Engineer, Washington County*
- Beth Engum, *Kimley-Horn*
- Bill Klingbeil, *Kimley-Horn*
- Jeanne Witzig, *Kimley-Horn*
- Kevin Peterson, *Project Manager, Washington County*

## Summary

The Washington County Southwest Arterial Study Elected Official Goal Setting Session was held June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2019 from 6 – 8 PM at the Washington County Service Center in Cottage Grove. The purpose of the meeting was to:

- *Provide an introduction of the Southwest Arterial Study*
- *Share and receive input within the study area*
- *Set goals for the study to achieve*

Elected officials representing the communities and voting districts within the study area were invited to attend the goal-setting session. Each community was assigned a table to sit at which included a map and writing utensils. The agenda for the session is included below:

- 6:05 – 6:15 pm Introductions (all)
- 6:15 – 6:25 pm Study Background (Kevin Peterson)
  - Overview
  - Timeline
  - Outcome
  - Q & A
- 6:25 – 7:00 pm – Goal Setting (all)

- 7:00 – 7:10 pm – Break
- 7:10 – 7:45 pm – Identification of Issues/Barriers/Limiting Factors
  - Small Group
  - Whole Group
- 7:45 – 7:55 pm – Next Steps & Thank you (Kevin Peterson)
- 7:55 – 8:00 pm – Closing (Commissioner Johnson)

## Meeting Notes

### Goals: What is the Project trying to achieve?

- Improved access to Grey Cloud Island from US 61
- Access/accommodation of Langdon development area
- Alternative route to Jamaica/US 61
- Relieve congestion at Jamaica/US 61
- Better route for large trucks
- Decrease traffic/alt route to 70<sup>th</sup> St bridge
- Utilize underutilized infrastructure; Glen Rd. overpass
- Additional river crossing
- BNSF site land use
- RR bridge restrictions
- Redevelopment of Miss. Dunes and Grey Cloud Island
- Existing infrastructure limiting redevelopment (RR Bridge)
- Red Rock Rail/BRT
- Trail/ped connections to existing/future systems

### Must Haves

- Cottage Grove
  - Direct access to CSAH 19
  - RR Bridge
- Grey Cloud Island Township
  - BNSF property development impact on traffic
- St. Paul Park
  - Improved RR Bridge and connections between business park and US 61
  - DR Horton AUAR – RR Bridge Plan
- Washington County
  - Accessibility to LGCI
  - Minor arterial
  - Regional trail connection
- Eliminated truck traffic from 3<sup>rd</sup> St
- 2050 Mining Op. end
- Senator
  - Miss. Dunes
  - Transit important part of discussion