

**Questions from RCL Transportation Forum
Held ON Oct. 14th 2008
that were not answered due to time limitations**

- 1) Will Highway 36 be upgraded to include a third lane in the foreseeable future? **Marc Goess- There are no plans to upgrade TH 36 to a six lane facility.**
- 2) Can traffic actuated signals be more frequently installed to prevent long waits at red lights during "off peak" times? **Ken Haider**
- 3) Can Roseville use portable speed recorders to inform citizens of the average speed of vehicles in neighborhoods? **Duane Schwartz**

Yes, Roseville has a portable speed trailer and 4 additional portable units that attach to sign posts. These can be moved to areas where there have been speed complaints upon request to the Police Department.

- 4) When will the sound barriers along Highway 36 be replaced? They are rotting. **Marc- Mn/DOT has no plans to replace aging or deteriorating noise walls. It is recognized as an unfunded need.**
- 5) What is the benefit to Roseville of "turn-back roads"? **Duane**

The benefit to Roseville citizens is that the city may be better prepared to manage these low volume County roads. Ramsey County has stated they can only rebuild a roadway once every 100 years or so at current funding levels. The city can usually put these roads on the State Aid system and begin collecting gas tax dollars for reconstruction and maintenance.

- 6) Can the city install "speed bumps" on local streets? **Duane**

The city could install speed bumps, on City maintained streets that are not on the Municipal State Aid System. However, they would need to be removed for winter snowplowing. Also, we do not currently have funding for this type of traffic calming. We prefer other approaches that are friendly to our climate. Our first approach for speeding complaints is to study the existing speeds and increase enforcement if necessary.

- 7) Can the interchange at Cleveland and 35W be improved soon? **Marc- Mn/DOT has no plans to upgrade the 35 W & Cleveland Avenue interchange in the next 20 years.**
- 8) Can a pedestrian path be installed along County Road B between 280 and Cleveland? **Ken**
- 9) Can a pathway be installed along Snelling from Lydia to County Road C --**Ken**
- 10) Will County Road B between 280 and Cleveland be "turned back" to Roseville? **Ken**
- 11) Can a turn signal be installed for traffic turning from Fairview to County Road B? **Ken**
- 12) What is the plan for the intersection of County Road B and 280? **Ken**
- 13) What is the plan for replacement of the Lexington bridge on Highway 36? **Marc-- The Lexington Bridge at TH 36 is scheduled to be replaced in 2014. The project development has not started yet, so there is no picture as to what it will look like.**

- 14) What are the plans for cost effective transit in Roseville, Ramsey County, and the greater metropolitan area? **Met Council**
- 15) Are there plans for Light Rail Transit from Stillwater along the Highway 36 corridor? **Met Council**
- 16) What improvements are planned for pedestrian traffic crossing Snelling near Har Mar? **Duane & Ken**

The Snelling Ave and County Road B intersection was reconstructed in 2008 by MnDot. The signal system now has pedestrian countdown indicators. This area continues to be a concern identified by residents and visitors. The ultimate solution would be to grade separate pedestrian traffic. Funding would need to be secured and a determination of the location that would best serve the traffic identified.

- 17) What are the plans for transit between suburbs rather than through the central cities? **Met Council**
- 18) How will the Central Corridor and North Star transit lines impact traffic in Roseville? **Met Council**
- 19) How should citizens inform government of perceived traffic safety issues? **Duane**

A letter addressed to the Traffic Safety Committee describing the problem or concern is one way to let staff know of ongoing safety concerns. If there is an immediate safety concern a phone call to Public Works or the Police Department would be in order.

- 20) How are priorities established for traffic system improvements? **Duane**

We address system improvements as a part of major maintenance or reconstruction projects. The city has reconstructed most of its streets in the past 25 years. We will be seeing major maintenance such as mill and overlay projects every 20 years give or take on our system. We also look at the system needs in areas of redevelopment and require traffic studies that identify necessary improvements to the system to accommodate the increased traffic.

- 21) Are there plans to accommodate the traffic expected in 2030 when there may be 50 to 75 thousands residents in Roseville? **Duane**

The city's Comprehensive Plan anticipates limited growth by 2030. We do not see the traffic increases requiring major expansion projects. We will continue to study and plan for the increase through studies of corridors such as the Rice Street planning process to ensure that future project create an efficient system that accommodates all users.

- 22) How are speed limits established? Can citizens have input in that process? **Duane**

Speed limits are set by the Commissioner of Transportation through speed studies. Generally speeds are set at a speed that drivers are comfortable driving given the surroundings. Citizens can request a change through the roadway jurisdiction.

- 23) Why does County Road C decrease to two lanes near the Roseville City Hall?-- **Ken & Duane**

The current design was considered adequate for current traffic volumes. The limiting factors were adequate turn lanes and impacts to existing properties.

24) Are there plans for improvement of the intersection of Rice Street and County Road B?
Ken

25) What are the plans for public transport in Roseville over the next ten years? Duane
We will be working with the Metropolitan Council to see that the Roseville area is well served by transit in the future. Recent efforts have put the NE metro back into future transit plans.

26) What steps are planned to decrease traffic congestion in Roseville? Duane
As stated earlier we continue to evaluate problem areas for needed improvements and work with MnDot and Ramsey County to improve the regional roadway capacity so our local roads serve a local purpose. The limited dollars we have should be spent on solving local roadway issues.

27) When will the pedestrian light be installed at Hamline & Garden near Falcon Heights Elementary School? Duane

This was completed in the winter of 2008.