

**MINUTES
COOK CITY COUNCIL – COOK, MN 55723
PUBLIC HEARING
NOVEMBER 18, 2010**

SOUTHEAST DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

ACTING MAYOR KAREN HOLLANITSCH CALLED THE PUBLIC HEARING TO ORDER AT 6:00 PM AT THE COOK CITY HALL.

PRESENT: ACTING MAYOR KAREN HOLLANITSCH, COUNCILORS JODY BIXBY, DAN MANICK
AND ELIZABETH STORM

ABSENT: NONE

OTHERS PRESENT: ADMINISTRATOR-CLERK/TREASURER THERESA MARTINSON, DEPUTY

CLERK/TREASURER CINDY PALM, JOHN JAMNICK – RLK
KUUSISTO ENGINEERS,
BRUCE BRODT, HOLLY BRODT, KITTY KENNEDY, COOK NEWS
HERALD AND THE
TIMBERJAY

THE PURPOSE OF THIS PUBLIC HEARING IS TO PROVIDE THE PUBLIC WITH PROJECT INFORMATION FOR THE SOUTHEAST DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT. JOHN JAMNICK, RLK KUUSISTO, PROVIDED A DETAILED PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND MAP.

THE CITY OF COOK IS SEEKING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE ST. LOUIS COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM TO ASSIST WITH COMPLETING THIS PROJECT.

THE PROJECT CONSISTS OF IMPROVING THE DRAINAGE IN THE SOUTHEAST PORTION OF THE CITY OF COOK, NORTH OF T.H. 53. SPECIFICALLY THE PROJECT AREAS ARE AS FOLLOWS: THIRD AVENUE SE – 700', FOURTH AVENUE SE – 500', THIRD STREET SE – 460' AND FOURTH STREET SE – 400'. THE TOTAL ESTIMATED COST WITH THE ADDITION OF FOURTH STREET SE COMPLETION IS \$261,000.

A COMPLETE NEW DRAINAGE SYSTEM WOULD BE CONSTRUCTED. PREVIOUSLY INSTALLATION OF CULVERTS WAS ADDED TO THIS AREA OF THE CITY, BUT THAT WAS ONLY A TEMPORARY SOLUTION. STANDING WATER IS A CONCERN ESPECIALLY FOLLOWING A RAINSTORM. THIS IS A HIGH TRAFFIC AREA AND THE CITY HAS RECEIVED NUMEROUS COMPLAINTS ABOUT THE CONDITION.

THIS PROJECT IS PART OF THE OVERALL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN THE CITY ESTABLISHED ALMOST EIGHT YEARS AGO. THE CITY, SINCE IMPLEMENTING ITS PLAN HAS MADE SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS AND HAS GREATLY ENHANCED THE COMMUNITY.

MOTION BY STORM, SECONDED BY MANICK TO APPROVE CITY OF COOK RESOLUTION NUMBER 101118 THAT AUTHORIZES THE CITY OF COOK'S TO APPLY RELATIVE TO THE SOUTHEAST DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT TO ST. LOUIS COUNTY FOR INCLUSION IN THE ST. LOUIS COUNTY CONSOLIDATED PLAN/ACTION PLAN APPLICATION TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, AND THAT THE MAYOR OR CLERK IS HEREBY

AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS, AGREEMENTS, OR CONTRACTS WHICH RESULT FROM THIS APPLICATION TO ST. LOUIS COUNTY. **MOTION CARRIED**

MOTION BY STORM, SECONDED BY BIXBY TO ADJOURN THE PUBLIC HEARING AT 6:05 PM. **MOTION CARRIED**

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

THERESA MARTINSON
ADMINISTRATOR-CLERK/TREASURER