

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Mn/DOT has developed the St. Croix River Crossing Project working with the City of Stillwater as part of the Stakeholder Group. The project has now been developed to the point where municipal consent is being requested individually from the three Minnesota cities of Stillwater, Oak Park Heights and Bayport.

In accordance with Minnesota Statute 161.164, Mn/DOT has submitted the "final layout" and "project report" to the City of Stillwater for layout approval of the St. Croix River Crossing Project.

Mn/DOT has prepared supporting data and provided it to the city- the project's Final Layouts - dated July 18, 2005 and the 2006 Supplemental Final Environmental Impact Statement (SFEIS) - dated June 2006 which were the 3 plots of the Final Layouts (Layout 2A, Part A; Layout 3, Part B; Layout 3, Part C) and the abstract from the above referenced 2006 SFEIS which describes the project's purpose, route location, and design of the highway.

Mn/DOT has provided supporting data is a good faith cost estimate titled "St. Croix River Crossing Project Utilities (Sanitary Sewer & Water Main, Storm Sewer & Ponds, Signal Systems) Preliminary Cost Impacts" dated 7-31-06 showing the costs that the City is expected to participate in.

A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) has been developed between Stillwater and Mn/DOT to further define cost participation, right of way, construction, operations, and maintenance responsibilities.

As required by law, Mn/DOT is now seeking layout approval. A public hearing will be held pursuant to the City Charter at 7:00 p.m., or as soon as possible thereafter, on Tuesday, October 31, 2006. Written comments may be submitted to the City Clerk at any time prior to the public hearing and will become part of the record.

More information is available by contacting the City Clerk.

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