



August 18, 2010

Honorable Mayor Gene Winstead
City of Bloomington
1800 West Old Shakopee Road
Bloomington, MN 55431

Re: Letter of Support for TIGER II Grant Funding Application

Dear Mayor Winstead:

Mall of America has been working with the City of Bloomington on the South Loop District Plan. Both the Mall and the City realize that the Mall of America's Phase II expansion plans will serve as an anchor to new development in the South Loop District.

The Lindau Corridor Complete Street and Safety Enhancement project is beneficial to Mall of America because it will resolve the safety issue currently at TH77 and Lindau Lane. The Lindau Lane grade separation is important to Mall of America since it is the critical piece of infrastructure for Phase II. Not only will it improve safety and convenience for pedestrians crossing between the Phase I and Phase II sites, it will provide an at-grade retail core connection between Phase I and II. Our strong commitment to the Lindau Corridor Complete Street and Safety Enhancement project is evidenced by our agreement with the City of Bloomington to be assessed for up to \$10 million of the cost for the Lindau Lane grade separation. This helps great significant leverage of public dollars with private dollars.

Mall of America and the City of Bloomington continue to work cooperatively on many issues related to planning and construction of public infrastructure in the South Loop District Plan. The Lindau Lane Corridor and Safety Enhancements project is important both to the City's plans for the District and the Mall of America's plans for future development.

Mall of America supports the Lindau Corridor Complete Street and Safety Enhancements project and looks forward to continued cooperation with the City of Bloomington as this project, and many others, move forward.

Please feel free to contact me if there are questions or comments at kurt.hagen@moa.net or 952-883-8742

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kurt Hagen".

Kurt Hagen, Senior Vice President of Development
Triple Five Corporation