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Jon Henslin  
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2505 Transportation Rd  
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Re: Tiger II Grant - TH 4  
City of Cosmos, Minnesota

Dear Jon:

It is our understanding that Mn/DOT will be submitting the proposed Trunk Highway 4 reconstruction project to the Federal Department of Transportation for a TIGER II Discretionary Grant under Mn/DOT's Livability and Sustainability Initiative.

The City of Cosmos is in support of this application which will provide funding for the reconstruction of TH 4 through the City of Cosmos. The reconstruction will allow the City of Cosmos to participate under a cooperative agreement to replace the failing water and sanitary sewers currently located under the roadbed. The City has experienced over 15 watermain breaks on TH 4 within the past year. The existing watermain was installed in the late 1930's and is due for replacement. The sanitary sewer is slightly newer but is also in need of replacement at this time.

The reconstruction will also allow the community and its 533 citizens to continue to try and re-invigorate themselves. The upgrades will provide for a more pedestrian friendly corridor and add to the visual appeal of the economically challenged area. The narrowing of the existing road will also add to the economic viability of the community by reducing overall maintenance costs. The upgrade of corridor will also increase the green space along the corridor and thus reduce the environmental impacts on the surrounding water sheds and the South Fork of the Crow River.

Again the City of Cosmos offers its full support of the proposed TIGER II Discretionary Grant for the TH 4 reconstruction through the city limits of Cosmos.

Sincerely,

CITY OF COSMOS



Gary Martin  
Mayor