Sept. 7, 2018

RE: 2019 Connect the Park – Dakota Park bikeway and bridge project

Dear resident:

You are invited to attend a short presentation and open house to learn more about the 2019 Connect the Park bridge, bikeway and sidewalk project proposed in the Eliot, Eliot View, Bronx Park, Lenox, and Sorensen neighborhoods. Please see the map on the back of this letter for the proposed project locations. The meeting will be held on:

**Wednesday, Sept. 26, 2018 from 6 – 7:30 pm**
Peter Hobart Elementary School - Cafeteria
6500 W. 26th St.
Presentation at 6:15 p.m., discussion to follow

Connect the Park is the City of St. Louis Park’s 10-year plan to construct a comprehensive, citywide network of bikeways, sidewalks and trails. This plan is the result of a resident visioning process in 2008, and was approved by the St. Louis Park City Council in 2013. Additional information on the entire Connect the Park plan, can be found on the city’s website at [http://www.ConnectThePark.org](http://www.ConnectThePark.org).

While the overall plan has already been approved, we want to work directly with residents throughout the process to gather feedback that will help to further develop these projects. At this initial meeting, you’ll learn about the overall Connect the Park plan, the components of the 2019 project and how you can be involved in the process.

Throughout the public participation process for the 2019 bridge, bikeway and sidewalk project, city staff is committed to keeping residents informed, listening to and acknowledging your concerns, and providing feedback on how resident input influenced final plans.

The city will hold at least two additional neighborhood meetings to provide residents with the opportunity to view and comment on any potential project design before it is brought to the city council for final approval.

If you have any questions or are unable to attend the meeting, call 952.924.2669 or email bmanibog@stlouispark.org.

Sincerely,

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Ward 1, 3, and 4 councilmembers, city manager
Eliot, Eliot View, Bronx Park, Lenox and Sorenson neighborhood associations
Dakota Park bridge and bikeway project

Legend
- Proposed pedestrian and bike bridge
- Proposed sidewalk
- Proposed bikeway
- Bikeway alternatives
- Existing bikeways