



City of
NORTH OAKS

March 1, 2013

Dear Resident,

I am sending you an invitation to attend a public meeting on March 12th at 7:00 pm in the North Oaks Community Meeting Room, 100 Village Center Drive, Suite 150. The purpose of the meeting is to review the Highway 96 re-surfacing project slated to happen this summer.

Engineers from Ramsey County as well as North Oaks City staff and Council representatives will be present to explain the process, timing and costs for this project. If you are not aware, several residents in areas near the Golf Club requested that the City of North Oaks investigate the costs of the grinding and removing part of the surface on Highway 96 near the Golf Club. The request was made because the surface that was put on the Highway several years ago creates a very loud sound when cars drive over the road. This sound travels into nearby neighborhoods in and the Golf Club area. Ramsey County has agreed to manage the project for the City but they will not contribute to the cost of the project because this is not a maintenance issue, it is solely a noise issue.

Final costs for this project have not been determined but we believe that the cost will be between \$30- 37,000.00.

One other important note: The County is requiring that the North Oaks City Council approve a contract for this project work, no later than April 11th. This means that the City will need to hear from the affected and interested parties the extent of the financial contribution. We will need to know if resident participation will cover the costs of the project no later than March 29, 2013. The City is not in a position to contribute to this project other than administrative functions and as project liaison with the County. The City does not own any roads in North Oaks and has not included road maintenance in the 2013 budget.

Finally, if the contract with Ramsey County is not approved with the City by April 11th, the project will not be done in 2013.

Please feel free to call if you have questions. I can be reached at 651-792-7750.

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