

Victor Lund

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Subject: Apex Meeting - Rice Lake Road Corridor Improvement Project

Apex Meeting

Tuesday, August 1, 2023
10:59 AM

Attendees:

Vic Lund
Matt Hemmila
Brea Archer
Jana Kayser - Airport
Josh Stier - Bolten & Menk
Robin Kaufman - Bolten & Menk
Ian Vincent - APEX
Rachel Johnson - APEX

Notes:

- Background of why we need this project
 - 3 legged stool
 - Traffic Operations - increase capacity
 - Consolidate access points
 - High Density Commercial Road (support future development)
- Overview of Project
 - Unfunded Project Currently
 - Applying for the RAISE Grant in Feb 2024
 - Meeting with Stakeholders to get collaborations
 - City Street Connection
 - Adding intersections for new developments
 - Looked at the vision map and brainstormed what else we could add
 - Rice Lake will have access to the Lake walk by a trail
 - EV Charging Stations (MN Power/Boomtown/Kwik Trip)
- Discussion
 - Weight Limits set?
 - 10 ton load with exception of the Spring Load Restrictions
 - Geotechnical Analysis - change it all to a 10 ton year round?
 - Design/Reconstruct it so it would be unless it already is
 - Trucking - how they can expand their business knowing if it will be a 10 ton road
 - MIC updating the MPO plan with this info
 - Have we talked about this with our counter parts with the county
 - Vic talked about our 2 PMTs
 - Agency - City's (Duluth/Rice Lake), SLC Planning, SLC Land, MnDOT, etc.

- Internal -
- Tax Forfeit Land
 - No update until this winter
 - Pre development plan (during this time) - Planning working with City of Rice Lake
 - City of Rice Lake Meeting on Aug 7th
- Focus group with Developers
 - Set up a meetings to get their input (Apex can help with this)
 - Northland Constructors
 - Potential Developments - Quantify (Apex to work with Robin on this)
 - City of Hermantown?
- Roundabout Discussion
 - Will we use success stories of other roundabouts?
 - Rice Lake - they are hesitant about them
- Data Collection Time Period - Now - Jan
 - Economic Analysis
- Debrief of RAISE Grant
 - Half hour, no recordings
 - Send to APEX
 - Realizing they were not looking at just the project but the economic development
- APEX
 - Founded 20 years ago
 - Private/public partnership (funded by the private sector)
 - All funded by Private Sector (Non-Profit)
 - Drive investment in our communities
 - Focus on Land Readiness
 - Connecting Public to the Private Sector
 - 10 counties (Arrowhead)
 - Attract, Expand, Attain - Main Focus
 - Real estate digital magazine - advertise new residential development areas
- Ownership of the land?
 - What is developable?
- What Businesses have we met with
 - Kwik Trip
 - Northland Constructors
 - Boomtown
 - Car Dealership
- Open House with Businesses - August Timeframe
 - Everyone gets the same info at the same time
 - Then go off with smaller discussions if need be