



Resolution No. 2026R-302

City of Minneapolis

File No. 2026-00793

Author: Wonsley

Committee: CI

Public Hearing: None

Passage: Jul 16, 2026

Publication: JUL 25 2026

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTE				
COUNCIL MEMBER	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Payne	X			
Osman	X			
Chughtai				X
Wonsley	X			
Rainville	X			
Vetaw	X			
Warren	X			
Shaffer	X			
Stevenson	X			
Chavez	X			
Whiting	X			
Chowdhury	X			
Palmisano	X			

MAYOR ACTION

☒ APPROVED☐ VETOED

MAYOR FREY

JUL 23 2026

DATE

Certified an official action of the City Council

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

Presented to Mayor: JUL 17 2026

Received from Mayor: JUL 23 2026

Expressing the City's support for the Minnesota Department of Transportation's Highway 280 Project, and encouraging MnDOT to continue engaging with businesses, residents, Hennepin County, and the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board regarding this project.

Whereas, the City of Minneapolis' CSAH and MnDOT Cooperative Projects program is aimed to facilitate improvements within the city limits that provide benefit to the travelling public, adjacent property owners, and the City in general; and

Whereas, the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT), Hennepin County, the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB), and the City of Minneapolis have been developing concepts for a cooperative project on East Hennepin Avenue, Industrial Boulevard Northeast, and Broadway Street Northeast as part of State Project Number 6242-87, also known as the Highway 280 Project; and

Whereas, the Highway 280 Project has proposed a reconstruction of East Hennepin Avenue and the intersection with Industrial Boulevard Northeast that is well-suited to provide the necessary improvements to the Pedestrian Priority Network, All Ages and Abilities Bikeway Network, and Truck Route Network; and

Whereas, in 2028, MnDOT plans to close the left turn lane at the intersection of northbound Highway 280 and Broadway Street NE as part of its project on Highway 280 from Interstate 94 to State Highway 36; and

Whereas, MPRB has been seeking for over 100 years to complete the Grand Round Missing Link through Southeast and Northeast communities in the City of Minneapolis to connect to those parts of the city with the entire 54-mile Grand Rounds system to complete the vision of Horace Cleveland and countless others of a continuous parkway system; and

Whereas, Industrial Boulevard NE is identified as the preferred route for the Grand Rounds Missing Link in the 2019 Regional Trail Plan; and

Whereas, increased traffic volumes are expected on Industrial Boulevard NE and East Hennepin Avenue as a result of the closure of the left turn at Broadway Street NE; and

Whereas, increased traffic volumes and freight traffic in the Minneapolis neighborhoods of Southeast Como and Mid-City Industrial need to be considered and mitigated as part of MnDOT's Highway 280 project; and

Whereas, the City expects that MnDOT will continue engaging with neighborhoods, communities, citizens, and governmental units in Hennepin County about the access changes planned for Highway 280 in 2028, and how the project helps mitigate those changes; and

Whereas, MnDOT's proposed concept layout includes additional queueing capacity and turning geometry for freight traffic, bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure improvements, traffic signal improvements, street lighting, and railroad crossing improvements; and

Whereas, MnDOT's proposed concept layout includes trail connections, intersection improvements, and railroad coordination that help deliver MPRB's first phase project of the Grand Rounds Missing Link, at significant cost savings to the MPRB project; and

Whereas, the City of Minneapolis supports the improvements for freight access in the Mid-City Industrial neighborhood by adding a dedicated right turn lane on East Hennepin Avenue to turn northbound on Industrial Boulevard Northeast, and adjusts the corner geometry at this turn to accommodate larger freight vehicles; and

Whereas, the City of Minneapolis supports the improvements that accommodate the Minneapolis Parks and Recreation Board's Grand Rounds Missing Link; and

Whereas, the City of Minneapolis wishes to express its support for projects submitted by various partner agencies;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by The City Council of The City of Minneapolis:

That the City of Minneapolis expresses support for the following project:

MnDOT's Highway 280 Project