

**CITY OF HAMBURG, MINNESOTA
RESOLUTION NUMBER 2016-07**

***A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A FASTLANE GRANT APPLICATION
FOR HIGHWAY 212 IMPROVEMENTS***

WHEREAS, Highway 212 serves a critical role in connecting the Twin Cities to South Dakota and Beyond and has been designated a High Priority Interregional Corridor in the Twin Cities, while also being placed on the National Highway System;

WHEREAS, Carver County, in partnership with the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) is seeking FASTLANE funds to expand Highway 212 from a two-lane highway to a four-lane highway between the City Cologne and Carver;

WHEREAS, this two-lane gap poses a number of safety, access and mobility issues, while negatively impacting freight movement and economic development initiatives;

WHEREAS, to address these issues, Carver County and MnDOT have completed an extensive planning effort to determine innovative ways to expand the two-lane highway to a four-lane highway while reducing cost;

WHEREAS, the two-lane gap has been officially mapped and an Environmental Assessment has been approved;

WHEREAS, a four-lane highway will remove barriers to efficient freight movement, provide economic development opportunities at key locations, preserve existing infrastructure, and improve the corridor's mobility and safety for all users;


WHEREAS, forty-one communities and local chambers of commerce have passed resolutions supporting improvements to Highway 212 to expand the capacity of this highway and the Board of Commissioners of every county along the corridor has passed such a resolution;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hamburg City Council strongly supports this project and Carver County's application for funding under the FASTLANE grant program.

I CERTIFY THAT the above resolution was adopted by the City Council of Hamburg, Carver County, Minnesota this 13th day of December, 2016.


Richard Malz, Mayor

ATTEST:


Jeremy Gruenhagen, City Clerk/Treasurer

