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Transportation Commission to hold public meetings on West 70th Street

Edina, Minn., Dec. 27, 2006 – As part of the West 70th Street Study, the Edina Transportation Commission will hold public meetings in January and February to hear from area residents.

The first component of the study is to determine the issues and needs of the West 70th Street corridor, including adjacent side streets. These issues must consider safety, speed, access and volume for pedestrians, bicyclists and vehicles as well as other “quality of life” issues. These issues will be defined through collection and analysis of data as well as through citizen input. To gather that input, the Commission will hold meetings Jan. 18 for residents living on 70th, Jan. 23 for residents living on side streets north of 70th and Feb. 22 for residents living on side streets south of 70th Street. Only those residents within each area should attend the meeting specific to them. All meetings start at 7 p.m. and will be held in the Council Chambers of Edina City Hall, 4801 W. 50th St.

Residents who are not able to attend their public meeting can submit feedback in writing. To submit comments by e-mail, visit www.CityofEdina.com/70thStreetStudy. To submit written comments, download a Comment Card from the website, fill it out and mail it to City Hall. City officials plan to establish an e-mail subscription service early next year that will allow a person to sign up to receive e-mail notices about the study.

Comments received at the Nov. 28 Open House are available for viewing online, in the Engineering Department, and at the Edina Senior Center, Edina Community Library and Southdale Hennepin Area Library.

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For more information about the Commission or the study, contact the City's Engineering Department, 952-826-0371 or www.CityofEdina.com/Engineering.