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MEDIA ADVISORY- August 6, 2020

REQUEST FOR PUBLIC ATTENDANCE/INTERVIEW OPPORTUNITY – Event Coverage

# Public Input Meeting for 32nd Avenue South Reconstruction in Fargo

Opportunity to share ideas and comments on August 12<sup>th</sup> to shape the future reconstruction

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## WHAT:

The purpose of this public input meeting is to discuss proposed improvements to 32nd Avenue South in Fargo during the design phase. The project will consist of reconstructing 32nd Avenue South between 32nd Street South and University Drive including new concrete pavement, new pedestrian facilities, utility and drainage improvements, and intersection improvements at 25th Street South. Approximately 40,000 vehicles use the 32nd Avenue and 25th Street South intersection per day.

At the first public input meeting of the project, representatives from the City of Fargo and Apex Engineering Group will be available to take comments, answer questions and discuss ideas.

#### WHY:

This meeting is designed to allow for public input which is required for compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1970 and National Historic Preservation Act of 1966.

The meeting will exercise all appropriate CDC and Department of Health social distancing guidelines. The City of Fargo encourages face mask use while attending this meeting.

### **WHO SHOULD**

**ATTEND:** 

Residents, property owners, business owners and commuters using this route by bus, vehicles, bicycle or on foot.

WHEN:

Wednesday, August 12, 2020 4 to 6 p.m. – Public Meeting

Open House format to allow for questions and discussion, no formal presentation

### WHERE:

Rheault Farm, Picnic Shelter 2902 25th St S, Fargo, ND 58103

\* Rain location: Rheault Farm Bunkhouse

**Virtual Option:** A video option to learn about the project will be posted online at 4 p.m. on the day of the meeting on <u>FargoStreets</u> website and <u>Facebook</u> page for community members that are more comfortable learning about the project without attending the in-person open house.

# MEDIA ASSETS: Maps, video and photographs of the current state will also be shared at this meeting.

Representatives from the City of Fargo and Apex Engineering Group will be available to answer questions.

**MORE:** Information is available online at:

<a href="https://fargond.gov/live/fargostreets/public-participation/32-nd-avenue-south-reconstruction-public-input-meeting">https://fargond.gov/live/fargostreets/public-participation/32-nd-avenue-south-reconstruction-public-input-meeting</a>

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

### If I can't attend the meeting, how can I participate?

If members of the public are unable to attend the Public Input Meeting, written statements or comments must be mailed by August 26, 2020 to Apex Engineering Group, Attn: Josh Olson 4733 Amber Valley Parkway S, Fargo, ND 58104 or emailed to josh.olson@apexenggroup.com with "Public Meeting" in the e-mail subject heading.

### Why are you asking for public input?

Public input will be used during the project team's analysis of solutions and alternatives that may address each challenge. These will be presented as concepts for the next phase of public review and discussion.

### Is the meeting safe to attend?

The meeting will exercise all appropriate CDC and Department of Health social distancing guidelines. The City of Fargo encourages face mask use and social distancing while attending this meeting.

## **ACCOMODATIONS:**

The City of Fargo will consider every request for reasonable accommodation to provide:

- an accessible meeting facility or other accommodation for people with disabilities,
- language interpretation for people with limited English proficiency (LEP), and
- translations of written material necessary to access NDDOT programs and information.

Appropriate provisions will be considered when notification occurs at least 10 days prior to the meeting date or the date the written material translation is needed.

To request accommodations, contact Jason Leonard, City of Fargo at 701-241-1545 or <u>JLeonard@FargoND.gov</u>. TTY users may use Relay North Dakota at 711 or 1-800-366-6888.