

**Lake Street Council
Board of Directors Meeting
November 15, 2007**

I. Call to Order / 35W Project Report

The meeting was called to order.

Elizabeth Glidden reported on the current state of the 35W Access Project. She said that there is a logjam of projects to be done that 35W Access is now caught up in. There is also a funding crisis and the 35W Access cost is now too high, estimated at \$430-480 million. The estimated date for the project as it stands now is about 2030. Additionally, the state also recently received a large grant for bus rapid transit on 35W, but not at Lake Street. A proposal put forward by Elizabeth focuses the project more on Lake Street, and labels transit as the first priority, with the road also being an important consideration. This proposal would restrict the project to between 31st and 28th Streets, with anything outside of that area perhaps slated for a second phase when the 31st to 28th area is finished. For access at 28th Street itself, the proposal neither excludes nor promises it, which Elizabeth says is the best way to keep the project moving forward now.

Paul Newman and Joyce Wisdom both advised the Council to honor the work that came before with the advisory committee to the project. The board thanked Elizabeth Glidden for coming to the meeting with this update.