

Resolution No. 7843

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SHAKOPEE, MINNESOTA REGARDING
SUPPORT FOR THE CREATION OF AN ADDITIONAL
VEHICULAR CROSSING OVER THE MINNESOTA RIVER

WHEREAS the Shakopee City Council supports the enhancement of public health, safety and convenience for the citizen and visitors to the City of Shakopee by the construction and maintenance of adequate public roadways to support current and future growth of our population, industries and businesses; and

WHEREAS, the City's 2030 Comprehensive Plan identifies transportation to and through Shakopee as a critical element and the 2040 Comprehensive Plan will plan for additional growth, both in population, industry and businesses in the areas west of the current Shakopee City Limits; and

WHEREAS, traffic volumes on Route 169 have been identified as one of the areas of impact to city residents and visitors to the community because of congestion, capacity issues and accidents, especially during peak AM and PM commuting times; and

WHEREAS, the existing 101 bridge and 169 bridge are the only access points over the Minnesota River for Shakopee residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, reliable access with adequate capacity across the Minnesota River is critical to the success of local companies and residents to provide ease of access for commerce and employment; and

WHEREAS, an additional highway bridge crossing over the Minnesota River will ensure that Shakopee and Scott County residents and visitors have unfettered access to and through the community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Shakopee City Council expresses support for the construction of an additional bridge crossing over the Minnesota River in the area of the 169/41 interchange, or in an area that will provide connectivity for Shakopee, the surrounding communities and Scott County

AND supports any and all efforts to seek State and Federal funding for design, right-of-way acquisition and construction of an additional bridge across the Minnesota River.

Adopted on adjourned regular session of the City Council of the City of Shakopee, Minnesota, held this 21st day of February, 2017.

Mayor of the City of Shakopee

ATTEST:

City Clerk