

# **Traffic Study - Northeast Edina and Adjacent Communities**



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**Study Advisory Committee  
Initial Meeting  
Nov. 3, 2005**



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- **Edina Transportation Commission**
- **Adjacent Neighborhood Reps.**
  - **SLP Minikahda Vista & Browndale, Mpls Fulton**
- **Business Reps.**
  - **44/France, 50/France, Vernon/Interlachen**
- **City Staff**
  - **Edina, SLP, Mpls**
- **MNDOT, Henn. Co.**



## **Why the Study?**

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- **Congestion on Hwy 100, Crosstown 62, area business intersections causes traffic to divert into neighborhood streets**
- **Noticeable numbers driving in neighborhoods don't behave like next door neighbors**
- **History of small studies, neighborhood complaints, acrimony**
- **Projections show traffic congestion will increase in the study area**
- **Edina City Council charged the ETC to study, make recommendations in summer 2006**



# Affecting the A,B,C,D's of Traffic

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- **Attitude**
  - **aim to think like next door neighbors**
- **Behavior**
  - **needs improvement (drivers, pedestrians and bicyclists)**
- **Capacity**
  - **some bottleneck help possible**
  - **not much new capacity in near term**
- **Design**
  - **traffic engineers can bring some help, traffic calming, reduce bottlenecks**



## **Study Process**

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- **Decide what information we need to make decisions and recommendations**
- **Gather the data**
- **Prioritize the issues**
- **Research potential alternative solutions**
- **Communicate broadly and regularly**
- **Public hearings – after data, after potential alternatives evaluated**
- **Avoid further inflaming neighborhood animosities so we can focus on identifying potential win-win improvements**