

# BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

## CARVER COUNTY, MINNESOTA

Date: March 15, 2022  
Motion by Commissioner: Udermann

Resolution No: 23-22  
Seconded by Commissioner: Lynch

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### **Resolution of Support and Approval for Submittal of the US Highway 212 Rural Freight Mobility and Safety Project to US DOT's RAISE Program**

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) is soliciting applications for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity "RAISE" Program, which provides dedicated, discretionary funding for transportation projects of national or regional significance; and

WHEREAS, \$1.5 billion in FY 2022 RAISE funds are available for awards, with 50 percent directed towards projects in rural areas; and

WHEREAS, the USDOT is focusing the competition on transportation infrastructure projects that support eight key objectives: Safety; Environmental Sustainability; Quality of Life; Mobility and Community Connectivity; Economic Competitiveness and Opportunity; State of Good Repair; Partnership and Collaboration; and Innovation; and

WHEREAS, Carver County, in partnership with the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) is seeking funds to reconstruct US Highway 212, part of the National Highway System and identified by MnDOT as a Critical Rural Freight Corridor, from a two-lane rural highway to a four-lane divided expressway between County Highway 34 and County Highway 36; and

WHEREAS, the proposed improvements will remove barriers to efficient freight movement and job opportunities, support economic vitality by providing development opportunities at key locations, preserve existing infrastructure, address climate change and environmental considerations in the project area, and improve mobility and safety for all corridor users; and

WHEREAS, the Carver County Board of Commissioners adopted a ½ percent local option sales tax in May 2017 dedicated for transportation projects. This project is identified in the implementation plan for use of these funds and is a new local revenue source to match federal funds; and

WHEREAS, Carver County will provide funding towards the local match and partner with MnDOT to contribute to the overall local match and project funding as identified in the RAISE Program application, which includes the use of funding programmed for maintenance, secured funding through other grant programs, and additional program funding as applicable; and


NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Carver County Board of Commissioners supports and approves submittal of the US Highway 212 Rural Freight Mobility and Safety Project for consideration to the USDOT's FY 2022 RAISE Program to reconstruct US Highway 212 from a two-lane undivided highway to a four-lane divided expressway between County Highway 34 and County Highway 36 and authorizes and directs the Carver County Engineer to submit the application.

Yes	No	Absent
Degler		
Fahey		
Lynch		
Udermann		
Workman		

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
COUNTY OF CARVER

I, Dave Hemze, duly appointed and qualified County Administrator of the County of Carver, State of Minnesota, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of this resolution with the original minutes of the proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners, Carver County, Minnesota, at its session held on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2022, now on file in the Administration office, and have found the same to be a true and correct copy thereof.

Dated this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March 2022.

  
Dave Hemze (Mar 18, 2022 12:21 CDT)  
Dave Hemze, County Administrator