

Construction:

- Pile-driving within the BNSF ROW is underway.
- Pile-driving continues in right field and along the first base line towards home plate, and within the MnDOT ROW. Vertical column placement continues for the right field mezzanine.
- Lametti continues to de-mobilize for the Met Council tunnel relining project. Xcel Energy has just completed the re-installation of their transformer vault at the Ford Center, and Graham-Penco is currently working to complete utility installations within the intersection of 5th Ave N/5th Street N, so that the final pavement restoration may take place. It appears unlikely that the roadway will be ready for re-paving prior to mid-December, which may mean that the asphalt plants will be closed. In that event, the roadway will likely be opened to pedestrian traffic only through the winter months.
- Storm line installation in 3rd Avenue North is ongoing, as this scope of work continues to be plagued by interferences with unknown utilities, obstructions, and rock formations. As a result, Mortenson is currently contemplating a work-around on site that would abandon the existing storm drainage system ahead of this 3rd Ave. North system being completed, by diverting any storm drainage flow into the sanitary sewer system.
- Northstar has completed setting of all new 5th Street bridge girders, and the first deck pour has been made.

Design:

- MnDOT finally approved the procurement of GE fixtures for the I-394 lighting system, and the procurement of those fixtures is moving forward. Xcel Energy has indicated that the transformer to supply power to the lighting system has been ordered.
- Northstar has approached the project office about re-designing the core building to accommodate two elevators. A meeting is scheduled shortly to discuss the cost ramifications.
- Written authorization has been given to the Twins to proceed with the design of the 6th Street N pedestrian bridge extension, from 2nd Avenue North to 1st Avenue North. The cost estimate for this scope should be finalized prior to acceptance of the Final Guaranteed Maximum Price.
- A meeting was held with the City to discuss the vacation of the remaining portion of 3rd Avenue North, just north of the Glenwood/12th Street intersection, so as to accommodate the conversion of Glenwood and 2nd Avenue North to two-way traffic. City staff is currently circulating a plan prepared by SRF amongst the elected officials to gauge their reaction.
- A meeting was held with BNSF and representatives of the City to discuss noise and ventilation concerns beneath the promenade, due the close proximity of the Cedar Lake Bike Trail. The City and ballpark project personnel have assured BNSF that

complaints registered by users of the trail will not be directed towards the railroad for resolution.

- URS has submitted to MnDOT for review the I-394 ventilation system design.

Critical Activities and Decisions:

- Work continues between all parties to finalize the agreements regarding the property condemnation settlement. Concurrent with the condemnation settlement, the County intends to convey all property interests to the MBA.
- Additional meetings have been held regarding a separate agreement with Land Partners and Minikahda which addresses various utility issues on the north side of the ballpark project, related to private storm drain systems and the City water main. It is hoped that this agreement is completed prior to Thanksgiving.
- The Accessibility Advisory Committee has requested that the Northstar project add another elevator to the core building. Northstar's direction on this issue is time-sensitive, as construction on the foundation for that structure is scheduled to begin soon.

Respectfully submitted, I may be reached at (612) 543-7273 should you have any question or comments regarding the foregoing.

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