

## CITY OF RAPID CITY

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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Rapid City Planning Commission

FROM: Patsy Horton, Community Planning Coordinator

DATE: April 15, 2004

RE: US Highway 16 Corridor Study Report

Attached for your review and approval is the US Highway 16 Corridor Study Report prepared by HDR Engineering Inc and the Alliance of Architects and Engineers. This study supports the need to provide a long term plan for the US Highway 16 corridor area and addresses issues of safety, capacity, level of service, and future development for the corridor and the adjacent potential development areas. The primary goals of this study in regard to the US Highway 16 Corridor are: 1) to reduce accidents and ensure future traffic safety; 2) maintain an acceptable level of service; and, 3) preserve capacity of US Highway 16. These goals are to be met while promoting appropriate land use and an adequate street network for the surrounding area.

Public meetings were held during the development of the study and public comment was received. The Metropolitan Planning Organization Committees will consider for approval the Final Draft Report on June 23, 2004. After the City's review and acceptance, the Executive Summary and Report will be submitted to the South Dakota Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends that the Executive Summary and the US Highway 16 Corridor Study Report be approved.

