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Public Invited to Participate in Cap the IKE Community Meeting

The public is invited to a presentation and discussion of efforts to study the feasibility of covering the Eisenhower Expressway through Oak Park. The presentation and community discussion of *Existing Conditions and Potentials* is scheduled for 7 p.m., Wed., April 28 in Village Hall Council Chamber, 123 Madison St.

The *Cap the Ike Feasibility Study* community meeting will give residents an opportunity to review and comment on a wide range of information gathered by the team of professional consultants and members of a stakeholder's committee who have been studying the potential of capping Interstate 290 through Oak Park. Included in the summary of information gathered to date will be a presentation of key results from a recent community survey regarding the Eisenhower.

Efforts to reach out to the community have been ongoing for several months since the project kickoff last winter. In addition to the community survey, public input has been gathered through a previous public workshop, a stakeholder advisory committee, one-on-one interviews with residents, businesses organizations and community groups, and a project web page.

Past plans, studies and reports affecting the study area also have been examined, along with existing land use, zoning, transportation conditions and engineering concerns and issues. The study team is examining the market and various development potentials that may be related to a proposed cap as well.

For more information call 358.5778 or email CapTheIKE@oak-park.us. Residents also can track the study on the project web site at www.captheikestudy.com.

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