



2017 Street Improvement Project

Construction Notes

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What's Been Going On?

The project has started off a bit slower than expected due to some scheduling delays from the rains earlier this month. The City and contractor did not want to proceed with significant work until we could be certain that the contractor could devote their full attention to the project. Once they get here we do not want them to leave.

The tree clearing and stumping grubbing work throughout the project should be completed by the end of this week. The bituminous (blacktop) pavement has been milled and removed. Some of these millings will be reused in the construction of the new street. Additional removals such as boulevard topsoil, curbing, and driveway pavement will be completed soon if not already done.

Private Facilities In ROW Must Be Removed:

Many homeowners have installed irrigation systems, invisible fences, landscaping and other items adjacent to the street within the ROW. These items may be in the path of construction and will need to be removed as soon as possible. The City is not responsible for any damage caused to private facilities in the ROW.

Driveway Access:

The pavement at the end of your driveway may have been removed or will be removed shortly. This pavement will be replaced with a 4-foot concrete apron at the edge of the street with the remaining area re-paved to match the existing pavement. This pavement must be removed to allow for a smooth transition from your driveway to the new road/curb elevation. The contractor will maintain access to your driveway throughout the duration of construction activities. Deep excavations near your driveway may result in temporary access limitation. Be alert to changing site conditions.

What's On Deck?

The contractor plans to begin the deep utility excavation work (water and sewer main lines) on 5th Avenue and 11th Street beginning on Thursday, June 22nd. You will notice piping laid alongside the street in this area. This piping is the temporary water supply to feed each house while the watermain and services are removed and replaced. The temporary watermain will be disinfected prior to being placed into service. After all of the watermain and service connections are constructed, flushed and pressure tested, the temporary water piping will be removed. There may be intermittent water service interruptions while the connections are being made. We will provide at least 24-hour notice before any anticipated service interruption. Look for notices at your front door on brightly colored paper for more details.

The sanitary sewer can be constructed while in use with some minor bypassing. When the individual service connections are made, the City on-site representative may stop by to request that you refrain from using large amounts of water (laundry, bathes, etc.) for a short period (approximately an hour) to streamline the connection. Thanks in advance for your cooperation.

Utility work on 10th Avenue will begin following the completion of the excavation work on the west side of HWY 61. We are anticipating this work beginning mid-July.

Schedules Are Subject To Change

Weather delays, private utility contractors, and difficult working conditions can cause schedules to change without notice. City Staff and the Engineering Department will make every effort to notify residents as soon as possible if changes occur. Thanks for your cooperation.





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Safety: We urge you to use caution around the work site. Your assistance in reminding area children to stay clear of construction operations and especially the equipment is helpful in maintaining a safe environment. Your patience and cooperation during this construction will be appreciated. The Contractor will be using traffic control, vehicle lighting, and other work practices to ensure the safety of everyone affected by this project, but if you feel they are lacking please contact us immediately. If there are any residents with special needs or who require specific accommodations, please do not hesitate to give us a call.

Concrete Curb and Driveways: Following the completion of the utility work, the grading and curbing sub-contractors will begin arriving on site. Prior to curb placement, you will notice a string line secured to numerous metal stakes. After the string line is placed across your driveway, access will not be allowed until a minimum of 72 hours after the curb is placed.

You will be allowed to park on the street adjacent to your driveway after 7:00 p.m. on 5th Avenue & 10th Avenue (no parking on 11th Street). Be very careful not to hit the newly poured curb. As a safety precaution, please avoid parking across from another parked car. Cars parked directly across from one another may be too narrow for emergency vehicles.

We are on the Web:

For additional project information and past newsletters, please check out the project website at <http://www.ci.newport.mn.us/StreetImprovementProjects.php>

Garbage & Recycling Receptacles: Garbage hauling will be uninterrupted throughout the duration of the project. Regardless of the road condition be sure to bring your receptacles to the end of your driveway and **label your receptacle (lid and can) with your house number**. If the garbage truck is unable to access your driveway, the Contractor will move your receptacles to an accessible location and return them to your driveway at the end of the day. Note: Only receptacles will be moved; trash bags that are not inside receptacles will not be taken.

Waiver of Trespass:

In some instances, the disturbance limits extends outside the street right-of-way including driveway reconstruction, utility service installation, boulevard grading, etc. Our project inspector, Kevin Burns, will be contacting you directly meet in person to review any grading work proposed on your property. Upon review, we request that you complete a waiver of trespass for our records. Kevin will provide this documentation onsite.

Who to Call:

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Bruce Hanson, Superintendent of Public Works, (651) 459-2475 brhanson@mninter.net
Phil Lesnar, Northdale Construction, 612-369-5952 phill@northdaleconst.com
Newport City Hall, (651) 459-5677 or www.ci.newport.mn.us

The City of Newport Police Department can be reached at: (651) 459-9993 (Office) or (651) 439-9381 (Dispatch). If you see any dangerous or suspicious behavior around the construction sites please call.

