



Construction Update No. 4

St. John's Park Neighborhood Improvement Project

City of Edina Contract No. ENG 09-11

July 31, 2009

Please note that this Update is divided into two sections. The first section, Overall Updates, contains important information pertaining to all residents while the second section, Phase Updates, contains specific information pertaining to particular residents.

OVERALL UPDATES

Street Reconstruction to Begin in Phase 3 on August 4th

Midwest has continued to make great progress in Phase 1 and 2; therefore, Midwest has been approved to begin reconstructing Phase 3 streets sooner than was expected. To take advantage of the weather and keep the project moving along, the City granted the contractor permission to begin work in Phase 3 on August 4th. More detailed information regarding this work is included below in the Phase Updates section.

Temporary Daytime Closures of 60th at Fairfax and 59th at Ashcroft

During the week of August 3, the contractor will install storm sewer pipe and manholes in the intersections of 60th at Fairfax and 59th at Ashcroft. Access will be closed during these installations. Each intersection will take approximately one day to complete. 60th at Fairfax is scheduled for Tuesday August 4th and 59th at Ashcroft is scheduled for Wednesday August 5th. Please plan ahead to avoid these intersections during these temporary closures.

CenterPoint Energy (CPE)

CPE finished replacing all of their steel gas service pipes with plastic pipes for the entire neighborhood. CPE will return to complete any sod restoration behind the right-of-way line associated with their work. Any sod damage that occurred near the street associated with CPE's work will be restored by Midwest as part of the street reconstruction project.

Safety

Please remind your children to stay away from construction sites, construction machinery, and stockpiled materials. These can be dangerous. Job site safety is our number one concern.

Who to Contact in an Emergency:

During a life or property-threatening emergency, call 911. If construction equipment or materials need to be moved as part of dealing with the emergency, 911 has a list of emergency contacts for the Contractor.

Who to Contact with Questions and Concerns

Please call me, Carter Schulze, SEH's Resident Project Representative, with your questions and concerns. My telephone number and email address are 952.912.2610 and cschulze@sehinc.com. If you get my voice mail when you call, please leave a message. I check my voice mail regularly throughout the day, and even on the weekends.

If I do not have an answer for you, I will route your question or concern to the City, Midwest, or other SEH staff members. Once I have your answer or information, I will contact you at my earliest convenience.

You may also contact your City Utility Engineer, Jesse Struve, at 952.903.5713 or jstruve@ci.edina.mn.us.

Communications

The main tool for communicating with you about this project will be the City Extra e-mail notification service. Updates sent by US mail like this one will occur approximately monthly throughout the project.

The City Extra service is free and allows individuals to sign up to receive e-mail messages from the City regarding this project. You can also choose to receive email messages regarding other City topics such as public works updates and job listings, park and recreation activities, game cancellations, and more. To sign up for the service go to the City Extra website at <http://cityextra.cityofedina.com>. Any information you provide will be confidential, and only specific information you request will be sent to you. Your subscriptions are protected by your own personal password.

All of the correspondences we send to you will be archived on the City's website at http://www.ci.edina.mn.us/Departments/L5_ConstructionProjects_BA357StJohnsPark.htm.

Special Events

Please now contact me if you have any special events planned this summer that may require special access needs to your home during construction activities. Such activities could be graduation parties, garage sales, weddings, medical deliveries, house moves, large home remodeling projects, etc. The contractor will work with you as best they can to accommodate your event into their reconstruction schedule.

PHASE UPDATES

Phase 1

Sod and Restoration

During the week of August 3, the contractor will begin backfilling the area behind the concrete curb and gutter in anticipation of the placement of new sod. This work should take 2-3 days.

Irrigation and Pet Containment Systems:

Please recall that if Midwest damaged your irrigation, pet containment, or driveway heating system(s) the City will cover the cost of its repair one time only. Please now hire your own contractor to perform your repair(s), if any, between and including August 10 and August 16. Keep in mind that your contractor must not slow down Midwest's progress.

Before your contractor begins working, you will need to obtain a City purchase order number from me. Please contact me at 952.912.2610. Your contractor must submit the invoice that includes the City purchase order number for the work done to the City of Edina, Engineering Department. City staff will review the invoice to verify the work was for repair(s) associated with Midwest's activities. If the outcome of their review is satisfactory, the City will pay your contractor directly.

Phase 2

Streets and Driveways

During the week of August 3, first on St. John's and then on Ashcroft, the contractor will install one layer each of reclaimed gravel and new gravel that will exist under the new curb and gutter and blacktop pavement. To do this work, the contractor will move the reclaimed gravel from one side of each of these streets to the other and back again to expose the street's foundation soils. This work will take about 3 days to complete on each street.

If you live along St. John's or Ashcroft, you will have overnight access to your driveways. During the day, there will be no parking along these streets and there will be periods of time during which you cannot access your driveway. If you need to run errands, it would be a good idea to remove your car by 7 am and park on any of the surrounding streets.

During the week of August 10th, the contractor will install concrete curb and gutter and concrete driveway aprons (weather permitting). The concrete will take 3 - 4 days to harden before you can drive on it. During this period, you will not be able to use your driveway. Please get your vehicle(s) out of the driveway before the work begins, otherwise, they will be trapped in your driveway. The contractor will coordinate the actual date and time with you via a doorknob hanger. From now on, check your front door each day for such notices.

During the 3 - 4 days it takes for the concrete to harden, you can park overnight **along the east side only** of these streets. You are not allowed to park on both sides because there

would be insufficient room for emergency vehicles to quickly access homes along these streets.

The contractor will set out temporary no parking signs to remind you of this temporary parking ban along the west side of these streets. There is likely insufficient space for all of you to park; therefore, parking is also available along 60th, Phase 3 streets, and St. John's and Ashcroft South of Valley View Rd.

We understand that this is an inconvenience for you. If you have special needs such as, but not limited to, medical supply deliveries or handicapped access issues please now call me. The contractor will work with you to accommodate your special need.

The signal that you can resume using your driveway will be when the contractor builds a gravel ramp to your driveway apron.

Phase 3

Reclaim Blacktop Pavement

During the week of August 3rd, the contractor will use a reclaim machine to grind and mix the existing blacktop and gravel base together as the machine travels down the street. This new mixture will remain in place to give you a good, temporary driving surface. This work will begin Tuesday, August 4 on Fairfax and proceed to the west and include 59th Street and 60th Street. This work will last about 2 days. You will have access to your driveways during this work.

Water Main Shut Downs

In order to reconstruct and in some cases relocate fire hydrants, the contractor will shut off the water to your home for periods of time that are 4 – 8 hours long during early August. Using doorknob hangers, the contractor will let you know specifically when these shut downs will occur at your home. From now on, check your front doors each day for such notices.

Thank you for your patience during this process.

Sincerely

Handwritten signature of Carter Schulze in black ink, followed by the word "FOR" in capital letters.

Carter Schulze, PE
SEH Resident Project Representative