

September 2, 2011

W. 70th Street (TH100 to France Avenue) Reconstruction Project

Dear Residents:

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

Phase Updates

Phase 3

(Streets between TH 100 and West Shore Drive)

Normandale Road (South Frontage Road) Closure

The access to the neighborhood south of 70th Street via the Normandale Road south frontage road will be closed for a minimum of three weeks to allow the contractor to finish removals and place the utilities between the TH 100 ramps and West Shore Drive. The detour to 66th Street via the Normandale Road north frontage road will remain open. A graphic showing the closure and detour can be found at the following link. http://www.cityofedina.com/PDFs/EngineeringProjects/BA367_West70thStreet/Phase-3-Road-Closure-Map.pdf

In addition, West Shore Drive and Cornelia Drive will remain open to thru traffic and full access has been restored from France Avenue to Cornelia Drive. Please use other routes to access the south neighborhood during this time.

Please follow posted detours to Arneson Acres and Christ Presbyterian Church.

Utilities

The 30" storm sewer trunk line has been placed from Normandale Road to West Shore Drive. The contractor will continue removing the old trunk line and connecting the lateral catch basins to the new trunk storm sewer.

Grading

The contractor began clearing the trees and grading the new entrance to Christ Presbyterian Church. If you attend services or other events at the church, please use the north entrance for the next few weeks. In addition, please use caution when driving or walking near the construction zone.

Curb and Gutter

It is anticipated the contractor will begin to place curb and gutter in phase 3 starting the week of September 19.

Phase 2

(Streets between West Shore Drive and Cornelia Drive)

Restoration

The contractor is nearing completion of the topsoil and sod replacement in phase 2.

Phase 1 (Streets between France Avenue and Cornelia Drive)

Signs

The signs have been placed in the phase 1 area. Even though this area is open to traffic and the signing is in place, it is still considered a construction zone. Please use caution when driving through this area.

Overall Updates

Final Wear Course Paving

Once each phase is completed the contractor will pave the final wear course pavement for the entire project. This is anticipated to begin mid to late October. This will require the contractor to close segments at a time, but the closures will be limited to the workday and be open at night. Further details will follow as the time approaches.

Irrigation Repair

If your irrigation service is damaged, we ask you obtain a quote to repair the line and send the quote to Andrew Plowman at WSB & Associates, Inc. (address found below). The City will handle the cost of the repair if it was damaged due to the road construction activities. To avoid the line being damaged again, please wait until after the curb and gutter and sidewalk is placed, at the earliest.

Safety

If you must travel through the site, please watch your speed as there is a great deal of large equipment moving around and construction workers doing their job to ensure a quality product, it is important that they feel safe. And as always, please remind your children to stay away from construction sites. Job site safety is our number one concern.

Who to Contact in an Emergency

During a life or property-threatening emergency, call 911.

Who to Contact with Questions and Concerns

Andrew Plowman, WSB's Project Representative at 763-287-7149, aplowman@wsbeng.com, or on-site inspector, Blair Fowler, 612-245-7835.

Sincerely,

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