

May 9, 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 1

(Streets between Cornelia Drive and France Avenue)

Removals

The pavement removal is completed for phase 1.

Water Main

The water main relocation is completed near the proposed roundabout. Two more hydrant replacements will be completed early next week. Due to some old valves, the water shutoffs lasted a little longer than anticipated. Thank you for your patience.

Storm Sewer

The contractor has begun placing storm sewer at Valley View Road, near the proposed roundabout. The contractor will work towards 70th Street and then make a turn towards Cornelia with the storm sewer. There is no storm sewer placement between the roundabout and France Avenue.

Gas Main

Centerpoint will continue to place the high pressure gas main from France Avenue. Due to the Arneson Acres plant sale, the crews have decided to continue their work at France on Monday. They have a large amount of equipment and closures are expected during the day in the areas they are working. Please keep this in mind as you travel through the area.

Overall Updates

Detour

We continue to encourage drivers to use TH-100, I-494, TH-62 (Crosstown) and France Avenue as much as possible during construction and avoid W. 70th Street and adjacent neighborhoods, if at all possible.

As stated in a previous correspondence, W. 70th Street will only be closed to thru traffic but you will still be able to access your home during construction. At some point, complete closure of certain

segments will take place; however, these closures will only take place during the day and reopen to traffic at night. Attempts will be made to keep complete closures to a minimum and we will do our best to ensure affected residents are notified prior to each closure.

To view the posted detour, please click on the following link:
http://www.ci.edina.mn.us/PDFs/EngineeringProjects/ENG10-3_West70th/Project_Schedule_and_Detour.pdf

Bus Service

The Metro Transit bus stops and bus routes will be temporarily relocated to 66th Street for the duration of the construction project.

Safety

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.

Special Events

Please contact me if you have any special events planned for this spring and summer that may require special access needs to your home during construction activities.

Thank you in advance for your patience and understanding during this project.

Sincerely,

Andrew Plowman, PE
Project Manager
WSB & Associates, Inc.