

September 3, 2009

St. John's Park Neighborhood Improvement Area Residents:

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 WEEKLY UPDATES

Safety

With school beginning, please remind your children to stay clear of all construction operations, machines, and stockpiled materials as they travel to and from their school bus stops. School bus operators for Edina Public Schools are aware of the reconstruction schedule. The operators may adjust their school bus routes to avoid reconstruction activities. 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 voicemail 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, contractor, or other SEH staff members. Once I have your answer or information, I will call you back.

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

PHASE UPDATES

Phase 1

Sod and Restoration

During the week of September 7, the contractor anticipates continuing with the placement of new sod.

Phase 2

Sod and Restoration

During the week of September 7, the contractor will continue backfilling the area behind the concrete curb and gutter in anticipation of the placement of new sod.

Phase 3

Streets and Driveways

Beginning the week of September 7 on 59th, the contractor will move gravel from one side of the street and stockpile it on the opposite side. This is to expose the street's foundations soils and to make any corrections needed. Once the first side of the street has been completed, the contractor will move all the gravel to the other side and repeat their work. This will take approximately 3 days to complete.

If your driveway is along 59th, you will have overnight access to your driveway. During the day, there will be no parking along the street 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 a.m. and park on any of the surrounding streets.

During the week of September 7, the contractor will begin installing concrete curb and gutter and concrete driveway aprons (weather permitting) along Ashcroft, St. John's, Fairfax and 60th. After the concrete is poured it will take 3 - 4 days to gain enough strength before you can drive vehicles on it. During this period, you will not be able to use your driveway. We ask you to please move your vehicle(s) out of your driveway before the work begins, otherwise, they will be trapped in your driveway. The contractor will notify you of the actual date and time with you via a doorknob hanger. From now on, please 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 Ashcroft, St. John's and Fairfax. 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 St. John's. There is likely insufficient space for all of you to park; therefore, parking is also available along Phase 1 & 2 streets.

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.

Sincerely,

Carter Schulze, PE
SEH Resident Project Representative