

October 9, 2009

Edina Country Club Area Residents:

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

OVERALL WEEKLY UPDATES

Palda's Bi-Weekly Progress Map

The map for the period October 12 – October 25 is now available for your review at the following link:

<http://www.sehinc.com/online/edina/index.htm>

Brick Paver Crosswalk (crosswalk) Construction

Please refer to Palda's bi-weekly progress map for a description of upcoming work except as modified below.

Palda continues to adjust their crosswalk construction schedule for recent postponements in the installation of the second layer of blacktop pavement on the balance of the Stage 9 and all of the Stage 10 streets due to recent rains. Please recall that Palda cannot install crosswalks in an intersection until after the intersection has its second layer of blacktop pavement. Palda remains committed to trying to finish all of the crosswalk construction work in 2009.

Phase 3 crosswalk construction at the intersection of Bruce Avenue at Bridge Street and at the intersection of Country Club Road and Moorland Avenue and Edina Boulevard may not end until the middle of the week of October 12. The concrete in these crosswalks might not be strong enough to open to traffic on October 12. Until the concrete is strong enough these intersections will remain closed to all traffic.

Because of this potential delay in opening the Phase 3 crosswalks to traffic Phase 4 crosswalk construction work will occur only at the intersection of Arden Avenue at Bridge Street and along the west side of the traffic island in the north leg of the Wooddale Avenue at Country Club Road between and including about October 15 and October 22.

Please recall that emergency vehicles can access the street segments adjacent to these closed intersections from all directions because if necessary they will destroy a crosswalk under construction to reach an emergency.

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 Palda.

STAGE UPDATES

Stage 8

Sod Care

Please continue watering the new sod in front of your home. New sod requires at least 2 inches of water per week done in three or four applications.

If you live along Casco and Drexel Avenues, Palda's responsibility for watering your new sod stopped on October 7. It is now your responsibility to keep your sod watered.

Stage 9

Please refer to Palda's bi-weekly progress map for a description of upcoming work except as modified below.

Sod Care

New sod was recently installed in front of your home. Please continue to water that sod! The rule of thumb for watering mature lawns is a minimum of 1 inch per week. New sod requires twice as much water or 2 inches per week done in three or four applications.

Lawns need deep roots to help them withstand the hot weather and periods of little or no rain. The contractor will water the sod on an as needed basis using a water truck for a period of 6 weeks. Your efforts, when combined with the contractor's, will help the sod look its best. After 6 weeks, it will be entirely up to you to water the new sod!

Do not mow the new sod until either the grass lies over and mats down when wetted or it "roots down" and you are unable to easily lift the sod from the soil. Then set the mower deck at the highest setting and cut the new sod at this setting for the remainder of the year.

Do not fertilize your new sod until next spring. If you fertilize sooner, you risk killing the sod. It was fertilized at the farm where it was grown. The sod will brown for the winter and green again in the spring when it receives moisture from the snowmelt. Because it takes about three years for new sod to mature, you must continue to water your sod as described in this update for the next several growing seasons> If you are using a lawn service, please share this information with them.

Stage 10

Please refer to Palda's bi-weekly progress map for a description of upcoming work except as modified below.

Streets, Sidewalks, Driveways, and Boulevards

If necessary, please remember to have your contractor finish repairing your damaged irrigation, pet containment, and driveway heating system(s) no later than October 15. Please keep in mind that your contractor must not slow down Palda's progress.

Before your contractor begins working, you will need to obtain a City purchase order number from me. Please now contact me at 952.912.2633. 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 Palda's activities. If the outcome of their review is satisfactory, the City will pay your contractor directly.

Sod Care

Starting October 15 Palda will install new sod in front of your home. When they do please immediately begin to water that sod! The rule of thumb for watering mature lawns is a minimum of 1 inch per week. New sod requires twice as much water or 2 inches per week done in three or four applications.

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Sincerely,

Chad Millner, PE

SEH Project Engineer