

North Lions Park Neighborhood

Street Reconstruction

2015 – Phase 14 North Lions Park Street Reconstruction
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Concrete Curb and Gutter Scheduled in Area C.....

Care of New Sod

When new sod is installed in front of your home, **please make sure to carefully follow the sod care flyer instructions.** Your efforts, along with the contractor watering the boulevard sod for the **first 30 days only**, will help the sod become established and healthy.

Sod installation is complete in **Area A and Cloverdale Avenue in Area B** and the 30-day contractor watering period will expire on August 15 along the following streets.

- 57th Avenue
- 58th Avenue
- Brentwood Avenue
- Cloverdale Avenue (Area A)
- Dudley Avenue

Please read your sod care flyer very carefully. If you are using a lawn service, please share with them the maintenance recommendations shown on the flyer.

Area Updates and Schedule

Please keep in mind that the construction schedule may change due to a variety of factors including weather conditions and coordination of private utility reconstruction. The contractor will make an effort to notify properties with utility or driveway access restrictions.

Area A and Area B (Cloverdale Avenue Only) –

The contractor completed the installation of topsoil and sod.

Area B (Excluding Kentucky Avenue) –

The contractor completed the installation of street gravel base, the first layer of blacktop, and concrete driveways. The contractor will continue the installation of blacktop driveways, topsoil and sod.

Areas C, D – The reclaim machine recycled the existing blacktop surface and gravel beneath it into gravel that will be used under the new blacktop pavement and removed existing concrete curb and

gutter. Private sanitary sewer service repairs were also completed.

Area C – Curb and gutter installation will begin toward the end of the week of **August 17**. Specific details will be communicated to you by the contractor via door hangers. Concrete driveway installation will begin soon after curb and gutter installation. Please see the section on “Concrete Installation” for more information. Installing the gravel base will continue through the week of **September 7**. The contractor will likely pave the streets with their first layer of blacktop during the week of **September 14**.

Important Reminders

After Hour Emergencies: Please call 911 to report any situations (flooded street, interrupted water service, sanitary sewer backup, washed out road, etc.) that require immediate attention from the City.

Construction Safety: For the safety of everyone, all adults and children should stay as far as possible from all construction activities and equipment. **Construction safety is our utmost concern and your cooperation is imperative.** Construction activities are extremely dangerous.

Survey Stakes and Utility Flags: Surveyor stakes and colored utility flags will continue to be placed along streets throughout the project. They are hard to miss because they have a colored ribbon or flags tied to them. These stakes and flags guide the contractors operations. **Please do not tamper with these stakes in any way. These must remain in place until the sod is placed in front of your home.**

Special Events or Mobility Needs? Please contact us (see Comments or Questions section) as soon as possible to let us know if you have any special events planned or mobility needs during this year’s street reconstruction project.

Area D & Area B (Kentucky Avenue) – During the week of **August 17** The contractor will begin the reconstruction of storm sewer manholes and catch basins, and the installation of drain tile and storm sewer pipe. Following the utility work, the correction of unsuitable road foundation soils and preparation of streets to receive their recycled gravel base will begin.

Private Driveway & Sanitary Sewer Service Replacement (Crystal Residents Only)

Areas A, B, C and D – The deadline to enter into a contract with the City for driveway and sanitary sewer repairs has passed.

Concrete Installation

Wherever concrete curb and gutter or driveway surfaces are poured, please do not drive across the concrete for 6 days. The concrete needs this time to gain sufficient strength. The contractor will provide you advance notice of the work so you can plan to have all vehicles out of your garage or driveway before the concrete is poured. During the time you cannot access your driveway, the Crystal police department will allow you to park in the street overnight in front of your home. Once the concrete curb gains sufficient strength, a temporary gravel ramp will be built across the curb so you can access your driveway. Following construction of the temporary gravel ramps, you will need to resume parking in your garage or driveway in accordance with the no on-street parking restrictions from 2am to 5am daily.

Boulevard Landscaping, Irrigation, and Pet Containment Systems

If you have placed private landscaping, irrigation, or pet containment systems in the City boulevard (up to 15' beyond the edge of the street) that are of value to you, please **now** relocate them out of the boulevard. If you choose not to relocate your particular item(s) before street reconstruction begins in front of your home, the contractor may remove and dispose of the item(s), and will not replace them. These landscaping items include, but are not limited to, mulch, plastic and brick garden edging, decorative stones, statues, plants or bushes, irrigation, or pet containment systems. If you have any questions, please contact John Keppers or Mick Cyert (see the "Important Information" section).

Please watch for updates in the Construction newsletter when you may reinstall these items in their original location.

Communications

Comments or Questions? Please contact us (please include your address)

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Written correspondence

You may put project related correspondence in the mailbox located at the Field Office at the North Lions Park parking lot north of Jersey and 61st Avenues. You may also put project related written correspondence in the utility

payment mailbox located outside City Hall.

Construction Updates

Construction update newsletters will be mailed to properties in the street reconstruction area throughout the course of the project. Additionally, periodic construction updates can be viewed on Crystal's website at http://www.crystalmn.gov/city_departments/public_works.php (look for the Phase 14 link under "Quick Links").