

# Broadway Park Neighborhood

## Street Reconstruction

2011– Phase 11 Broadway Park Neighborhood Street Reconstruction

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Newsletter No. 2

### Area A Well Underway, Area B Up Next.....

#### Recent Events

During the past four weeks, the street contractor, Palda and Sons, Inc. completed the following work:

**Area A** – The reclaim machine recycled the existing blacktop surface and gravel beneath it into gravel that will be used under the new blacktop pavement, removed existing concrete curb and gutter, completed private sanitary sewer service repairs, reconstruction of storm sewer manholes and catch basins, relocation of hydrants, and storm sewer pipe installation. The correction of unsuitable road foundation soils and preparation of streets to receive their recycled gravel base began.

**Areas A, B, C and D** – Tree removals are complete that obstruct proposed street improvements.

#### Private Utilities

**CenterPoint Energy** – The installation of new gas services lines to homes in the project area is complete.

**Xcel Energy** - Their crews began relocating light poles at various intersections throughout the project area out of the way of the proposed curb and gutter.

During the week of June 27, their crews will begin relocating utility poles at various intersections throughout the project area out of the way of the proposed curb and gutter.

#### Tentative 3 Week Schedule

The following schedule is a result of

the contractor's best guess of progress. Many factors, including weather conditions and coordination of private utility reconstruction, may change the schedule. We will keep you posted of any significant changes.

**Area A** – The contractor will continue to correct unsuitable road foundation soils and prepare streets to receive their recycled gravel base. Drain tile pipe installation will occur during the week of **June 27**. Curb and gutter installation will begin around **July 6**. Concrete driveway installations will begin soon after curb and gutter installation. Installing the gravel base will continue through the week of **July 11**. The contractor will pave the streets that receive curb and gutter with their first layer of blacktop during the week of **July 18**. Blacktop driveway paving will begin right after the streets are paved.

**Area B** – The contractor will install signs on the streets warning residents of the start of street reconstruction activities. These activities will begin with the contractor's reclaim machine recycling the existing blacktop and gravel base in Area B around **June 28**. After the reclaim machine finishes its work, the contractor will immediately begin private sanitary sewer service repairs, reconstruction of storm sewer manholes and catch basins, relocation of hydrants, storm sewer and drain tile pipe installation and the correction of unsuitable road foundation soils.

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#### Important Reminders

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**Emergencies:** If you have an **emergency situation** regarding the street reconstruction project after working hours, please call Palda and Sons respondent at 651.403.9809. If necessary, you may call 911.

**Construction Safety:** Due to the nature of school bus stops in the project area, pedestrians (mostly children) must walk through the construction activities. Please remind your children to 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 and we do not want any mishaps.

**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 bright color on 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.**

**Yard Parties:** Please let us know now of any large events you have planned at your home during the spring, summer, and fall. These events include, but might not be limited to, large yard parties for graduations or wedding receptions.

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## **Immediate Action Items - Private Driveway & Sanitary Sewer Replacement- Crystal Residents Only**

**Areas A and B** – The deadline to enter into a contract with the City for these repairs has lapsed.

**Areas C and D** – *If you are interested in driveway or sewer repair and have not yet told us;* please contact Dave Fritzke, Crystal City Engineering Department by **June 29** at 763.531.1163 or [dave.fritzke@ci.crystal.mn.us](mailto:dave.fritzke@ci.crystal.mn.us).

Dave will contact the residents who are interested in the sanitary sewer repair program to discuss details. Residents have until **July 18** to return their signed temporary construction release and right of entry form to repair their sanitary sewer service using the street contractor. Please return these forms to Dave Fritzke.

The Contractor will contact residents interested in the driveway replacement program to set up appointments to discuss details. Residents have until **July 25** to return their signed temporary construction release and right of entry form to replace their driveway

using the street contractor. Please return these forms to Dave Fritzke.

## **Concrete Installation**

Whenever 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 so your vehicles are not trapped in your driveway.

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.

If you have and concerns about your vehicles being trapped in or out of your driveway, please **now** contact Dave Fritzke for potential assistance.

## **Special Assessment Update - Crystal Residents**

The deadline to prepay your entire assessment or a portion of it, without interest has lapsed.

You can still prepay your entire assessment, or a portion of it, until November 29 at a 6.0% interest rate charged from the levy date, May 3, 2011. If you take no action by November 29, your assessment will be added to your property tax statement. If you have questions or concerns about your assessment, please call Gail at Crystal City Hall at 763.531.1118.

## **Field Office**

Remember that the field office is located at Broadway Park at the corner of 59th Avenue & West Broadway. Chris McKenzie of Short Elliott Hendrickson (SEH) will be available there throughout the project. The office's phone number is 763.535.6223 and fax number is 763.535.6268. If no one answers, please leave a voice mail message that includes your name, address, and telephone number and someone will call you back shortly.

You can put project related written correspondence in the mailbox located outside the field office.

## **Additional Communications**

Periodic construction updates and related information will also be available for viewing on Crystal's website at

[http://www.ci.crystal.mn.us/city\\_departments/phase\\_11\\_street\\_reconstruction\\_project.html](http://www.ci.crystal.mn.us/city_departments/phase_11_street_reconstruction_project.html)

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