City of Inver Grove Heights

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May 23, 2016

Dear Resident/Property Owner:

At its May 9, 2016 meeting, the City Council awarded the 60th Street Area Reconstruction project to Park Construction Company. The 60th Street Area Reconstruction project (City Project No. 2016-09D) also includes the 60th Street Area Utility Improvements (City Project No. 2016-10) and the Northwest Area Trunk Watermain Improvements (Phase 1), 65th Street Loop (City Project No. 2015-12). This letter, along with the enclosed construction bulletin, contains important information related to the project.

Private Utility Work

Prior to the start of the project, private utility companies (Xcel Electric, Xcel Gas, Century Link, and Comcast) will continue facility relocation and improvement work to include new gas lines, relocating utility poles, and installing new underground lines in certain locations throughout the neighborhood. This work will cause disturbance to the City-owned right-of-way which is all property within 12 feet of the curb, as well as utility easements, which exist in various locations outside of the right-of-way. The private utility companies are required to notify you and provide contact information when working adjacent to your property. A web-based map showing permitted private utility work and contact information can be found on the City website. On the home page, go to the "Departments and Services" menu, and under the "Public Works" heading, click on "Right of Way Management". From there, you can click to view the "permit activity map". Click on the balloons on the map to bring up permit and contact information.

Project Schedule and Progress

The contractor tentatively plans to start construction of the project on June 6, 2016. We will provide an additional written notice before curb is installed. This project is scheduled for completion in October of 2016.

The project working hours are from 7 am to 7 pm Monday through Saturday. If you notice the contractor working before 7 am or after 7 pm, please call the local police. For after-hours access or safety issues and for all emergencies, please call the police (911).

In general, construction will proceed in the following order:

- Removal of pavement, driveway aprons, curb, trees, and boulevard landscaping
- Sanitary sewer and water main rehabilitation and improvements
- Installation of storm sewer improvements
- Excavation and construction of the new road bed including drain tile
- Installation of new curb and gutter and concrete driveway aprons
- Installation of the base lift of blacktop pavement and blacktop driveway aprons
- The boulevards will be graded and new topsoil and seed will be applied
- Final lift of asphalt planned for completion by October.

Water Main and Sewer System Work and Notifications

As a result of the water main work, water service interruptions will occur. The shutdowns will take place on weekdays between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. The Utility Division will provide 48 hours notice of these interruptions – please be observant of the City's door hanger cards that will be placed on your front door. **If you or someone in your residence has special needs that require a constant supply of water please contact the Utility Division as soon as possible at 651-450-4309 or 651-450-2565.**

It is common to experience water discoloration, air in water, or low pressure shortly after a water main shut-down until the system gets back to normal. If you experience these problems more than 24 hours after the water has been turned back on, or if you experience problems with your sanitary sewer service, please contact the Utility Division. For water or sewer service concerns that need to be addressed outside of normal business hours

(7:00 am to 3:30 pm) contact the Dakota County Communication Center at 651-322-2323 and ask to have the Inver Grove Heights Duty Person contact you.

Access and Parking

During construction working hours there will be times when your driveway is blocked or inaccessible, and you may need to park and walk a short distance. You will need to allow for additional travel time to accommodate the contractor's activities. The contractor is in charge of traffic control. Parking (at your own risk) is available at the Asher Water Tower, along Asher Avenue off of Upper 55th, and along the south curb of the Salem Hills Elementary School building (see enclosed map). Emergency access is always maintained or available. Limited access to your property will be maintained during construction. Driveways will be ramped as needed during the project, and fully accessible from 7 pm to 7 am. If you have a disability or special needs, please contact Nick Hahn, City Inspector, at 651-470-6767.

Irrigation Systems, Invisible Fences, and Custom Landscaping

If you have an irrigation system, invisible fence and/or landscaping located within 15 feet of the street, please have it relocated prior to the start of the project. The City will not be restoring private facilities in the right-of-way. You may reinstall the private facilities any time after the topsoil is placed in your boulevard and graded.

Driveway Replacement Program

If you are interested in replacing or changing the surface of your entire driveway, you may want to participate in the City's Driveway Replacement Program. This program provides a means for homeowners, who follow the required procedure and pave the portion of the driveway that would have been restored by the City to qualify for a $307.00 credit toward their special assessment for the City project. Further information on this program can be found in the enclosed Residential Driveway Replacement Program brochure.

Website

Information on project progress and scheduling will be available at the City of Inver Grove Heights' website at http://www.invergroveheights.org through the "2016 Road Construction" link on the home page. It will also be posted if the contractor plans to work on Saturday. Project progress updates will be posted on the website every Friday.

Please refer to the enclosed "General Information" bulletin for project contacts and website information. We realize that the construction project will be an inconvenience to the residents in the area. We will strive to complete the project as quickly as possible and ask for your patience. Nick Hahn, City Inspector, is readily available at 651-470-6767 or nhahn@invergroveheights.org to answer your construction related questions. If you need further assistance, please don't hesitate to contact me at 651-450-2541 or sdodge@invergroveheights.org.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures: General Information handout
Parking map
Driveway Replacement Program

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