



City of Edina

## Construction Update No. 2

# Minnehaha Woods Neighborhood Roadway Improvements

### City of Edina Contract No. ENG 11-5

August 12, 2011

This update is for all homeowners who live in the project. A map showing the two stages of construction is attached with this letter and can be found on the City's website. The City's contractor, Palda and Sons, Inc. (Palda) has tentatively planned the following work schedule:

#### Stage 1 Update

##### *Asphalt Base Paving*

The week of August 15, Palda will be installing the first layer of blacktop pavement. During paving, there will be no parking along Stage 1 streets. After the paving has been completed on your street, you will have access to your driveway.

Additionally, after the paving is completed, the contractor will begin backfilling the area behind the concrete curb and gutter in anticipation of the placement of the new sod. Before the placement of the new sod, the contractor will fix any irrigation systems that were damaged as part of the project. If your irrigation system is damaged, please contact me so it can be repaired.

#### Stage 2 Update

Palda will begin mobilizing into Stage 2 the week of August 15 to begin street and utility work.

##### *Temporary Water Main*

**Please be careful when cutting your grass near the temporary water service pipe.** It is possible to cut the pipe with a lawn mower blade and cause a leak. Also, do not shut off the hose bib that connects the temporary water service pipe to the house (the water will be shut-off to the house). If applicable, please pass these warnings along to your lawn service company.

You may notice your tap water is warmer than usual. This is normal and happens because the water pipe is above ground rather than below. Additionally, water main reconstruction may cause rust colored water. This too is normal. Flush your faucets by running all of them at the same time for several minutes and this will remove the rust color. You may need to clean off the aerator in each of your faucet heads after your flushing. Also, your water softener will probably not work.

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### *Reclaim Bituminous Pavement*

Reclaiming will begin the week of August 15. Please park in your driveway and not on the streets so this work can be completed.

The reclaim machine will drive along the streets to grind up and mix the existing blacktop surface with the gravel below it, leaving a gravel driving surface. The ground up gravel and blacktop material will be used as fill for the poor roadway soils that are encountered.

### *Street and Driveway Removals*

The week of August 15, driveway removals will begin. If you currently have or will have a commercial dumpster in front of your home, you must have it placed in your driveway out of the reconstruction area. Palda needs space in the boulevard to conduct their work.

### **Who to Contact with Questions and Concerns**

Please contact Carter Schulze, SEH at 612.598.4254 or email him at [cschulze@sehinc.com](mailto:cschulze@sehinc.com). You may also contact the City Engineering Department at 952.826.0371.

### **Safety**

Please remind your children to stay away from construction sites, construction machinery, and stockpiled materials. These sites, machines, and materials can be dangerous. We do not anticipate school bus stop locations being affected by construction. If construction does temporarily affect their location, you will receive notification. Job site safety is our number one concern.

### **Emergency Contacts**

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.

### **Parking Impacts to Residents**

Effective August 15 in both Stage 1 and Stage 2 until notified otherwise, on-street parking during construction operations (7 a.m.-8 p.m.) will not be allowed. Please contact guests and private contractors to inform them of these parking restrictions.

### **Trash/Recycling Service**

Garbage/recycling will continue to be picked up at 6:30 a.m. on Mondays. Please have your garbage and recycling at the curb no later than 6:00 a.m.

### Communications

One of the tools for communicating with you about this project will be the City Extra e-mail notification service. Updates sent by mail will occur monthly throughout the project. However, the City Extra e-mail notifications occur weekly. The City Extra service is free and allows you to sign up to receive e-mail messages from the City regarding this project.

To sign up for the service go to the City Extra website at <http://cityextra.cityofedina.com>. Only specific information you request will be sent to you. Your subscriptions are protected by your own personal password.

As a supplement to the City Extras you can follow us on Twitter@EdinaMinnWoods. Twitter updates will provide real time updates on construction activities that directly affect your day to day routines.

If you do not already have a Twitter account, you can visit [www.twitter.com/EdinaMinnWoods](http://www.twitter.com/EdinaMinnWoods) and sign up using the following directions:

1. Go to the [www.twitter.com/edinaminnwoods](http://www.twitter.com/edinaminnwoods) website.
2. Click the "Sign Up" button.
3. Enter your Name, create a Username, create a Password and enter your Email then press the "Create my account" button at the bottom.
4. For security purposes, enter the words shown in the pop up box and click Finish.
5. The next three pages are an opportunity to personalize your Twitter account, click the blue "Next Step" button or the blue "Skip Import" button at the bottom of each of those pages to complete the registration process.
6. Twitter will send a confirmation email to you. Confirm your Twitter account by clicking the link within the email.
7. The link will send you back to Twitter.com and your account will be confirmed.

Thank you for your patience during this process. All dates listed are approximate and is subject to delays caused by inclement weather.

Sincerely,



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Project Engineer

