

July 1, 2011

Minnehaha Woods Neighborhood Roadway Improvements

Dear Residents:

Please note that this update is divided into two sections:

- **Overall Updates** contains important information pertaining to all residents.
- **Stage Updates** contains specific information pertaining to particular residents.

Overall Updates

Who to Contact with Questions and Concerns

Carter Schulze, 612.598.4254 or cschulze@sehinc.com

Who to Contact in an Emergency

911 for life or property-threatening emergencies.

Safety

During the long July 4th weekend please remind your children and guests to stay away from parked machines and material stockpiles. Your safety remains our number one concern.

Temporary Street Closures

Palda will continue their short-term closures of particular segments of Stage 1 streets to complete their work. The best way to receive updates in real time about these short-term closures is to follow us on Twitter@EdinaMinnWoods.

Palda will ensure you have access to your driveway; however, these short-term closures will affect the typical route you take to get to/from your home. We appreciate your patience during construction.

Special Events or Access Needs

Please call me if you have special events or access needs. The contractor will work with you as much as possible to accommodate your needs.

Stage 1 Updates

Irrigation Systems

During the week of July 5, Palda may remove portions of your irrigation system. If you are impacted by this work Palda will notify you of the actual day of the work using a door hanger. Removed irrigation equipment will be marked with your address, and stored (approximately 6 weeks) until it can be reinstalled behind the new curb and gutter just before sod installation. Your irrigation system will be capped so you can continue to operate the parts of your irrigation system that remain in place.

Palda's Reconstruction Schedule

Temporary Water Main

During the week of July 5 Palda will continue to remove the temporary trunk water main and service pipes from Park Place's boulevards and front yards.

Palda will visit each Park Place home to connect the reconstructed trunk water main and service pipes. You will be contacted by them shortly to arrange the visit. If you live along Park Place and will be away during the week of July 5, please now contact me.

If your water softener has not been working while your home has been connected to the temporary trunk water main and service pipes, it will return to normal operation when your home is connected to the reconstructed trunk water main and service pipes.

If you are still connected to the temporary water service system, 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. We have had several instances where this has occurred. 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.

Water Main Reconstruction – Open Cut

Palda completed this work.

Open Cut Water and Sanitary Services & Wyes

During the week of July 5, along Park Place and Brookview Avenue, Palda will connect the sanitary sewer service pipe that these property owners reconstructed (using their own contractor) to the reconstructed trunk sanitary sewer pipe. If you did not reconstruct your sanitary sewer service pipe using your own contractor, Palda will now reconstruct your sanitary sewer service pipe between the trunk sanitary sewer pipe and the right-of-way (ROW) line.

Because the sanitary sewer service pipe and the City's water service pipe are near each other, Palda will reconstruct the City's water service pipe between the reconstructed trunk water main pipe and curb stop box while they have the trench open to work on the sanitary sewer service pipe. During this work, Palda will replace the City's existing curb stop box with a new one.

Storm Sewer

During the week of July 5, Palda will install a storm sewer pipe near 5524 Woodcrest Drive.

Sump Pump Drain Trunk and Service Pipe Installation

During the week of July 5, Palda will begin installing the sump pump drain trunk and service pipes in front of homes along Woodcrest Drive. They will install the service pipe to the ROW line in front of each home.

If you live along Woodcrest Drive, and have a particular location where you want Palda to install the service pipe, please now contact me to discuss that location. If I do not hear from you, Palda will automatically install the service pipe to the ROW line towards one of the following two locations:

1. If you have a sump pump discharge hose that Palda can see from the street, they will install the service pipe towards the end of that hose.
2. If Palda does not see a sump pump discharge hose, they will install the service pipe towards the side of your house furthest from your driveway. They do this because most homes do not have basements under their garage.

Stage 2 Updates

Private Utility Reconstruction Schedule

Private Sanitary Sewer Service Pipe Reconstruction

If you have hired a contractor to repair your sanitary sewer service pipe, please notify them as soon as you receive this City Extra and make it clear that the deadline to obtain a City permit is **TODAY**. The deadline to complete the work, **including** a passing visual inspection by the City's Building Department, is **July 15, 2011**. Please make sure your private contractor coordinates completion of inspections with the City's Building Department before this date.

All dates listed are approximate and is subject to delays caused by inclement weather.

Sincerely,

Carter Schulze, RPR
SEH Resident Project Representative