

July 29, 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

56th Street Bridge Closure

Palda has closed the bridge for repairs. Please use alternate routes. The anticipated schedule for the bridge repairs is July 11 through August 19 (6 weeks).

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 continued patience with these closures during construction.

Stage 1 Updates

Concrete Curb and Gutter, Driveways and Walks

Saturday, July 30, and during the week of August 1, Palda will continue to install the concrete curb and gutter on Park Place, Dever Drive, Brookview Avenue, 56th Street and 55th Street. Palda will coordinate the actual date and time with you via a doorknob hanger. From now on, check your front door each day for such notices. Please remove your vehicle(s) out of the driveway before the work begins, otherwise, they will be trapped in your driveway.

Between working hours of 7a.m. to 7p.m., no parking will be allowed along Park Place, Dever Drive, Brookview Avenue and 55th Street on either side of the street during concrete curb and gutter installation. If you receive a doorknob hanger and want to remove your vehicle from your driveway in advance of the concrete curb and gutter installation, you will need to park in Stage 2 or north of 54th Street or south of 56th Street. You may return to access your driveway after working hours each day following curb and gutter installation.

Starting Saturday, July 30, and continuing during the week of August 1, Palda will be installing your concrete driveway aprons beginning with Woodcrest Drive and following behind the curb and gutter installation. Palda will coordinate the actual date and time with you via a doorknob hanger.

You will not be able to use your driveway following installation of your apron for **5 days**. If you are in need of your car during this period, please move your vehicle(s) out of the driveway before the work begins. Parking on your street during the working hours of 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. is not allowed. You are allowed to park south of 56th Street, north of 54th Street and in Stage 2. After 7 p.m. you can park overnight on your street but only on the **EAST** side (to allow room for emergency vehicles). Temporary no parking signs will be set out to remind you of the ban along the west side. Once Palda builds a gravel ramp to your driveway apron, you can resume access to and from.

We understand that this is an inconvenience for you. If you have special needs such as, but not limited to, medical supply deliveries or handicapped access issues please contact me now. The contractor will work with you to accommodate your special need.

Stage 2 Updates

Palda's Reconstruction Schedule

Temporary Water Main

During the week of August 1, Palda will continue installing a temporary trunk water pipe (pipe) across your front lawn near the edge of the street and along your driveway end along both sides of the Kellogg Avenue and Oaklawn Avenue. This pipe will supply your home with water and provide water for fire fighting.

Palda will place the temporary water pipe across your driveway end and include wooden supports for you to drive over. This prevents the pipe from being crushed by your car. You will have access to your driveway during this work.

Also during the week of August 1, Palda will begin connecting your home to the pipe using temporary water service pipes. On the day your home is connected to the pipe, you will not have water service for approximately 1-3 hours. Palda may need to enter your house that day to operate your water shut off valve in your basement. You will be notified using a doorknob hanger on a case-by-case basis.

The temporary water service pipe will supply water to the house by back feeding water to a hose bib on the outside of your home bib. It is the same water that you are using today. The temporary water service pipe is similar to a garden hose and will lie on your front lawn between your home and the temporary trunk water main pipe near the edge of the street.

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.

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

Sincerely,

Carter Schulze, RPR
SEH Resident Project Representative