

June 24, 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

Temporary Street Closures

On June 25, Palda will close the intersection of 56th Street and Brookview Avenue.

On June 28, Palda will close 54th Street between Brookview Avenue and Park Place. Temporary signs will be posted for the closure. Alternate routes will include 50th Street and 56th Street.

Who to Contact with Questions and Concerns

Carter Schulze, 612.598.4254 or cschulze@sehinc.com

Safety

If you want to watch construction operations, please go no closer to the operation than 15' from the edge of the street. Your safety remains our number one concern.

Communications

To receive construction updates in real time such as temporary water service interruptions, temporary street closures, etc., follow us on Twitter@EdinaMinnWoods.

This continues to be a useful tool for finding out about the latest road closures caused by construction. We encourage you to use it. This past week we tweeted about 6 times regarding different closures. With each tweet we usually include a picture of the work causing the closure.

Stage 1 Updates

Irrigation Systems

During the week of June 27th Palda may be removing 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

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.

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 flushing.

Because water is flowing backwards through the pipes in your home while it is connected to the temporary trunk water main pipe, your water softener will probably not work. If it is not working, it will return to normal operation when your home is removed from the temporary system and put back on the reconstructed trunk water main pipe.

Water Main Reconstruction – Open Cut

On June 25, Palda will install trunk water main pipe in the intersection of 56th Street and Brookview Avenue. On June 28, Palda will install trunk water main pipe along 54th Street between Brookview Avenue and Park Place. Palda will also continue to install new fire hydrants on Dever Drive and Brookview Avenue.

Open Cut Water and Sanitary Services & Wyes

Beginning June 25 and continuing during the week of June 27 along Woodcrest Drive, Park Place, and Dever Drive, Palda will connect your sanitary sewer service pipe that you reconstructed using your own contractor to the reconstructed trunk sanitary sewer pipe. If you chose not to reconstruct your own 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 line.

Because your 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 your sanitary sewer service pipe. During this work, Palda will replace the City's existing curb stop box with a new one.

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 **July 1, 2011**. 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