

May 20, 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](mailto:cschulze@sehinc.com)

#### Safety

Please remind children to stay away from the construction sites. Safety is our number one concern.

#### Who to Contact in an Emergency

911 for life or property-threatening emergencies.

#### Garbage and Recycling Pickup

Each Monday until further notice, garbage/recycling will be picked up at 6:30 a.m. Please have your garbage and recycling at the curb no later than 6:00 a.m.

#### Communications

In addition to City Extra emails you can follow us on [Twitter@EdinaMinnWoods](#).

### **Stage 1 Updates**

#### Private Utility Reconstruction Schedule

##### *Private Sanitary Sewer Service Pipe Reconstruction*

The deadline to complete work, including a passing visual inspection by the City's Building Department, has passed. Do not begin any new work.

##### *CenterPoint Energy (CPE)*

Gas main and service upgrades are complete.

#### Palda's Reconstruction Schedule

##### *Temporary Water Main*

During the week of May 23, Palda will resume installing a temporary trunk water pipe (pipe) across your front lawn near the edge of the street along both sides of the street. This pipe will supply your home with water and provide water for fire fighting.

Palda will remove your driveways up to the existing sawcut line to bury the pipe where it intersects your driveway. This portion of your driveway will be temporarily replaced with gravel. 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 May 23, Palda will begin connecting your home to the pipe using temporary water service pipes. During the week of June 6, Palda expects to have all of the homes connected to the pipe. 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.

#### *Cured-in-Place Pipe (CIPP) Sanitary Sewer Trunk Pipe Reconstruction*

This work has temporarily stopped so Palda can complete miscellaneous sanitary sewer trunk pipe spot repairs. This work will resume in the future. More details will be provided in a future City Extra, when appropriate.

#### *Reclaim Bituminous Pavement*

Reclaiming will begin the week of May 23 on Woodcrest Drive and proceed west to Park Place, Dever Drive and Brookview Avenue. The anticipated completion date is May 24. 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*

Removals will begin the week of May 23 on Woodcrest Drive and proceed west through Stage 1. Please park in your driveway and not on the streets during construction hours.

### *Water Main Reconstruction – Open Cut*

During the week of May 23, the contractor will replace existing valves with new valves along 56<sup>th</sup> Street in intersection locations.

### *Sanitary Sewer Trunk Pipe Spot Repairs and Manhole Rehabilitations*

Repairs to pipe and manhole rehabilitations are scheduled to begin and be completed during the week of May 23 on Woodcrest Drive, Park Place and Brookview Avenue in miscellaneous locations.

## **Stage 2 Updates**

### Private Utility Reconstruction Schedule

#### *Private Sanitary Sewer Service Pipe Reconstruction*

The deadline to complete 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.

#### *CenterPoint Energy (CPE)*

Expected completion date for gas service pipe upgrades is June 3. If your gas service upgrade has not been completed, CPE will contact you to arrange an appointment for access to your house.

### Palda & Son's Reconstruction Schedule

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

Sincerely,

Carter Schulze, RPR  
SEH Resident Project Representative