

May 26, 2011

## **Oscar Roberts Neighborhood Reconstruction**

Dear Resident,

On Friday, the contractor will be replacing a fire hydrant on Cornelia Drive near 7309/7313 Cornelia Drive. The water will be shut off to do this work. If you are in the shut off area, you were previously notified that the shut off would have occurred yesterday; however, this did not happen due to unforeseen issues.

Starting next Tuesday, the contractor will be replacing hydrants near 7332/7334 Cornelia Drive and near 7312/7316 Gloucester Drive. The contractor will notify you a day in advance by hanging a door hanger on your front door that will tell you the shut off time and duration. Shut offs typically are done after 8:00 am, and crews work to get the water system back on as fast as possible.

Once they have completed the hydrant work on Cornelia Drive and Gloucester Drive, crews will be moving to Heatherton Circle and Bristol Circle to upgrade water mains and services, and install new fire hydrants in the cul-de-sacs.

The contractor will be installing a temporary water main pipe to your house. This blue pipe will be placed across your front lawn and be connected to your house at your hose bib. Crews may need to enter your home to operate your water shut off valve in your basement. This is done to isolate the connections until the new main has been installed and tested. The contractor will coordinate this work with you using a door hanger, or by knocking to see if you are home. This will be done 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 house 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.

### **Safety**

Please remind your children to stay away from construction sites, construction machinery, and stockpiled materials. These sites, machines, and materials can be dangerous. Job site safety is our number one concern.

### **Who to Contact in an Emergency**

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 the contractor's emergency contacts. If it is not an emergency, you can also get a hold of the Edina Police Dept. on their non-emergency phone number at 952-826-1600.

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

As always, please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. I can be reached in the office at 952-826-0444 or [akuznia@ci.edina.mn.us](mailto:akuznia@ci.edina.mn.us)

Have a safe Holiday weekend!

The City of Edina and Northwest Asphalt, Inc. would like to thank you for your patience and cooperation during this project.

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