

September 9, 2011

W. 44th Street (Brookside Terrace to France Avenue) Improvement Project

Dear Residents:

Please note that this update is divided into two sections. The first section, Phase Updates, contains specific information pertaining to particular residents, while the second section, Overall Updates, contains important information pertaining to all residents.

Phase Updates

Phase 1 (Between Wooddale Avenue and France Avenue)

Irrigation Repairs

If you have an irrigation system, you should have received a notice at your door describing the process to have your irrigation system repaired, which will take place starting on September 12. The contact person who is coordinating this work is Joe Bartusek with Premiere Lawn and Snow, LLC. He can be contacted at premierelawn@gmail.com.

Restoration

Restoration of the boulevard areas will take place the week of September 12. You will receive a letter in the mail next week describing this process along with information on the contractor and homeowner responsibilities of maintaining the boulevard and yard areas.

On-street Parking

Now that the roadway is paved, we ask that you not park on the street as the contractor will still be working in the area completing the restoration work, miscellaneous utility work, cleanup and other minor work in the area. The contractor's equipment and materials will be placed within the roadway to complete this work. Please watch your speed as there will be equipment moving around in the area.

Phase 2 (Between Mackey Avenue and Wooddale Avenue)

Street Grading and Access

Grading of the roadway continues through next week. Trucks will be hauling in aggregate material to place on the roadway. Curb and gutter is anticipated to be placed on September 16.

Access will be limited during the day for grading work occurring in front of your property, including street access to Glen Place and Dart Avenue. There may be times during the day when you may not have access and may need to park on adjacent side streets. The

roadway will be accessible by the end of each day. The contractor will place a notice in your doorway to notify you in advance of access restrictions. Keep in mind, that construction operations may change throughout the day and may not proceed as planned, however the contractor will attempt to keep you informed as soon as possible.

Utility Work

After the roadway is graded, the contractor will be installing conduit pipe within the roadway for a future fiber optic connection in the area.

Sidewalk Removals

Removal of the remaining sidewalk segments will take place next week.

School Bus Service

We have been communicating with the various school bus companies to coordinate their routes and bus stops around the construction area. If you have questions regarding this, please call your representative bus company or myself.

On-street Parking

On-street parking will not be allowed at any time during the project. Please inform guests, customers, and private contractors of this.

Overall Updates

Irrigation Systems/Boulevard Plantings

Please contact the project inspector if you have any questions about your irrigation system and/or boulevard plantings that may be or has been impacted by construction.

Final Wear Course Paving

After the entire roadway is paved (from Mackey Avenue to France Avenue) with the first lift of pavement and restoration of the boulevard areas are complete, the contractor will pave the final lift of pavement for the entire project. This is anticipated to occur in mid-October. This will require the contractor to close segments of the roadway at a time, but the closures will be limited to the workday and be open at night. Further details will follow as the time approaches.

Detours

'Road closed to thru traffic' signs will remain in place through the entire project area from Brookside Terrace to Mackey Avenue. Drivers using W. 44th Street as a cut-thru should follow detour signage along 50th Street, as well as on France Avenue and Brookside Avenue to detour around the construction area. Drivers traveling on Eton Place, Grimes Avenue, Curve Avenue, Browndale Avenue and Mackey Avenue should avoid crossing W. 44th Street and should alternate routes.

Safety

If you must travel through the site, please watch your speed as there is a great deal of large equipment moving around and construction workers working to ensure a quality product. It is important that they feel safe. And as always, please remind your children to stay away from construction sites. Job site safety is our number one concern.

Who to Contact in an Emergency

During a life- or property-threatening emergency, call 911.

Who to Contact with Questions and Concerns

Shibani Bisson, WSB's Project Representative at 763-287-7162, sbisson@wsbeng.com, or our on-site project inspector, George Bender, 612-360-1321.

Sincerely,

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