2023 Street and Utility Improvement Project Elysian, Minnesota

Project Update



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This letter is being sent to inform you of construction activity on the abovereferenced project.

IF YOU ARE A LANDLORD, PLEASE SHARE THIS NEWSLETTER WITH YOUR RENTERS/TENANTS.

Over the last week, the contractor has been able to complete the storm sewer on the first phase of the project and is currently installing the remaining water services before focusing on constructing new streets on 1st Street, G Avenue, and Jason Drive. **The contractor plans to work this Saturday to remain on schedule.** Concrete curb and driveways are scheduled to be poured next week on these streets. Stringline for curb and gutter will be placed on Monday, June 5th. **Please expect no access to your driveways until the concrete has cured (typically one week after placement).**

Concrete that has just been poured needs time to cure. Even though it may look passable, even walking on it may damage the surface. Once the concrete has been poured, a curing compound will be placed on the surface to help it cure evenly. This white compound may look like the concrete is dry, but again it is still wet. It takes 7 to 10 days for the concrete to be able to walk on and not do any harm. Please refrain from walking on or riding bikes on it because it will damage the new concrete. You will also need to have vehicles out of driveways and off the street before the curb is placed.

Street construction involves several steps. First, the street is subcut. This involves excavation and removal of the top layer of soil. After subcutting, geotextile fabric will be placed over the entire width of the street and drain tile will be placed in the street. A layer of gravel will then be placed to begin building up the street section. To aid in accessibility, the contractor will be first constructing Jason Drive, G Avenue, and 1st Street between Highway 60 and G Avenue before constructing the portion of Maple Avenue and remaining 1st Street. The final steps of street construction involve placement of concrete curb and gutter and the bituminous surfacing. If weather permits, curb will be placed in early June. **Please expect no access to your driveways during most of the work prior to the gravel being placed and after the concrete curb is poured.**

The contractor plans to begin on the second phase next week by focusing on the area immediately around Casey's before working on the rest of 3^{rd} Street and Maple Avenue between 3^{rd} Street and 1^{st} Street.

Note: Future project updates may be mailed or a digital copy sent if you opt in. To receive e-mailed project updates, please email your name, property address, and email address to Julie Brinkman at jbrinkman@sehinc.com.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me or City Engineer/Project Manager Brent Kavitz.

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