

## New This Week

Crews install curb and gutter on north end of Turnpike and east end of Radisson.

## Construction Area

**Phase 1:** Turnpike Rd, Radisson Rd  
**Phase 2:** Lawn Terrace, Colonial Dr

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## Utility Work Resumes; Paving Planned For Next Week

In addition to installing curb and gutter in portions of the construction area last week, crews also resumed water main replacement work in the loop portion of Turnpike Rd. In the next week, crews will continue that water main work, resume storm water pipe replacement on Radisson Rd, and pave the base course of asphalt in the area of Phase 1 that had curb and gutter installed last week.

Crews estimate this Phase 1 utility work will take at least another week, depending on weather. When it's finished, crews will subcut the remaining Phase 1 streets and install curb and gutter. ○

## Please Heed Guidelines For On-Street Parking

To provide easier access for emergency vehicles, trash trucks, delivery vehicles, and construction equipment, please park all vehicles in your driveway whenever possible (unless directed otherwise, such as when curb and gutter has been installed in front of your driveway). This includes during overnight and weekend non-construction hours.



If you, or visitors to your home, need to park on the street, please park on one side only. Before parking, look for other vehicles already parked on the street and park on the same side. Also, make sure to check for construction "no parking" signs that may be posted.

Your help keeping the streets as clear as possible will make it easier for large construction vehicles to operate on the streets. It will also ensure that emergency vehicles have unhindered access to all the homes in the construction area. ○

## Get More Driveway Maintenance Tips At [www.goldenvalleymn.gov](http://www.goldenvalleymn.gov)

For those homes in the construction area that had new concrete and asphalt installed for driveways and aprons, the City offers useful maintenance information and tips at [www.goldenvalleymn.gov/streets/pmp/tips-answers](http://www.goldenvalleymn.gov/streets/pmp/tips-answers). In brief:

- Do not drive on the concrete for up to a week, and avoid making sharp turns on the asphalt during the first year or parking anything on it that can mar the new surface for the first six months.
- Wait until fall before sealing your new concrete driveway area and/or apron.

For asphalt, applying sealers normally does not result in any structural benefit; however, if you choose to use a sealer, it is recommended not to use any products labeled "coal tar." Instead, use asphalt emulsion sealers. ○



## Why Install Curb And Gutter?

Concrete curb and gutter provides superior drainage as well as a structural edge to support the roadway—two key advantages over rolled bituminous curbs or no curb at all.

Moisture collecting on the street and in its subgrade is a primary cause of premature street failure. Concrete curb and gutter:

- collects water and transports it to storm pipes, providing superior drainage following rainfall and snow melt. Without curb and gutter, the water would go into the roadside subgrade or run along the boulevard.
- helps the contractor control the street grade to reduce the formation of low spots ("bird baths") along the edge of the road.
- helps collect sediment from the street (eg, sand) that can later be cleaned up through routine street sweeping. Such maintenance efforts help improve the quality of water that runs off the streets and into Golden Valley's streams and ponds.

Without the structural support provided by curb and gutter, pavement distress (settlements, edge cracking, and alligator cracking) will appear along the edge of a roadway much sooner, ultimately resulting in the premature failure of the street and increased maintenance costs.

Golden Valley is committed to building and maintaining quality streets. In general, concrete curb and gutter will extend the life of a new street by approximately 25 percent and will significantly reduce long-term maintenance costs. ○

# Read Past Editions Of Construction News

Published editions of *Construction News* are available anytime online at [www.goldenvalleymn.gov/streets/pmp/property-owners](http://www.goldenvalleymn.gov/streets/pmp/property-owners).

Past topics include:

- "What Does 'Weather Permitting' Mean?" (5/13/11 newsletter)
- "Construction Area Driving Tips" (5/27/11 newsletter)
- "Construction Schedules" (5/13/11 newsletter)

New editions of *Construction News* are posted online as they are published. ○

**SCHEDULES MAY CHANGE ON SHORT NOTICE** Weather, delays by subcontractors, or other unforeseen events can cause schedule changes. The contractor makes an effort to notify residents as soon as possible.

**CHECK DOORS FOR NOTICES** The contractor will routinely notify you about upcoming work, particularly if the work will make your driveway inaccessible for most or part of a day (you will be able to get back into your driveway each evening). Please check all of the doors around your house for written notices of upcoming work.

**CONSTRUCTION QUESTIONS** At the construction site, please direct all project-related questions to City staff. For other questions, call Public Works at 763-593-8030. **If you would prefer to have Construction News emailed to you, contact Pat Schutrop at 763-593-3987 or [pschutrop@goldenvalleymn.gov](mailto:pschutrop@goldenvalleymn.gov) to get on the list.**

**RECYCLING** Recycling should be picked up as scheduled. Please continue to have your recycling curbside by 7 am on Fridays. The recycling contractor (Waste Management) will collect recycling in street reconstruction areas on schedule. Please continue to report all missed pick-ups to Waste Management at 952-890-1100. If you feel you are not getting optimum service, call the City's Environmental Coordinator at 763-593-8046.

## CONTACT US (When calling, please provide your address.)

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### Special Needs?

The contractor will work with residents needing access for wheelchairs, Metro Mobility rides, etc. Call Public Works at 763-593-8030.

### AFTER-HOUR EMERGENCIES

Call the Golden Valley Police Department at 763-593-8079 to report problems that require immediate assistance by the City (flooded street, disruption to water service, sanitary sewer back-up, etc). Your message will be relayed to on-call Public Works personnel.

## PROJECT NEWSLETTERS

During construction, *Construction News* will be printed biweekly, or more frequently if needed. The newsletter will include updates on construction scheduling, phone numbers of contact persons, and other information that may be useful to you. **To get this newsletter by email, contact us at 763-593-3987 or [pschutrop@goldenvalleymn.gov](mailto:pschutrop@goldenvalleymn.gov).**

## TIPS & ANSWERS [www.goldenvalleymn.gov/streets/pmp/](http://www.goldenvalleymn.gov/streets/pmp/)

If you're wondering about various construction practices, or if you're looking for information about things like taking care of your new driveway or sod, go to the City website and check out the PMPs Tips & Answers page. If you don't find answers there, contact Public Works at 763-593-8030.

This document is available in alternate formats upon a 72-hour request. Please call 763-593-8006 (TTY: 763-593-3968) to make a request. Examples of alternate formats may include large print, electronic, Braille, audiocassette, etc.



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