

## New This Week

Sidewalk work on Harold Ave continuing

## Construction Area

**Full Reconstruction:** Circle Down, Turners Crossroad, King Creek Rd, King Hill Rd, Harold Ave, Rhode Island Ave, Welcome Ave, Phoenix St  
**Mill and Overlay:** Welcome Cir

2012 PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM ○ OCT 19, 2012

## Major Construction Completed, Miscellaneous Work Continues

In the last two weeks, the contractor paved the final layer on Circle Down, Turners Crossroad, Welcome Ave, Phoenix St, and Welcome Circle. This completes all major construction work.

City staff will inspect all completed work to ensure compliance with contract specifications. Items that need to be addressed will be

added to the project's punch list (see article at right).

On Harold Ave, sidewalk grading and installation continues. Crews are also rough grading (see article at right) along Harold Ave and Rhode Island Ave. Other miscellaneous work, such as landscaping and mailboxes, will also be completed. ○

## Reinstall Fences And Irrigation

In areas behind the curb that have been graded smooth or where sod has been placed, homeowners may reinstall irrigation and fence systems (eg, invisible fences) that were relocated before construction.

For areas within the right-of-way (ROW), have installation companies mark the reinstalled irrigation

heads or invisible fences with locate flags.

During street construction projects, homeowners are responsible for temporarily moving or relocating their private irrigation and fence systems within City street ROW so the City can avoid spending tax dollars on private systems. ○

## Due Date For Pre-Paid Special Assessments Is Nov 15

If you're planning to pre-pay your assessment for the Pavement Management Program, please do so by **Nov 15, 2012**. If you pre-pay, the assessment will not be added to your 2012 property taxes.

To pre-pay your assessment, mail your check to City Hall at 7800 Golden Valley Rd, Golden Valley, MN 55427. You can also put your payment in the drop box near the

front door of City Hall or pay in person at the General Services counter on the second floor. Also, please be aware that credit cards are not accepted.

The street assessments were approved by the City Council in spring 2011. If you have any questions about assessments and how they work, contact the Golden Valley Finance Department at 763-593-8009. ○

## Construction Terms

### Rough Grading

Rough grading involves using a bobcat or other small equipment to smooth the transitions between boulevards affected by construction and existing sod that has not been disturbed.



It also fills in low spots behind the curb and prepares the area for placement of fresh topsoil. The extent of grading depends on the elevation of the new road relative to the old road as well as what utility work was completed in the boulevards.

Generally, rough grading spreads the existing soil that has been exposed as part of construction activities. Crews then spread new topsoil to provide a base to help establish the sod that will be installed (see article on sod installation warranty).

### Punch List

The punch list is items that need to be corrected before the final project is accepted by the City. Some will be completed this fall before the final course of asphalt is paved, while others will be completed next spring or summer. Many punch list items are smaller tasks that do not require large equipment. Completing punch list items before the final layer of asphalt is installed minimizes the amount of heavy construction equipment activity on the new street.

The City recognizes that this phase of construction can be frustrating, and your patience is greatly appreciated. Once the City accepts the project, all care and maintenance is the responsibility of the City. Making sure the project meets the contract's standards and specifications means the City will get a finished product that will last for years to come.

## Sod Installation Warranty

The contractor is responsible for maintaining new sod for the first 30 days after installation. The warranty primarily covers the sod if it fails to become established. If the sod was mowed too short or damaged by non-construction project activities, then it is not covered by the warranty.

# Want More Info?

Remember seeing an interesting article in an old edition of *Construction News*, but can't remember where the paper copy is?

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

If you want to learn more about the construction process, the City website also defines construction terms, answers frequently asked questions, and provides helpful coping tips. Go to [www.goldenvalleymn.gov/streets/pmp/tips-answers.php](http://www.goldenvalleymn.gov/streets/pmp/tips-answers.php).

**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 of your service week. The recycling contractor will collect recycling in street reconstruction areas on schedule. Please continue to report all missed pick-ups to Allied Waste at 952-941-5174.

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

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### CenterPoint Energy

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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. 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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