

## New This Week

Centerpoint work complete in Areas 1 and 3.

## 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 ○ MAY 4, 2012

## Private Utility Work Progresses

In the past two weeks, Centerpoint Energy has completed its work in Areas 1 and 3 in advance of the City's construction project. With the gas line relocation and replacement complete, reconstruction activities can begin.

Xcel Energy has finished removing decorative street lights in the construction area that are being replaced with new poles and fixtures.

### Construction Areas Have Limited Storage Space

This year's construction area has very limited space for material storage. As a result, boulevard areas within the right-of-way are being used as storage locations.

For your safety, please stay away from the materials. Areas disturbed by construction activities will be restored at the end of the project. ○

## Deadlines For Driveway Estimates

If you're interested in receiving an estimate to replace your driveway as part of the City's street reconstruction project, call Public Works (763-593-8030).

**Residents in Area 1 must request driveway estimates by Tuesday, May 15.**

**Residents in Area 2 may request driveway estimates through May 25** (homes on Welcome Circle are not eligible for this program, as Welcome Circle is not being reconstructed).

**For residents in Area 3, the deadline for driveway estimates has passed.** ○

## How To Decode Paint Markings, Flags, And Stakes

From time to time the City receives calls from residents asking about the colored markings, flags, and stakes in their yards, in the boulevard, or on the street. These indicate the general location of underground utilities (gas, water, sewer, electrical, phone, cable, etc) and are critical to minimizing potential construction impacts to existing utilities.

### Paint Markings And Flags

For safety and to protect utilities from damage and interrupted service, law requires anyone (cities, private companies, utilities,



homeowners) who wants to dig on either public or private property to first contact Gopher State One Call for underground utility locating. This law applies even if no permit is required for the excavating work (such as planting a shrub on private property).

Once the utilities have been located they are marked with paint and flags using a standardized color code:

- blue = water
- green = sanitary and storm sewer
- red = electric
- orange = communications (telephone, fiber optic, and cable TV)
- yellow = gas

For more information about the importance of locating utilities, go to [www.call811.com/](http://www.call811.com/)

### Stakes

The wooden stakes placed along the construction area provide workers with information about the location or depth of items being constructed. The stakes are not generally placed in the actual location of



the work being done and are offset so they remain in place while construction activity is occurring.

### How You Can Help

Marking utilities and placing stakes takes up a significant amount of staff time, material (paint and flags), and equipment. To help conserve City and utility resources and potential impacts to the construction progress, do not remove or move any of the flags or stakes.

# 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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### 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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