

New This Week

City portion of the construction project will begin in early May

Construction Area

Western Ave, Hampshire Ave N, Idaho Ave N, S Cortlawn Cir, N Cortlawn Cir, W Cortlawn Cir, Florida Ct, Edgewood Ave

2014 PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM ○ APRIL 18, 2014

Pre-Construction Utility Installation Under Way This Week

CenterPoint Energy started its gas line project this week in advance of the City's construction project. CenterPoint will install new gas main and services to properties throughout the construction area. If you have any questions about CenterPoint Energy's project, please call 612-321-5369. ○

How To Prepare For The 2014 Construction Season

The City recognizes that living in a street construction zone sometimes causes a bit of stress and frustration. It's like going to the dentist—regular maintenance and repair is necessary, even though the work can cause some discomfort. The following tips will help you prepare.

Construction Affects More Than The Street

Construction activities will have an impact on more than just the street. For example, some driveways may have a partial section removed and temporarily patched with gravel while construction takes place. Also, boulevard areas in the right-of-way (ROW) may be disturbed by equipment or used to store construction material. All areas disturbed by construction activities will be restored by the end of the project.

Move Items From The ROW

If you have plants, vegetation, irrigation lines, or buried pet fences (invisible fences) near the street that you do not want damaged by construction, please move them before work begins. These items are the responsibility of the property owner.

Schedule A Sanitary Sewer Inspection

Residents in the PMP area may have their sanitary sewer service inspected as

part of the project and the City's ongoing Inflow and Infiltration (I/I) Reduction Program. If you schedule an inspection before May 1 you do not have to pay the normal \$250 inspection fee. Call Public Works at 763-593-8030.

Sanitary sewer service inspections are voluntary (unless you are selling your home). Additional information can be found at www.goldenvalleymn.gov (click "Inflow and Infiltration" in the Quick Links box on the home page).

Plan For Parking And Access Disruptions

During construction, parking on the street may be restricted and access to your driveway delayed. If you are planning home improvement projects or will host events or other activities that may involve a large number of people coming to your home, make sure there is adequate off-street parking and consider that daily construction activities may cause additional delays or limited access.

If you have any questions please contact public works at 763-593-8030.

Stay Up To Date

Residents in the PMP areas will receive biweekly construction updates in the mail (to get this newsletter by email, call 763-593-3987 or email pschutrop@goldenvalleymn.gov). ○

Paint Markings And Flags

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

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.

How To Decode 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 fiberoptic and cable TV)

Yellow = gas

For more information about the importance of locating utilities, go to 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. ○

Want More Info?

To stay informed about the construction process and learn more about the City's commitment to providing quality roads and infrastructure, go to www.goldenvalleymn.gov/streets/pmp/.

The City website also defines construction terms, answers frequently asked questions, provides helpful coping tips, and has past published editions of *Construction News*. Go to www.goldenvalleymn.gov/streets/pmp/property-owners.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 for situations where utility or driveway access restrictions may be experienced.

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 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.**

TIPS & ANSWERS 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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