

Construction Area

Independence Ave N (from Plymouth Ave N to Olympia St), Winsdale St (from Mendelsohn to Hillsboro Ave N), Hillsboro Ave N (from Plymouth to Winsdale)

2016 PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM ○ JUNE 10, 2016

Crews Complete Reclaiming Of All Streets, Will Install Hydrants, Gate Valves Next

During the past two weeks, reclaiming of all streets has been completed along with the removal of the existing curb and gutter except for the north portion of Independence Ave.

Crews have also completed water main work on the west portion of Winsdale St. This work included installation of 6-inch and

12-inch water mains and two new 12-inch gate valves.

During the next two weeks, **residents will experience multiple water shut offs** in order for the contractor to install new fire hydrants and gate valves. After all water main work has been completed, crews will begin installing new storm sewer.

Paint Markings And Flags Decoded

From time to time the City receives calls from residents asking about 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.

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.

A Season Of Construction: FAQs

Q. Does the paint mark on my driveway indicate where the new street will be?

A. No. The new street will be about the same width and in the same location as it is now. The paint mark indicates where the driveway will be cut to match the grade on the new street.

Q. It's not raining. Why isn't the contractor working?

A. When it rains more than a little, construction has to stop to avoid turning everything to mud. Golden Valley's silty soils tend to hold moisture. If soil is too moist, it turns to ruts and clumps when graded and cannot be properly compacted to build a good street.

Q. Why is the contractor digging up the new street so soon after paving it?

A. Because the paving machine can't go over things that stick too high above the new street, crews "raise the iron" after the first layer of blacktop is paved and before the wear course (top layer of blacktop) is placed.

Q. Why are streets dug up so often during reconstruction?

A. Digging is necessary to meet the different requirements for each utility. Further, health department regulations specify a minimum distance between the utilities to prevent cross contamination if a leak occurs.

The sanitary sewer must be deep enough to pick up the sewage coming out the pipes under the basement floors, while the water main and services need to be a minimum of 7.5 feet deep to keep them from freezing. Storm sewer, however, is kept as shallow as possible so it does not conflict with other utilities.

Care Tips For Trees And Shrubs

Watering: Newly planted trees and shrubs require water once a week for the first growing season. Water mature trees and shrubs during severe dry spells. Place water hose at the dripline of the tree and allow water to run slowly for several hours. The dripline of the tree is the zone at the edge of the canopy, three to five feet wide. Place water hose at the base of the shrub and water slowly for several minutes.

Pruning: Newly planted trees and shrubs require little or no pruning for the first five years. The best time to prune deciduous trees and shrubs is while they are dormant in late fall to late winter. Evergreens should be pruned in June only.

Fertilizing: Newly planted trees and shrubs should not need fertilizer during their first growing season. Three to five years after planting, young trees and shrubs can benefit from fertilizer applied in the spring, two weeks after leafing occurs. Use a fertilizer containing nitrogen, phosphate, and potash (10-8-6). Slow release fertilizer spikes or tablets will provide nitrogen over a longer period. ○

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 Claire Huisman at 763-593-8027 or chuisman@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 Republic Services 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 at least monthly or as needed. The newsletter will include updates on construction scheduling, phone numbers of contact persons, and other information that may be useful to you.

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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