2019 Street and Utility Improvement Projects

To: Property Owners

From: Jim Stremel, Project Manager
      Jeff Dionisopoulos, Public Works Supervisor

Date: April 22, 2019

Re: 2019 Street and Utility Improvement Project

Dear Property Owner:

On March 22, 2019 bids for the 2019 Street and Utility Improvement Projects were opened and the St. Paul Park City Council awarded the construction contract on April 15, 2019. Construction on the project is anticipated to being in early May.

Prior to the beginning of construction, the City would like to invite property owners to an Informational Open House to discuss the proposed improvements and expected impacts. Updated assessment costs along with general schedule information will also be available at this meeting. The open house is scheduled as follows:

DATE: THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2019
TIME: 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM
LOCATION: ST. PAUL PARK CITY HALL (600 PORTLAND AVENUE)

The St. Paul Park 2019 Street and Utility Improvement Project will include roadway reconstruction on 9th Avenue, between 2nd Street and Summit Avenue. This reconstruction will replace existing bituminous pavement, concrete curb and gutter, as well as include improvements to underground sanitary sewer, watermain, and storm sewer utilities. A new extension of sidewalk on the south side of 9th Avenue from 3rd Street to Summit Avenue including a new pedestrian crossing across the railroad tracks is also planned with the project. In addition to 9th Avenue, the alley between Holley Avenue and Ashland Avenue from 13th Avenue to Pullman Avenue will be reconstructed and upgraded to a paved asphalt bituminous surface.

Construction is anticipated to occur throughout the construction season in 2019 between May and October, with final layer of paving on 9th Avenue to occur in 2020 after one winter freeze-thaw cycle. Residents and travelers should use care when driving in and near construction activity, observe and follow posted detour and road closures. Although a schedule has not yet been set, 9th Avenue will be closed at the railroad tracks for many weeks to allow for construction of pipe crossings and other work near the railroad crossing. Motorists should be prepared to use alternate crossings of the railroad tracks at Broadway Avenue or Pullman Avenue for the duration of the project until 9th Avenue can be reopened.

The City of St. Paul Park has specified the following work hours for the contractor:

Monday – Friday  7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Saturday         7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. (upon written approval from the City)
No work allowed on Sundays or Holidays
If you are anticipating a special delivery, open house, or any other activity during the summer construction schedule, please notify the construction observer, listed below, of the time and date in which this will occur. The contractor and project staff will do their best to provide access and/or on street parking as necessary.

A drivable street surface will be maintained at most times during the construction. The exception would be during the installation of the underground utilities and reconstruction of the existing roadway, when access may be cut off for a limited period. Even during those activities, though, access will be restored by the end of each day.

The main interruption to access of your driveway will be during the construction of the concrete curb and concrete driveway apron. For this work, access to your driveway will not be available for approximately 5 days while the concrete sets. However, you will be able to park on the street in front of your house during the concrete curing time. There may be other times when you will not have access to your driveway for limited periods during the installation of the underground utilities and reconstruction of the existing roadway section. Those interruptions would likely be less than a full day.

The project contacts are as follows:

**Contractor Contact:** Peterson Companies, Inc.
Zak Milton
651.257.0360 (Cell)

**City Contacts:**
Lydia Ener, First point of contact
763.270.3464 (Office)
lener@wsbeng.com

Jim Stremel, Project Manager
763.287.8532 (Office)
jstremel@wsbeng.com

Jeff Dionisopoulos, Public Works Supervisor
651.459.3730 (Office)

Thank you in advance for your cooperation with this project. Please feel free to contact Jim Stremel, Project Manager, at 763.287.8532 or the City Public Works Department at 651.459.3730 with any questions or concerns you may have regarding the project. We look forward to seeing you at the Informational Open House.

Sincerely,

Morgan Dawley, PE
City Engineer
651-286-8476

cc: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members
Sharon Ornquist, City Clerk

[Signature]

Kevin Walsh
City Administrator
651-459-9785