2019 Street and Utility Improvement Projects

To: Property Owners

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

Date: May 22, 2019

Re: 2019 Street and Utility Improvement Project

Dear Property Owner:

Construction is under way! Private utility companies have already been onsite over the last few weeks to relocate facilities in preparation for construction; the City’s portion of the project will begin the week of June 17, 2019, based on the contractor’s latest schedule. The project will include full street reconstruction, sidewalk improvements, drainage improvements, and watermain and sanitary sewer improvements from 2nd Street to Summit Avenue. Construction is anticipated to continue throughout the construction season, with active construction to the end of September. The final layer of paving on 9th Avenue will occur in 2020 after one winter freeze-thaw cycle.

Adjacent property owners and travelers should use care when driving in and near construction activity, observe and follow posted detour and road closures. 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; this is likely to occur starting at the end of June and last through the end of July. Motorists should be prepared to use alternate crossings of the railroad tracks at Broadway Avenue or Pullman Avenue until 9th Avenue can be reopened to local traffic. With that being said, property owners directly adjacent to the project will generally have access to their driveways on a daily basis.

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**: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 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 surface will be maintained at most times during construction operations.

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 7 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.
During construction, garbage haulers may not always have full access for refuse pick-up. Please add your property address to your trash receptacle using a piece of tape and permanent marker, if possible, and have your trash receptacles at the end of your driveway by 6:00 AM on collection days. If necessary, the contractor will move your trash receptacle to a location accessible to the garbage hauler.

Throughout the project, you may see stakes or lath with ribbon on or near your yard. These stakes tell the contractor where the edge of bituminous will be located or the proper elevations. Please do not disturb the stakes as it could cause errors during construction or require costly restaking. If you have any questions regarding stakes or grades please contact the construction observer, Ross Engelking.

The project contacts are as follows:

**Contractor Contact:** Peterson Companies, Inc.  
Justin Randall  
651.276.7637 (Cell)

**City Contacts:**  
Ross Engelking, First point of contact  
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Jim Stremel, Project Manager  
763.287.8532 (Office)  
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Jeff Dionisopoulos, Public Works Supervisor  
651.459.3730 (Office)

Thank you in advance for your cooperation with this project. The first point of contact will be the City’s construction observer, Ross Engelking. Otherwise, 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.