

4TH AVENUE SE NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENTS

CONSTRUCTION REVIEW

Welcome to the first edition of the Construction Review for the upcoming street and utility replacement project in your neighborhood area.

This first newsletter is aimed at answering some of the general questions and concerns relating to the upcoming construction project. Please note that this newsletter and any future newsletters will be on the City's website at www.ci.stcloud.mn.us, click on Road Construction Projects.

Key Contacts

The City Council awarded this project to Kuechle Underground, Inc. as the general contractor. **Noel Dalton will be the City of St. Cloud Resident Project Representative (RPR) for this project and can be reached directly at 320-293-4932.** As the RPR, Noel will be on-site working with the Contractor to assure quality work and will also serve as a liaison between the residents and construction personnel. Once construction begins, Noel will handle job-specific questions, such as access to your property.

Zac Borgerding is the City of St. Cloud Project Engineer and may be reached in the office at 320-255-7240, by cell at 320-345-0385 or by email at zachary.borgerding@ci.stcloud.mn.us.

During the weekend or after hours, if you know of a construction-related emergency, please call one of the Contractor's representatives for assistance at the following phone numbers:

- Ryan Haag (320) 249-8205
- Chuck Geislinger (320) 493-9205
- Brandon Kuechle (320) 492-3796

Please restrict use of these numbers to emergency use only.

Scope of the Project

The work consists of bituminous street, curb and gutter, sidewalk, utility work (sanitary sewer, water main and storm drain), installation of a regional detention system, tree restoration, alley resurfacing and appurtenant work. The project is bounded by 4th Avenue SE from East St. Germain Street to TH 23, including 1st Street SE from 4th Avenue SE to Wilson Avenue SE and 2nd Street SE from Riverside Drive SE to Wilson Avenue SE.

Construction Schedule

Construction Timeline:

Estimated start date: Tree removal will begin on May 13, 2019. Utility construction will begin in early June 2019.

Utility work completion: End of July, 2019

Street reconstruction, alley paving, driveways, sidewalk: Late August 2019

Topsoil placement/grading and tree installation: September, 2019

Final completion, including punch list items: June, 2020

Other Construction Activity

In conjunction with the City contract, private utilities such as Xcel Energy, Centurylink, etc. are updating and/or relocating their systems in the area. Xcel Energy has started work in the project area relocating their gas and electric utilities.

Please contact Xcel Energy Representative, Don Hummer at 320-255-8630 with any questions regarding their work. The City is not involved in Xcel's work and will not be able to provide direct information.

Sprinkler System and Specialized Landscaping Within City Right-of-Way

As always with a project of this magnitude, construction activities will disturb the area within and close to the street/alley rights-of-way.

Residents are strongly encouraged to remove any special landscaping, planters, bushes, irrigation system, pet containment system, etc. out of these areas to ensure they are not damaged during construction before May 13, 2019.

With respect to irrigation distribution pipes, pipes should be exposed and pulled up to the property line so that they are visible to the Contractor. Since the sprinkler heads are most often the most expensive component of the system, consider removing them from the distribution pipes. Apply duct tape to the end of the pipes to keep out dirt and debris.

Please contact Brandon Kuechle with Kuechle Underground, Inc. at 320-492-3796 for any additional coordination needs. After this date, the City of St. Cloud will have the Contractor remove any remaining landscaping in conflict with construction of the project. The City and its Contractor will not be held liable for damage or salvaging of any sprinkler system or specialized landscaping within the City right-of-way.

Utility Service Lines

Under the City improvements, the sanitary sewer mains will be replaced along with sewer services from the main to approximately the property line. **We strongly encourage everyone to review the condition of their individual private service lines now if you have not already done so.** There will be a narrow window built into the project timeline that will allow residents to replace their existing sanitary sewer services and/or water services. Therefore, if you are planning to replace your service lines, it is imperative that you contact RPR Noel Dalton at 320-293-4932 to coordinate your work with the City's construction work.

During the design phase, we did suspect some service lines crossing other private properties. Please check if this is the case with your service. It is your responsibility to reconnect any such service to the new sanitary sewer service connection that the City will provide in front of your property. Again, if your existing lines are in need of replacement, this would be an excellent opportunity to coordinate it with the construction this season.

FAQ's

Following are some frequently asked questions and answers regarding the installation of sewer and water service lines between the property line and the house:

Q. *How do I tell if my service lines are in need of replacement?*

- A.**
1. If the sanitary sewer line requires periodic cleaning and root cutting, it is likely in need of replacement.
 2. If you know that the sanitary sewer line has not been replaced since the early 1970's, it is likely made of clay tile and should be replaced. The older clay tile lines did not have very good joints. Offset and leaky joints can lead to root intrusion and sewage blockage problems.
 3. If you are still unsure of the condition of your service lines, please check with the inspector on the job site when the City Contractor is installing the new utilities in front of your property. While only the end of your service line will be exposed in the street, we will still be able to provide you with some information on the condition of your service line at that point.

Q. *When should service line replacement work be scheduled?*

- A.**
1. The replacement of the service lines can be accomplished after the completion of the installation of the new utility lines, but prior to the restoration of the turf, or it may even be completed in advance of the installation of the new mains. Under the City contract, a new service line will be installed from the main to approximately the property line and, at that point, the new service line will be reconnected to your existing service line.

If you have replaced the service line prior to our installation, we will simply connect to your new service line. In this type of case, please advise us of this so that a small segment of the old service line is not accidentally left in place.

2. If you are contemplating replacing your service lines, please contact RPR Noel Dalton at 320-293-4932 to coordinate your work with the City's construction work.

Q. *Who can I hire to replace my utility service lines?*

- A.**
1. If you decide to upgrade your service lines, you will need to hire a licensed excavator. We have enclosed a list of excavators licensed by the City. The Contractor's crews installing the improvements in the roadway utilize large equipment and are not really set up for the installation of the service lines back to the homes.
 2. If you have not already done so, it is suggested that you obtain quotes from at least three licensed excavators for the cost of the replacement of your service lines and that you **get quotes early on** even if you are not sure you are going to replace your service. Contractors tend to get busier as the season progresses and it is much harder to find contractors to give quotes.

Safety Concerns

Large equipment and construction are fascinating to children. Please help us to make this a safe construction season by watching for any dangerous situations and keeping children safely away from any equipment and materials at all times throughout the project.

Whenever large equipment is used in the confines of an existing neighborhood, the potential for an accident exists. Please remember to maintain a safe distance back from all construction activities and to drive with extra caution throughout the entire area.

Access for Residents and Businesses

The project will be coordinated in an attempt to provide you with access to your property during construction. For instance, if the Contractor is working in the street you will then have access from the alley or side street. In a project of this type, access will be difficult at times. We ask for your cooperation and patience. We also ask that special care be taken when traveling through construction zones. By working together, we can minimize any inconveniences and ensure a safe construction site.

With the above construction start date, conflicts with special events are unavoidable. If you have a graduation party or other special event scheduled for this summer, please contact RPR Noel Dalton at 320-293-4932. He will work with the Contractor to help ensure the roads leading to your home are in drivable condition for your guests. The roads will likely be in a disturbed state, but this is an unavoidable situation when municipal utilities are installed in an existing neighborhood.

If anyone has special access needs, please bring it to our attention so that we can attempt to meet your needs.

Refuse and Recycling Pick Up

Residents are asked to take their refuse and recycling out the night before or by 6:00 a.m. on the scheduled pick up day. During construction, placement of your refuse/recycling will be either from the alleys or the streets. For example, if the Contractor is working in the alley, then pick up will be from the street. Please contact City representative, Brad Katzman, at 320-650-2917 with any refuse/recycling questions.

Mail Delivery

Please note mail delivery is not anticipated to be disrupted.

Construction Correspondence

During construction activities, the Contractor or Resident Project Representative will send out notices of different events such as the need to contact them about a construction-related issue concerning your property. These notices do not get mailed and are usually delivered to you at your door. If no one is available when they deliver the notices, they will place them at your door or on the outside of your mailbox. Please routinely check for notifications/correspondence.

If you rent your house, please share this information with your renters or have them call the Engineering Department at 320-255-7249 to be added to the list to receive the newsletters. As stated earlier, all newsletters will be posted on the City website at www.ci.stcloud.mn.us.



A portion of the stormwater treatment system is funded from the Benton Soil & Water Conservation District and the State Clean Water Fund.



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LICENSED EXCAVATORS

1/29/19

LICENSE NO	LICENSED EXCAVATOR	ADDRESS				PHONE
EEXC16-0002	BURSKI EXCAVATING INC	204 9TH AVE NE PO BOX 130	RICE	MN	56367	320-393-4160
EEXC19-0001	B & B CONTRACTORS LLC	8610 PLAZIAK ROAD NW	RICE	MN	56367	320-333-6513
EEXC16-0003	C & L EXCAVATING INC	PO BOX 99	ST JOSEPH	MN	56373	320-363-1221
EEXC16-0005	CENTRAL MINNESOTA EXCAVATORS INC	1309 GLASGOW RD	ST CLOUD	MN	56303	320-240-0136
EEXC16-0004	CMC INC	17737 GROUSE RD	LITTLE FALLS	MN	56345	320-980-2200
EEXC16-0010	DIG AMERICA INC	25135 22ND AVE	ST CLOUD	MN	56301	320-253-3447
EEXC16-0011	DIGGERS INC	PO BOX 156	SAUK RAPIDS	MN	56379	320-291-2302
EEXC16-0014	DIRTWORKS 2000 INC	5810 BENTON DR N	SAUK RAPIDS	MN	56379	320-259-4900
EEXC16-0066	JR FERCHE INC	13265 25TH AVE NW	RICE	MN	56367	320-393-4625
EEXC16-0023	HENKEMEYER EXCAVATING INC	PO BOX 394	SAUK RAPIDS	MN	56379	320-252-6487
EEXC16-0026	J & S EXCAVATING INC	22871 COUNTY RD 7	ST CLOUD	MN	56301	320-255-0690
EEXC16-0027	JOES EXCAVATING INC	1229 PINE CONE RD	SARTELL	MN	56377	320-252-7158
EEXC16-0028	K & L EXCAVATING LLC	7828 438TH ST	RICE	MN	56367	320-241-0965
EEXC16-0029	STEVE KRAEMER EXCAVATING INC	21387 AGATE BEACH RD	ST CLOUD	MN	56301	320-202-9606
EEXC16-0030	KRAEMER TRUCKING AND EXCAVATING INC	PO BOX 434	COLD SPRING	MN	56320	320-685-3024
EEXC16-0031	LAKELAND EXCAVATING INC	11455 380TH ST PO BOX 575	ST JOSEPH	MN	56374	320-654-8720
EEXC16-0033	GENE LANGE AND SONS EXCAVATING	48 3RD ST N	WAITE PARK	MN	56387	320-252-9522
EEXC16-0035	LARSON EXCAVATING CONTRACTORS INC	41354 COUNTY RD 9	HOLDINGFORD	MN	56340	320-746-2684
EEXC16-0042	MOLITOR EXCAVATING INC	1155 23RD AVE S	WAITE PARK	MN	56387	320-252-8010
EEXC16-0048	PROM EXCAVATING LLC	950 55TH AVE SE	ST CLOUD	MN	56304	320-252-7028
EEXC16-0055	STEVES EXCAVATING INC	5051 250TH ST	ST CLOUD	MN	56301	320-255-0243
EEXC16-0052	TOWN & COUNTRY EXCAVATING	10772 340TH ST	AVON	MN	56310	320-253-5330