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CSAH 56 AND CSAH 38 IMPROVEMENTS

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Project Scope:

- Sanitary sewer improvements
- Water distribution improvements
- Storm sewer improvements
- Street and curb construction
- Driveway and turf restoration
- Private utility relocation

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Overview

The City of Long Prairie is undertaking a construction project to improve the city streets and utilities. The project includes replacing the sanitary sewer mains and services, replacing the water mains and services, replacing the storm sewer system, and reconstructing the streets. A map of the project area is shown on the following page. The project area includes the following streets:

CSAH 38 AREA

- 1st Avenue SW, from Lake Street to 1st Street SW
- 2nd Avenue SW, from Lake Street to city limits
- 3rd Avenue SW, from Lake Street to 6th Street SW
- 1st Street SW, from 3rd Avenue SW to 1st Avenue SW
- 2nd Street SW, from 3rd Avenue SW to 1st Avenue SW
- 3rd Street SW, from 4th Avenue SW to 2nd Avenue SW
- 4th Street SW, from 3rd Avenue SW to alley north of 2nd Avenue SW
- 5th Street SW, from 4th Avenue SW to 2nd Avenue SW
- 6th Street SW, from 4th Avenue SW to 2nd Avenue SW

CSAH 56 AREA

• Riverside Drive from Lake Street N to Highway 71

Project Schedule

The project was awarded to C&L Excavating from St. Joseph with construction planned to begin in late April. The CSAH 38 area improvements will begin the last week of April 2022. The groundwater table is high which will require dewatering to allow for efficient installation of the improvements, schedule to occur the week of April 25th. Along with the dewatering work, crews plan to begin removing trees the last week in April. It is anticipated that construction will occur throughout the summer and extend into the fall. Construction of the CSAH 56 area is planned to begin in early 2023. Construction schedule updates will be provided throughout the project.

Upcoming Schedule

Week of April 25:

- Bolton & Menk staff will begin marking tree and pavement removals. They will also begin construction staking
- Contractor to begin setting up temporary water service lines and begin installing erosion and sediment control
- Dewatering equipment will be set up and on 2nd Avenue SW
- Tree removal will begin on entire project area

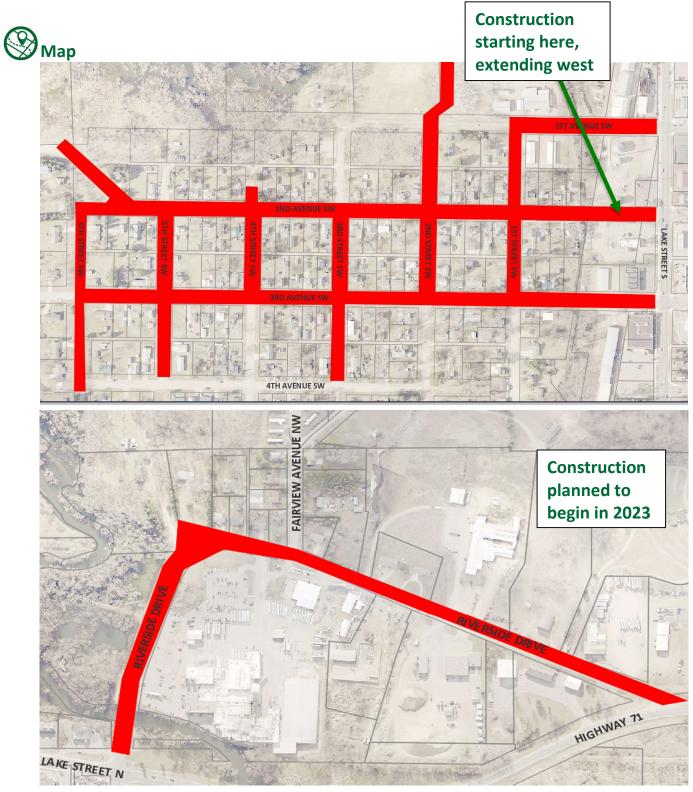
Week of May 2:

- Contractor to finish tree removal and begin removing existing sidewalk and driveways
- Contractor to begin milling of existing street pavement. Millings will be shaped and compacted to allow for vehicle passage

Upcoming Schedule Continued

Week of May 9:

- Underground utility replacement is planned to begin at the east end of 2nd Avenue SW
- Work will generally progress to the west from that location



Contacts

These newsletters may also be mailed or hand delivered to you periodically throughout the project. If you have questions or concerns at any time, feel free to contact any of the people listed on the left side of the first page. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation with this improvement project. We are creating a project website, stay tuned for more information on this.

Alert

Private Utilities

Some power poles, gas mains and communication lines will be relocated during the project. This work is necessary to accommodate the proposed improvements. We understand that this work can be disruptive and ask that you please be patient as the various contractors work to complete their individual portion of the improvements. Some of this work is already underway.

Disruptions to Sewer and Water Service

Water and sewer service will mostly be provided at all times. However, planned shut-downs and disruptions will occur. For any anticipated longer shutoff periods, residents will be notified. Your residence will be connected to a temporary water supply system until the new piping is installed and tested. This may result in a decrease in water pressure.

Private Improvements in Right-of-Way

If you have improvements such as landscaping, retaining walls, shrubs, bushes, flowers, sheds, irrigation systems, etc. in the right-ofway, it is not the contractor's responsibility to work around them. The property owner is responsible for securing these private improvements and moving them if necessary to allow the project to be constructed. Neither the contractor nor City is responsible for damages incurred to private improvements in the right-of-way. Any underground improvements, such as irrigation lines and sprinkler heads, dog fences, etc., should be located and marked so they are readily visible.



While certain construction operations are underway, you will not be able to access your driveway with your vehicle. You will be notified in advance when this will occur. When you are notified, please remove your vehicle from your driveway and park it on a nearby street outside of the construction zone. Access to your property will be restored as soon as possible.

In the interest of safety, streets in the reconstruction areas will be closed to non-local traffic during construction. Residents who have access to their home from side streets or alleys should use alternate routes.



General

The order of work on a street will typically be:

- 1. Temporary water service will be connected to your house, typically at an outside faucet. In some cases, the contractor may need access to your house.
- 2. The paved street surface will be removed. Some material may be left in place as a temporary driving surface.
- 3. The new sanitary sewer mains and water mains will be installed
- 4. New sewer and water services will be installed
- 5. Storm sewer will be installed
- 6. The road will be excavated and reconstructed to a gravel surface
- 7. Concrete curbs and driveways will be constructed
- 8. The bottom layer of bituminous pavement will be constructed (the top layer will be constructed next year)
- 9. Topsoil and seeding

Work Area

It is very common on these types of projects that area residents (especially children) become quite curious about the work the Contractor is performing. We ask that you please be respectful of and stay well clear of construction zones. Many hazards and dangers exist from heavy machinery, trenches, loose material, confined spaces, hot asphalt, etc. and often times are not recognizable by the general public. The Contractor has responsibility to ensure safety on the project and within the construction area. Any direction from the Contractor regarding safety must be heeded; likewise if you observe an unsafe condition please report it to the RPR immediately.

Driveways

Avoid excessive turning movements and parking heavy vehicles or trailers on new asphalt driveways for up to a week to ensure a satisfactory non-scuff surface. New concrete driveways are sprayed with a white curing compound. This keeps the moisture content high in the concrete to provide for better curing and strength. Do not seal a new concrete driveway for at least 3 months.

Turf Restoration

Turf will be restored following underground construction and surface grading. A method called "hydro-seeding" will be used. The newly seeded areas will be maintained by the contractor until the turf is established. After that period, it becomes the property owner's responsibility to maintain the new turf as part of their lawn – providing water, mowing and other necessary care. Mowing too soon or too short can damage or even kill new turf. Set the mower at its highest level; never cut the new turf shorter than 3".

Punch List

After the project is substantially complete, the contractor will be provided with a "punch list" of minor defects or uncompleted tasks. That work may take several weeks to complete and may even occur in the following spring prior to paving the final lift of asphalt. This punch list work will require both your cooperation and patience. Please contact the RPR for any issues you feel have not been satisfactorily addressed.