

# 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

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

### CSAH 56 AREA

- Riverside Drive from Lake Street N to Highway 71

## Project Schedule

Construction will be starting soon! Materials deliveries and some preliminary site work in the Riverside Drive project area began this week. The anticipated schedules for each project area are:

### **CSAH 56 / Riverside Drive Project area**

- Installation of dewatering equipment has started. Expect temporary road closures while this equipment and piping is being installed.
- Traffic control signage is being staged. Detours will not go into effect yet.
- Temporary water installation has started and will continue in the coming weeks.
- Pavement removal is planned to begin Wednesday April 26<sup>th</sup> and continue through Friday April 28<sup>th</sup>. The pavement will be removed from the north end of Riverside Drive to the Long Prairie Packing sales barn (approximately). The pavement from Fairview Avenue to the bridge will remain in place for now. Anticipate short-term road closures while this occurs. The road will be re-opened to traffic when this is completed. Removal of driveway pavements and other miscellaneous items will also occur.
- The guardrails on north side of the bridge are planned to be removed on April 24<sup>th</sup>. Temporary barriers will be installed.
- Between April 27<sup>th</sup> and May 1<sup>st</sup>, Riverside Drive will be closed between TH 71 and the bridge for a water main connection. Anticipate a one-day closure. Timing depends on the water table levels.
- Silt fence and erosion control devices are scheduled to be installed on April 28<sup>th</sup>.
- The north end of Riverside Drive is anticipated to be closed the first or second week of May for underground utility replacement. This closure will last several weeks for underground utility replacement. Additional information regarding detours and access will be provided as soon as possible.



## Project Schedule - Continued

### CSAH 38 Project area

- Underground utility replacement is completed. There are a few areas where additional work is required.
- Concrete crews are planned to return the week of May 8<sup>th</sup>. They will finish the boulevard sidewalks on 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue SW and 2<sup>nd</sup> Street SW, as well as the “catwalks” connecting houses to the boulevard walk or the street, concrete aprons and driveways, and other miscellaneous concrete work that was not completed last year.
- Retaining wall construction on the south side of 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue S, between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Street is planned the week of May 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Topsoil grading and seeding along 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue SW and the adjacent city streets is planned for late May. Touch up seeding and grading will also be done where necessary.
- Planting boulevard trees will occur this spring as well.
- The top layer of asphalt pavement will be placed after all other work in the area is completed.

### Commerce Road

- Pavement removal is planned to begin Wednesday April 26<sup>th</sup> and continue through Friday April 28<sup>th</sup>. Anticipate short-term road closures while this occurs. The road will be re-opened to traffic when this is completed. Removal of some curbs and other miscellaneous items will also occur.
- Once the surface water recedes, the culverts across Commerce Road and across the intersections at TH 71 will be replaced. Anticipate this could occur the week of May 1<sup>st</sup>, or soon thereafter. Expect temporary road closures.
- Paving the new road surface, topsoiling and seeding will follow.

### 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue S

- Pavement improvements are planned from TH 71 to 1<sup>st</sup> Street. This will occur at a later date.



## Updates

Everyone is encouraged to subscribe to project updates via email or text by visiting [www.longprairieconstruction.com](http://www.longprairieconstruction.com) This website also has maps, schedules, informational videos, and links to these newsletters. If you have questions or concerns at any time, feel free to contact any of the people listed to the left. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation with this improvement project.



## 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-of-way, 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.



## Access

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.



## Construction

### 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.

### Private Work – Concrete and Asphalt

If you are interested in having additional concrete work or asphalt paving work completed on your private property, outside of the project limits, please coordinate this work and arrange payment directly with the contractor.

- For concrete, contact Ryan at Weststar Concrete, 320-980-0539.
- For asphalt paving, contact Craig at Ferguson Brothers, 320-304-9054.

### 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-suff 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”.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue SW project area was graded and seeded last fall. We will monitor that area for germination this spring, and touch-up seeding will occur where necessary. All incomplete grading work will be finished up and these areas will be seeded this spring.

## **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.