



2021 Street & Utility Improvements Project Newsletter 2

September 24, 2021

Construction:

- Watermain and service lines
- Sanitary sewer mains and service lines
- Storm sewer
- Street construction
- Sidewalk construction
- Driveway and turf restoration

Construction schedule:

Start: July 26, 2021

Finish: June 2023

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Overview

3rd Avenue SW – from 3rd Street SW to 2nd Street SW:

Wencl Construction has finished installing all underground pipe through 3rd Avenue SW. As of yesterday, this street has also been restored to gravel and is ready for concrete work. Site grading on each side of 3rd Avenue SW will continue as material is generated from the other project areas. The contractor has indicated, concrete curb placement is proposed to begin next Thursday, September 30th.

N Broadway & 5th Street NW:

Underground construction has been moving along nicely. Underground construction is complete along N Broadway from 4th Street NE to T.H. 109. Starting today, Wencl's grading crew will begin subcutting and shaping Broadway from 4th Street to T.H. 109. At this time residents will not have access to their driveways and garages until the street is restored to gravel. Once the street is subcut, the crew will install drain tile lines. The tile will be located 1 foot behind the new curb to aid in removal of subsurface moisture. Each home will have a sump pump service outlet tied into the new drain tile. The sump pump line will be stubbed out 5 feet from back of curb or past the sidewalk if present. Steve will be coming around to talk with the homeowners to decide where to put these sump pump service outlets. Once the tile is installed, sand and gravel will be placed, and access will be restored. Concrete curb placement is proposed to begin next Thursday, September 30th, if the contractor can get the street to a gravel condition. After today, the underground crew will have all sanitary sewer main and watermain installed along N Broadway from 4th Street NE to its dead end. Sanitary and water service installation will begin along this area Monday, September 27th and should finish by the middle of next week. Steve will mark the estimated location of your sanitary service by the house. We kindly ask that residents salvage any landscaping they would like to keep. Please coordinate this work with Steve Vrieze.

Once utilities are complete on N. Broadway, the contractor will begin watermain and sanitary sewer main installation along 5th Street. This work should begin the middle of next week, weather depending.

4th Street NE & 1st Avenue NE:

It is not yet known if any of this area will be reconstructed this year. The contractor should have an answer within the next week. We will keep you posted as soon as we know.

As always, we appreciate your patience during construction, and we will do our best to keep you up to date with the construction progress and changes. We encourage you to reach out to the Bolton & Menk representatives with any issues or concerns regarding the project.

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 Construction Representative immediately.

Water Shutdowns

Occasional water shutdowns will be required for the crews to make connections to the existing water lines. We ask for your patience and understanding, as the Contractor will do their best to provide reasonable notice and reduce the length of any water shutdowns required. Typically, we will try to ensure at least a one-day notice is given for shutdowns and the outage limited between 2 to 8 hours long.

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 irrigation lines and heads, dog fences, etc., should be located and marked so they are readily visible.

Concrete Work

With concrete work forthcoming, please note that **you should not park or drive on any newly placed concrete before it is opened to traffic**. This can cause undue stress and permanent damage to the concrete. The new concrete will be sprayed with a white curing compound. This keeps the moisture content high in the concrete to provide for better curing and strength. Concrete should be allowed at least **7 days** to cure. We will notify you when you can drive on the concrete.

Access

While concrete work is being performed, there will not be access into driveways. We will send out an update on when to get your vehicles out of the driveway. Once the street has gravel placed on it, residents can park on the street in front of their house. The day concrete curb is installed, residents will be asked to park their vehicles on a side street, so your vehicle is safely out of the way. Once concrete curb is completed, you can park on your street in front of your house; just park far enough away from your driveway so the workers have enough room to work safely.