



# CONSTRUCTION NEWSLETTER

October 2017  
No. 9

## 2017 Street & Utility Improvements

### Construction of:

- E & W Park Valley Dr
- 5<sup>th</sup> Ave S
- 6<sup>th</sup> Ave S
- 7<sup>th</sup> Ave S (Mill & Overlay)
- 8<sup>th</sup> Ave S (Mill & Overlay)
- 9<sup>th</sup> Ave S
- 10<sup>th</sup> Ave S
- 6<sup>th</sup> St S
- 7<sup>th</sup> St S
- 8<sup>th</sup> St S (Mill & Overlay)
- 10<sup>th</sup> Ave Alley
- 6<sup>th</sup> Ave/8<sup>th</sup> St Alley
- Lift Station 7

### Construction Duration:

Start: April 2017  
Finish: November 2017

### Overview

As you know, the City of Hopkins is undertaking a construction project to improve the city streets and utilities. The project includes sanitary sewer, watermain, and storm sewer improvements as well as new street construction.

### Dates

Meyer Contracting began work in Mid-April. The contract completion date for most of the work is Mid-November and Meyer Contracting is expected to meet the completion date.

### Contacts



**Josh Hrabe**, of Bolton & Menk, Inc., will be on the project site representing the City and its residents and business owners. If you have any questions regarding this newsletter, the project, or anything in general, you may approach him on site or call his cell phone at **(612) 965-2473**.

**Nick Amatuccio**, of Bolton & Menk, Inc., is the Project Engineer overseeing the construction process and will serve as a secondary point of contact. He can be reached at **(612)-965-3926** or [nickam@bolton-menk.com](mailto:nickam@bolton-menk.com)

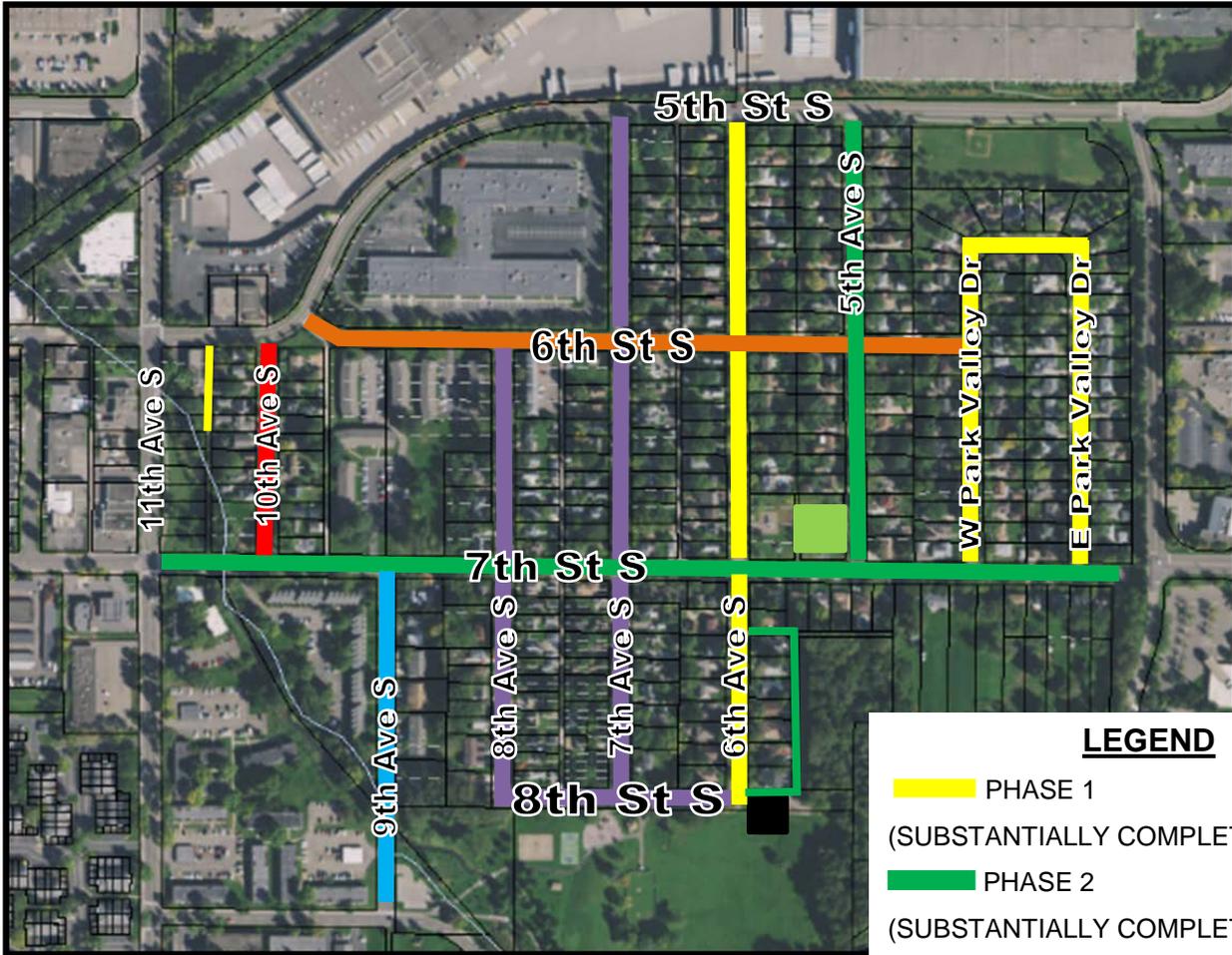
**Mike Waltman**, of Bolton & Menk, Inc., is the Project Manager working on behalf of the City and its residents. He can be reached at **(952) 890-0509** or **(612) 221-6946** or [mikewa@bolton-menk.com](mailto:mikewa@bolton-menk.com)

**Eric Klingbeil** is the Assistant City Engineer for the City of Hopkins. He can be reached at **(952) 548-6357** or [eklingbeil@hopkinsmn.com](mailto:eklingbeil@hopkinsmn.com)

**Website:** The website will be updated approximately weekly with the latest project info throughout construction. The site URL is [www.bolton-menk.com/hopkins2017](http://www.bolton-menk.com/hopkins2017)



## Project Location & Phasing Map



### LEGEND

- PHASE 1  
(SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLETE)
- PHASE 2  
(SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLETE)
- PHASE 3A  
(LATE AUGUST – MID OCTOBER)
- PHASE 3B  
(EARLY SEPTEMBER – MID OCTOBER)
- PHASE 3C  
(LATE SEPTEMBER – LATE OCTOBER)
- PHASE 4  
(LATE OCTOBER – EARLY NOVEMBER)
- STAGING AREA
- LIFT STATION 7

- Schedule changes in early stages due to weather, contractor scheduling, and unforeseen conditions may impact later stages
- As construction occurs, schedule updates to be provided via newsletters, website, flyers, etc.
- Final paving to occur in Late October/Early November for all phases

## Special Assessments

The final interest rate for the Special Assessments has been determined. Payments can be made with interest until November 29, 2017 before going on property taxes. The interest rate is 4.47789%. Questions regarding special assessments can be directed to the special assessment clerk, Mary Lein at 952-548-6310.

## Project Schedule

A phased construction schedule is proposed by Meyer Contracting as shown in the map on the second page of this newsletter. The following is an overview of the current and upcoming phases of the project schedule.

### Week of October 2 –

- Curb and gutter will be installed Friday on 9<sup>th</sup> Ave S (Phase 3A) and 6<sup>th</sup> Street S (Phase 3B), pending weather.
- Concrete driveways will be installed on 9<sup>th</sup> Ave S (Phase 3A) after curb and gutter.
- Watermain installation began and sanitary sewer installation continued on 10<sup>th</sup> Ave S (Phase 3C).
- Sod is scheduled to be placed on 5<sup>th</sup> Ave S (Phase 2C) on Thursday and Friday.

### Week of October 9 –

- Watermain will be finished and services will be installed on 10<sup>th</sup> Ave S (Phase 3C).
- Road grading will begin on 10<sup>th</sup> Ave S (Phase 3C).

- Concrete curb and driveways will be finished on 9<sup>th</sup> Ave S and 6<sup>th</sup> St S.

### Later in October –

- 9<sup>th</sup> Ave (Phase 3C) is scheduled to be paved with the first layer of asphalt later the week of the 16<sup>th</sup>.
- 6<sup>th</sup> Street (Phase 3B) will be paved with the first layer of asphalt.
- Curb and gutter will be installed on 10<sup>th</sup> Ave (Phase 3C) and asphalt pavement will follow the week after.
- Trees will be planted in Mid-October throughout Phases 1 and 2.

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### Phase 2C (5<sup>th</sup> Ave S)

Sod is scheduled to be placed on Phase 2C Thursday 10/5 and Friday 10/6. The sod will be watered by the contractor during the 30 day warranty period. Please follow the sod care instructions that were delivered to your door.

### Phase 3A (9<sup>th</sup> Ave)

Utility installation on 9<sup>th</sup> Ave S has been completed. Curb and gutter is scheduled to be installed Friday, October 6, pending weather. Concrete driveways will be installed after curb and gutter the same or next day. The first layer of asphalt pavement is scheduled for the week of October 16<sup>th</sup>.

### Phase 3B (6<sup>th</sup> St S)

Utility installation on 6<sup>th</sup> Street S has been completed. Curb and gutter is scheduled to be installed Friday and Saturday, pending

weather. The first layer of asphalt pavement is scheduled for the week of October 16<sup>th</sup>.

### Phase 3C (10<sup>th</sup> Ave S)

Watermain installation began and sanitary sewer installation continued on 10<sup>th</sup> Ave. Utility installation in this phase will continue for about 1 week. Once utility installation has been completed, road grading will begin. Curb and gutter is expected to be installed in Mid-October and the first layer of asphalt will be paved at the end of the month.

## Access, Parking, & Communication

The construction process results in a great product at its completion, but can test one's patience along its course. While the negatives of construction are in many ways unavoidable, the City aims to reduce the burden through working with the City's contractor to minimize disruption, routine mailings and other communication, and on-site assistance for residents.

When the street and utilities are under construction, the contractor will need all of the space in the street possible. Therefore parking will not be allowed on the project area streets during the working hours. Access to driveways will be provided as much as possible. Temporary access restrictions should be anticipated during the work day. The project team understands the need for access to each property, therefore the streets will be temporarily restored at the end of each work day and

access to private driveways will generally be available each night.

During street & utility reconstruction, access conditions are usually most challenging after rainfall. Heavy traffic over muddy streets makes conditions worse. Residents are encouraged to drive on paved roadways whenever that alternative exists.

Typical working hours for the project will be 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturdays if necessary. No work is allowed on Sundays or holidays.

Finally, to combat the challenges of construction, the City has developed a multi-faceted approach to communication. In

general, newsletters will be provided on a monthly basis, project website updates will be completed weekly, and property notices will be delivered to front doors as often as daily. Residents can also call Josh Hrabec with any questions regarding the project. His cell phone number can be found on the first page under Contacts.



The contractor will do everything they can to make the project area safe for residents. However, residents should be aware of their surroundings when walking or driving near construction equipment. The City asks that residents keep their distance from construction equipment and utility trenches. There are also materials that can cause harm if caution is not used such as hot asphalt pavement immediately after being placed. Please keep children and pets away from construction activity and open trenches as they might not be aware of the dangers. If you see anything that you feel is unsafe, please do not hesitate to call Josh Hrabec.