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CONSTRUCTION NEWSLETTER

2017 Street & Utility Improvements



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SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS

Final interest rates for Special Assessments are expected to be determined sometime in June and will be shared with homeowners via another Newsletter. Partial or full payments can now be made to the City with no interest through June 30, 2017. Questions regarding special assessments can be directed to the special assessment clerk, Mary Lein at 952-548-6310.

continue into next week on W Park Valley Dr. The installation of watermain will be underway on 6th Ave.

Mid to Late May – Gas Main improvements will be wrapping up

Early to Mid-June – Park Valley Drive East and West Paved (1st layer), Begin 7th Street S Construction

Late June to Early July – 6th Avenue S Paved (1st layer)



PROJECT SCHEDULE

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

Week of May 8 – The contractor started to rebuild the road section on Park Valley Dr E. Utilities on West Park Valley Dr are well underway with Watermain and Sanitary Sewer Main installation. 6th Ave S was reclaimed on Monday, May 8 from 8th St S to 5th St S. Construction on Lift Station 7 by 8th St S and 6th Ave S started with sheet piling and excavations.

Week of May 15 – Concrete curb & gutter is scheduled to be installed early in the week on Park Valley Dr E along with concrete driveway aprons. Utility work will

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Phase 1A-1 and 1A-2 (Park Valley Dr E & W)

The Contractor has wrapped up utilities on Park Valley Dr E and is working on street grading to rebuild the road. Around May 15, concrete curb and gutter will be installed on Park Valley Dr E along with concrete driveway aprons. Residents will receive a separate notice with a more detailed timeline for concrete work as it approaches. The Contractor started utility work on Park Valley Dr W last week and will continue with mainly sanitary and water service installations into next week. Utility work on Park Valley Dr W will continue for the next 1 to 2 weeks, at which time the road will be rebuilt.

Phase 1B (6th Ave S)

Meyer Contracting reclaimed the existing pavement on 6th Ave S from 8th St S to 5th St S on Monday, May 8. On

the blocks between 7th St S and 5th St S, they will remove the reclaimed pavement material soon after and also start removing concrete curb and driveway aprons. Watermain work will start on the block between 7th St S and 6th St S later in the week of May 8 or the following week. Once the watermain is complete on that block, the contractor will start the watermain work on the block between 6th St S and 5th St S. On the block between 8th St S and 7th St S, the contractor will compact the reclaimed pavement material and leave it in place to provide a smooth driving surface until they are ready to start utilities on this block. Residents will be notified again when the utility work will begin on that block.

Phase 1C (Alley behind 10th Ave S)

Alley construction has been put on hold, pending the relocation of several power poles. Residents will see advanced notification signage with the proposed start date at the alley entrance a week prior to construction activity. There will be some minor storm sewer work, grading, and paving new concrete pavement before restoring any turf and driveways that are disturbed. This work will take about 3 weeks to complete.

CenterPoint Energy Work

CenterPoint's contractor, Michel's Pipeline, has been working on installing new gas mains on 7th St S, 5th Ave S and 10th Ave S. They should be wrapping up with their work over the next couple of weeks. While CenterPoint is replacing its mains, the roadway will remain open to traffic and the majority of pavement will remain.

Lift Station 7 Improvements

Major project work began the week of May 8 with the installation of sheet piling and whalers, and will continue with the excavation of the project site. The sheet piling and whalers are used to reduce excavation requirements while protecting workers installing materials and equipment. This excavation area will eventually allow for the installation of the new wet well containing the lift station pumps, a valve vault, and piping to connect into existing structures in the following weeks. If you have any questions about the Lift Station 7 Improvements, please contact **Matthew Madson with AE2S at 763-463-5036 or Matthew.Madson@AE2S.com.**

Lost & Found

The contractor found a Fitbit at the intersection of 6th St S and 5th Ave S on Monday, May 8. If you believe this is yours, please call Nick Amatuccio at 612-965-3926.



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 will be 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. Once construction begins, residents will be provided the cell phone of the on-site contact who is there to represent the City and its residents through the construction process.

**SAFETY**

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 Hrabe.

**CONTACT AND WEBSITE INFO**

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**

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**

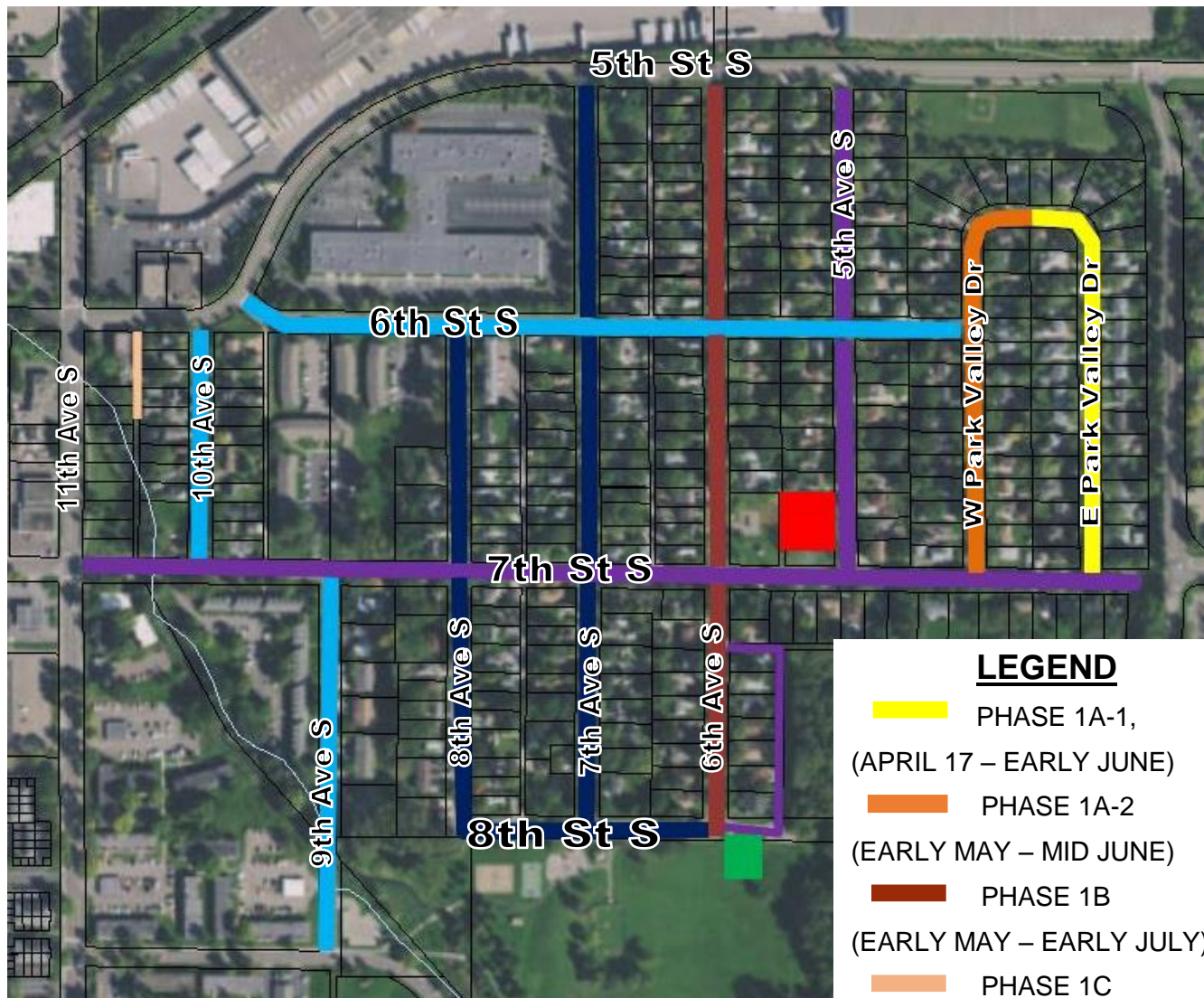
Eric Klingbeil is the Assistant City Engineer for the City of Hopkins. He can be reached at **(952) 548-6357** or **eklingbeil@hopkinsmn.com**

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

PROJECT LOCATION & PHASING MAP



CITY OF HOPKINS 2017 STREET & UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS



- 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

LEGEND

- PHASE 1A-1, (APRIL 17 – EARLY JUNE)
- PHASE 1A-2 (EARLY MAY – MID JUNE)
- PHASE 1B (EARLY MAY – EARLY JULY)
- PHASE 1C (LATE MAY – MID JUNE)
- PHASE 2, (JUNE – SEPTEMBER)
- PHASE 3, (AUGUST – OCTOBER)
- PHASE 4 (OCTOBER– NOVEMBER)
- STAGING AREA
- LIFT STATION 7