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# **CONSTRUCTION NEWSLETTER**

2017 Street & Utility Improvements















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# 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 last page of this newsletter. The following is an overview of the earlier phases of the project schedule.

**Week of June 26** – The first layer of asphalt was paved on 6<sup>th</sup> Ave S between 7<sup>th</sup> St S and 5<sup>th</sup> St S on Monday. CenturyLink continued their utility relocation work this week. They are moving their utilities in phase 2B (east of 5<sup>th</sup> Ave S) on the north side of the road. The contractor continued the installation of watermain, sanitary sewer, and storm sewer on 7<sup>th</sup> Street S between 11<sup>th</sup> Ave S and 6<sup>th</sup> Ave S. The contractor is also working on placing topsoil on 6<sup>th</sup> Ave S between 7<sup>th</sup> Street S and 5<sup>th</sup> Street S.

**Week of July 3** – CenturyLink will continue their utility relocation work in phase 2B. The contractor will

continue the installation of watermain, sanitary sewer, and storm sewer on  $7^{th}$  Street S between  $11^{th}$  Ave S and  $6^{th}$  Ave S. Road grading will start in Phase 2A. The contractor will possibly remove the reclaim and start sanitary sewer installation in phase 2B. Meyer Contracting will install curb and gutter on  $6^{th}$  Ave S on the block between  $7^{th}$  Street S and  $8^{th}$  Street S.

**Mid July** – 6<sup>th</sup> Ave S between 7<sup>th</sup> St & 8<sup>th</sup> St will be paved (1<sup>st</sup> Layer). CenturyLink will be wrapping up their utility work on 7<sup>th</sup> St.

**Late July –**5th Ave S and 10th Ave S Construction Begins.

# CONSTRUCTION



## Phase 1A (Park Valley Dr E & W)

Sod has been placed on these blocks and is being watered by the Contractor during the 30 day warranty period. Please follow the sod care instructions that were delivered to your door.

### Phase 1B (6th Ave S)

Meyer Contracting has finished spot sanitary work and the installation of water services on  $6^{th}$  Ave S between  $7^{th}$  Street S and  $8^{th}$  Street S. All utility work is now complete in phase 1B. The first layer of asphalt pavement has been installed on  $6^{th}$  Ave S between  $7^{th}$  Street S and  $5^{th}$  Street S. The contractor prepped the

south block of phase 1B for curb and gutter. Curb and gutter is scheduled to be installed on this block the week of July  $3^{\rm rd}$  and paved the week after. Once paving is completed the contractor will begin placing sod.

## Phase 1C (Alley behind 10th Ave S)

Work in the  $10^{\rm th}$  Ave alley has been completed. Storm sewer was installed, the alley was paved, turf was restored, and driveways were restored. The  $10^{\rm th}$  Ave alley is now open to traffic.

### Phase 2A/2B (7th Street South)

Utility work continues on 7th Street S. Watermain installation started at the intersection of 7th Street S and 11th Ave S and the contractor is working east. Sanitary sewer installation started at the intersection of 7th Street S and 6th Ave S and the contractor is working west. Storm sewer has also started in phase 2A near 10th Ave S. The contractor will start road prep on the west portion of phase 2A as soon as some of the storm sewer is complete. CenturyLink will continue moving their utilities in phase 2B (east of 5th Ave S) on the north side of the road for the next week or two. Watermain, sanitary sewer, and storm sewer installation will continue into next week.

# Phase 3C (10th Ave S)

The contractor has moved this phase again within their schedule and is proposing to start work in Late July while they work on 5<sup>th</sup> Ave S as well. Work will start with reclaiming the existing pavement and follow with sanitary and watermain installation.

#### **Lift Station 7 Improvements**

The new wet well and valve vault structures are in place at Lift Station No. 7. Connections from the existing wet well/collection system to the new wet well have also been completed, but will not be put into operation until the new pumps are up and running. Removal of the engineered excavation shoring is done, and soil backfill around each of the new structures is mostly completed. Current work involves the installation of piping, valves, a control gate, pumps into structures, and various appurtenances. Additionally, excavation to connect the new force main to the existing force main will be occurring shortly – this will involve shutting the existing station down and using trucks to handle the flow until the connection can be made. Electrical workers are also currently working to install new electrical and controls equipment at the site to replace the aging, inadequately sized equipment. It is currently anticipated that the new pumps will be operating by mid-July, allowing other final improvements to be completed to the existing building and site. 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.



### 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. Residents can also call Josh Hrabe with any questions regarding the project. His cell phone number can be found on the next page under Contact and Website Info.

### **Lost & Found**

A Fitbit was found at the intersection of  $9^{th}$  Ave S &  $7^{th}$  Street S. If you believe this if yours, please call Josh Hrabe at 612-965-2473.



#### 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** 

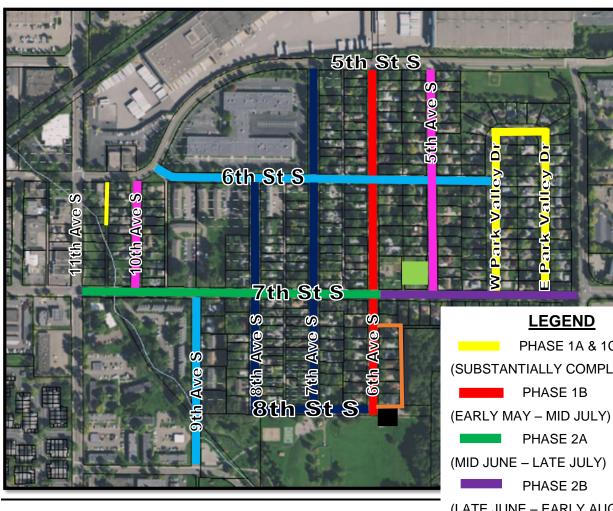
**Eric Klingbeil** is the Assistant City Engineer for the City of Hopkins. He can be reached at **(952) 548-6357** or **eklingbeil@hopkinsmn.com** 

**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 & 1C

(SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLETE)

(LATE JUNE - EARLY AUGUST)

PHASE 2C & 3C

(LATE JULY - SEPTEMBER)

PHASE 2D

(MID JULY - AUGUST)

PHASE 3A & 3B

(AUGUST - OCTOBER)

PHASE 4

(OCTOBER – NOVEMBER)

STAGING AREA

**LIFT STATION 7**