

September 25, 2009

Edina Country Club Area Residents:

Please note that this update is divided into two sections. The first section contains important information pertaining to all residents, while the second contains specific information pertaining to particular residents.

OVERALL WEEKLY UPDATES

Wooddale Avenue between Country Club Road and 50th Street Closure

Wooddale Avenue between West 50th Street and Country Club Road will remain closed to all traffic until late-October. Palda needs this segment of street closed to complete the blacktop paving, backfilling behind the curb & gutter, placing of sod in areas that were damaged behind the new curb and gutter, and installation of the brick paver crosswalks. We understand this closure is an inconvenience and your patience is appreciated.

Palda's Bi-Weekly Progress Map

The map for the period September 28 – October 11 is now available for your review at the following link:

<http://www.sehinc.com/online/edina/index.htm>

Brick Paver Crosswalk (crosswalk) Construction

Phase 2 of the crosswalk construction will occur between and including September 28 and October 5. During Phase 2, Palda will close Browndale, Moorland, Wooddale, and Casco Avenues between Country Club and Sunnyside Roads to all through traffic. Browndale Avenue will also be closed between Country Club Road and 50th Street. Edgebrook Place will only have access to Browndale Avenue at its north intersection with Browndale Avenue.

During crosswalk construction, these particular street segments will be temporary cul-de-sacs and vehicles will only have access from one direction. However, emergency vehicles can still access these particular street segments from all directions because if necessary they will destroy the crosswalk under construction to reach an emergency.

Adjustment to Temporary School Bus Stop Locations for Children in the Entire Project Area

Please continue to have your children walk to the closest temporary stop along Sunnyside Road at their regularly scheduled pick up time. Service at these temporary bus stops will continue until late-October.

We understand that the temporary stops on Sunnyside Road will be particularly inconvenient for students and parents living in the southerly portion of the project area. Thanks in advance for your patience in dealing with this adjustment.

Reinstatement of Bridge Street Parking Ban

In order to accommodate the construction of the brick crosswalks, the City reinstated the parking restriction along the south side of Bridge Street east of Browndale Avenue. Between and including September 8 and late-October, there will be no parking on either side of Bridge Street east of Browndale Avenue.

Who to Contact in an Emergency

During a life or property-threatening emergency, call 911. If construction equipment or materials need to be moved as part of dealing with the emergency, 911 has a list of emergency contacts for Palda.

STAGE UPDATES

Stage 8

Sod Care

Please continue watering the new sod in front of your home. New sod requires at least 2 inches of water per week done in three or four applications.

If you live along Wooddale Avenue or Country Club Road, Palda's responsibility for watering your new sod stopped on September 10. It is now your responsibility to keep your sod watered!

Stage 9

Please refer to Palda's bi-weekly progress map for a description of upcoming work except as modified below.

Streets, Sidewalks, Driveways, and Boulevards

If you live where new sod was recently installed in front of your home, please begin watering it immediately! The rule of thumb for watering mature lawns is a minimum of 1 inch per week. New sod requires twice as much water or 2 inches per week done in three or four applications.

Lawns need deep roots to help them withstand the hot weather and periods of little or no rain. The contractor will water the sod on an as needed basis using a water truck for a period of 6 weeks. Your efforts, when combined with the contractor's, will help the sod look its best. After 6 weeks, it will be entirely up to you to water the new sod!

Do not mow the new sod until either the grass lies over and mats down when wetted or it "roots down" and you are unable to easily lift the sod from the soil. Then set the mower deck at the highest setting and cut the new sod at this setting for the remainder of the year.

Do not fertilize your new sod until next spring. If you fertilize sooner, you risk killing the sod. It was fertilized at the farm where it was grown. The sod will brown for the winter and green again in the spring when it receives moisture from the snowmelt. Because it takes about three years for new sod to mature, you must continue to water your sod as described in this update for the next several growing seasons> If you are using a lawn service, please share this information with them.

Stage 10

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Streets, Sidewalks, Driveways, and Boulevards

During the week of October 5, your private contractor must repair your damaged irrigation, pet containment, and driveway heating systems. Keep in mind that your contractor must not slow down Palda's progress.

Before your contractor begins working, you will need to obtain a City purchase order number from me. Please now contact me at 952.912.2633. Your contractor must submit the invoice that includes the City purchase order number for the work done to the City of Edina, Engineering Department. City staff will review the invoice to verify the work was for repair(s) associated with Palda's activities. If the outcome of their review is satisfactory, the City will pay your contractor directly.

Sincerely,

Chad Millner, PE

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