

September 3, 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

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

Palda's contract with the City allows them to return yet again in spring 2010 to finish their work. However, three seasons of reconstruction is a bit much to ask you to endure; therefore, Palda, has asked for and received permission from the City to complete all of the work in the project area by late-October 2009.

To complete all of their work by late-October 2009, Palda will implement an aggressive schedule that closes more street intersections simultaneously along and south of Bridge Street for upcoming brick paver crosswalk construction than were closed for the same work north of Bridge Street during spring 2009.

The crosswalk construction phasing will create more temporary long cul de sacs than during spring 2009 and school buses will not be able to turn around. Because the project area north of Bridge Street is complete, Sunnyside Road will soon become the safest location for the school buses to pick up and drop off children.

If you have children that ride an Edina Public School bus, please watch your snail mail box this weekend for Construction Update 4A that describes in detail the upcoming adjustment to the location of your child's temporary school bus stop from Bridge Street to Sunnyside Road.

If your child attends Blake or Breck School, please contact Blake or Breck School regarding any adjustments to their bus stop locations.

Resurfacing of Bridge Street

On September 4, in preparation for blacktop resurfacing, Palda will mill off one and one-half inches of blacktop pavement from Bridge Street east of Browndale Avenue. Palda will leave in place the existing concrete curb and gutter.

You can view a picture of the machine Palda will use to mill off the blacktop pavement at the following link:

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

On September 10 and 11 Palda will replace the blacktop they milled off of Bridge Street east of Browndale Avenue with a new layer of blacktop.

If your driveway connects to Bridge Street you will still be able to access your driveway during the milling and paving operations. However, you may have to wait a few minutes for the machines to crawl past your driveway before you can enter or leave.

Reinstatement of Bridge Street Parking Ban

In order to accommodate the school buses use of Bridge Street and Bridge Street's resurfacing, on September 4 and then again starting on September 8 the City will reinstate 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. We understand this is an inconvenience. The ban is necessary to provide access to both emergency vehicles and the buses.

During Labor Day weekend, you can park along both sides of Bridge Street except near its intersections with Browndale and Arden Avenues.

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.

Palda's Bi-Weekly Progress Map

The map for the period August 31 - September 13 remains available for your review at the following link:

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

STAGE UPDATES

Stage 6B & 7

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.

Palda's responsibility for watering your new sod stopped on August 10. It is now your responsibility to keep your sod watered!

Stage 8

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 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

Palda finished installing the concrete curb and gutter and driveway aprons along Arden Avenue.

Some homes along Arden Avenue will not have access to their driveways during Labor Day weekend while the concrete driveway aprons harden. If you cannot access your driveway, you can park in front of your house after working hours, along the west side of Arden Avenue.

We understand that this is an inconvenience. To minimize the inconvenience, Palda will close Arden Avenue at 50th Street during Labor Day weekend. This will lower the amount of traffic using Arden Avenue. Arden Avenue will reopen early morning September 8.

As soon as the concrete hardens, Palda will notify you that you can access your driveway. A temporary gravel ramp will be constructed to allow access to your driveway until the rest of the Arden Avenue pavement is installed during the week of September 7.

Stage 10

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

Temporary Water Main

Homes along Country Club Road continue to receive their water from the temporary trunk water main pipe network.

Do not shut off the hose bib; if it is turned off, the water is shut-off to the home. If necessary, please remind your lawn service not to shut-off this hose bib either.

When you cut your grass, please be careful with lawn mowers near the temporary water service pipe. It is possible to cut open the temporary water service pipe with a lawn mower blade. If applicable, please pass this warning along to your lawn service.

Cured-in-Place Pipe (CIPP) Sanitary Sewer Trunk Pipe Reconstruction

During the week of September 7, Palda will install CIPP liner in the sanitary sewer trunk pipes shown in the progress map. During the installation of the actual CIPP liner, your home will be without its sanitary sewer service for up to 12 hours.

Palda will use a doorknob hanger to notify you of the actual date and time the blockage will begin. During the blockage, please refrain from showers, baths, washing clothes and dishes, and limit the flushing of your toilet. The doorknob hanger will also list emergency contact information for you to use if you encounter difficulties during your particular blockage.

Please now pour 1 gallon of water down every drain in your home. This will fill your plumbing traps with water and prevent odors associated with CIPP work from entering your home through your private sanitary sewer service pipe.

Private Sanitary Sewer Service Pipes

During the week of September 7, Palda will begin reconstructing the actual connection point between your private sanitary sewer service pipe and the trunk sanitary sewer service pipe by digging a hole in the street in front of each home.

This work will result in short-term blockage of your private sanitary sewer service pipe. Palda will coordinate the date, time, and duration of this blockage with you using a door knob hanger.

Sincerely,

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