

August 29, 2008

Morningside Neighborhood Residents
2008 Watermain Lining Project

Limited Street Access:

During the week of September 1, work will be taking place on Grimes Avenue, between 42nd Street and Inglewood Avenue; Kipling Avenue, between 41st Street and 42nd Street; 42nd Street, between Grimes Avenue and Oakdale Avenue; and Lynn Avenue, between 41st Street and 42nd Street. Rachel Contracting has signs in the neighborhood to alert drivers of construction activity locations. Please avoid driving down those streets as there will be numerous construction workers and equipment in the street. On-street parking will not be allowed during the hours of 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. where construction is taking place. We are aware of the parking issues along Grimes Avenue and may be putting up no parking signs on one side of the road where the work is taking place.

Safety:

Please drive cautiously when entering and exiting the neighborhood as there will be many construction workers moving throughout the site, as well as moving construction equipment in the streets. As we progress through the construction, access pits will be dug in the streets. The pits will remain open for several days; although they can be tempting to onlookers and children to investigate, we ask that everyone stay away from the pits for their own safety.

Access Pits:

During the week of September 1, the access pits will continue to be dug on 42nd Street and on Lynn Avenue, between 41st Street and 42nd Street. Access pits may also be dug further to the north on Grimes Avenue and Kipling Avenue. After the excavation of each pit, double barricades will be placed around the circumference. Again, we ask that you stay away from the open pits for your safety.

Watermain Lining:

Insituform Technologies USA will continue cleaning and installing the pipe liner on Kipling Avenue, and 42nd Street during the week of September 1st. As they finish each block, Rachel Contracting will reinstall the hydrants; valves and watermain fittings; reconnect water services, remove the temporary water services, and restore the excavation pits and roadway.

Section Finishes: The section on Grimes Avenue, between 42nd Street and 41st Street is scheduled to be finish later next week. Installation of the pipe liner on 42nd Street, between Grimes and Lynn Avenues, and on Kipling Avenue, between 41st and 42nd Streets should also be finished.

Whom to Contact with Questions or Concerns:

For general questions please contact the Project Manager, Bernie Bullert with TKDA at (651) 292-4621 or by email Bernie.Bullert@tkda.com. For onsite construction questions please contact Gary Garr, the construction observer with TKDA, at (612) 282-5089 or by email at Gary.Garr@tkda.com.

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 have a list of emergency contacts for Rachel Contracting.

Thank you,

Jesse Struve
Utility Engineer