

2019 Street and Utility Improvement Project New Prague, Minnesota

Project Update



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This letter is being sent to inform you of the progress of construction activity on the above-referenced project.

Over the past week, the contractor was able to pave County Road 37 from Main Street to Lexington Avenue, continue with sidewalk installation, and prepare for more sidewalk and curb installation in preparation for more paving on Monday. CenterPoint restoration workers are also finally in town working on reestablishing lawns where gas connections had been made. You will notice that there has been some corrective work taking place in the pave area of County Road 37 as a result of the wet conditions.

Beginning the week of July 22nd, we expect to see the start of the roundabout construction at the intersection of 12th Street and Columbus Avenue. A detour around the intersection is planned to be in place as of next Tuesday night.

County Road 37 (between Columbus Avenue and Lexington Avenue): For the rest of this week, residents can expect to see grading and concrete work between Lexington Avenue and Columbus Avenue. There is not much utility work to be done, and grading crews will begin today and Saturday to prepare the base for paving on Monday, July 22nd. Residents living between Lexington Avenue and Columbus Avenue with portions of driveway being replaced can expect limited or no access to their driveways during the week as the contractor continues with concrete work. Temporary detours will be in place as the contractor works to replace structures in the middle of the roadway.

Reminder: If the curb is removed from the end of your drive, then you should anticipate that within about a week of the curb removal, the curb will be replaced. At that time you will NOT be able to get in or out of your drive and you should make arrangements to park in the street.
NOTE: New concrete needs about 6 days to cure before it can be driven on.

Local Streets: With the recent rainy weather, final paving has been delayed but is planned to resume the week of July 22nd, beginning with the completion of Columbus Avenue S and moving into the remaining residential areas off of County Road 37. It is asked that residents refrain from parking on the street until the paving is complete. The contractor has also placed topsoil and planted grass seed with mulch in most areas, and will continue to place soil in other areas as needed.

Once streets have been paved, rolled, and the bituminous has cooled, pavement can be driven on. However, please avoid parking or turning your wheels on the new pavement, if possible, as this can leave marks, especially in hot weather.

Please use caution when traveling streets that are under construction. Especially use care when traveling by foot, as you may encounter rough terrain, utility trenches, or debris.

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Please remember that schedules can change at a moment's notice because of weather, delays by subcontractors, or other unforeseen events.

Weekly Progress Meetings for this project are held every Thursday at 1:00 p.m. at City Hall. You are welcome to attend these meetings at any time during the course of the project as your schedule allows. Your attendance is not required but is more than welcome.

If you haven't already done so, please send your name, street address, and e-mail address to Julie Brinkman at jbrinkman@sehinc.com to receive notices by e-mail.

If you have any question or concerns, feel free to contact me.

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