2020 Street and Utility Improvement Project Weekly Update

City of CIRCLE PINES

Current Events – Week of June 22 through June 26, 2020

- Survey stakes are placed for the construction of the storm sewer along Moonlite Drive. Please do not disturb any survey stakes.
- Sanitary sewer and water mains have been installed on Moonlite Drive. Services to each house are being placed on Moonlite Drive. Once they are tested the contractor will reconnect and activate at each house.
- The de-watering equipment is working to lower the water table on North Star Lane and Aurora Lane. Once the water is lower, the sanitary sewer construction will be started. The water is lowered so the pipe layers can work in dry soil conditions rather than having to work in wet soil.
- Concrete curb, aprons, and driveways are being installed on Stardust Blvd. Bituminous driveways will be paved after the first lift of street pavement is placed.
- Water service is restored along Stardust Blvd as the testing of the mains are now completed.
- In the Shepherd Court, South Pine Drive, and Civic Heights Drive area, the sodding is nearly completed. Please do not mow your new sod for a month. Give it some time to take root. When it is time to mow, please set your mower to be at about 3 and a half inches in height. Do not mow it with a rider for the first couple of mowing's. Water often.
- Where new concrete curb and driveways have been placed, please do not drive on it for 7 days to give it time to reach design strength. When driven on too early cracks will develop in the concrete.
- Parking on the street in front of your house alongside the new curb is allowed during non-working hours. When the street grading and paving begins no parking will be available on the street during work hours. Also, be aware that while the restoration (boulevard grading, and sodding) the contractors need the streets clear to perform those tasks.
- Reclaiming of the bituminous surface on Aurora Lane and North Star Lane has been done.

Future Events – Week of June 29 through July 3, 2020

- As the watermain pipe installations are completed, they are being tested and when passed the water service to each house will be re-instated.
- Temporary water lines will be installed on North Star Lane and Aurora Lane. The contractor will help each resident with connecting to the temporary line.
- **Please use caution when mowing near the temporary water lines**.
- If you have a water softener and it supplies water to the outside faucet, you will need to use your bypass valve. If you need help with the bypass, let the contractor know.
- Grading behind the curb and in the boulevard will be worked on. Topsoil and grading will be done in preparation for sod placement to be started along Center Road.

- When the construction starts to impact the North Star Lane area, St. Mark Lutheran Church has offered to allow temporary parking at their lot by the church. During the project the contractor will make sure there is access to the resident's houses at night.

Please note: The tentative schedule provided is subject to change due to inclement weather or subcontractor availability.

Driveway Notes:

- The Bituminous Paving contractor has indicated that their company will be available to pave private driveways and other private bituminous work. If residents wish to explore having work done on their driveway, they can contact North Valley Paving at 763-274-2580. Tell the receptionist (Paula) they are in the Circle Pines 2020 Improvement Project and she will direct them to an estimator who will get info and a quote for the private portion of their driveway. Please note the city does not endorse any one company for private work and the residents are free to ask other paving companies for pricing.

- The Concrete Paving contractor has indicated that their company will be available to pave private driveways and other private concrete work. If residents wish to explore having work done on their driveway, they can contact Schmidt Curb (Gus) at 320-980-6887. Tell Gus they are in the Circle Pines 2020 Improvement Project and he will provide an estimate/quote and other info regarding the private portion of their driveway. Please note the city does not endorse any one company for private work and the residents are free to ask other paving companies for pricing.

Tips of the Week

- Please follow the signs and instructions on any notices that are distributed.

- There have been several complaints about traffic driving too fast.

- Please slow down and use caution around all phases of the project, especially around construction equipment and materials. Follow the traffic control signs that are in place on the project. Please drive slowly, the workers' and the residents' lives depend on it. Driving slower also reduces dust being stirred up.

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Thank you for your cooperation!