Anticipated 2016 & 2017 Neighborhood Roadway Reconstruction Projects

Open House Meeting

September 29, 2014

Agenda

- Introductions
- Project Areas
- Timeline
- Project Components
- Funding
- What You Can Expect
- Communication
- How to Prepare
- Q&A

Introductions

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Why My Street?

- Streets that meet specific standards are subject to reconstruction.
- Priority is given to streets with the highest need based on watermain breaks, sanitary sewer deficiencies, storm sewer/drainage issues, and Pavement Condition Index.
- Reconstruction is usually more cost-effective in the long-term than patching or seal-coating.
- Streets are grouped together to help maximize the economics of scale for construction.

Anticipated 2016 Projects

Neighborhood Reconstruction

Golf Terrace B

Strachauer Park A

Morningside A

White Oaks C

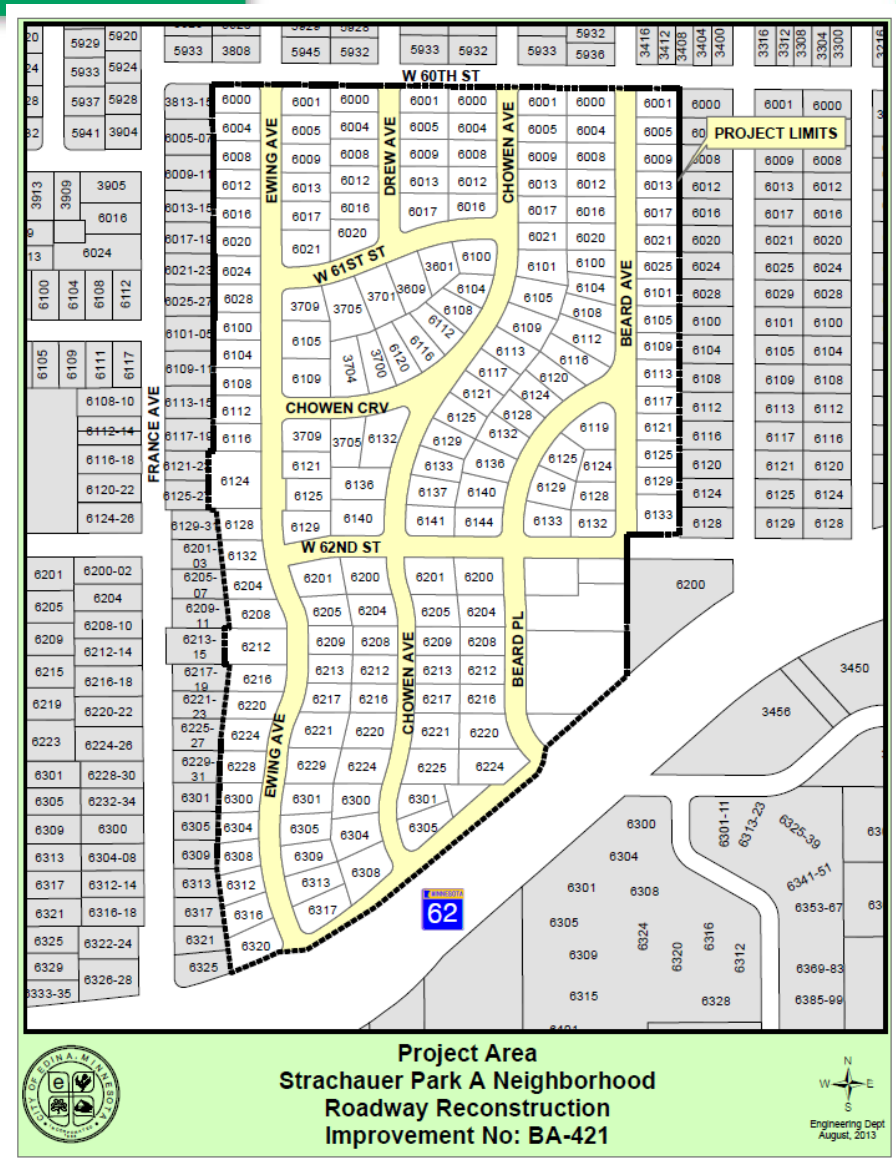
Municipal State Aid (MSA)Reconstruction

Tracy Avenue – Benton to Valley View Road

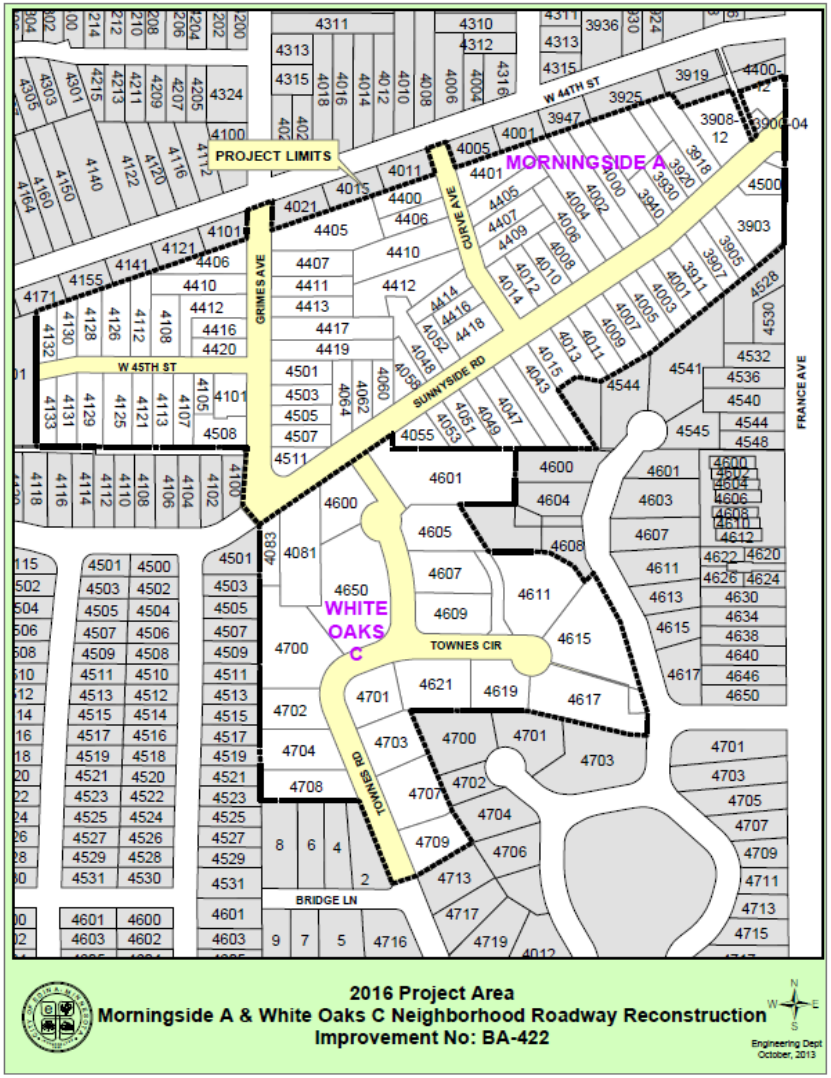
Parklawn Avenue – France to 76th

2016 Project Overview – Golf Terrace B Neighborhood

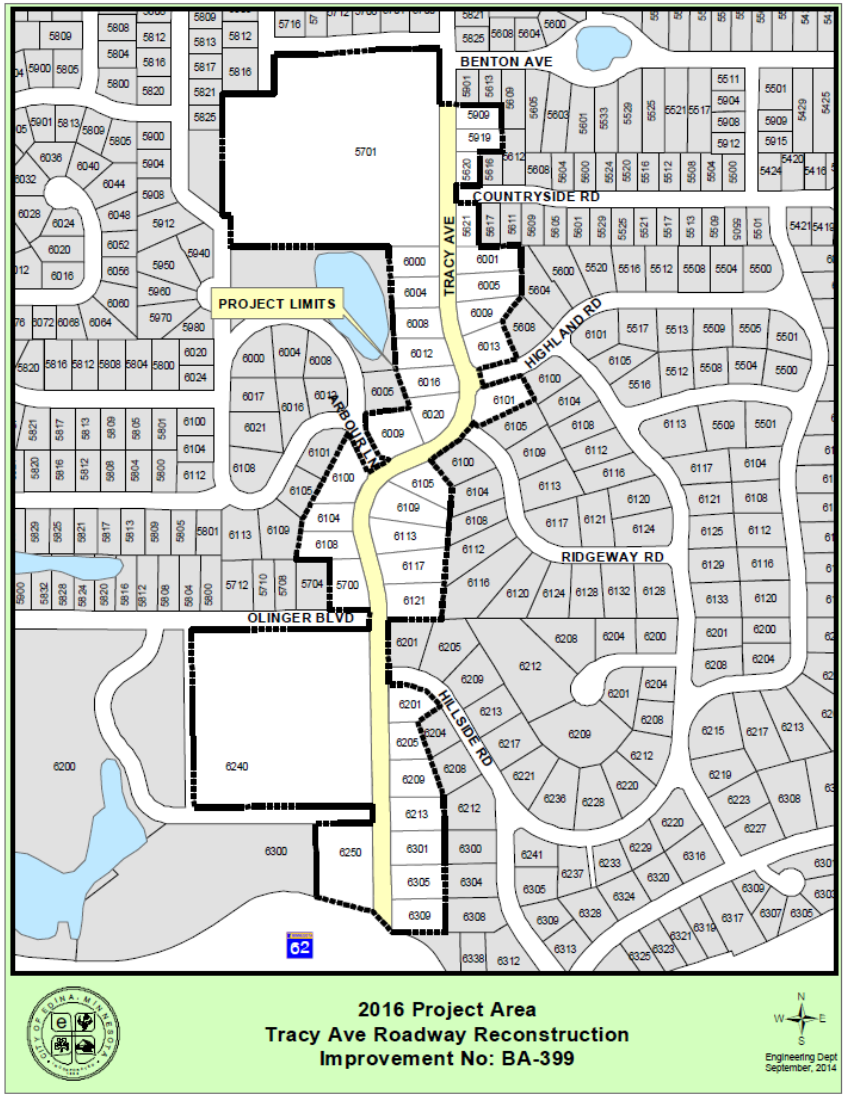
2016 Project Overview – Strachauer Park A Neighborhood



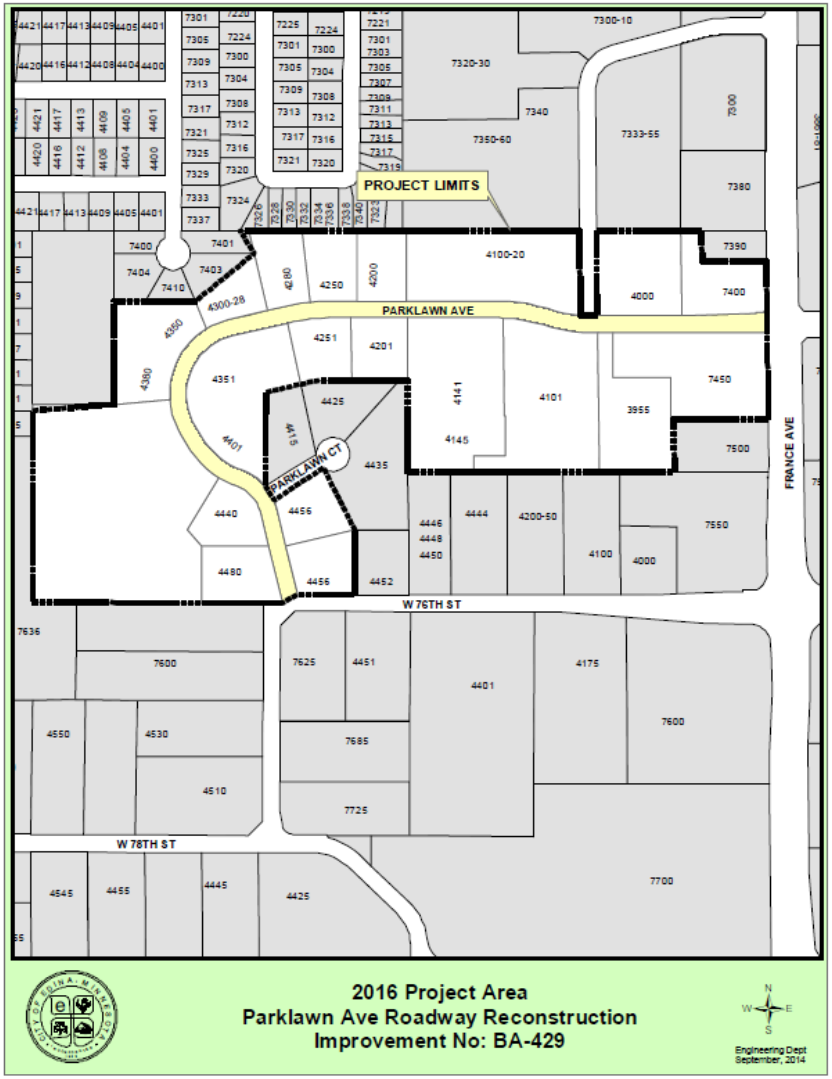
2016 Project Overview – Morningside A & White Oaks C Neighborhoods



2016 Project Overview – Tracy Avenue, Benton to TH 62, Municipal State Aid



2016 Project Overview – Parklawn Avenue, France to West 76th St, Municipal State Aid



Anticipated 2017 Projects

Neighborhood Reconstruction

Birchcrest A

Countryside B

Countryside G

Normandale Park D

Municipal State Aid Reconstruction

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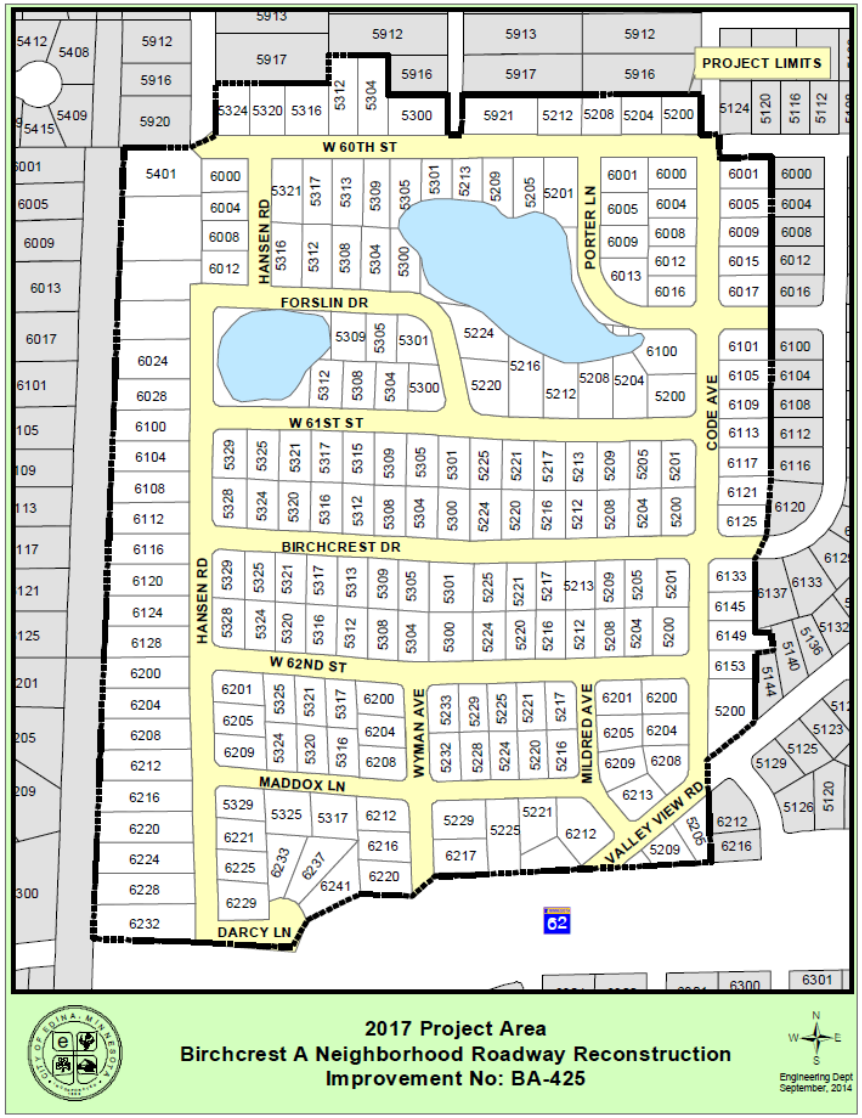
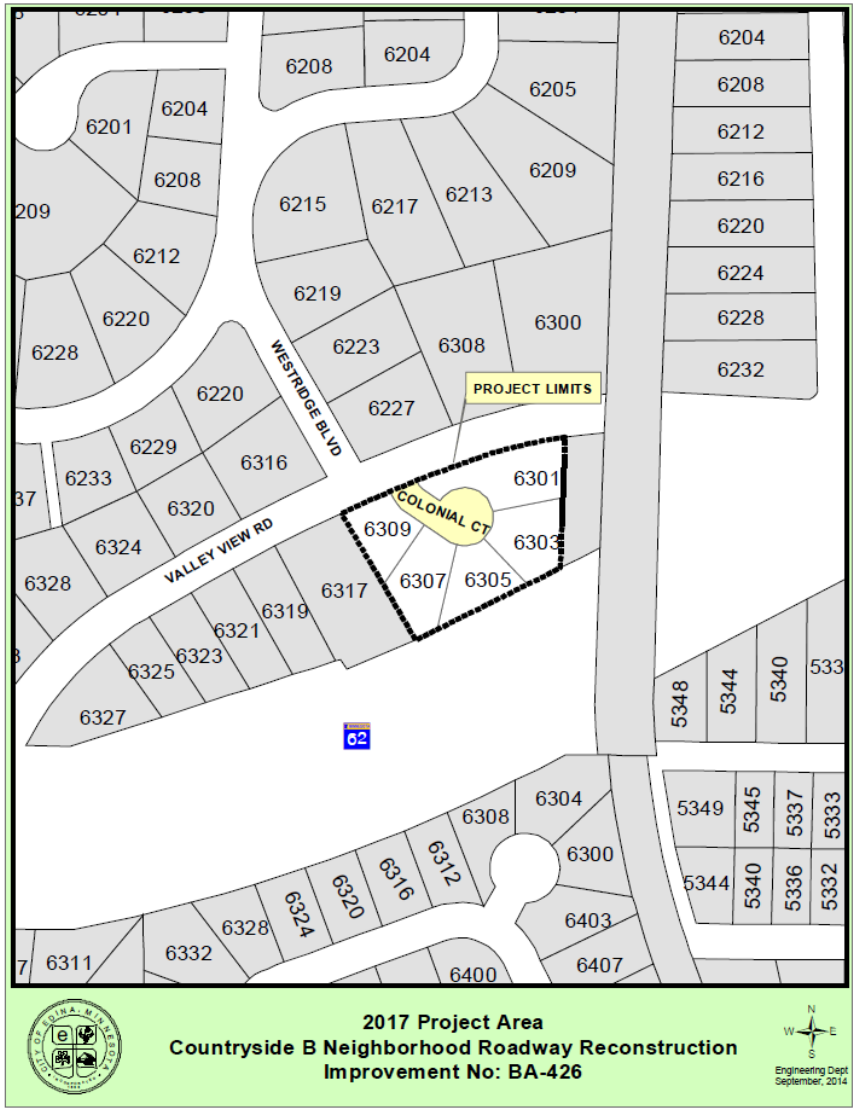
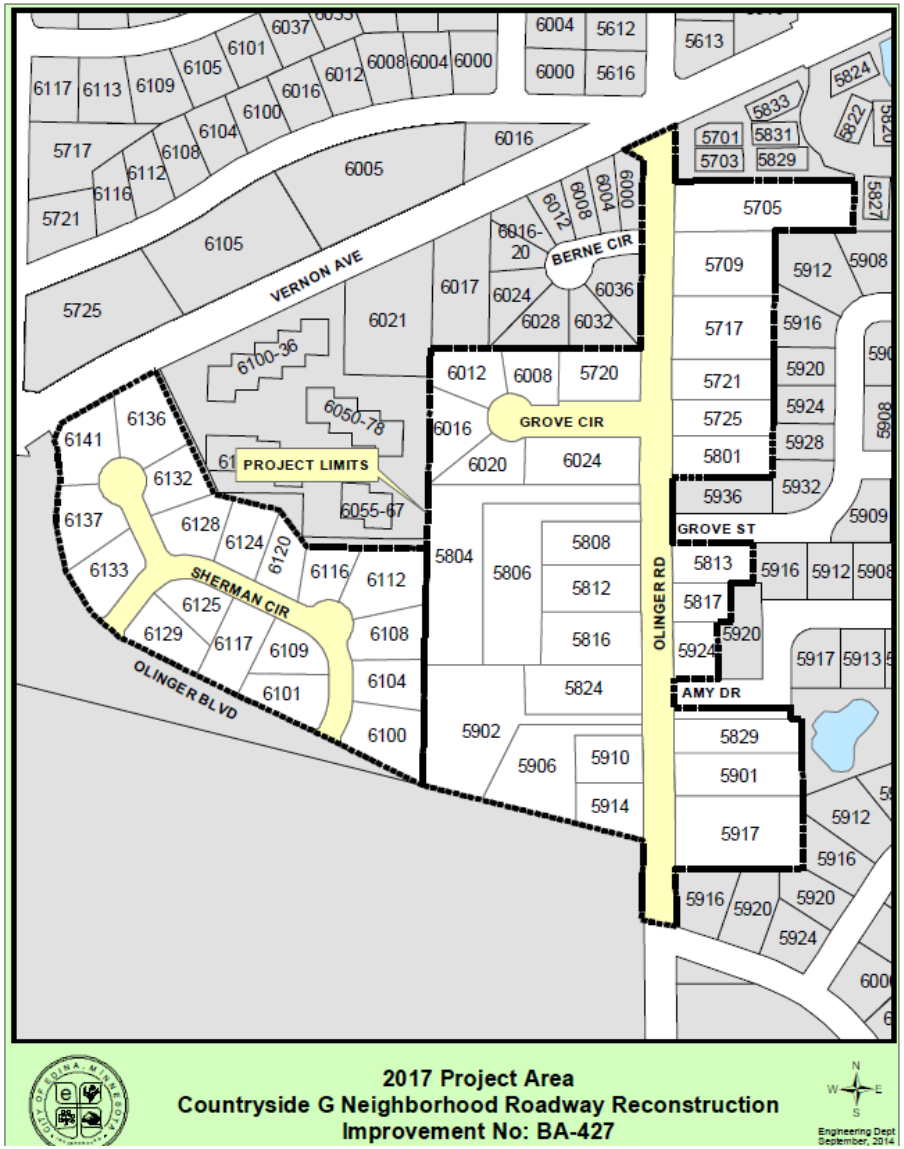
2017 Project Overview – Birchcrest A Neighborhood



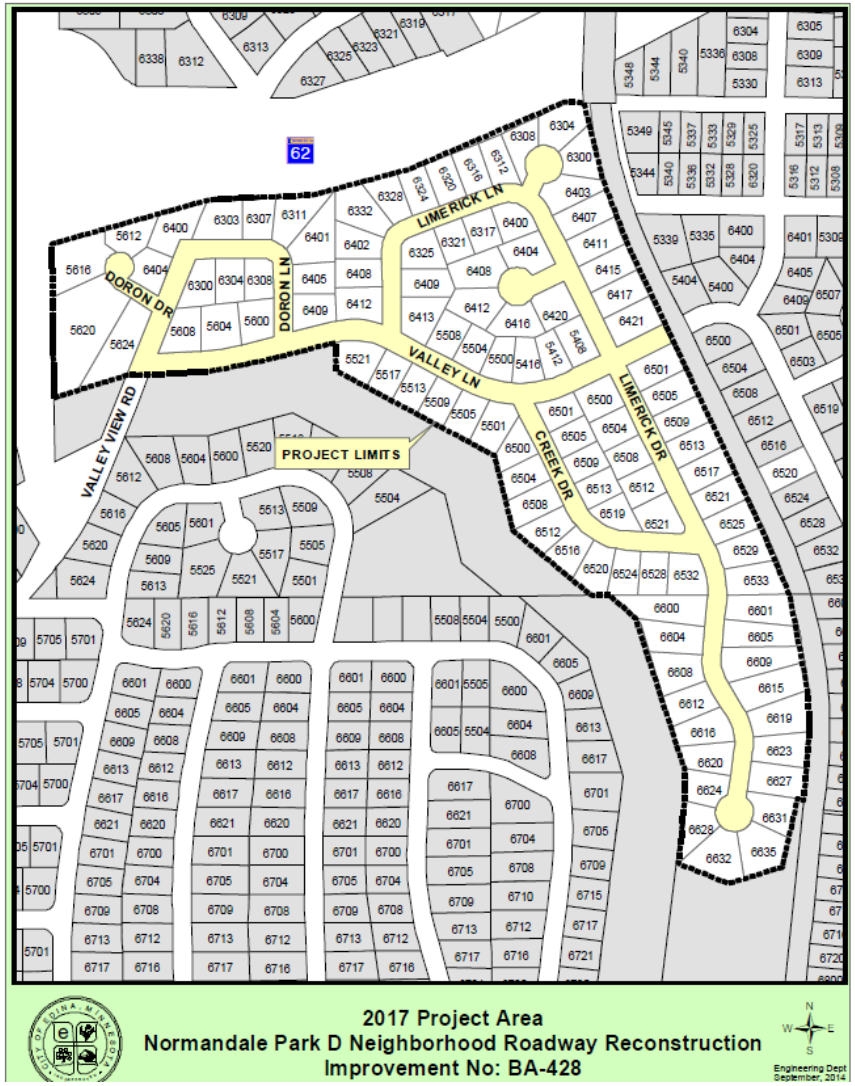
2017 Project Overview – Countryside B Neighborhood



2017 Project Overview – Countryside G Neighborhood



2017 Project Overview – Normandale Park D Neighborhood



Process

1. Evaluate infrastructure
2. **Informational meeting**
3. Feasibility study
4. Public hearing
5. Council decision
6. Project ordered
7. Planning & bidding
8. Bids awarded
9. Construction begins
10. Final assessment

Typical Timeline

July/August	Feasibility report and estimates provided
December/January	Public hearing
January-March	Plan preparation and bidding
April/May	Construction begins
October/November	Construction concludes
Spring	Warranty work
Summer/Fall	Final assessment hearing

What is Included?

- Always included:
  - Roadway – replacing the entire roadbed
  - Curb and gutter – all or pieces
  - Utility upgrades
- Sometimes included:
  - Sump pump drainage system
  - Sidewalks
  - Streetlights
  - Traffic management
- Full project scope is based on the condition of the infrastructure and resident questionnaire responses

Typical Utility Improvements

- New fire hydrants and gate valves
- Sanitary sewer spot repairs and replacement
- Storm sewer upgrades
  - Sump pump drain pipe in various locations

Typical Roadway Improvements

- Curb and gutter
- New roadbed and pavement surface

Typical Roadway Improvements

- Spot driveway end replacement

What You Can Expect

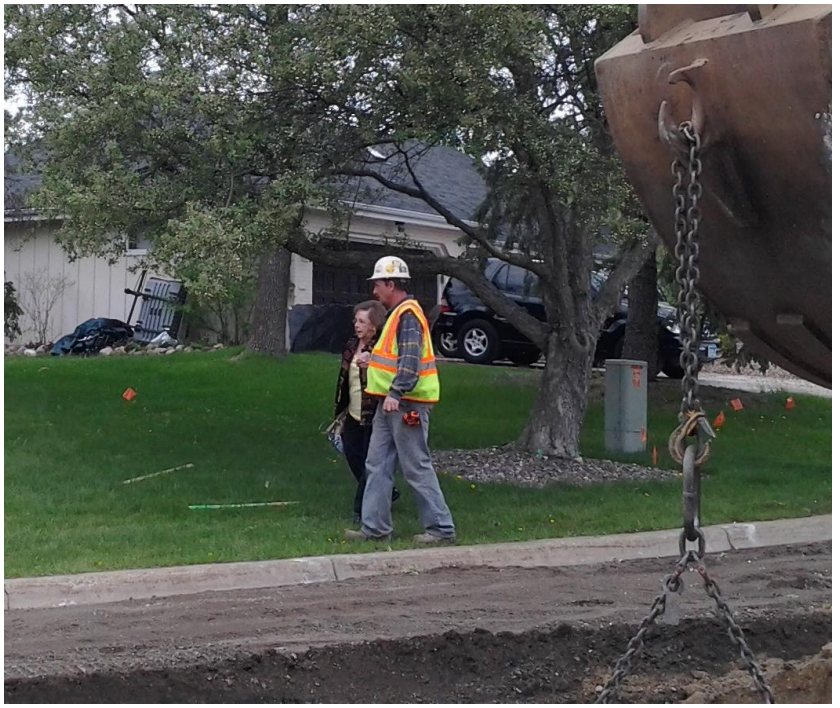
- Dust, noise, vibrations, and mud
- Localized flooding during rainfall
- Occasional timeline delays due to inclement weather
- May be asked to limit water use
- Homes may be connected to temporary water line

What You Can Expect

- Driveways may be inaccessible for 3-5 days
- Neighborhood streets may be periodically inaccessible
- Irrigation and pet containment systems mostly likely will be damaged

What You Can Expect

- We will keep you informed
- You will have opportunities to provide input
- Private utility work is to be completed before City work
- We will do our best to minimize inconveniences
- Contractor will accommodate special access needs



Property Impacts

- Items located within the City's right-of-way may be damaged
  - Irrigation and pet containment systems will be repaired
  - You can remove plantings and other landscape features before the project
  - Disturbed areas will be seeded after the project is complete

Other Impacts

- Our goal is to streamline projects and minimize neighborhood disturbance.
- The City encourages private utility companies (gas, electric, telephone, and cable TV) to upgrade or repair utilities along the project area.

Do Taxes Cover Street Projects?

- Roughly 20 percent of your property taxes go to the City for expenses such as Police, Fire, Parks and Public Works (snowplowing, pothole repairs, sealcoating, and other street maintenance).
- Your taxes do not pay for street reconstruction.

Funding

- Projects are funded by a combination of Special Assessments to residents, the City's Utility Funds, and the Pedestrian and Cyclist Safety (PACS) Fund

	Roadway Costs	Sanitary Sewer Costs	Storm Sewer Costs	Watermain Costs	Sidewalks, Bike lanes, etc.
Funding Source	Special Assessments	Utility Fund	Utility Fund	Utility Fund	PACS Fund

City Utility Fund

- Collection of utility service charges paid to the City
- Covers 100% of:
  - Concrete curb and gutter (includes driveway aprons)
  - Sanitary sewer
  - Water main
  - Storm sewer
  - Sump pump pipe

Pedestrian and Cyclist Safety (PACS) Fund

- Revenue from Xcel and CenterPoint Energy franchise fees
- Promotes non-motorized transportation throughout the City
- Covers 100% of:
  - Sidewalks
  - Signage
  - Crosswalks
  - Street striping

Special Assessments

- Assigned to adjacent properties that stand to benefit from construction improvements
- Cover 100% of Neighborhood roadway costs
- Cover 20% of MSA roadway costs

Special Assessments

- Based Upon Residential Equivalent Unit (REU)
- 1 Single Family Residential Lot = 1 REU
- Non Residential Uses assigned REU's based on trip Generation equivalency to Single Family Residential
- Corner Lots Assigned 1 REU Total
  - No previous project assessments = 1 REU
  - If previous assessment & fronting project = 2/3 REU
  - If previous assessment & not fronting project = 1/3 REU

Preliminary Assessments

Neighborhood	Estimated Assessment Range per REU*	# of REUs	Square Yards of Paving	Square Yards of Paving per REU
Countryside H	$8,600 - $10,900	172.59	30,100	174
Prospect Knolls B	$8,800 - $11,200	35.52	6,115	172
Dewey Hill G	$9,100 - $11,400	33.33	6,000	180

*Residential equivalent unit (1 single-family home = 1 REU)

Assessment Payment Options

- You will be billed for the assessment one year after project completion
- Assessments are payable over 15 years
- Payment options:
  1. Pay entire amount upon receiving bill to avoid finance charges
  2. Pay 25 percent; balance rolls to property taxes
  3. Roll entire amount to property taxes
  4. Defer payment if 65 years old or older

Providing Input

- Public hearings and questionnaire mailed to your home
- Weigh in on:
  - Sump pump connection options
  - Street drainage issues
  - Traffic/pedestrian issues
  - Streetlight upgrades

Communication Tools

- Become a neighborhood captain to help facilitate project communication.
  - Let us know of someone in your neighborhood who might fit this role.
- You will be notified of all meetings, hearings, schedules and questionnaires via regular mail.
- Public hearing notices are also published in *Edina Sun-Current*.
- Door hangers are hung when there is time-sensitive information.
- Final assessment notices are mailed one year after construction.

City Extra

"City Extra" emails are the best way to receive regular updates once construction begins. These are free weekly email updates about your project.

- Sign up on City of Edina website, www.EdinaMN.gov.
  - Check the box next to your project name.
- If you cannot receive email, we will mail you City Extra updates upon request.
- It's the best way to stay informed.

How to Prepare

- Sign up for City Extra
- Begin financial planning
- Complete questionnaire
- Coordinate home and yard improvement projects around the street construction timeline
- Ask questions; stay informed

Contact Us

Email: mail@edinamn.gov

Call: 952-826-0371

Visit: Engineering Department
7450 Metro Blvd.

Thanks for your time!

Questions?