



54th Street Roadway Reconstruction

January 17, 2014

Dear Resident:

On Dec. 10, the City Council conducted a public hearing and authorized the creation of plans and specifications for your neighborhood roadway project. The estimated assessable project cost is \$176,576 with a pending assessment of \$6,400 per residential equivalent unit. The assessment can be paid over a 15-year period with interest accumulating on the unpaid balance. The assessment hearing will most likely occur during the fall 2015.

The project will be bid and awarded to a contractor in the next few months. Depending on weather, construction could begin as soon as April or as late as June.

The project approval included leaving the east section from Minnehaha Boulevard to France Avenue as it is today with two 8-ft parking lanes, two 5-ft advisory bike lanes and a 14-ft shared center area. This section will include a new sidewalk along the entire north side of the roadway and a new sidewalk along the south side from the Edina Community Lutheran Church to the bridge. The bridge will be constructed close to its current elevation with sidewalks on both sides. The west section of the project from Minnehaha Boulevard to Wooddale Avenue will be constructed with two 13-ft lanes and a sidewalk along the entire north side. Additional work will include lighting improvements, upgrades to the storm sewer system, and installation of concrete curb and gutter.

Resident Questionnaire & Instructions

During the scope of this project the City has gathered significant input on the design of the roadway improvements. This questionnaire is geared towards each individual property owner abutting West 54th Street and the underground utilities that may or may not exist. Below is background information that will help you in filling out the questionnaire. Each numeral relates to the corresponding survey question.

I. Drainage Service Connection

A typical sump pump discharges onto a homeowner's lawn. There are several sump pump drainage issues to look for. First, if your lawn drains back to your house, sump pump discharges can cause problems with your lawn, your neighbor's lawn or your basement. If the sump pump discharge runs down the street, it can promote algae growth and deterioration of the street pavement.. Finally, discharging the sump pump into the sanitary sewer system using floor drains or laundry tubs is against the law, both by City Ordinance and State Statute.

To prevent the issues mentioned above, your street reconstruction project could include a City sump drain system along the roadway to collect groundwater, storm water runoff, and discharges from private sump pumps, roof drains or any other runoff from private property. If the topography and final street design favor a sump drain system, you could connect to it.

Keep in mind that installation of the pipe from your house to the City sump drain system would be your responsibility, including plumbing modifications. However, the City sump drain system is funded through the storm sewer utility fund.

II. Private Underground Utilities

It is very important that you fill out this section. Some residents install private underground utilities in the roadway right-of-way (the area from the edge of the roadway to your property line). The most common private utilities include lawn irrigation and pet containment systems. Utility and roadway reconstruction can damage these utilities. If they are damaged during the street reconstruction project, they will be repaired. Additionally, if the contractor knows the location of these private utilities, crews can attempt to avoid damaging them during construction.

III. Email Updates

One of the primary tools for communicating with you during construction is the City Extra email notification service. The City Extra service is free and allows you to sign up to receive email messages from the City regarding this project.

By signing up for City Extra email notification service, you will receive project updates as they occur. The updates will include information such as when access to your driveway might be limited, when your water may be shut off for water main replacement and when to have your contractor repair your irrigation system if it was damaged during construction.

If you do not have email access, please indicate "no" on the questionnaire and we will mail you updates that are sent out via City Extra.

To receive email updates, sign up online at www.EdinaMN.gov. On the main page, near the upper right corner, place your cursor over the **For Residents** tab and click on **City Extra**. Enter your email address and a password (new user will need to create a password). Click on **email subscriptions**. Under the Engineering section, place a check mark in the box next to **54th Street Reconstruction Project**. Click the "**update**" button at the bottom left hand corner of the webpage.

Need Help?

If you have any questions about how to fill out the questionnaire, please contact SEH Project Manager Toby Muse at 952-912-2616 or tmuse@sehinc.com or Interim City Engineer Chad Millner at 952-826-0318 or cmillner@EdinaMN.gov.



Resident Questionnaire

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Thank you in advance for your time. Your input is important to us. Please read the Questionnaire Instructions before completing this questionnaire.

I. Drainage Service Connection:

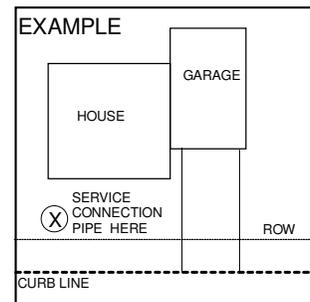
- A. Does your home have a drain tile/footing drain? Yes No Unknown
- B. Does your home have a sump pump? Yes No Unknown
- C. Would you be willing to connect your sump pump up to a City drain if provided (at your own cost)? Yes No
- D. Would you be willing to connect your roof drains up to a City drain if provided (at your own cost)? Yes No

Please sketch in the space to the right: your house, garage, driveway, sump pump discharge location and approximately where along the right-of-way (ROW) line you would like the service connection pipe located.

YOUR HOUSE

ROW

CURB LINE



II. Private Underground Utilities

- A. Do you have an underground lawn irrigation system in the City's right-of-way? (The right-of-way is typically 10' to 15' behind the roadway.)
- Yes No
- B. Do you have an underground electric pet containment system in the City's right-of-way?
- Yes No

III. Email Updates

- A. Do you have access to email to participate in the City Extra email notification service?
- Yes No

Thank you for completing the questionnaire. Please return it to the City in the enclosed envelope **by January 31**.