

2018 Street and Utility Improvement Project Elysian, Minnesota



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Project Update

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

All utility work in the Phase 1 area is now complete. However, until the new water main is tested and in operation, the temporary water lines will remain in service in the boulevard on the block of Park Avenue between 3rd Street NW and 4th Street NW.

Over the past week, James Bros. has completed the construction of the road bed on Park Avenue NW between 4th Street and 3rd Street, and on 3rd Street NW from Main Street to Park Avenue. In the next few days, James Bros. will be finishing up the last of the road bed construction in the Phase 1 area on 2nd Street NW between Park Avenue and Main Street. This involves subcutting the road bed, placement of geotextile fabric, drain tile, gravel base, and grading work in preparation of curb placement.

Concrete crews will tentatively be in town on Wednesday, August 8th, to begin installing the remaining curb and gutter in the Phase 1 area (Park Avenue, 3rd Street, and 2nd Street NW, north of Main Street).

Reminder: Concrete that has just been poured needs time to cure. Though it may look passable, even walking on it can damage the surface. After the concrete has been poured, a curing compound is placed on the surface to help it cure evenly. This white compound may look like the concrete is dry, but again it still needs time to cure. It takes 7 to 10 days for the concrete to cure to be able to walk on and not do any harm.

Early next week, the contractor is planning to begin work over on the east side of town, on the block of 2nd Street NE between Main Street and Park Avenue NE (next to the Library and Public Works). They will first begin by removing paved surfaces, installing temporary water services, and will then begin installing new water main once the temporary water services have passed the necessary tests.

In certain locations, these temporary water lines may cross the street and/or driveways. Gravel will be placed over the top of these lines so that vehicles can safely drive over them. **Please do not move the temporary water lines. You may carefully trim next to the hoses and pipes, but please do not mow over them.**

If you are interested in “saving a stamp” and receiving future Project Updates quicker via e-mail, please send your name, property address, and e-mail address to Julie Brinkman at: jbrinkman@sehinc.com.

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

We thank you for your patience and if you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me or City Engineer/Project Manager Chris Cavett.

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