



CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS
20025 Mack Plaza Drive
Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan 48236-2397

June 30, 2021

RE: 2021 Water Main Replacement Program

Dear Resident:

The City of Grosse Pointe Woods has awarded the contract to Fontana Construction, Inc. to replace the water main and road on Christine Ct. Construction is tentatively expected to begin next week.

Due to the lack of available Right-of-Way, the water main construction will require the reconstruction of Christine Court. Construction will involve the replacement of the water main, removal of the existing pavement, drainage improvements, construction of the new road base, new concrete pavement, and new concrete drive approaches. The road will be constructed in two stages. The water main and the east half of the road will be constructed during stage 1. The west half of the road will be constructed during stage 2.

Water Main Replacement

Prior to the road work, the contractor will complete the water main replacement. The new water main will be installed by trenchless methods known as pipe bursting. This consists of bursting through the existing pipe with new HDPE pipe. The contractor will excavate pipe insertion and pipe retrieval pits. The new HDPE water main will be assembled above ground before being pulled into place.

During water main construction, the existing water main will not be in service due to the pipe bursting. In order to maintain the water service to residents, the Contractor will create a temporary water main above ground that runs along the gutter or sidewalk. This temporary water main will be connected to the homes via the existing service line or hose spigot.

Driveway Access

When stage 1 work begins, residents along the east half of the road will not have access to their driveways. On-street parking will be available on nearby streets for displaced vehicles. Residents along the west half of the road will have access to their driveways during stage 1. However, reliable access to the road will be limited during working hours.

During stage 2, residents along the west half of the road will not have access to their driveways. Residents along the east half will have access to their driveways over the new concrete pavement. However, reliable access to the road will be limited during working hours.

Prior to Work Beginning

You will likely see green dots along the street. These are used to call out existing cracks in nearby sidewalks and driveways prior to the contractor completing a video survey of the construction area. Some trees will also need to be removed in order to facilitate construction.

Prior to work beginning, we ask that you flag or identify any sprinkler heads or lines that may be located between the sidewalk and roadway. While the contractor will try to work around the sprinkler systems, they can often become damaged during construction and will be repaired.

Construction observation will be performed by Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick, Inc (AEW). Questions regarding construction operations should be directed to their attention at (586) 726-1234. Please direct any other questions to the Department of Public Works (313) 343-2460.

Very truly yours,

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Frank Schulte
Director of Public Services

cc: AEW