



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

September 5, 2023

RE: Vernier Road Water Main Replacement Program

Dear Resident:

The contractor has successfully completed the replacement of the water main along the south side of Vernier Rd. Weather permitting, within the next couple days, the contractor will begin setting up for the replacement of the water main on the north side of Vernier Rd.

The work will begin with installation of the temporary water main. Once the temporary water main is in place, it will be tested for water quality prior to transferring your service onto the temporary water main. Driveways will be accessible. The temporary water main can be driven over. In an effort to minimize the traffic issues for the contractor, please do not park vehicles on the street.

Installation of the temporary water main will involve the operation of an existing fire hydrant. It is common for hydrant operation to cause discolored water in plumbing systems. Discoloration is caused by natural sediments and is not harmful. To clear discolored water in your home, turn on the cold water at the lowest faucet in your home and let it run until the water becomes clear. This process usually takes three to five minutes.

Prior to the bursting operation, the contractor will fuse long sections of the new water main pipe. While fusing pipe, there will be some homes where the fused pipe will temporarily block vehicular access to driveways. This disruption in access is expected to be temporary and should only take place during the work day.

Due to the locations of existing water service lines to homes, hydrants, and water valves, some driveway approaches, sidewalks and trees will require removal and replacement.

As always, we apologize for any inconvenience this may create, and we appreciate your patience and understanding during construction.

GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS

Please note, the contractor is responsible for maintaining access for emergency vehicles throughout construction. However, in order to reduce the potential for incidents, the Public Safety Department has asked to please refrain from using fire pits and chimneys during construction.

If you have any concerns or special needs during construction, please contact the onsite representative from the City's Consultant Anderson, Eckstein and Westrick, Inc. (AEW). Questions regarding construction operations should be directed to the attention of AEW 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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Jim Kowalski, Director of Public Services