

September 17, 2010

## **Parkwood Knolls Neighborhood Reconstruction**

Dear Resident:

Please note that this update is divided into two sections. The first section, Phase Updates, contains specific information pertaining to particular residents while the second section, Overall Updates, contains important information pertaining to all residents.

### **PHASE UPDATES**

**Phase 1** - (South Knoll Drive, Knoll Drive, Idylwood Lane and part of Schaefer Road up to Idylwood Lane intersection)

Crews will continue working on minor clean up issues, and begin preparing the neighborhood area for the final pavement layer.

At this time, they plan on paving the final layer of pavement on your streets on Tuesday September 28<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday September 29<sup>th</sup>. No special instructions are needed, as you can drive on the paved surface once it is rolled out.

**Phase 2** - (Schaefer Road north of Idylwood, Parkwood Road and Westwood Court)

#### **Clean up and Restoration:**

Sod has been restored in your area of the neighborhood.

If you live where new sod was recently installed in front of your home, please begin watering it immediately! If you don't have sod yet, it will be coming soon. Once it is in place, the rule of thumb for watering mature lawns is a minimum of 1 inch per week. New sod requires twice as much water or 2 inches per week done in three or four applications.

Lawns need deep roots to help them withstand the hot weather and periods of little or no rain. The contractor will water the sod on an as needed basis using a water truck for a period of 6 weeks. Your efforts, when combined with the contractor's, will help the sod look its best. After 6 weeks, it will be entirely up to you to water the new sod!

Do not mow the new sod until either the grass lies over and mats down when wetted or it "roots down" and you are unable to easily lift the sod from the soil. Then set the mower deck at the highest setting and cut the new sod at this setting for the remainder of the year. **If you have a lawn service, please pass this information on to them.**

Do not fertilize your new sod until next spring. If you fertilize sooner, you risk killing the sod. It was fertilized at the farm where it was grown. The sod will brown for the winter and green again in the spring when it receives moisture from the snowmelt. Because it takes about three years for new sod to mature, you must continue to water your sod as described in this update for the next several growing seasons! If you are using a lawn service, please share this information with them.

At this time, they plan on paving the final layer of bituminous asphalt on your streets on Tuesday September 28<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday September 29<sup>th</sup>. No special instructions are needed, as you can drive on the paved surface once it is rolled out.

## **OVERALL UPDATES**

### **Safety**

Please remind your children to stay away from construction sites, construction machinery, and stockpiled materials. These sites, machines, and materials can be dangerous. Job site safety is our number one concern.

### **Who to Contact in an Emergency**

During a life or property-threatening emergency, call 911. If construction equipment or materials need to be moved as part of dealing with the emergency, 911 has a list of the contractor's emergency contacts.

### **Who to Contact with Questions and Concerns**

As always, please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. I can be reached in the office at 952-826-0444 or [akuznia@ci.edina.mn.us](mailto:akuznia@ci.edina.mn.us)

The City of Edina and Northwest Asphalt, Inc. would like to thank you for your cooperation during this project.

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