

August 28, 2009

Edina Country Club Area Residents:

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

### **OVERALL WEEKLY UPDATES**

#### **Temporary School Bus Stop Locations for Children in the Entire Project Area**

With input from the City, school bus operators for Edina Public Schools (EPS), Breck and Blake schools have decided to once again, and as much as possible, avoid traveling the north-south streets through the project area with their school buses for the start of the 2009 school year.

Effective Monday morning September 8 EPS will pick up children from all Stages of the project area at only the temporary school bus stop locations shown in Palda's bi-weekly progress map. A link to this map is given later in this City Extra. You can also find the map included with Construction Update No. 4. Construction Update No. 4 was sent to you today from City Hall via snail mail. The map is also posted at the following link.

<http://www.sehinc.com/online/edina/index.htm>

Service at only these temporary bus stops will continue until late-October.

Please have your children show up at their regularly scheduled pick up time at the temporary school bus stop closest to your home.

If your child attends Blake or Breck School, please watch for a letter from them regarding their bus stop locations.

#### **Reinstatement of Bridge Street Parking Ban**

In order to accommodate the school buses use of Bridge Street, also effective September 8, the City will reinstate the parking restriction along the south side of Bridge Street east of Browndale Avenue. Between and including September 8 and late-October, there will be no parking on either side of Bridge Street east of Browndale Avenue. We understand this is an inconvenience. The ban is necessary to provide access to both emergency vehicles and buses.

#### **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 emergency contacts for Palda.

## Palda's Bi-Weekly Progress Map

The map for the period August 31 - September 13 is available for your review at the following link:

<http://www.sehinc.com/online/edina/index.htm>

### **STAGE UPDATES**

#### **Stage 6B & 7**

##### Sod Care

Please continue watering the new sod in front of your home. New sod requires at least 2 inches of water per week done in three or four applications.

Palda's responsibility for watering your new sod stopped on August 10. It is now your responsibility to keep your sod watered!

#### **Stage 8**

Please refer to Palda's bi-weekly progress map for a description of upcoming work except as modified below.

##### Streets, Sidewalks, Driveways, and Boulevards

If new sod was recently installed in front of your home, please begin watering it immediately! 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.

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.

## **Stage 9**

Please refer to Palda's bi-weekly progress map for a description of upcoming work except as modified below.

### Streets, Sidewalks, Driveways, and Boulevards

During the week of August 31, Palda will begin installing the concrete curb and gutter and driveway aprons along Arden Avenue. They will also finish this work along Bruce Avenue near 50<sup>th</sup> Street.

While this work occurs, you will not be able to use your driveway for approximately three consecutive days while the concrete driveway aprons harden. Palda will coordinate the concrete pour with you using a doorknob hanger.

During this period when you cannot access your driveway, you can park in front of your house after working hours, along the west side of Arden and Bruce Avenues. As soon as the concrete hardens, Palda will notify you that you can access your driveway. A temporary gravel ramp will be constructed to allow access to your driveway until the rest of the Arden Avenue pavement is installed during the week of September 7.

We understand that this is an inconvenience. Please now contact me if you live along Arden or Bruce Avenue and need assistance traveling from your home to your parked vehicle, or if you have special needs that demand you have continuous access to your driveway. Such needs might be delivery of heavy oxygen bottles for a medical condition. Palda will accommodate such special needs.

## **Stage 10**

Please refer to Palda's bi-weekly progress map for a description of upcoming work except as modified below.

### Temporary Water Main

Homes along Country Club Road continue to receive their water from the temporary trunk water main pipe network.

Do not shut off the hose bib; if it is turned off, the water is shut-off to the home. If necessary, please remind your lawn service not to shut-off this hose bib either.

When you cut your grass, please be careful with lawn mowers near the temporary water service pipe. It is possible to cut open the temporary water service pipe with a lawn mower blade. If applicable, please pass this warning along to your lawn service.

### Open-cut Sanitary Sewer Trunk Pipe Reconstruction

During the week of August 31, Palda will reconstruct select segments of the trunk sanitary sewer pipe using the open-cut method. If your house is connected to a particular

segment of trunk sanitary sewer pipe reconstructed by this method, you should expect short-term blockage in your sanitary sewer service. Palda will coordinate the date, time, and duration of these blockages with you using a door knob hanger.

#### Cured-in-Place Pipe (CIPP) Sanitary Sewer Trunk Pipe Reconstruction

During the week of September 7, Palda will install CIPP liner in the sanitary sewer trunk pipes shown in the progress map. During the installation of the actual CIPP liner, your home will be without its sanitary sewer service for up to 12 hours.

Palda will use a doorknob hanger to notify you of the actual date and time the blockage will begin. During the blockage, please refrain from showers, baths, washing clothes and dishes, and limit the flushing of your toilet. The doorknob hanger will also list emergency contact information for you to use if you encounter difficulties during your particular blockage.

Please now pour 1 gallon of water down every drain in your home. This will fill your plumbing traps with water and prevent odors associated with CIPP work from entering your home through your private sanitary sewer service pipe.

#### Private Sanitary Sewer Service Pipes

During the week of September 7, Palda will begin reconstructing the actual connection point between your private sanitary sewer service pipe and the trunk sanitary sewer service pipe by digging a hole in the street in front of each home.

This work will result in short-term blockage of your private sanitary sewer service pipe. Palda will coordinate the date, time, and duration of this blockage with you using a door knob hanger.

Sincerely,

Chad Millner , PE

SEH Project Engineer