
To: Residents/Owners
Subject: 2020 Street & Utility Reconstruction
Thompson Drive/Knollwood Trail
1st Street East
Date: May 20, 2020

The contractor for this project, Haas Sons, Inc. of Thorp, has notified the City of their intent to begin construction activities on Thompson Drive and Knollwood Trail on Tuesday, May 26th. Haas will begin by removing pavement on Thompson Drive northward from Edgewood Drive and clearing and grubbing trees. Their initial focus beyond that will be on water services and storm sewer work on the same segment. Shortly thereafter, they'll complete storm sewer work on 1st Street East. Those of you that live south of Edgewood Drive will not initially be directly affected, but are encouraged to remain aware of progress and move your vehicles when activities begin near your home.

The scope of the project includes the following.

Thompson Drive – Devney Drive to Edgewood Drive

- Removal and replacement of aggregate base course and asphaltic pavement
- Minor storm sewer work
- Limited repair of curb and gutter and sidewalk
- Removal of Ash trees

Thompson Drive – Edgewood Drive to Knollwood Trail
Knollwood Trail from Thompson Drive to the Water Tower

- Full removal and replacement of the roadway
- Water service replacement
- Limited sidewalk repair

1st Street East – Lynn Avenue to Dead End

- Minor storm sewer work
- Construction of aggregate base, curb and gutter, and asphaltic pavement.

Although vehicle access to your property may be possible during construction, there will be times that access to your driveway may be restricted due to utility construction or grading activities. You are advised to park outside of the construction limits once work begins on your street.

The City Engineer will be on-site frequently during construction and will answer questions regarding the project. Other City personnel, and consultants working on behalf of the City, may be present as well.

If you are considering conversion to Xcel Energy gas for heating, please contact Xcel Energy immediately at (800)895-4999. After this street has been resurfaced, permits to excavate in the street will not be issued, except in an emergency, for a period of five years.

Water services (on Thompson Drive & Knollwood Trail north of Edgewood Drive) will be replaced from the main under the roadway to the boulevard as part of the project. If you're considering replacement of your water service from the end of the new pipe into your house as a preventative measure, during the project may be the best time to do so.

There will be disturbance within the right-of-way which may interfere with landscaping or other items. Residents that wish to save any landscaping (including plants), irrigation systems, electronic dog fences, etc. located in the street right-of-way should do so prior to the beginning of construction. The contractor cannot guarantee the condition of these items once construction begins, and these items exist in the public right-of-way at your own risk. The City will not be replacing these items. Mail service during construction is the responsibility of the US Postal Service. Haas is required by contract to install a temporary bank of mailboxes at a nearby intersection. Trash collection is at the discretion of the waste hauling companies. Please contact your respective provider if you have any questions regarding delivery and collection during construction.

New concrete curb & gutter and driveways should not be driven on for a minimum of seven days after they are poured. This time permits the concrete to gain full strength so it can provide you with many years of service.

Inconvenience to residents will be kept to a minimum whenever possible. We appreciate your patience during this construction project.

For more information about this project, please call City Hall at (715)839-6092. If you're interested in more frequent updates on construction progress, please email the City Engineer at davidw@ci.altoona.wi.us and request that you be added to the email list. We look forward to working with you in the interest of a better street and utility system for the City of Altoona.