

2021 Street and Utility Improvement Project Montgomery, Minnesota

Project Update



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This update is being provided to inform you of construction activity on the above-referenced project.

If you have neighbors not receiving updates, please remind them:

E-mail name, property address, and email address to Julie Brinkman at jbrinkman@sehinc.com **AND / OR**

Receive Notices by Text Message and links to updates posted on the City's project webpage by texting **MONTY2021** to the number **833.709.1208**.

Work this week of October 4th:

Phase 3A (Hillcrest Drive and Inner Drive): Grading crew final graded boulevards and road in preparation for paving. (Scheduled for Friday, October 8th.)

Phase 3B (East Circle Drive from North Circle Drive to Inner Drive): Grading crew began subcutting the street, placing fabric, drain tile, sand, and gravel. Utilities at the intersection of Inner Drive are completed.

Phase 4 (East Circle Drive from Inner Drive to Hickory Avenue): Utility work south of the intersection of Inner Drive are nearly completed.

Week of October 11th:

Phase 3B (East Circle Drive from North Circle Drive to Inner Drive): Grading crew will final grade road in preparation for curb and gutter.

Phase 4 (East Circle Drive from Inner Drive to Hickory Avenue): Utility crew will finish utility work (services). Work will then move to Hickory Avenue between 2nd Street and East Circle Drive starting with removing reclaimed aggregate surface, curb and gutter, and concrete driveway aprons, followed by utility work (water main and storm sewer). Grading crew will begin subcutting the street, placing fabric, drain tile, sand, and gravel.

Week of October 18th:

Phase 3B (East Circle Drive from North Circle Drive to Inner Drive): Grading crew anticipates placing curb and gutter followed by concrete driveway aprons.

Phase 4 (East Circle Drive from Inner Drive to Hickory Avenue): Grading crew anticipates placing curb and gutter followed by concrete driveway aprons. This is where the contractor will suspend utility work and finish in 2022.

Concrete: Please remember, concrete that has just been poured needs time to cure. Even though it may look passable, even walking on it may damage the surface. Once the concrete has been poured, a curing compound is placed on the surface to help it cure evenly. The white compound may look like the concrete is dry, but again it is still wet. It takes 7 to 10 days for the concrete to be able to drive on it and not do any harm. Please refrain from walking on it or driving bikes on it in the first week because it will damage the concrete.

Substantially Completed Phases:

- Phase 1: Substantially Complete / waiting on final turf acceptance*
- Phase 2A: Paving complete, waiting on final turf acceptance
- Phase 2B: Paving complete, waiting on final turf acceptance

Active Phases:

- Phase 3A: Hillcrest Drive from North Circle Drive to Inner Drive and Inner Drive from West Circle Drive to Hillcrest Drive – seeding work remaining.

Inner Drive from Hillcrest Drive to East Circle Drive – Bituminous surface, topsoil, and seeding work remaining.
- Phase 3B: East Circle Drive from North Circle Drive to Inner Drive – Utility work is finished, street work to continue (grading, curb, and paving remaining).
- Phase 4: East Circle Drive from Inner Drive to Hickory Avenue – Utility work in progress.

The Next Phases on the current phasing plan are:

- Phase 3C: Rogers Drive overlay to be done in 2022
- Phase 5: Hickory Avenue from East Circle Drive to 5th Street – to be done in 2022. Most likely the contractor will suspend removals and utility work on Hickory Avenue (east of East Circle Drive) and complete that work in early-spring 2022. The issue is that it is getting difficult to coordinate subcontractors and be assured work will be completed if they were to start construction too late in the season. Under the contract as bid, it was assumed the project could go into a second season.

*** Turf acceptance:** Where turf acceptance is still pending. There will be a follow up review and some additional overseeding work done in some areas. If there are weeds that have popped up, it will help to mow the grass and weeds high. Note: the thick bladed grass is an annual rye used to assist in establishing the perennial grass seed. Please refer to the information “Caring for your seeded area” provided in previous Project Updates.

Schedules: Please remember that schedules can change at a moment’s notice because of weather, delays by subcontractors, or other unforeseen events.

Access: The limited access in this neighborhood continues to make things challenging for everyone; the residents as well as the contractor, suppliers, delivery drivers, garbage haulers, etc. Rain and wet conditions also add to those challenges. Every storm drain installed and street graveled and then paved gets us all a little closer and will make the access and weather conditions easier to manage. **We appreciate everyone’s patience!**

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me or City Engineer/Project Manager Chris Cavett.

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