

2020 Street Improvement Project Montgomery, Minnesota

Project Update



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Week of July 20-July 24:

On Wednesday, July 22nd, the contractor plans to reclaim the pavement on and around the east block of North Welco Drive and a few select "patching" areas on West Welco Drive. That will be followed up soon afterwards with the placement of base pavement in those areas.

"Reclaimed" pavement, is ground up by equipment with spinning "teeth" until the particles reach a suitable gradation. This provides a granular material to be used as gravel base for the road. This recycling uses existing pavement and helps control project costs. The reclaimed roadway will be leveled and compacted, and will then be driveable while it is prepared for paving. You will still have access to your driveway during this phase of the project.

Week of July 27-July 31:

The rest of the streets in the project areas will only be milled to prepare for overlay paving of the existing street surface with a new lift of pavement. The milling process is to reestablish the crown of the road to help water shed from the road to the gutter. PLEASE - No parking on street during the day until after the street has been milled and the contractor has left.

Week of August 3-August 7: The contractor will place "no parking" signs on the project prior to this final paving prep work. The contractor will first start with a procedure called an underseal (aka "Texas underseal"), which is essentially "sealcoating" the existing underlying pavement just prior to the final layer of pavement is placed. The underseal process has been effective in reducing the severity of "reflective" cracking that passes from the old pavement to the new pavement surface. Once the paving is completed, the contractor will remove traffic control and erosion control. **Once streets have been rolled and the bituminous has cooled, pavement can be driven on. However, please avoid parking or turning your wheels on the new pavement, if possible, as this can leave marks, especially in hot weather.**

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

NOTE: If you have an active irrigation system, we ask that you avoid using it from the time the streets are reclaimed/milled until the final paving is completed. Water pooled on the streets from irrigation systems can disrupt operations.

Seeded Areas: By the time you receive this, the contractor should have completed seeding and hydromulching of the disturbed areas. Please refer to the information sheet on caring for the recently seeded area. Your attention to the seeded area will help with the success of reestablishing turf in those areas.

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

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