

Grandview South Area

IMPROVEMENTS

SEPT 2021

CITY PERSONNEL

ENGINEERING OFFICE

763-569-3340

Business hours

(8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.)

EMAIL

publicworks@ci.brooklyn-center.mn.us

FAX

763-569-3440

Jay Hill | Principal Engineer

Nathan Braman | Project Inspector

Trevor Williams | Project Inspector

Mike Albers | City Engineer Bolton & Menk will be assisting with construction staking and surveying.

UTILITY OUTAGES

Please contact the following for utility outages:

CenterPoint Energy

612-372-5050 (GAS LEAK)

Xcel Energy

1-800-895-1999 (ELECTRIC OUTAGE)

CenturyLink

1-877-348-9007

Comcast

1-800-934-6489

City of Brooklyn Center

WATER | SANITARY SEWER | STORM SEWER | STREET LIGHTING OR TRAFFIC SIGNAL SYSTEMS

Weekdays

7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. 763-585-7100

Weekdays after 3:30 p.m.

and on weekends, call 911 and the dispatcher will contact the appropriate on-call service staff.

Project Update

Stage 1 - East Portion of Project

The Contractor, Ryan Contracting Company, has completed all of the utility work, concrete curbs and gutters and driveways, the first lift of bituminous pavement, and turf restoration on Stage 1. The next work on these streets will be tree restoration, miscellaneous repair work and the final lift of bituminous pavement. The final lift of bituminous paving is expected to be completed in September 2021.

Stage 2 - West Portion of Project

The Contractor has completed all of the utility work for Stage 2 and has installed the concrete curbs and gutters, driveways and paving the first lift of bituminous on the street. The Contractor is continuing to place topsoil, sodding the boulevards, and miscellaneous work. Trees are anticipated to be planted in the fall. The final lift of bituminous paving is expected to be completed in late September 2021.

Project Hours

In order to maintain the project schedule, the City has authorized the contractor to work from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday thru Friday. Extended hours beyond 7 p.m. and work on Saturdays may occur when necessitated and approved by the City.

Underground Sprinkler Systems

If you have an underground sprinkler system, please contact us at 763-569-3340, so we can coordinate any necessary repairs. Repairs will be made after the curb & gutter has been installed.

Special Assessments

Assessment fees can be paid in full, without interest, through September 30, 2021. From October 1 through the end of the business day on November 21, 2021, you can pay the assessment with 3.0 percent interest calculated from October 1 through the date of your actual payment. Please contact the Community Development department at 763-569-3330 for a payoff balance.

If you choose to not pay by November 21, 2021, the special assessments will show up on your property taxes beginning some time in 2022. If your property taxes are escrowed, your monthly payment may be different, depending on how your mortgage holder calculates your escrow.

Special Needs

If you have any special needs regarding access to or from your home, for example to go to a doctor's appointment, or to have Meals on Wheels delivered, please call the Engineering Division at 763-569-3340 to let us know so we can ensure access in and out of your property when necessary. Also, if you are moving during the construction period or have some other large event planned, it is important for you to let us know as soon as possible so we can work with you to coordinate access when you need it.

Grandview South Area Improvements

Sod Reminder

DO NOT MOW YOUR SOD until either the grass lays over and mats down when wetted, or the grass begins to go to seed (the City will not tag you for tall grass during the first growing season). Don't be alarmed if either of these conditions does not occur in the first 30 days.

Before mowing the new sod, set the mower deck at the <u>highest</u> <u>setting</u> (3-inches minimum) and the cut the new sod with this setting for the remainder of the year.

Your new sod will die if you cut it at the same setting as the one you ordinarily use to cut your mature lawn.



Please Keep Watering

For properties that received new sod, we cannot stress enough that the sod needs extra water for at least its first year. The Contractor is responsible for watering the sod for the first 30 days. After the first 30 days, it becomes the responsibility of the homeowners to water and maintain the sod properly. We cannot stress enough that the sod needs proper care including additional watering and fertilizing. Morning is the best time to water most lawn areas because more of the water is absorbed into your lawn. After about 10 a.m. heat steals moisture from your lawn by evaporation.

Next spring and summer, please water the sodded areas more frequently than you would the rest of your yard. It costs about \$3.63 a week to water the new sod thoroughly—but a lot more than that to resod or re-seed.

TREE CITY USA

Since 1992 Brooklyn Center has strived for and achieved designation as a Tree City USA by the National Arbor Day Foundation. Brooklyn Center is proud to have been name a Tree City USA for the **29th year!**

This national award recognizes communities with effective community forestry programs. The City's forestry programs include the following:

- · Care for and planting of park and boulevard trees
- Diseased and nuisance tree removal program
- Mandatory tree contractor registrations requiring certain minimums of liability insurance
- Boulevard tree planting permits requiring proper placement of tree and selection of tree species
- A tree ordinance specifying proper standards of care for all trees
- An Arbor Day and Month Program which travels between elementary schools in Brooklyn Center, providing teaching resources activities, and an Arbor Day event to plant one or more trees.

GREENSTEP CITY PROGRAM

Brooklyn Center is one of many Minnesota cities that are a Minnesota GreenStep City. The GreenStep City program is a voluntary program that provides a simple pathway to help cities achieve their sustainability goals through implementation of best practices focused on cost savings, energy use reduction, and innovation. You can learn more about the program and track the City's progress at http://greenstep.pca.state.mn.us/index.cfm or call Public Works at 763-569-3340.

