



June 9, 2017

**IMPORTANT NOTICE!  
PLEASE READ CAREFULLY**

**POPPLETON AVE. PAVING PROJECT  
PROJECT ANNOUNCEMENT**

**Poppleton Ave. – Knox Ave. to Maple Rd.**

DiPonio Contracting, Inc. has been awarded the contract to perform minor water and sewer improvements, followed by new concrete pavement on the above noted block. The work has been scheduled to be done quickly, yet also phased to ensure that traffic to and from the adjacent Kroger shopping center parking lot remains open at all times (details below). The paving work is considered street maintenance, and property owners are not being assessed for this work. Following is a description of what is proposed:

Work will begin approximately the second week of July. At that time, work will include minor storm sewer changes and a fire hydrant replacement at the Knox Ave. intersection, which should take about three days. Pavement removal and replacement will be completed in three different phases in order to manage traffic. During the first two phases, the road will remain open between Maple Rd. and the first Kroger driveway. During the final phase, the road will be open from Maple Rd. to the second Kroger driveway. During all three phases, large trucks needing to access the parking lot will be directed to use Knox Ave. and Adams Rd. only. The entire project should take five weeks, with completion planned for mid-August. The project will include all new driveways in the right-of-way, and sidewalk work where needed. After all concrete work is complete, lawn areas between the sidewalk and curb will be repaired with new sod.

We do not plan to shut down the water main for this project. However, during replacement of the fire hydrant or sewer, there may be an unplanned water service disruption. When excavation is occurring in the immediate area, unplanned problems can sometimes develop. There is the risk of unannounced water outages due to the uncertain nature of any underground work. We will make every attempt to notify you of a planned outage, however, there may be unplanned emergencies when there will be no warning. We will also attempt to notify you if we think an outage would go beyond a reasonable time, i.e., two hours. We suggest that you maintain a few gallons of water in reserve for consumption and cooking should this occur. Such storage should be replaced every few days for health reasons. After water is turned back on, it may appear rusty due to disruptions in normal pressure and flow patterns. The rust is not a health issue, but will discolor laundry until it has been flushed out.

As noted above, access to the Kroger parking lot will be maintained throughout the job. The other driveways on the project will have to be closed when the adjacent road and driveway itself is being rebuilt. Tenants of the adjacent office building are encouraged to use their Maple Rd.

entrance, while homeowners are asked to park on the adjacent streets. If you have health or disability issues that make these conditions difficult, please contact our office at the number below so that special considerations can be made where necessary.

Upon completion of the paving, all lawn areas between the sidewalk and the curb will be graded, and sod will be installed. All property owners in the project area with special treatments on City property, such as underground sprinklers, brick pavers, ornamental stonework, flowers, shrubs or other landscaping treatments need to be aware that if those items are in the way of work being performed by the contractor, the City will not be responsible in the event of damage to these features. The contractor will be asked to use all due care in these areas, but if they are directly in the area where work must be performed, they will not be repaired as a part of the project. Additionally, contractors may accidentally damage or destroy the above described in the right-of-way in general, which the City will not be held responsible for. If you are concerned about these items, you are encouraged to remove them in advance of construction if possible.

**Neither the City nor the Contractor is responsible for damage to a sprinkler system. To reduce the chance for damage, we would appreciate if you would mark the location of any sprinkler systems along the “house” side of the sidewalk. Even if they are marked, if they are in conflict with the work area, damage should be expected. We recommend that the sprinkler systems be disconnected and/or turned off in the front of your house until the contractor has completed his work. Disconnection will help prevent damage and the inadvertent loss of water. This is the responsibility of each homeowner.**

During construction, the City Inspector and contractor foreman will be on site to respond to your immediate concerns. (i.e., dust, mud, entering and exiting streets and driveways) Most isolated instances are resolved by our “field” personnel. They should be dressed in an orange vest, or you may ask others on the job site for the inspector. Should larger issues arise, feel free to call the Engineering Department at 248-530-1850.