

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT CONSTRUCTION

Question: When will the work take place?

Answer: The contractor's typical working hours are 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday, and 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday. Work is typically not allowed on Sunday or a holiday, unless approved by the city where special conditions exist.

Question: Why was my neighborhood chosen for street surface improvement program?

Answer: The streets were selected based on several factors, including: poor condition of the bituminous surfacing based on the *Pavement Index Condition* (PCI) system, available funding and the age of the underground infrastructure.

Question: Who do I contact if I have questions during the construction?

Answer: You should contact the Project Inspector that will be assigned to the project. You will be notified either by a letter or they will hand out business cards in the spring. The Project Inspector will be present on site during the construction activity. The city's Project Manager assigned to the project is Ben Nelson, and he can be reached by phone at (763) 576-2785 or via email at bnelson@ci.anoka.mn.us.

Question: What is the scope of the work to be completed?

Answer: The construction activities include reclaiming the bituminous pavement, transferring the material to one side of the road at a time to remove subgrade material (sand) and placing the material back. Once the concrete work is completed, the road will be graded and paved.

Question: When does the project start and be completed?

Answer: The project will begin in April/May and typically will be completed by the end of October. When the project is about to begin in the spring, you will see spray paint on the road, curb & gutter and sidewalks marking the removals for the contractor.

Question: Will my garbage be picked up during construction and where should I place my garbage can on the day it is picked up?

Answer: You should place your garbage can at the end of your driveway as usual. When construction occurs in front of your house on garbage collection day, the contractor will move your garbage can to a location it will be picked up, and then return it to your driveway. If any interruptions do occur, you should contact the Project Inspector, so they can notify the contractor of the interruption.

Question: Will there be any interruptions to mail delivery?

Answer: Occasionally interruptions do occur to mail service due to the construction activity near mail boxes that are down by the street. If necessary, the contractor will work with you and USPS to arrange an alternate method of mail delivery.



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Question: Will my underground lawn irrigation system be impacted?

Answer: Typically irrigation systems are not impacted, the only time an irrigation system may be is if curb or sidewalk is being replaced adjacent to the system in the boulevard. If you have an underground lawn irrigation system, it is your responsibility to contact the Anoka Engineering Department at (763) 576-2980 or via email at publicservices@ci.anoka.mn.us.

Question: Will the city update me on the project schedule or status during construction?

Answer: Yes, there will be midstone updates posted on the home page of the city's website titled *2022 Road Construction Updates*. Please visit the city's web stie at: www.ci.anoka.mn.us.

Question: What is the main purpose of a stop sign?

Answer: The main purpose of a stop sign is not to slow traffic, but it is to assist with traffic control and prevent crashes; specifically, to assign right-of-way

Question: Are stop signs effective in slowing traffic speeds?

Answer: Stop signs are often not effective in slowing traffic speeds:

- Studies have shown that compliance with unwarranted stop signs is very poor
- Speeds can actually increase between stop signs

Question: What is the main purpose of speed limits?

Answer: To provide uniform traffic flow, balance risk & travel time and to establish an environment where all vehicles are traveling at or near the same speed, reducing the potential for crashes.

Question: If you lower the speed limit will traffic slow down?

Answer: Lowering a speed limit does not slow down traffic.

- There is little change after lowering a speed limit
- Changing the posted speed limit alone, has only a minor effect on driver behavior
- Uniform speed on all residential roads provides the safest environment

