

Project Update



PIERZ 169999

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The project team would like to thank you for your patience and cooperation during construction. **Expect continued disruption from your normal day-to-day routine.** Feel free to continue to contact SEH with any questions or concerns regarding the project. We hope to respond in a timely manner. However, when more than one team member needs to be consulted, it may take a little longer to provide you with accurate up-to-date information.

Just a reminder that Shawn Kapsch, SEH's Field Representative, will be on-site during active construction to observe project progress. He is the fastest link to problem solving because he communicates directly with everyone on the construction team. Do not hesitate to contact Shawn at 320.292.5389 with any questions you may have. If you are unable to reach Shawn in the field, please contact Jarod Griffith at 218.849.0539 in the SEH office.

If you wish to receive future Project Updates via email, please provide your email to Melissa Blommel at mblommel@sehinc.com.

Project Status and Schedule

Due to the weather, the City's General Contractor (Kuechle Underground) and their team of subcontractors were not able to complete all the activities in the last newsletter, but quite a bit was accomplished, and the project is still on track to be completed on schedule. The following activities have been completed since our last update:

- Surface removals on Summer Street and 1st Avenue SW.
- Water main and services on Peter Avenue, 1st Avenue SW, and Summer Street.
- Storm Sewer on Peter Avenue.
- Road building activities on 1st Avenue NE, Peter Avenue, and Cassie Alley.

Kuechle Underground anticipates the following tentative schedule:

- Week of July 15th – Storm Sewer on Summer Street / 1st Avenue SW and road building activities on Summer Street / 1st Avenue SW.
- Week of July 22nd – Concrete activities on 1st Avenue NE / Peter Avenue and road building activities on Summer Street / 1st Avenue SW.
- Week of July 29th – Concrete activities on 1st Avenue NE and road building activities on Summer Street / 1st Avenue SW.
- Week of August 5th – Bituminous Paving on 1st Avenue NE / Peter Avenue and concrete activities on Summer Street / 1st Avenue SW.
- Week of August 12th – Bituminous Paving on Summer Street / 1st Avenue SW / Cassie Alley and concrete activities on 1st Avenue NE / Peter Avenue.

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

Driveway Access

Please note, your driveway and or one end of your alley will not be vehicle-accessible when concrete curbs and driveway/alley aprons are being poured and curing. Concrete can take up to 7 days to properly cure prior to driving a vehicle on it. Property owners with driveways fronting streets currently under construction will need to park on side streets outside of the project area during this time.

Please continue to refrain from on-street parking within the project area until further notice.

Lead Water Service Line Replacement

The Rich Prairie Sewer and Water District recently awarded a project to Tretter Excavating that replaces existing lead / galvanized water services on 1st Avenue NE and Summer Street. This project is scheduled to start in August. The LSL project schedule may impact the construction schedule of the City's street project, like installation of sidewalks and driveways. Coordination between the two projects is key to maintaining the City's street project schedule.

Construction Zone

Barricade and road closure signs may be installed throughout the project area to protect motorists during construction. Please pay careful attention to the warning signs! "Road Closed" signs are used where the road is impassable and closed to all traffic except for the Contractor's equipment or officially authorized vehicles. "Road Closed to Thru Traffic" signs are used where through traffic must detour to avoid a closure some distance beyond the sign, but where local traffic can move up to the point of closure. In this instance, local traffic would be defined as residential traffic from the particular street under construction.

As the Contractor's operations move during construction, you may observe that signs and barricades move as well. We understand this may be frustrating! Please allow extra time in your schedule as you drive through the construction zone. Please advise your family and guests to exercise caution and safe driving speeds. Be sure workers and heavy equipment operators see you before driving around them.

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