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Department of Environmental Services

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10 Felix Street

Minutes of Pre-Construction Meeting 2021 Water Main Lining and Lead Service Replacement Project

> Wednesday June 2, 2021 6:30 PM City of Rochester Bureau of Water Zoom Video Conference

## Attendees:

## 1. Welcome and Introductions

The attendees were welcomed to the meeting. All attendees were introduced: David Rowley, Chief of Water Quality, Water Lauren Monaghan, Project Manager, Water Jamie Treuthart, Project Designer & Field Representative, Water

Residents that attended and provided names:

- Stephanie Frontz, 476 Alexander St
- Vince
- Robert and Dianne Tripp, 55 Windemere Rd
- Ed and Carl
- Mark Greenstein
- Mike Dwyer
- 2. Power Point Presentation (see attached)

## 3. Questions and Answers

- 18:52:14 From Vince to Everyone: what if pipe rust through to the exterior, what is the process
  - The streets and water mains selected are those that we consider structurally sound and will benefit from the cleaning and lining operations.
  - Older cast iron pipes have a very think wall thickness and although breaks and leaks do occur the majority of them have excessive build-up in-side the mains which will be cleaned out during the construction process.
- 18:54:21 From RTRIPP to Everyone: To access the home through the basement window what if you have glass block basement windows?
  - The Contractor will find the simplest and least intrusive way to provide a temporary service to your home. Sometimes there may be a vent or screen portion of the basement window that can be used. The Contractor is responsible to restoring the condition of the home back to the pre-construction condition if necessary.
- 18:57:54 From RTRIPP to Everyone: What if you are on vacation during the time that the construction team needs access to your home?
  - Most streets will be under construction for approximately 3-4 weeks and we can work around your schedule. If you know in advance that no one will be home for an extended period of time, we can also work with a neighbor that you trust to also provide access to your basement. Feel free to reach out to the Project Manager to provide any dates that you will be out of town so that we can coordinate with the



contractor for scheduling purposes.

- 18:58:07 From Vince to Everyone: We have two homes slated for this project on our street will the bypass pipes be removed after our homes (on the street) are completed or do the temp pipes stay until all streets in the area are completed?
  - The Contractor will likely be working on the 4-5 streets within each section at a time. All bypass piping will be installed for all 5 streets, the work will be completed, and then all bypass piping will be removed from the area.
- 18:58:22 From STEPHANIE FRONTZ to Everyone: Do residents receive these notices as well as owners?
  - Owners and residents have received this initial notice for this public meeting; however, moving forward only door hanger style notices will be dropped off by the construction team to the residence only. If, however we are having difficulty with the resident for access to the basement/meter location a letter will be sent to the owner for assistance.
- 18:58:38 From Ed&Carl to Everyone: Why is my address not included on the list when many of my neighbors are? Was it determined somehow my house does not have an issue?
  - If your address was not included on the list of lead services to be renewed, then our records indicate that you do not have a lead service line. You likely currently have a copper or plastic water service line to your home. This would depend on when the home was built, what material the contractors were using at the time, if the line had a prior leak it may have been replaced in past. Your service will remain intact however the watermain that it connects to will still be cleaned and lined.
- 19:01:26 From STEPHANIE FRONTZ to Everyone: How do I know which #project is Alexander St?
  - Alexander St is located within Section #3 which is currently scheduled to be the first area within the construction sequence. You can expect to receive your advanced construction notice very shortly.
- 19:01:36 From Vince to Everyone: Seems like there should be minimal disruption to home owner lawns. what would be an example of where the lawn would be torn up?
  - That is correct, the location of the access holes will largely be within the street pavement or in the tree lawns near the sidewalk. Any lawn area disturbed during construction will be restored at the end of the project.
- 19:02:08 From Vince to Everyone: Is this part of the Federal infrastructure initiative?
  - This project is not being funded by any federal or state infrastructure initiatives. The City of Rochester Water Bureau has been dedicated to spending City funds through the Capital Improvement Program Budget every year on maintenance and improvement projects such as this. Although we do regularly apply for grant funding when available from state or federal agencies.
- 19:02:52 From David Rowley to Everyone : for more info on leadhttps://www.cityofrochester.gov/drinkingwatersafety
- 19:03:57 From Mark Greenstein to Everyone: My house is listed on the IsIr list, where is the curb shut off located, also my cellar windows are glass brick. Will that be a problem?
  - The Water Bureau staff will locate and mark-out the exact location of your curb shut off prior to construction, but typically they are located within the tree lawn area between the street curbing and the sidewalk
  - As stated above, the contractor has been very successful in finding ways to get the temporary service into basements, even with homes with glass block windows.
- 19:12:44 From RTRIPP to Everyone: If we need our portion of the pipe replaced do you have recommendation on a contractor(s) to do this work?
  - Yes, the City has a list of current plumbing license holders that can be found on the City's website here: <u>https://www.cityofrochester.gov/licensedtrades/</u>
- 19:15:41 From Vince to Everyone: we have an insurance that covers the owners piece of pipe do your plumbers accept this type of ins.

- This would need to be worked out with the individual plumbers that are hired for the work
- 19:16:05 From Vince to Everyone: Okay,
- 19:16:14 From Vince to Everyone: Rodents sometimes
- 19:16:35 From Vince to Everyone: increase does the city put poison down for any issues

   No the City would not use any poisons if rodents are encountered, they may
   recommend an exterminator be called by the owner to evaluate the situation
- 19:17:18 From RTRIPP to Everyone: Thank you for this meeting. Very informative and interactive.

This summarizes my understanding of the discussions that occurred during this meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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Lauren Monaghan, P.E. Engineer III, Water Project Manager

Enclosures: Public Mtg Power Point

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