



WHITE BEAR LAKE *a City of Lakes & Legends*

MINNESOTA

2018 STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT

March 19, 2018

Subject: 2018 Street Reconstruction Project – City Project Nos.: 17-06/18-01/18-06
Driveway Replacement Program

Dear 2018 Street Reconstruction Residents:

White Bear Lake residents who live on streets scheduled for rehabilitation may take advantage of a unique opportunity to reconstruct their driveways during the street reconstruction process. If you are a property owner on the 2018 Street Reconstruction Project and are interested in the possibility of replacing your existing residential driveway, the Engineering Department will assist you by providing a cost proposal based upon unit prices included in the street contract. The Engineering Department will also supervise the construction of your new driveway.

*A copy of the City's Driveway Replacement Program brochure is enclosed.
Please thoroughly review the details of this program.*

The cost for each new driveway includes removal of the existing driveway, excavation to place the required driveway section, placement of 6" of aggregate base and placement of either 6" concrete pavement or 2" bituminous (blacktop) pavement as detailed in the Program brochure. The unit price for each material (concrete or bituminous) will be quoted on a square foot basis. These unit prices will be mailed to you after the contract has been awarded on April 10th.



This price **DOES NOT** include restoration of sod disturbed during the driveway reconstruction work. The Contractor makes every effort to minimize the disturbance to the surrounding yard, however it is likely that some restoration may be required. Restoration will vary for each driveway, but averages about 4 feet wide on each side of the driveway. Restoration costs are quoted by the square foot and consist of 4" of graded topsoil and sod placed along the edges of the driveway. Residents can choose to either add this cost to their total estimate or forego this restoration and complete the work on their own.

In order to adequately meet each resident's needs and construction timelines, the Engineering Department will begin preparing the driveway estimates on **April 23, 2018** for those residents interested in the program.

If you would like the Engineering Department to provide you with an estimate for your driveway, contact the Engineering Department at 651-429-8531 by **April 23, 2018**. *Most estimates can be completed without an appointment. However, if you are proposing changes to the dimensions of your driveway, we would like to meet with you in person to discuss them.*

You may also e-mail your request to cvermeersch@whitebearlake.org. Please include your name, address and a daytime phone number.

The City cannot take additional requests after April 23rd due to project coordination issues.

Private driveway work **CANNOT** be included in your assessment. If you decide to take part in having your driveway replaced as part of the street reconstruction project, your **payment must be received by the Engineering Department no later than May 18th**. Payments need to be made out to the City of White Bear Lake. We must adhere to the deadlines, so **any requests received after April 23rd or payments received after May 18th will not be eligible (NO EXCEPTIONS)!**

The City does not guarantee the price quotes provided by the contractor to be the lowest. Therefore, we highly recommend you receive quotes from other contractors. However, when receiving quotes from other contractors, it is important to note whether or not the materials they are bidding are the same materials as what the City is providing (as detailed in the Driveway Replacement Program brochure).

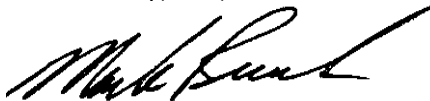
REMINDER: If you intend to have your driveway replaced by another contractor, this work must comply with the corresponding details outlined in the Program brochure. A permit must also be submitted **to the Engineering Department no later than May 18th**. After this date, the City will **NOT** issue driveway reconstruction permits to residents within the project area until after the project has been completed (*typically late September*).

All driveway proposals are subject to the approval of the City's Planning Department to ensure compliance with zoning codes. Please note that per City Code, residential curb openings are limited to a maximum width of 24 feet. Some existing curb openings are wider than this, and we will be working with those property owners to make modifications to bring them into compliance.

In closing, I can't emphasize enough that our Engineering staff is willing and always available to answer any questions you may have, now or during the reconstruction process. Please feel free to contact our office at 651-429-8531.

We appreciate your cooperation during the reconstruction and thank you in advance for your patience and understanding.

Kindest Regards,



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Director of Public Works / City Engineer

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Attachment



DRIVEWAY ESTIMATE TIMELINE

April 23 – Last Day to request driveway estimates

April 23 – Driveway Estimates Begin

May 18 – Payment Due & Permits Submitted