



CITY OF BATAVIA

JEFFERY D. SCHIELKE
Mayor

May 4, 2018

RESIDENT

BATAVIA, IL 60510

**RE: CONSTRUCTION NOTICE
2018 WARD 1 STORM SEWER RECONSTRUCTION & WATERMAIN
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS – CONSTRUCTION ZONE ON GIESE ROAD
BETWEEN KIRK ROAD AND LARKSPUR LANE**

Dear Resident,

As part of the City of Batavia's efforts to alleviate repeated drainage concerns in Ward 1 on the City's east side, the City Council allocated funds to complete a thorough drainage study in the 2016 fiscal year. The City hired WBK Engineering to complete both the initial drainage study and the final engineering plans for the proposed improvements. Due to the size of the project construction will be separated into phases and constructed over a four period. This year the work will take place starting from the downstream end, at the outfall south of the Kirk and Giese Road intersection, continuing north to Giese, then west along Giese stopping at the intersection of Larkspur Lane and Giese Road. In addition to the new storm sewer, watermain will also be replaced due to the age of the pipe and history of frequent breaks in this area.

The project includes construction of large diameter storm sewer, precast box culverts, watermain replacement, concrete curb and gutter, sidewalk, and restoration among other items in the area of Giese Road between Kirk Road and Larkspur. The expected completion date for this project is August 24, 2018. However, please be aware that construction completion is dependent on the relocation of existing utilities by AT&T, NICOR and other companies so it is possible that completion may extend beyond this date.

Construction

Performance Construction & Engineering is the general contractor and the City's representative for construction inspection is Baxter and Woodman Engineering. *We are expecting that Performance Construction will begin setting up material and staging construction on Giese Road the week of May 21st with construction to commence on watermain improvements starting soon thereafter.*

During the construction of the storm sewer along Kirk Road, only one lane of southbound traffic will be open. Giese Road will remain open to traffic for the project duration however the area will be busy with construction traffic. In addition, the contractor will be using the area for staging of materials and equipment. The intersections at Garden Court, Woodland Hills Road, and Larkspur will experience temporary closures when sewers are installed across these intersections. As a result, motorists will experience delays. The city would like to advise the residents to allow extra time for the travel through these intersections. Garden Court residents in particular will be given updates with more information with respect to this as construction progresses.

Construction equipment staged on the street will be barricaded off every night. In addition, there is potential that some material will be staged in the parkway of the north side of Giese Road. Any grassed area that is disturbed by the contractor will be restored with seed and blanket at the conclusion of the construction.

Please note that the bicycle path along the west side of Kirk will be closed for much of the project. Detour signage will be posted along the proposed route once construction starts in this area.

Finally, as part of the overall construction project Giese Road pavement will be narrowed to a standard two lane road width between Garden Court and Larkspur. The purpose is to reduce the impervious areas and overall roadway maintenance costs. Currently, Giese Road pavement is 40-ft wide measured from the edge of road, this will be reduced down to a 25-ft width. The reduction of pavement will give more parkway to the residents on the north side of Giese Road.

Disruption to your driveway

During the course of construction some concrete curb and gutter, sidewalk, and a limited number of driveway aprons on Giese Road will be replaced with like material during this project.

During the removal of the existing materials, access to your driveway will be restricted. The contractor will deliver door hangers to your door 24 hours in advance requesting you to remove your vehicle from your driveway by 7 a.m. the next morning. Please park your vehicles with the door hangers on any street not highlighted on the map below. Once removal takes place your access will be restored temporarily using stone. This process will restrict access to your driveway for less than 2 days.

For permanent repair of your driveway you will receive another notice from the City to remove your vehicle. This time the concrete will need time to cure and you can expect to be out of your driveway for 10 to 14 days until the concrete is strong enough to withstand vehicular traffic. At that time, you will need the door hangers to be displayed on your vehicles that will remain on the street overnight. The police department will be notified of this project so you will not need to call it in yourself.



End Result

Please be patient with the construction while it proceeds as the direct impacts of the storm sewer construction may not be immediately evident. The construction in 2018 is only the first phase of the Ward 1 Storm Sewer Reconstruction project which will take place over a four year period. As the overall project continues to progress the impacts of the new improvements on the Ward 1 watershed area will become evident.

E-blasts & Contact Information

If you would like to be added to a weekly and key information e-blast updates during the project please send me an email at tgrimm@cityofbatavia.net with your name, address, phone number and email. In addition you can follow project updates on the City website: <http://www.cityofbatavia.net/655/Ward-I> The presentation from the March 1st neighborhood meeting and engineering plans for the improvements can be found on the project page.

If you have any questions regarding the overall operation and status of the project or questions related to the engineering plans please do not hesitate to contact me directly at (630) 454-2756. If your concern is regarding site operations and construction operations during the day please contact our resident engineer, Chris Allen at (815) 444-3233.

The City looks forward to the end result of this project and would like to thank you in advance for your cooperation during the dust and construction.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Tim Grimm".

Timothy Grimm, P.E.
Senior Civil Engineer

cc: Jeff Schielke, Mayor
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