## **2023 Pavement Improvement Project Glencoe, Minnesota**

# Project Update



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This letter is being sent to inform you of construction activity on the above-referenced project.

### IF YOU ARE A LANDLORD, PLEASE SHARE THIS NEWSLETTER WITH YOUR RENTERS/TENANTS.

The contractor is grading for concrete flat work on Ives Avenue and McLeod Avenue (Alternate 1). Concrete will be poured on Ives Avenue, McLeod Avenue (Alternate 1), 11th Street E, and 12th Street.

The contractor is striping long runs in the park and crosswalks. Parking stalls will be striped in the downtown, 14th Street between Elliott Avenue and Judd Avenue, and 14th Street between Ives Avenue and Judd Avenue.

The contractor will be doing topsoil restoration. Next Monday/Tuesday, September 11th/12th, the contractor will be hydroseeding all areas disturbed by construction activities. Once seeded, please keep all traffic (including people and pets) out of the seeded area during the establishment period. A filer entitled *Caring for Your Newly Seeded Area* is included with this Project Update. Once seeded, we need your help to ensure the lawn receives adequate water and maintenance. Your actions will be especially important if there is little rainfall and warm temperatures. Some tips for caring for your new lawn include:

- Keep all traffic (including people and pets) out of the seeded area during the establishment period.
- Water your new lawn 2 inches per week done in 3 or 4 applications.
- Mowing can begin when the grass lays over and mats down when wetted or the grass goes to seed. Mow your new grass as high as possible, approximately 3 inches, and cut the new grass with this setting for the remainder of the year.

The contractor is tentatively scheduled to place the final lift of bituminous on 14th Street and Cedar Avenue, Knight Avenue, and McLeod Avenue (Base Bid) on September 14th. They will also paving the 1" overlay on 11th Street from Armstrong Avenue to the west City limits. This will complete paving in all areas of the Project except for Ives Avenue and McLeod Avenue (Alternate 1). Once streets have been rolled and the bituminous has cooled, pavement can be driven on. However, please avoid parking or turning your wheels on the new pavement, if possible, as this can leave marks, especially in hot weather.

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

Thank you for your continued patience and cooperation. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Brody Bratsch, Resident Project Representative



# Caring for Your Newly Seeded Area

### Please help us establish your new lawn!

Once the turf area has been seeded, care must be taken to ensure the seed germinates and the lawn matures. We ask for your assistance to help ensure that the seed area receives adequate water and proper maintenance. Keep all traffic (including people and pets) out of the seeded area during the germination and establishment period.

### WATERING

Grass seed needs moisture to germinate. After germination, the new grass seedlings are very tender and will die if they dry out. It is very important to water any seeded area until the grass is well established. Lightly water the grass seed during germination to avoid washing away the seed. Once the seed has sprouted, it needs about one inch of water per week. This should be applied in three or four applications.

### **FUTURE MAINTENANCE**

Once the turf begins to thicken and is being mowed, watering can continue at about one inch per week. Be sure to water deeply and infrequently. Frequent light watering causes the grass to grow shallow roots and sets your lawn up for trouble in hot weather. Avoid watering between 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., the hottest part of the day. It is best to water between 6:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.; there's less wind, less hot sun, and your lawn has a full day to dry. Watering at night invites mildew and fungus, but if you can't water in the morning and must water in the evening, aim for around 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

During dry periods you must remember to give the young lawn a little extra water than you would your established lawn and let it grow a little longer before mowing. Fertilize as described below if the grass begins to yellow.

### **MOWING**

Your new seed should not be mowed until either the grass lays over and mats down when wetted or the grass goes to seed. It may take longer than 30 days for these conditions to occur. Prior to mowing, set the mower deck at the <u>highest setting</u> and cut the new grass with this setting for the remainder of the year. **Your new lawn will die if you cut it too short or during hot weather.** 

### **FERTILIZING**

Fertilizer may be needed if the grass begins to yellow. Phosphorous-free fertilizer is required on mature lawns. We recommend a slow-release fertilizer such as 10-0-10 or 22-0-10. Phosphorous type fertilizers such as 10-10-10 may be used on new lawns but should be avoided if the area drains to the storm sewer, ponds, lakes or wetlands.

### **WEEDS**

It happens. Weeds pop among newly planted grass. That's because dormant weed seeds are always present in the soil, and they're waiting to sprout when they get a chance. A good rule of thumb is to wait until you've mowed your new grass at least four times before you treat the weeds with a weed-control product. As always, remember to read the product label for specific information related to the weed-control product you are using.

If you have any questions or problems with your lawn, please call Resident Project Representative Brody Bratsch (320.223.8418).

Your efforts should result in a healthy, vigorous lawn. We appreciate your assistance.