

Central Meadowbrook & Handley Area Wastewater Improvements

WebEx Community Construction meeting, November 19, 2020

*Due to COVID-19 we regret that we could not host
an in-person community construction meeting.*

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Summary:

Sewer mains and one water main will be replaced in the Central Meadowbrook and Handley area of Fort Worth. Streets will be restored following the construction.

This project is in Council District 5 and Council District 8. Residents in the Central Meadowbrook, Handley, Neighborhoods of East Fort Worth and East Fort Worth Neighborhoods Coalition will be impacted.

This project is also known as Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation, Contract 90, Project Number 2382.

Affected area:

The affected streets and alleys in this part of the project include:

- Tierney Road from Meadowbrook Drive to East Lancaster Avenue (water and sewer)
- East Lancaster Avenue from Tierney Road to 700 feet east (sewer)
- Easement between Meadowbrook Drive and Morris Avenue from Tierney Road to 500 feet west (sewer)
- Easement between San Jose Drive and Weiler Boulevard from Jewell Avenue to Meadowbrook Drive (sewer)
- Easement between Jewell Avenue and Hightower Street from Grandview Drive to Weiler Boulevard (sewer)
- Easement between Van Natta Lane and Beaty Street from Grandview Drive to Weiler Boulevard (sewer)
- Easement between Beaty Street and East Lancaster Avenue from Grandview Street to 350 feet east (sewer)
- Beaty Street between Grandview Drive and Weiler Boulevard (sewer)
- Easement between Forest Avenue and South Handley Drive from Hart Street to East Rosedale Street (sewer)
- Easement north of Rosedale Street from South Erie Street to 400 feet west (sewer)
- Easement between South Erie Street and East Loop 820 from East Rosedale Street to East Lancaster Avenue (sewer)

Questions

Why are other streets or blocks not included in this project?

Fort Worth prioritizes water and sewer line replacements based on available data which includes the water main break history, leak history, CCTV (closed circuit TV) inspection, age of the line, line material and whether there are lead service lines.

When will the project start and which road will be first on the list?

Our contract start date is November 30, the Monday after the Thanksgiving holiday. Construction is done in phases, meaning the contractor is not working on Tierney, East Lancaster and all of the easements at the same time.

Right now Circle C Construction plans to start preparations to replace the sanitary sewer line on Tierney Road – Meadowbrook to East Lancaster Avenue – on November 30. Work on the water line in Tierney is projected to start in late January 2021. The contractor will move to East Lancaster at Tierney in March 2021 to replace sewer. Restoration of Tierney Road will follow. The crews may also be working in the easement between Forest Avenue and South Handley Drive in March 2021.

The sequencing of the phasing is subject to change and construction may take longer than anticipated. These are estimates.

Where is the work on Tierney and East Lancaster Avenue going to be done?

The water line on Tierney is in the street. The sewer lines, with the exception of Tierney, are in the easements and/or right of way. We will have a traffic control plan – which will include lane closures - in place for construction on both streets.

Will you need access to our property for construction work in the easements?

Work will be done in the easements in the front yard at some sites, and also in the backyard. You should have been notified if your property is on the list where the contractor will need access to the easement.

Will you turn off my water during construction?

A temporary water line will be installed so customers will continue to have water. The water will be turned off briefly (15-30 minutes) when service is transferred from the existing line to a temporary water line, then again when the service is transferred from the temporary to the new water line.

Will our sewer service be disrupted?

Sanitary sewer service will not be interrupted. New sewer cleanouts will be installed at the property line. The sewer cleanout provides crews easy access if a backup or blockage occurs.

Will the trash trucks still be able to pick up trash during construction?

Yes, the traffic control plan will allow for one lane to be open during construction.

How will I know when you are going to start work on my street or alley? All property owners will be alerted to pending construction of the sewer lines, as well as paving, via 7-day door hangers and 1-day (tomorrow) door hangers.

Are our streets going to be asphalt or concrete?

Tierney Road will be restored with asphalt.

Why can't you resurface Tierney with concrete? This is a priority for our neighborhood association for the next bond program.

We restore the street with the same material that was there prior to construction. This stretch of Tierney Road – Meadowbrook Drive to East Lancaster Avenue – is asphalt. Instead of patching Tierney after the existing water and sewer is replaced, we will restore it with asphalt, curb to curb. If this is a neighborhood association priority for the next bond program your council member and Transportation and Public Works would be the ones to contact about making Tierney Road a concrete street. It would be a capital improvement project.

Will the roads be patched or resurfaced. I live on Grandview Drive at Hightower Street and the roads are bad already with potholes and patches.

With the exception of Tierney Road, we are doing the sewer lines that are in the backyards. These lines connect to Weiler Boulevard and other streets but we are not going in to those streets now because we don't want to resurface them, like we are doing on Tierney. If we did that now we would have to patch it instead of extending the resurfacing curb to curb.

My property is the U Store located at Lancaster Avenue. The back of my property is off Weiler Boulevard. I am concerned about how my customers will access their storage units. I'm also concerned how you will access the alley since we do not have an entrance from Weiler Road.

We will cross into the back of your property but we shouldn't be blocking your entrance. You and your customers should have access.

Will this project impact Tierney Court South?

No. Tierney Court South is not involved in this project. It is north of Meadowbrook. We are not working on the north side of Meadowbrook Drive.

Will I be able to get in and out of my driveway/street?

The contractor's plan will include a way for residents and customers to exit their driveways and street.

Are we getting new driveways and sidewalks?

If the existing driveway is severely deteriorated or damaged by this construction, the city's contractor will install a new driveway approach, which is in the city right-of-way. The city does not go past the city-owned right-of-way. If the existing driveway is a single driveway, that driveway approach will be built for a single driveway. If the existing driveway is a double driveway, then the driveway approach will be built for a double driveway. The contractor will talk to the property owner prior to doing the drive approach. Again, the only driveways that will be replaced are the ones severely deteriorated or damaged by this construction.

What happens if the contractor damages my property?

The contractor will take pictures and video of the property before breaking ground. We also encourage property owners to take pictures and video of their property before construction commences.

Will the construction affect my irrigation?

The contractor will ask property owners to turn on the irrigation system so sprinkler heads can be located and flagged. The contractor has to cap irrigation lines before construction starts. The contractor will replace capped or damaged irrigation systems.

Is there a page on the City website explaining this project?

Yes, the link to the Central Meadowbrook & Handley Area Wastewater Improvements project page is <https://www.fortworthtexas.gov/projects/cfw-CentralMeadowbrookHandleyAreaWastewater>. Maps, the link to the YouTube video of the November 19 Community WebEx meeting and the meeting summary/frequently asked questions will be added to that project page. The project's estimated end date will be updated monthly.

Am I getting a new water meter?

Yes, the City has been installing new advanced water meters in construction and development projects for the past few years. If your meter has not already been replaced, you will get a new water meter if your property is on Tierney Road.

To learn more about the new water meters please go to the My H2O frequently asked questions at <https://www.fortworthtexas.gov/departments/water/myh2o> on the City of Fort Worth website.

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