

Five Districts Water and Sewer Improvements

Community Construction Meeting

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720 evites mailed, 4 in attendance

This project spans five Fort Worth City Council Districts . . .

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Summary:

This is a virtual WebEx community construction meeting. Water and sewer mains will be replaced in an area that spans five city council districts – Council District 2, Council District 4, Council District 5, Council District 8 and Council District 9.

The Five Districts Water and Sewer Improvements project is also known as Water and Sanitary Sewer Replacement, Contract 88, City Project Number 1955.

Construction may impact the United Communities Association of South Fort Worth, Worth Heights, Neighborhoods of East Fort Worth Alliance, Ryanwood neighborhood association, Inter-District 2 Alliance and the Diamond Hill-Jarvis neighborhood association.

Why are you doing 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.

In this instance, the project was created to replace deteriorated water and sewer lines.

What streets are impacted?

Council District 2

Jasper Street from Decatur Avenue to Weber Street (water and sewer and asphalt paving)

Council District 4

Halbert Street from Martha Lane to Ellis Road (water and sewer and asphalt paving)

Council Districts 4 & 5

Meadowbrook Drive from 400 feet east of the Meadowbrook Drive/Mims Street intersection to 1,300 feet west (sewer)

Council District 5

Easement north of John T White Road from John T White Road to 530 feet north, then northeast 900 feet to Wildbriar Court East (sewer)

Council District 8

- Mansfield Avenue from Rosedale Street to East Morphy Street (water and asphalt paving)
- East Magnolia Avenue from 300 feet east of the Mansfield Avenue/East Magnolia Avenue intersection to west 640 feet (sewer and asphalt paving)
- Alley between Morphy Street and East Magnolia Avenue from Milano Street to Mansfield Avenue (sewer)

Council District 9

- South Main Street from Bowie Street to Berry Street (water and sewer and asphalt paving)
- South Main Street from Berry Street to 760 feet south (water and sewer and asphalt paving)

Will you need access to our property?

If Fort Worth Water needs access to your property we will contact you prior to the start of construction.

Are we getting curb, gutter, driveways and sidewalks?

The existing curb/gutter, sidewalks and driveways will not be replaced except in certain circumstances, which includes those that are damaged by the contractor during construction. The contractor may need to remove and replace some curb and gutter and sidewalk to restore services. The contractor will also remove and replace driveway approaches that currently have water meters located in the approach that must be relocated.

Do you replace the water service line up to my house?

We replace the City-owned service line - to the property line. We also replace the water meter and meter box and will repair impacted areas on your property. We do not replace the water line from the water meter to your home or business.

The service line from the water meter to your home or business is considered private plumbing and, in the event of a leak, repairs need to be done by a licensed plumber at the homeowners' expense.

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. The sewer line from the cleanout to the house is the owner's responsibility to maintain.

Will our water be turned off?

Water will be turned off for 15-30 minutes when service is transferred from the existing line to a temporary water line, and when the service is transferred from the temporary to the new water line. These switchovers are generally done during the day. The contractor will knock on the door and let customers know when the water will be turned off. The transfer typically takes 30 minutes to an hour per house or business.

How does the temporary water line impact my home and my water bill?

The temporary water line insures that you are not without water during construction. Water must be continually flowing through the temporary line during the winter months to keep the line from freezing. Customers should also keep their faucets dripping. In the summer months the continuous flow keeps the water from becoming stagnant. The bill for your water usage while you are on the temporary line is based on an average of the previous months' usage.

Will there be lane closures during construction?

Traffic lanes may be closed during construction. Signs will be posted to alert motorists. The hours of construction are 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday-Friday and, if requested by the contractor, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m./5 p.m. on Saturdays.

Will we have access to our driveway during construction?

Yes, if for some reason your access needs to be blocked the city inspector or construction superintendent will notify you in advance so you can plan accordingly.

What happens if my property is damaged?

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. Damage resulting from the contractor's activities during construction is the responsibility of the contractor.

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 lines after construction is

complete. Again, damage to irrigation systems during construction is the responsibility of the contractor.

What is the timeline?

The contractor expects to start construction this month or in January 2022. The tentative plan is to start on the John T White Road segment – easement north of John T White Road from John T White Road to 530 feet north, then northeast 900 feet to Wildbriar Court – and the Bowie Street segment - South Main Street from Bowie Street to Berry Street (water and sewer and asphalt paving). The projected end date is late summer/early fall of 2022.

How will I be notified that construction is starting?

If you are directly impacted by construction the contractor will hang 7-day door hangars and 1-day door hangars on the front doors to alert you of pending construction. You will also see traffic control on site where the construction is active.

Where can I get more information?

Progress will be updated on the City of Fort Worth website at <https://www.fortworthtexas.gov/projects/cfw-five-districts-water-sewer-improvements>.

You can also go to www.fortworthtexas.gov and put the project number – 1955 - in the search bar on the home page.

The link to this meeting video, the project map, and the project summary/frequently asked questions will be linked to this project page.

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