Mitchell Boulevard Area Water and Sewer Improvements

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1 attended, 382 mailers sent

Why are we doing this project?

Fort Worth prioritizes replacing water and sewer lines that have a high risk of failure. Risk of failure is determined based on available data which includes:

- Water main break history
- Leak history
- CCTV (closed circuit TV) inspection
- Age of the line
- Line material
- Lead service lines
- Cast iron lines

In this project, these lines were selected because the lines are determined high risk of failure.

Project Overview

Existing water mains will be replaced on five streets and existing sanitary sewer mains will be replaced on one street and in two easements.

This project is in an area bound by Canberra Court and Cobb Park to the west, US Hwy. 287/Martin Luther King Jr. Freeway service road to the north, Binkley Street and US Hwy 287/MLK Freeway service road to the east and East Berry Street to the south.

Who will be impacted?

Construction will impact the New Mitchell Boulevard neighborhood association and United Communities neighborhood association. The project area includes restaurants, businesses, churches and homes.

Project Area

- Mitchell Boulevard from Bideker Avenue to East Berry Street (water)
- Richard Legacy Lane from Mitchell Boulevard to Canberra Court (water)
- East Berry Street from Mitchell Boulevard to Binkley Street (water)
- Binkley Street from East Berry Street to the US Hwy. 287/Martin Luther King Jr.
 Freeway service road (water)
- US Hwy. 287/Martin Luther King Jr. Freeway service road from Binkley Street to Westhill Road (water)
- Thrall Street from 160 feet north of Burton Avenue to the US Hwy 287/Martin Luther King Jr. Freeway service road (sewer)
- Easement between Strong Avenue and Thannisch Avenue from Thrall Street to 375 feet west of Thrall Street (sewer)
- Easement between Thannisch Avenue and Burton Avenue from Thrall Street to 330 feet west of Thrall Street (sewer)

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 line. These switchovers are 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 per house or business.

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

The temporary water line insures that you are not without water during construction.

In the summer months, the continuous flow keeps the water from becoming stagnant in the above-ground line.

During the winter months, water must be continually flowing through the temporary line to keep the line from freezing. Customers should also keep their faucets dripping.

The bill for your water usage while you are on the temporary line is based on an average of the previous months' usage.

Will you need access to my property?

Construction will be in the streets and easements. If Fort Worth Water needs access to your property, we will contact you. If an easement is needed for your property a city land agent will be contacting you soon.

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 I have access to my driveway?

An inspector will be assigned to the project when we are ready to start construction. The inspector and the contractor will work with residents who need driveway access during active construction hours.

Will the city's trash truck be able to pick up my trash and recycling during construction?

If your side of the street is closed on your scheduled trash collection day, the contractor will take your trash and recycling carts to the opposite side of the street so the trash collection vehicle can pick it up.

Will there be lane closures during construction?

Yes. Signs will be posted to alert motorists.

What are the construction hours?

The hours of construction are 7 am to 6 pm, Monday-Friday and, if requested by the contractor, 9 am to 4 pm or 5 pm on Saturdays.

What is the timeline for this project?

This project is still in the design phase. We expect to finalize the design, advertise for bids, and select a contractor before Spring 2023.

We will host a community construction meeting after we have a contractor on board.

Where can I get more information?

Go to www.FortWorthTexas.gov and type in the project number – 103467- in the search bar on the home page. Mitchell Boulevard Area Water and Sewer Improvements will pop up.

To get project page updates, scroll down to the bottom of the project page and click on "Subscribe to this page."

The link to the project summary/frequently asked questions will be linked to this project page.

How do I report an emergency or non-emergency?

Emergencies

Water main breaks, sewer backups - 24 hours a day 817-392-4477, Select Option 1

Water Call Center (non-emergency)

7 am to 7 pm Monday through Friday 817-392-4477 Closed City holidays

Download the MyFW app from the App Store or Google Play. You can report sewer overflows, leaks and water main breaks, missing or broken meter lids, water theft, water violations, no water service, water pressure issues and other sewer concerns.



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