



## **West Wind Apartment Water and Sewer Improvements** *WebEx virtual community construction meeting*

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*Construction will impact the Bomber Heights neighborhood association.*

## Summary

A water line and sanitary sewer line - located in an easement in the West Wind Apartment complex at 4300 Old Benbrook Road – will be replaced. The complex is bound by:

- Pensacola Avenue to the north
- Old Benbrook Road to the east
- Ewing Avenue to the south
- And, businesses to the west that front Benbrook Boulevard/Hwy. 377

## Project Area

The existing 6-inch in diameter water line between Pensacola and Ewing will be replaced with an 8-inch in diameter HDPE pipe using the pipe enlargement method.

The existing 6-inch in diameter concrete sewer line between Pensacola and Ewing will be replaced with an 8-inch in diameter HDPE using the pipe enlargement method.

## What is pipe enlargement?

Pipe enlargement is a trenchless method of pipe replacement that minimizes disruptions when replacing water or sewer mains.

Pipe enlargement opens the existing pipe. A bursting tool is pulled through the existing pipe to create space for the new line.

The bursting tool is pulling the new pipe behind it so as the existing pipe is burst, the pipe is immediately replaced by the new pipe.

## How will this impact residents of the complex?

Parking will be impacted by the construction equipment and traffic. Traffic control will be provided – where the contractor is working – to allow movement in and out of the apartment complex.

## How will this impact area residents and businesses?

Surrounding residents and businesses that access Pensacola Avenue to get to Benbrook Boulevard will have to detour. The contractor will have detour signs in place if needed.

### **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 notify management in the apartment complex office when the contractor needs to turn off the water. The contractor will also respond to questions from residents.

### **How does the temporary line impact the apartments and residents?**

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 apartment complex' bill for water usage on the temporary line is based on an average of the previous months' usage.

### **Will our sewer service be disrupted during construction?**

Sanitary sewer service will not be interrupted.

New sewer cleanouts will be installed at each building. The sewer cleanout provides crews easy access if a backup or blockage occurs.

The sewer line from the cleanout to the apartment complex is the complex's responsibility to maintain.

### **Will lanes be closed during construction?**

The contractor will need to close lanes – when needed - in order to install the water and sewer mains. The contractor will provide traffic control.

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.

Signs will be posted to alert motorists.

### **What happens if the property is damaged?**

The property will be restored after construction is complete. The contractor will take pictures and video of the property before breaking ground.

We also encourage the property owner to take pictures and video (with a date stamp) of their property prior to construction.

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

### **How will we know construction is starting?**

If you live in an area impacted by the construction you will receive a door hanger from the City of Fort Worth. You will receive two door hangers.

The first one says "Construction Starts in 7 days."

The second door hanger says "Construction Starts Tomorrow."

The inspector will include his/her business card and contact information on the door hanger.

### **Timeline**

Construction will begin April 10, 2023. The contractor will start on the Pensacola Avenue side of the project. The sewer line will be replaced first.

The project is expected to wrap up in the late summer of 2023.

### **We are almost done . . . but we have to flush the water line before the apartment complex can connect**

Before the contractor can connect services to the new water line we have to flush the line. The water flow – from flushing the line – is continuous until the inspector gets the samples for that day.

Two consecutive samples have to pass the bacteriological test. Once the samples pass, water service will be restored.

## Where can I get more information?

Go to [www.FortWorthTexas.gov](http://www.FortWorthTexas.gov) and type in the project number – 103324 – in the search bar on the home page. Click on “West Wind Apartment Water and Sewer Improvements.” That will take you to the project page.

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)

- 7am to 7pm 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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