

May 1, 2018

Dear Residents and Businesses along and adjacent to Cherry Hill between Telegraph Road and Outer Drive:

One of the reasons why Dearborn remains such a wonderful city in which to live and work is because of our shared commitment to maintaining the highest quality resident services. Mayor O'Reilly and the City Council partner with Dearborn families and businesses to ensure that our neighborhoods remain among the best in America.

As part of this commitment, the City will be completing the final phase of the Storm Sewer Separation Project in your neighborhood, under the federally mandated Combined Sewer Overflow Control Project (CSO Project). The Federal Mandate requires the City of Dearborn to prevent untreated sewage from entering the Rouge River which has happened at times during storm events due to the original design of our sewer system. The purpose of the CSO program is to improve the water quality in the Rouge River and create a recreational resource for all of our citizens.

This Federally-funded project along Cherry Hill will be managed by Rowe Professional Services under contract with the City Engineering Division and involves the construction of new storm sewers, replacement of the old water main and new concrete paving from Telegraph Road to Outer Drive. This phase will complete the sewer separation work in your neighborhood, providing more effective and efficient drainage of rain water and removing it from the combined sewer system, which will prevent sanitary sewage from entering the Rouge River during a storm event and alleviate any chance of basement flooding.

During the water main work there may be short periods of time when the water will be shut off. Prior notification will be made at that time. Businesses may make arrangements with the representative onsite to schedule water shut offs as needed.

For the duration of the project, Cherry Hill will be closed to through traffic between Telegraph Road and Outer Drive, however, those residents with driveways on Cherry Hill will be able to access them during most phases of the construction except for approximately 2 weeks during paving operations. Those affected residents will receive prior notification. All streets crossing Cherry Hill will be closed off to vehicle traffic at Cherry Hill for the duration of the project with the exception of Melborn Street. A detour will be posted to route through traffic to Michigan Avenue which should limit additional neighborhood traffic.

The contractor plans to begin work the week of May 7, 2018, weather permitting with the entire project taking approximately six (6) months to complete. You will be informed during various stages of construction to update you with the progress.

Trash, Recycle Carts and Yard Waste Collection – will be picked up by the Sanitation Contractor between 6:30 a.m. and 7:30 a.m. We encourage property owners to clearly label their carts with property address and to drop off their trash, recycle carts and yard waste at the curb side prior to 6:00 a.m. the day of collection or overnight. City contractors may need to transport your carts to the nearest intersection. Once the carts have been emptied, the contractor will return them to the front of your house.

It is planned to keep inconvenience to property owners to a minimum. Your cooperation is requested so that we may be able to serve you better. Any problems may be taken up with Steve Gradowski, Engineering Technician for Rowe Professional Services, mobile #(810)305-0772 who will be on the job site; otherwise you may call the City Engineer's office at 943-2145. Thank you in advance for your co-operation.

M. Yunus Patel
City Engineer