



North Grace Street Utility Improvements

The Lilac Village

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Construction Status/Schedule

- **Water Main Replacement**
Completed
- **Water Main Lining**
Completed
- **Sanitary Sewer Replacement**
Completed
- **Sanitary Sewer Lining**
Completed
- **Street Lighting**
Completed
- **Pavement Patching**
10/30-11/03: permanent asphalt patches by Nicor and the general contractor
- **Sidewalk**
11/01-11/03: prepping and placing remaining sidewalk
- **Driveway Aprons**
11/01-11/03: prepping and placing remaining aprons
- **Manhole Lining**
10/31 to 11/03: Manholes on the west side of the street will be lined with an epoxy product.
- **Landscaping**
11/06-11/07 complete parkway restoration

Questions?

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Project Manager

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Lawn & Driveway Apron Maintenance

Lawn Care

Mowing Cut your lawn once it reaches about 3" to 4" in height. Be gentle on the lawn and careful of the netting, which should be significantly broken down when the grass is ready to mow. Consider lightly raking to remove loose netting before mowing. Do not water the lawn for a few days before the first mowing. Water your lawn after mowing for the first time. Make sure the mower blade is sharp, as a dull blade can up-root seedlings.

Fertilizer Refrain from applying fertilizer until the Summer of 2024. Premature application of fertilizer may burn the young grass.

Herbicides Do not apply herbicides to the lawn until the Spring of 2024. Avoid applying herbicides when it is hot and dry. Wait for cooler weather.

Best Maintenance Practices: Follow the guidelines at LawnTALK Lawncare for Northern Illinois, a service from the University of Illinois Extension.

(<https://web.extension.illinois.edu/lawntalk/index.cfm>)

Concrete Care

Avoid using deicers on their concrete driveway apron or sidewalk for the first year. Also, do not use fertilizers as a deicing and/or traction agents. While some deicers, including rock salt, do not chemically react with the concrete, they do increase the number of freeze-thaw cycles the concrete goes through. Water expands as it freezes and creates internal pressures that can spall the surface of new concrete. **Spalling is a problem that can be prevented by avoiding the use of salt on a new concrete surface for the first year. Masonry sand, a.k.a. torpedo sand, may instead be used as an abrasive for safety.**



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Public Works Office Hours

Public Works Department office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. 630.620.5740

After Hours Inquiries

When calling after normal working hours, leave a message for Public Works at 630.620.5740. If your call is of an emergency nature, call 630.620.5740 and press zero to be directed to the Police Department.

Updates & Reminders

◆ Parkway trees will be planted in the spring of 2024.



TREE CITY USA®
ARBOR DAY FOUNDATION

In the early 2024, residents will receive a mailer with instructions about the spring planting program. The mailer will include a weblink with details about trees available for the Spring planting. Please note that the tree mix varies from Spring to Fall. Some trees can only be dug in Spring. The Village will mark planting spaces by the end of the year.

◆ Waste Management Services



Early trash, recycling and yard waste collection will continue until the return of two-way traffic on North Grace Street.

◆ Mail Service



Temporary mailboxes will remain in place until two-way traffic resumes. USPS will need to approve all permanent curbside mailboxes before the return to regular curbside service. Once that occurs, residents will be alerted via NotifyMe regarding the exact date of regular curbside delivery.

◆ Continue to use your parking permits as needed. Parking permits allow overnight on-street parking. Contact Mr. Snell or the Public Works Department if you need additional or updated permits.

◆ Wait to walk on fresh concrete for at least 24 hours, and to drive until at least 3 to 5 days curing time. Barricades will be removed when concrete testing results show that the concrete has cured to a sufficient strength to withstand the weight of a car/truck.

◆ For frequent and timely email or text message updates, sign up for Notify Me® at www.villageoflombard.org/notifyme.

◆ The Village's project page is at www.villageoflombard.org/520/North-Grace-Street-Utility-Improvements.