

## **Concord Street (TH 156) Improvements**



CP 2016-11, SP 1912-59

### **CONSTRUCTION UPDATE**

## Weekly Construction Update August 13th, 2021

The City of South St. Paul's Contractor, Eureka Construction, will be performing construction activities between I-494 and Fury Motors (between Wentworth Avenue and Bryant Avenue). Below is a brief update on the traffic access within the project corridor and general scope of construction activities planned for the next few weeks:

### Roadway / Lane Closure Updates

- Roadway continues to be closed from Armour Avenue to Hardman Avenue
  - Cross traffic open at Grand Avenue and Bridgepoint Drive
  - Follow local detour via Armour Avenue and Hardman Avenue
- Roadway will continue to be switched to two-way opposing traffic between I-494 and Armour Avenue on the west side of the roadway while the Contractor performs concrete repairs on the east side of the roadway through August 20<sup>th</sup>
  - Villaume Avenue and the WB I-494 ramp intersections will continue to be temporarily allway stop conditions until concrete pavement repairs are completed
- \*\* Southbound Concord Street is closed to traffic at Fury Motors (between Wentworth Avenue and Bryant Avenue). This closure will remain in effect until October.
  - o Follow local traffic detours starting at Central Avenue per the attached map
  - Two-way business access will be provided between Central Avenue and Fury Motors, but no outlet is provided south of Fury Motors to Wentworth Avenue
  - Businesses and residences between Wentworth Avenue and Fury Motors to the north will need to access from the south via the current detour along Hardman Avenue
  - Access onto Concord Street from Wentworth Avenue will be closed until public utility construction improvements are complete





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### **Roadway Construction Activities**

### Phase 1 (I-494 to Hardman Avenue)

- Concrete pavement repairs within the northbound Concord Street lanes between I-494 and Armour Avenue will continue
- Final water service installations will occur the week of August 16<sup>th</sup> between I-494 and Villaume Avenue. Temporary short duration water service impacts are anticipated to businesses in this area. Final water service installations near the Hardman Avenue intersections are anticipated the week of August 23<sup>rd</sup>.
  - The watermain work will continue to require periodic water shutdowns to facilitate the installation of the new water main and service connections. Through the City Contract, planned water shutdowns require at least 48-hours advance notice to any impacted property owner. The City and Contractor continue to work together to provide as much advance notice as possible to property owners. Advance notice of water shutdowns will be provided on future Construction Updates if they are known prior to the release of the update.
- Installation of modular block retaining walls at the intersections with Concord Exchange and Armour Avenue
- Grading preparation for sidewalks and medians between Grand Avenue and Hardman Avenue
- Installation of concrete sidewalks and medians between Armour Avenue and Hardman Avenue
- Installation of street lighting systems and traffic signal modifications
- Placement of topsoil and seeding between Armour Avenue and Hardman Avenue

# <u>Phase 2 (Hardman Avenue to South of Fury Motors between Wentworth Avenue and Bryant Avenue)</u>

- Installation of sanitary sewer main north of Wentworth Avenue
- Installation of storm sewer at Wentworth Avenue

We ask for your patience and understanding during construction, as the public may experience vibration and noise during work operations. Crews will work to minimize these disruptions as much as feasible.

Please Contact Sue Polka, City of South St. Paul City Engineer at <a href="mailto:spolka@southstpaul.org">spolka@southstpaul.org</a> or 651-554-3214 if you have any additional questions regarding the project.





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### **Private Utility Activities**

Private utility companies are relocating or updating their facilities in conjunction with the project. Each utility company is responsible for their respective work but are coordinating efforts with the City and project Contractor. The work summarized below is not the responsibility of the City or the City's Contractor. A summary of known or anticipated private utility work outside of the current roadway construction zone includes:

#### Xcel Gas

- Installation of new gas facilities along the west side of Concord Street between Fury Motors and Bryant Avenue. This work is anticipated to be complete in August 2021.
- Existing concrete walks and pavements necessary for access to businesses will be restored by Xcel Gas before roadway project improvements begin

#### Lumen / CenturyLink

- Removal of out-of-service overhead communication facilities between Wentworth Avenue and Davis Transmission
- Anticipate transfer of overhead communication facilities onto Xcel Power's new pole locations from Fury Motors to Speedway

### Other Construction Projects in the Area

- Highway 52 :: I-494 to Plato Boulevard (MnDOT)
  - Anticipated Construction :: Spring 2021 to Fall 2021
  - o Project Website:: <a href="https://www.dot.state.mn.us/metro/projects/hwy52-stpaul-invergrovehts/">www.dot.state.mn.us/metro/projects/hwy52-stpaul-invergrovehts/</a>
  - All weekend directional closures along Highway 52 are completed
- Highway 156 (Concord Street) :: Annapolis Street to Highway 52 (MnDOT)
  - o Anticipated Construction :: August 2021 through July 2022
  - Project construction will begin August 9<sup>th</sup>
- Site Development :: Concord Street / 6<sup>th</sup> Street (Private)
- Site Development :: Concord Exchange / Grand Avenue (Private)

