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June 24, 2021

Re: Merci Drive Reconstruction, City Project No. 21-379

Dear Resident:

On May 18, 2021 City Council awarded a contract for the concrete reconstruction of Merci Drive. Construction is tentatively set to begin with pavement cutting through the entire length of the project on or about June 28, 2021. Please note pavement removal on Merci Drive will not begin until construction on Vassar Court is nearing completion.

The construction will be completed in two phases (see the back side of this letter for phasing diagram and paving limits). Homeowners adjacent to the replacement locations will not have access to their driveways during the time needed to complete that phase. Residents within each phase will be give written notification a minimum of 24 hours prior to the start of concrete removal in each phase. Please take all precautions to have your automobiles parked outside of the phase limits after this notice is delivered.

As part of this project, the contractor will be saw cutting and removing the existing pavement and soil below the existing pavement, installing six-inch diameter edge drain, and installing a new seven-inch thick concrete pavement with a stone base. We anticipate minimal disturbance behind the back of curb. The disturbed area will be restored at the end of the project. Any damaged sprinkler systems will also be repaired prior to restoration. Private residential driveway approaches are not included in the scope of repair.

Construction for each phase will last approximately two weeks to allow for the pavement removal, replacement, and cure time. Do not drive on freshly poured concrete until the barrels are moved by the City, typically after seven days. This period is needed for the concrete to gain sufficient strength for vehicles and therefore provide for pavement longevity. The contractor for this project is DiLisio Contracting, Inc. The contractor may send out additional or more detailed notification about the construction schedule.

Postal service and trash pickup will be undisturbed. Your trash pickup will be on your normal day and will be picked up by the contractor or GFL. Place all trash in plastic bags and yard waste in paper bags. Please refrain from using trash cans. Due to the road construction, the postal service will not have continual access to your mailbox. Temporary mailbox stations will be set up outside the construction zone to allow for continual postal service, the locations are noted on the back of this letter.

Construction information and progress updates of the project can be located at www.sterling-heights.net/conezone. Thank you in advance for your cooperation. If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Engineering at (586) 446-2726 or akonkle@sterling-heights.net. This road improvement project was made possible as a direct result of the voter-approved Safe Street Millage that was renewed in November 2019.

Sincerely,

Andrew Konkle
 Civil Engineer II



cc: Brent Bashaw, City Engineer; Community Relations; Fire Department; Police Department