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March 12, 2020

Re: Notice of Construction: Medville Drive Watermain Replacement  
- Residents along Medville Drive

Dear Resident:

As part of the city’s commitment to maintaining and improving the City of Sterling Heights infrastructure, the existing water main along Medville Drive will be replaced. The existing water main is being replaced proactively due to its age, which contributes to mechanical issues with valves and connection points. The work entails installing approximately 1,435 feet of 8-inch water main from 16½ Mile Road through Medville Drive to Smethwick Road.

The water main installation will be completed utilizing trenchless technology. Trenchless technology is an alternative and complement to traditional open-cut construction methods. The major benefits of trenchless technology include:

- **It has Minimal Disturbance to the Surroundings** – The footprint for a trenchless construction zone is smaller than traditional open-cut methods.
- **It has Decreased Restoration Time** – Because trenchless construction methods require little digging, the time to restore the work area to as-found or better condition is decreased.
- **It Saves Time** – With decreased disturbance, projects using trenchless methods take less time to complete. Less time means less inconvenience associated with a construction project.
- **And It Saves Money** – Because projects can be completed in less time – including prep and restoration – with decreased disturbance, projects that incorporate trenchless save money.

It is anticipated that

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The new water main will generally be installed within a few feet of its current location on the west side of Medville Drive. The construction material and equipment will be stored at the end of Medville Drive within the right of way and within 16½ Mile Road right of way.

The city will also be replacing the city owned portion of your water service line from the water main to the city valve, which is typically located near your front property line. Excavation in the right of way will be necessary for this work.

Roadway usage, along with mail service and refuse collection services to your property, will be uninterrupted during construction.

Water service will also be uninterrupted with the exception of a half day when the new water service is connected. We will notify residents in advance of any scheduled water service interruptions so that they may plan accordingly.

Should you have any questions regarding the project, please contact the City of Sterling Heights Office of Engineering at 586-446-2720. Construction plans and project updates will be posted on the "Cone Zone Construction Updates" section under the Engineering Department page of the City website at [www.sterling-heights.net](http://www.sterling-heights.net).

The prime contractor completing this project is Superior Excavating, Inc. and the design engineer is Hubbell, Roth and Clark, Inc..

Sincerely,



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