

November 17, 2010

NOTICE OF UPCOMING CONSTRUCTION ON LOWELL STREET

Community Meeting Scheduled for Wednesday, December 1

Dear Lowell Street Neighbor:

The City awarded a contract for the reconstruction of a number of streets throughout Cambridge to D'Allessandro Corporation. Before the surface improvements begin, the Cambridge Water Department will install a new water main.

The Lowell St Improvements Include:

New Water Main: The Cambridge Water Department will install a new water main. Residents with lead services will receive a notice from the Water Department regarding service replacement.

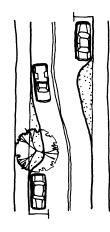
Sidewalk Reconstruction: In the spring, the contractor, D'Allessandro Corp., will demolish existing sidewalks, remove and reset granite curbing, and place new sidewalks, driveways and curb ramps throughout the project area. Sidewalk materials will be discussed at the upcoming community meeting.

Roadway Paving: The roadway will be repaved and new pavement markings will be installed.

The Community Development Department hosted several neighborhood meetings and developed a series of **traffic calming** improvements for Lowell St including:

- Curb extension on Lowell St at Brattle Street to provide accessible sidewalk around existing tree.
- A series of chicanes on Lowell St, which are created by alternating one-sided parking from north to south between blocks, making the path of the travel for vehicles less straight to reduce speeds.

For more information about the traffic calming, please contact Juan Avendano, Traffic Calming Project Manager at 617-349-4655 or <u>javendano@cambridgema.gov</u>.



Schedule

The Water Department will begin installation of a new water main the week of November 29. This work is expected to take 3 months to complete. General work hours will be 7 am to 4 pm, Monday-Friday. "No Parking" signs will be posted at least 24 hours in advance of construction; please be sure to check posted signs for exact dates and times. DPW's contractor, D'Allessandro Corp, will mobilize in the spring to begin surface improvements.

Information and Assistance

The City has scheduled a community meeting to discuss upcoming construction:

Community Meeting
Wednesday, December 1, 2010
6:30 PM to 8:00 PM
Hurwitz Auditorium, Mt. Auburn Hospital, 330 Mt. Auburn St.

For information or assistance related to the water main installation, please contact Mark Gallagher at the Water Department at 617-349-4770 or mgallagher@cambridgema.gov.

Once DPW's contractor begins surface improvements in the spring, please contact Kelly Dunn, Community Relations Manager at 617-349-4870 or kdunn@cambridgema.gov for any assistance.

In case of an emergency after hours or on weekends, please call the 24-Hour line at 617-349-4860.

Thank you for your patience during this construction, and we hope you enjoy these improvements once they are completed.

Sincerely,

Kelly Dunn
Community Relations Manager
Cambridge Department of Public Works