



March 14, 2012

NEIGHBORHOOD PROJECT UPDATE

Water Main Installation Begins Week of March 19

Dear Resident,

The City of Cambridge is finalizing plans to reconstruct the roadway and sidewalks on Meacham Rd, Woodbridge St, Shea Rd and Locke St. A community meeting was held on December 14, 2011 where residents expressed their concerns regarding the neighborhood streets and the city presented possible options to address accessibility issues.

The improvements below incorporate resident feedback from the meeting. The proposed plans include:

- New curb extension and a crosswalk on Meacham Rd at Locke St to better define the intersection.
- Curb extension on Locke St at Woodbridge St, which addresses existing access concerns and minimizes impacts on residential on street parking. The curb extension will also provide opportunity for additional plantings.
- Two mid-block hydrants on Shea Rd and Woodbridge St will be relocated within 20 feet of the intersections of Massachusetts Ave. The hydrant relocations provide two additional residential on street parking spaces.
- New “No Parking Here to Corner” signs will be placed at intersections.
- Additional street trees will be planted.

If you have any questions or concerns about the proposed improvements, please contact Juan Avendano at 617.349.4655 or javendano@cambridgema.gov. Additional project information including construction plans, meeting notes, and schedule details are posted on the project's webpage at: www.cambridgema.gov/theworks/cityprojects.aspx under *Chapter 90 Contract 15*.

Schedule

The Water Department is scheduled to replace the water main on Meacham Rd, Woodbridge St, Shea St, Locke St and a section of Massachusetts Ave. Crews will begin installation of the new main on Massachusetts Ave during week of **March 19**. This work is expected to take 2-3 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 will mobilize in the summer to begin surface improvements.

Information and Assistance

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 summer, please contact Kelly Dunn, DPW 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 617.349.4800.

Thank you for your patience during this construction. We hope you enjoy these improvements once they are complete.

Sincerely,

Kelly Dunn, Community Relations Manager
Cambridge Department of Public Works