



Eleanor Street NE (Plainfield to Diamond) and Fremont Avenue NW (3rd Street to 4th Street) Reconstruction

«AddressBlock»

The City of Grand Rapids will reconstruct the streets listed above this construction season. You are invited to a meeting to learn more about the work to be completed, the schedule, and access during construction. You received this letter because you are within 350 feet of the project.

Virtual Construction Preparation Meeting

Date & Time: Monday, May 20, 2024, from 6 to 7 p.m.

We recommend using a computer or smartphone to join this meeting if you are able. You may call the number below to join the meeting via phone only, but you will not be able to see the presentation.

To register for this meeting:

1. Visit grandrapidsmi.gov/roadconstruction and search for *Eleanor* or *Fremont*.
2. Scan the QR code to the right with your smartphone camera.



To join via a telephone (audio only):

1. Please call: 1-616-258-6791
2. When prompted, enter the access code 732 712 677#.

Construction Information

Street Reconstruction

- The streets' full width will be reconstructed including the curb and gutter.
- The project will maintain the streets' current design and install curb extensions at intersections to shorten the pedestrian crossing and better define the parking lane.

Access & Parking

- Streets under construction will be closed to through traffic with resident and emergency vehicle access maintained.
- No parking will be allowed on the streets during construction hours.

Driveways and Sidewalks

- All driveway approaches and some sidewalk will be replaced. Affected residents and businesses will not have access to their driveways for 5-7 days while the work is completed and the concrete cures. The contractor will coordinate with those affected in advance.
- The contractor will work with affected businesses to maintain driveway access as best possible. This may include replacing half of the driveway approach at a time.
- Driveway access may not be available when road work is directly in front of a driveway.

Parkways and Street Trees

- Sidewalk, curb, and drive approach work may disturb the parkway (the area between the curb and sidewalk). Should this happen, the area will be restored with grass. Please water these areas after the project is done to help the grass establish.

Contact Information

311 or 616-456-3000

communityengagement@grcity.us
grandrapidsmi.gov/roadconstruction

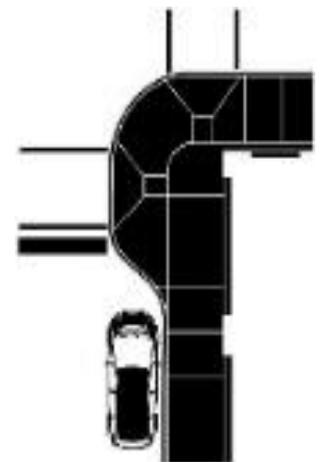
After-Hours Emergency Number

616-456-3249

Tentative Construction Schedule

Phase 1: Eleanor (Plainfield to Diamond)
June – October 2024

Phase 2: Fremont (3rd Street to 4th Street)
2024



Curb Extension Example

- If there are plants, landscaping, etc. in the parkway you want to save, please move them prior to the start of construction.
- If you have a sprinkler system, please mark the sprinkler heads with flags, sticks, or spray paint. Sprinklers broken during construction will be repaired.
- Some street trees may be removed as they would be impacted by the construction.
- The Forestry Division may plant new trees after project completion.

Water Main

- The water main, which provides water to properties along the streets, will be replaced.
- Lead water service lines that carry water from the main into residences must be replaced as required by the State of Michigan. If the lead water service line has already been replaced in the past, this does not apply to you. If your residence still has a lead water service line, the City's Water System and plumbing contractor will contact you if they have not already. To give us permission to replace the lead line, the property owner should sign an Agreement (available at grcity.us/LeadAgreement). If you have questions, please contact the Water System at leadfreewater@grcity.us.
- The plumbing contractor and the Water System will need a few hours in your basement. They will bore a new water pipe underground with minimal disruption to your yard. The contractor will repair any damage caused in the basement and yard. After your lead line is replaced, you may experience a temporary increase in lead levels in your drinking water. The Water System or contractor will provide flushing instructions to help minimize your risk. Flushing instructions can also be found at grcity.us/water.
- For commercial buildings with lead service lines, the City portion of the service lines into buildings will be replaced. The City's Water System will contact you regarding the private portion of your service line, if needed.
- Typically, there will be two water shutdowns: once when the new main is placed in service (4 to 8 hours long) and another to connect individual water services for each property to the new main (2 to 4 hours long). There may be a third shut down to complete the final main switch. The contractor will provide notice 24 hours in advance.
- Occasionally, a water main may accidentally break during construction. If this should happen, you may not be notified, but repairs will be made as quickly as possible to restore your service.
- Following a water shutdown, calcified deposits may be dislodged by water pressure once the system is turned back on. Please run outside faucets first and then the faucets in all sinks to clear the lines. If some faucets are running slowly, it may be necessary to check the screens and clean off any debris.

Sanitary Sewer

- The sanitary sewer main, which handles wastewater from all properties along the street, will be replaced.
- Sanitary laterals to the property line will be replaced. Sanitary laterals connect buildings to the sanitary sewer main.
- There will be no interruption to sewer service.

Storm Sewer

The streets' storm sewer system, which handles stormwater, will be upgraded. Stormwater is rainwater or water from melting snow or ice. The stormwater system includes catch basins (the grates found periodically along curbs) that collect the water from the street and carry it into a main line.

Other Items

- Recycling and refuse service will be maintained but bins must be placed in their normal spots the night before collection day. Failing to do so may result in a missed collection. If needed, the contractor will move the bins to where they can be emptied and return them.
- Access for mail and other delivery services will be maintained.
- Typical construction hours are from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Occasionally, work may be done on Sunday. Work hours are dependent on weather and the contractor's schedule.

Business Guide

As we work to improve the street, we understand that businesses are sensitive to construction. For this reason, we've created a guide containing information for businesses during construction. Please find this guide on our website or contact us to get a hard copy.

Persons needing accommodations for effective meeting participation should contact Community Engagement no later than one week in advance to request mobility, visual, hearing, interpretive, or other assistance.