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SOUTHEND WATER & SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT

Construction will begin in mid-July 2025

Project Description: The South End Neighborhood Water and Sanitary Sewer System Improvement Project focuses on strengthening the community's infrastructure by completely replacing the existing water and sanitary sewer systems. New Sewer Collection and Water Distribution mains will be installed under the existing roadway, along with new services from the road to the customers' property line. This extensive project is focused on providing the community with more reliable and efficient water and sewer services to the residents of the South End Neighborhood.

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PUBLIC IMPACT QUESTION AND ANSWER SECTION

What traffic disruptions can be expected during utility work?

Answer: During the utility work, temporary road closures and/or lane reductions will occur. Additionally, there could be a temporary loss of street parking spaces.

What is being done to mitigate traffic disruptions during utility work?

Answer: The contractor(s) selected for the project must present a detailed work phasing plan before construction starts. This plan aims to limit the extent of traffic closures to only active work areas and for a limited duration. In areas where work is happening, the roadways will be accessible to local traffic through a single lane. All roadways not under active construction will allow for unimpeded two-way traffic and access to all driveways. Street parking will be periodically available during construction and marked by signage when not permitted.

What are the construction hours?

Answer: 7 am to 5 pm. Anything outside of 5 pm will need prior approval.

How will construction affect mail and other deliveries?

Answer: Local carriers will be notified of the anticipated construction schedule. During construction, the contractor will be required to maintain access for deliveries.

How will construction affect school bus pick-up?

Answer: School districts will be notified of the anticipated construction schedule. During construction, the Contractor must maintain bus pickup access or coordinate with school districts to adjust the bus stop temporarily.

How will construction affect Emergency Service access to the area?

Emergency service providers will be notified in advance of the anticipated construction schedule. The Contractor will be responsible for always maintaining clear paths for emergency vehicles. Additionally, a plan will be developed with local emergency services to ensure rapid response in the construction zone. Emergency services will be regularly updated on the status and changes in the construction area.

Will there be interruptions in the water supply?

Answer: Customers in the phased construction area will experience a short water supply disruption during the transfer from the existing water main to the new one. Throughout the work area, properties may experience changes in water pressure. Water shutoffs will be scheduled in advance, and we will notify you via Everbridge.

Will there be any interruption in sewer service?

Answer: Customers in the phased construction area will experience a short disruption of sewer services during the transfer from the existing sewer line to the new sewer line. During this service transfer, the Contractor will visit individual homes and ask that the household refrain from using toilets, sinks, washing machines, or any other facilities that drain to the public sewer.

What noise and dust issues are expected during the construction?

Answer: Construction noise is expected from machinery and equipment during working hours. Additionally, dust and debris may be generated from excavation and construction activities.

What measures will mitigate noise and dust during construction?

Answer: The contractor hired for this project must adhere to the New York State (NYS) Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan. On-site engineering staff will perform daily inspections covering aspects like stormwater management, noise, dust, and construction trash. If any issues are identified, they will be presented to the contractor, who will be held to a strict compliance schedule.

How can the public report noise, dust, or other construction-related concerns?

Answer: The public is encouraged to notify the on-site engineering staff of any potential concerns they may have regarding the construction. Contact information for the on-site engineering staff will be provided to the public prior to the start of construction.

What kind of access changes to properties may be expected during construction?

Answer: During construction, restricted or altered access to properties may exist.

What are the mitigation measures to ensure access to properties during construction?

Answer: Under their approved phasing plan, the contractor will be obligated to provide unimpeded access to all private properties throughout the duration of construction.

Several Village-owned properties—on Hutton St / Amsterdam, Hampton St, and Kingston St—will be used to store materials and equipment during this project. This is necessary to keep machines and materials secure and limit roadway blocking.

