

March 25, 2016

RE: Sewer Main Replacement Project #6620

Dear Neighbor,

In coordination with Mayor Rahm Emanuel's "Building a New Chicago" infrastructure improvement program, and at Alderman Dowell's request, I would like to provide you with information about an upcoming sewer main construction project in your neighborhood.

Starting in early April, the Department of Water Management's private contractor will install 1,400 feet of 24-inch, 30-inch, and 36-inch new sewer main in S. Langley Avenue (40th Street-Oakwood Boulevard), and in E. Oakwood Boulevard (Langley Avenue-Vincennes Avenue). The old sewer dates back to 1889 and needs to be replaced.

For a period of time, eastbound traffic on Oakwood Boulevard will be closed at S. Vincennes Avenue. Vehicular traffic will be detoured from Vincennes north to Pershing, east to Cottage Grove, and back to Oakwood Boulevard. Our contractor will provide and maintain access for local and emergency vehicles during the construction period. Otherwise, when working in the street, we may close or limit it to traffic for safety reasons, but you will always be able to reach your home or business. Outside of working hours, a travel lane will be left open for local traffic only.

We will post our work area for "No Parking" as needed during work hours (generally 7am-4pm). We are agreeable to parking outside of those hours, but cars will need to be moved by the start of the next workday. We will try to preserve as much parking as possible.

We know that construction always involves inconveniences and noise. We will do everything possible to maintain your quality of life throughout these projects, and conducting ourselves as good and thoughtful neighbors in the course of our presence on your street.

Should you have any questions or concerns, you can either ask the construction foreman during the project, or call any of the following numbers:

• 24-Hour Service and Information Line: 311

• 3rd Ward Office: 773-373-9273

• DWM Office of Public Affairs: 312-744-6635

Lastly, if you don't already have one, I ask you to consider the installation of a water meter in your home to help you save money on your water bill. For more information on this free program, go to www.metersave.org.

Thank you in advance for your patience and cooperation during this important infrastructure improvement project.

Sincerely,

Thomas Powers Commissioner