

CITY OF PORTAGE

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"Where the North Begins"

May 28, 2024

Dear Resident/Property Owner:

This letter is to inform you that Alley's #16 (between East Franklin Street and East Carrol Street from Jefferson Street to Monroe Street), and #79 (between Huron Street and Erie Street from Thompson Street to East Wisconsin Street), have been programmed to be reconstructed in 2024. The construction work will consist of the replacement of the asphalt surface in the alley as well as the base course underneath the asphalt. The project should be short in duration and will depend on the contractor's schedule. The contractor performing the work will be S&L Underground, Incorporated. The project is scheduled to begin July 19, 2024 and it is anticipated that all work will be completed in 3 to 4 weeks.

If there are items stored in the alley right of way, please remove them prior to construction (wood piles, grills, etc.). Both alleys are scheduled for removals and grading during the week of July 19th, with paving anticipated the first or second week in July. In addition, the alleys have areas of concrete replacement. The concrete replacement will take place after the alleys are resurfaced. The contractor will stagger this work so there is alley access from one end at all times. If garbage/recycling service for your property is picked up in the alley, the service will temporarily pick up in the front/street side of your property during construction.

When the contractor is excavating the alley and installing the base, the alley will be closed. At the end of each work day, there will be access to the alley. When hot mix asphalt is being installed, the alley will be closed that day and the following day. As with any construction project, it is inevitable you will have some inconveniences through the duration of this project; however, the City of Portage will make every effort to minimize such inconveniences.

The City does have a Special Assessment policy for alley reconstruction in which adjacent property owners are assessed for 50% of the construction costs. Additional information will be provided with regards to the Special Assessments in the coming weeks, at which time a Public Hearing will be scheduled for affected property owners to state their opinions about the special assessments for the alleys or for individual properties.

We respectfully request your patience and indulgence during the alley project and encourage you to contact our office with any questions or concerns that may arise. You are also encouraged to attend an information meeting being held by City staff. Information on the meeting can be found below.

Public Information Meeting, June 3rd at 5:00-6:00 P. M. in Council Chambers –

This meeting is to ask questions about how your property will be affected by construction and to address any access issues and timing issues that individual residents may have. This will also be the best opportunity to learn about why the City is doing this project and what you can expect when it is complete. *No formal presentation will be made this is simply a question and answer session with City staff.*

If you have questions, concerns, or comments feel free to email me at Philip.livingston@portagewi.gov or call me at 608-742-2176 ext. 104.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Philip Livingston".

Director of Public Works