



# Village of Villa Park

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**RE: Iowa and Vermont Improvement Project  
Construction Start & Lead Information Notice**

Dear Resident:

This letter is to inform you that the Village is finalizing preparations for the upcoming Iowa and Vermont Improvement Project. Construction is tentatively expected to begin the week of **Monday, July 15, 2024**. Preliminary work, such as the stockpiling of equipment and materials, cutting of the pavement, and utility locating may begin sooner.

This project consists of improvements on North Iowa Avenue from Vermont Street to Plymouth Street and West Vermont Street from Iowa Avenue to Wisconsin Avenue. The project includes the installation of a new water main. Some selective street and stormwater improvements are also included. Project plans as well as general information can be found on the dedicated webpage located on the Village website: <https://www.invillapark.com/1088>.

## PROJECT UPDATES



The Village uses a notification service called CodeRED to provide project updates, as well as information regarding notices about road closures, water shutoffs, driveway access restrictions, etc. These updates are provided in a variety of ways, including email, text messages, and the CodeRED mobile app. If you are interested in signing up for CodeRED please use the QR code to the left or follow the link to complete the process: <https://arcg.is/fiiHG>

## ROAD ACCESS, DRIVEWAY ACCESS, AND PARKING

Traffic within the project area will be affected by construction efforts. **Parking will not be permitted in active construction areas during the workday.** In addition, temporary road closures and/or driveway access restrictions may be needed during portions of the construction. Advanced notice will be provided before any multi day closures via letters and the CodeRED notification system. Efforts will be made to give residents access to their driveways overnight as much as possible during the project. **During any closures and/or access restrictions, residents will be allowed to park overnight on adjacent streets, where normally permitted.** We ask that motorists follow all posted signs.

## WATER SHUT-OFFS

Portions of the work to be completed with this project will require the water service to be temporarily shut off for periods of time. These water service shut-offs will take place Monday

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through Friday during normal working hours and will be kept as brief as possible. The exact dates and times will vary, and additional advanced notice will be provided via letters and the CodeRED notification system before any scheduled water shut-offs occur. If you experience a pressure loss after a water shut-off, please contact the Public Works Department at (630) 834-8505 to report the issue.

## **LEAD CONCERNS**

Village water mains are generally constructed of ductile or cast iron. Water services and interior plumbing, including joints and fittings, can be composed of lead, copper, or galvanized pipe. With the age of the buildings in the project area, it is possible that some water service lines or the interior plumbing in your home could contain lead.

If the Village encounters any lead water services during construction, the Village will replace the public portion of the water service between the water main and the buffalo box (b-box). If, at this same time, the private side of the water service between the buffalo box (b-box) and the meter is determined to be lead, the Village will contact the homeowner to discuss replacement options for this portion.

More information on lead in drinking water can be found on the enclosed paperwork and on the IEPA website at <http://www.epa.illinois.gov/citizens/citizens-information/in-your-home/resources-on-lead/index>.

## **SUMMARY AND FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

- Construction is expected to begin the week of July 15, 2024, and should be completed by the end of 2024.
- The project area consists of North Iowa Avenue from Vermont to Plymouth, and West Vermont Street from Iowa to Wisconsin. This project is essentially a mirror image of the Michigan and Vermont Project which took place in 2023.
- A new 8" water main will be installed.
- N Iowa Ave from Vermont to Plymouth will be fully reconstructed, including all curb and public sidewalk.
- New concrete driveway aprons will be installed at all properties on N Iowa Ave.
- Some parkway trees will unfortunately need to be removed to install the new water infrastructure.
- Residents should maintain driveway access for most of the time construction is taking place. Temporary loss of access for brief periods may happen while work is taking place directly in front of properties. If a vehicle is needed to make a scheduled appointment or event, it is recommended to park that vehicle on the street outside of the construction area ahead of time to ensure there are no delays.
- Street parking will not be permitted within the project area from 6:00 AM to 5:00 PM.
- Any potential sources of lead found in the water system during construction will be removed and replaced, and the property owners notified.
- Notices for temporary water shutoffs and loss of driveway access will be delivered via the CodeRED messaging system as well as paper letters via plastic door hangers.
- Weather may affect the date and time of any pre-planned construction activity.
- Weekly project status updates will be provided exclusively via the CodeRED messaging system.
- The primary contractor for this project is Martam Construction, Inc., of Elgin IL

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the engineering division by email at [engineering@invillapark.com](mailto:engineering@invillapark.com) or by phone at (630) 834-8505 between the hours of 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.