

PUBLIC UTILITY LAND SURVEY NOTIFICATION RIVERSIDE DRIVE

Earlier this year Greater Cincinnati Water Works (GCWW) had two significant breaks on a large water transmission main in Riverside Drive. These breaks caused significant disruption to the neighborhood and necessitated the closure of a portion of Riverside Drive to through traffic. Repairs were made as expeditiously as possible in order to minimize disruption and restore traffic along this major thoroughfare.

Although this work was completed last spring, a section of the main was left out of service while we explored options for pipe rehabilitation. Since this pipe provides critical redundancy to our water transmission system, we are working to find a solution to improve the integrity of the main which minimizes its time out of service as well as disruption to the surrounding community. To that end, GCWW has hired a professional engineering firm to evaluate water main rehabilitation methods to determine the best approach while minimizing impacts to businesses, residents, and traffic.

As part of the evaluation process, in accordance with the Ohio Revised Code, the engineering firm will retain field surveyors to mark and locate utility information in the project area. The specific area included is Riverside Dr. from Collins Ave. to Lumber St. Surveyors are expected to begin work in the area before the end of 2021 but may need to return periodically to pick up additional information.

Please note that this evaluation is in the preliminary stages. We anticipate construction will occur sometime in 2022, however, utility/traffic coordination, contracting, and supply chain issues could impact the schedule significantly depending on the rehabilitation method recommended. We will be working closely with the City's Department of Transportation on roadway restrictions required to complete the work once it is better defined. We understand the inconvenience and burden of traffic restrictions to residents and businesses in the area and will work to minimize disruption to the degree possible as well as keep you informed of the schedule as it's developed.

We appreciate your ongoing patience and cooperation as we work to institute the most appropriate long-term solution for this critical water infrastructure in the Riverside Drive corridor. We are aiming to pursue a solution that will increase the integrity of the main, greatly reduce the risk of future breaks and outages, and minimize the impact on the surrounding community during construction. More information will be shared as we progress through this project. For additional information and updates to the project, please visit our Major Projects webpage at https://www.cincinnati-oh.gov/water/engineering-construction/major-projects/. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Kyle Buckley at kyle.buckley@gcww.cincinnati-oh.gov or at 513.591.7874

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