



TOWN OF ARLINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
51 GROVE STREET
ARLINGTON, MA 02476

**** ATTENTION RESIDENTS ****

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- CONSTRUCTION NOTICE -

The Town of Arlington through its contractor **Richard D'Ambrosia Construction, Inc.**, will begin the 2020 Green Infrastructure Improvement Project starting April 14, 2020. Work will take place at select locations on the following Streets;

Broadway
Oxford Street
Sunnyside Avenue
Fairmont Street

Thorndike Street
Varnum Street
Cleveland Street
Marathon Street

Waldo Road
Trowbridge Street
Herbert Road
Milton Street

This project is funded by a State Coastal Zone Management Grant. The main focus of the project will be the installation of stormwater infiltration trenches and rain gardens to assist in the removal of contaminants which flow to the Mystic River from stormwater runoff. As part of this project there will be numerous upgrades to small sections of sidewalks and granite curbing required for the proper functioning of the infiltration systems. Work will begin installing granite curbing to delineate the street edge at select locations. Construction of the Infiltration Trenches, rain gardens and sidewalks will follow.

As the schedule proceeds project areas can be identified by the presence of paint marks on the road, construction barrels, cones and equipment on the street. No Parking Zones will be posted as needed along to provide room for equipment and construction activity. The Police Department will provide Traffic Safety Detail Officers as available to assist with traffic management, increase work zone safety, and enforce parking restrictions. The road will remain accessible. During construction, access to driveways, certain road sections and portions of the sidewalk may be closed on a temporary basis. Drivers, pedestrians and residents are asked to follow posted instructions as applicable.

Please review the reverse side of this notice for answers to some frequently asked questions. Due to the current COVID-19 crisis the use of flyers and door-hang notices will be minimized. If you have any additional questions about the project, please contact the Arlington Engineering Division at (781) 316-3320, or Engineering@town.arlington.ma.us.

Thank you for your cooperation while we continue to improve Arlington's roadways.

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Frequently Asked Questions

"Can I still access my house during construction?"

Access in and out of your house will be maintained throughout construction. The Contractor and Engineering Division will work to accommodate any needs or requests.

"While work is performed at my driveway, where can I park?"

Some residents may have a temporary restriction on parking in their driveway and will be able to park overnight on nearby side streets without being ticketed. The contractor will provide a notice and coordinate with residents as needed. Should any issues arise, please contact the Engineering Division and we will work with you to resolve the issue.

"What will happen to my driveway?" or "Why is my driveway not completed?"

Driveways may be "cut back" in order to transition with the new surface. Driveways may be cut back a number of feet and re-surfaced with the same material that was removed. If asphalt pavement, the driveway will be paved in two layers (a base layer and a top layer).

"I have a plant/landscaping/walkway/object on the edge of my property/in the grass strip. What will happen to it?"

The Town recommends moving any items that are within the public right of way prior to construction operations. Objects remaining in the Town right of way (from the back of the sidewalk to the street) may be removed and placed on the property, but any damage will not be the responsibility of the Town or its contractor. In addition, please inform the contractor and/or the Engineering Division of any sensitive, obscured, or otherwise important items such as plantings, wires, furnishings, irrigation lines, sprinkler heads and decorations close to the area of construction that may be impacted by construction activities.

"What if I have a retaining wall at the back of the sidewalk?"

If a retaining wall is in good condition work can generally proceed easily. Minor efforts may be made by the contractor to patch or make adjustments to meet the sidewalk if needed. If a retaining wall is in poor condition, work may not be able to be performed due to risk of collapse. In instances such as this the contractor may decide not to perform the work due to potential liabilities unless the wall is repaired or a waiver is signed by the owner to proceed.

"Can I apply salt to the sidewalk in the winter time?"

Newly poured concrete is more susceptible to freeze/thaw affects in the winter time. De-icing products promote melting during the day and freezing temperatures can return overnight. The repetitive cycle can result in "spalling" of the sidewalk surface. During the first winter salt & de-icing chemicals should be used sparingly or swept up after ice has been removed to facilitate curing of concrete after the first season.