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# 2022 CONSTRUCTION NOTICE Curb & Walk Accessibility Improvements

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The Town of Arlington, through its contractor Tasco Construction, Inc., will be performing construction for the installation and upgrade of curbing and sidewalks during the 2022 Construction Season on the following streets:

### CURB & WALK PROJECT (tentative schedule)

STREET NAME	FROM	ТО	SCHEDULE
AMSDEN STREET	MASS AVE	WALDO RD	Work to begin after July 1st
WALDO ROAD	MARATHON ST	AMSDEN ST	
WINDSOR STREET	MASS AVE	WALDO RD	

Preparation for this work is scheduled to begin after July 1, 2022 (weather permitting). This work will include the installation of and/or upgrades to existing sections of curbing and sidewalks. Tentative construction scheduling is indicated in the table above and is anticipated to begin after July 1st and completed by the end of October. These dates are tentative and dependent on weather and the contractor scheduling requirements.

During work hours, residents can expect a heavy presence of construction vehicles and equipment. Residents should also expect on-street parking will be restricted during work hours. No Parking Zones will be posted as needed to provide room for equipment and construction activity. The Contractor will make every effort to keep inconveniences to a minimum and the Police Department will provide Traffic Safety Detail Officers to assist with vehicular and pedestrian traffic management, increase work zone safety, and enforce parking restrictions. Residents, drivers, and pedestrians are asked to follow posted instructions, including temporary detours, as applicable.

Further notices will be provided to abutters as warranted. Periodic updates will also be provided on the Town's website at: <u>https://www.arlingtonma.gov/departments/public-works/dpw-news-notices</u>.

**Please review the reverse side of this notice for the answer to some frequently asked questions.** Should you have any additional questions about the project, please contact the Arlington Engineering Division at (781) 316-3320, or <u>Engineering@Town.Arlington.ma.us</u>. Thank you for your cooperation as we accessibility improvements for all in the Town of Arlington.

### "Can I still access my house during construction?"

Yes. Access in and out of your house will be maintained throughout construction. The Police Department, contractor and Engineering Division will work to accommodate any needs or requests. With the exception of if/when your driveway apron is reconstructed.

### "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?"

Work may be required at some driveway aprons to provide an accessible travel path and 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). Staff from the DPW or Contractor will notify abutters if this work is required.

# "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.

# "Will trash/recycling pickup be affected by construction?"

Trash/recycling pickup will continue as normally scheduled.

# "How can I receive construction updates?"

Notices pertaining to Town work will be posted on the DPW Project Updates Page. Check for occasional updates at



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