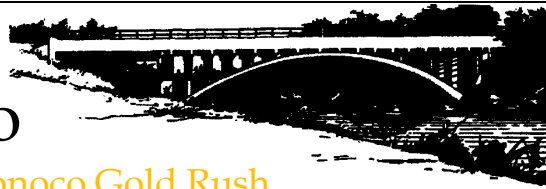


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# City of Oronoco

Home of Downtown Oronoco Gold Rush



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June 14, 2023

**Reference: Resident Construction Status Update No. 24:  
Oronoco Wastewater Treatment, Sewer Collection System & Water Distribution Project**

**Review of recent construction:**

Over the last few weeks, Oronoco's contractor (Fitzgerald Excavating & Trucking) has been making steady progress. During this time, the contractor has:

- Continued installation of sanitary sewer structures, main, and service piping along Center Street East.
- Completed watermain installation on 3rd Street SW and 2nd Avenue SW and began installing forcemain and service piping in this area.
- Completed installation of watermain and services on Timberline Drive SE.
- Began reconstruction of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Street SE roadway through aggregate base.
- Completed miscellaneous utility pressure tests, manhole casting adjustments and valve box adjustments.
- Complete connection of the forcemain piping systems connecting to the wastewater treatment facility parcel.
- Constructed concrete pads at multiple lift station locations.
- Worked in multiple areas spreading topsoil, fine grading ditches and boulevards and hydroseeding and mulching areas to reestablish turf disturbed by construction.

**Work planned over the next two weeks and associated traffic, roadway access, and service impacts are summarized below.** Note: The tentative work schedule provided by the contractor is subject to weather conditions and construction progress and may change without notice. See attached figure for additional information about where work is tentatively planned over the next two weeks.

1. Fitzgerald Excavating will continue installation of sanitary sewer piping and culverts along East Center Street. As a result, East Center Street will be closed from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM (Monday through Saturday) to facilitate construction. The contractor will reopen the roadway when feasible during none working hours. We anticipate this work will be substantially complete and the road will be reopened with a temporary aggregate surface by approximately June 19<sup>th</sup>.
2. Fitzgerald Excavating will be installing sanitary sewer forcemain piping across Minnesota Avenue S at CR 112 / 100th Street NW. The contractor will provide one traffic lane on Minnesota Avenue that will be used to accommodate vehicles traveling in both directions. Drivers will be directed through the construction zone by flaggers and traffic control. Please expect delays, drive with caution, and be patient over the 1 to 2 days construction will be impacted by this utility crossing.
3. Fitzgerald Excavating will be installing sanitary sewer forcemain piping across and adjacent to Minnesota Avenue S near Cedar Point Road SE. The contractor will provide one traffic lane on Minnesota Avenue that will be used to accommodate vehicles traveling in both directions. Drivers will be directed through the construction zone by flaggers and traffic control. Please expect delays, drive with caution, and be patient over the 1 to 2 days construction will be impacted by this utility crossing.
4. A utility crew from Fitzgerald Excavating will begin installing sanitary sewer main along 1st Avenue NE. Sanitary sewer construction will be slow as the sewer is very deep in this area. Access to 1st Avenue NE will be restricted between 7:00 AM and 7:00 PM (Monday through Saturday) and access adjacent to trenching operations may not be possible. Please plan to park vehicles at a location out of the construction area if you need to leave home during working hours or as communicated by the contractor. The contractor will maintain access to roadway and driveways outside of construction hours and all day on Sunday when feasible.

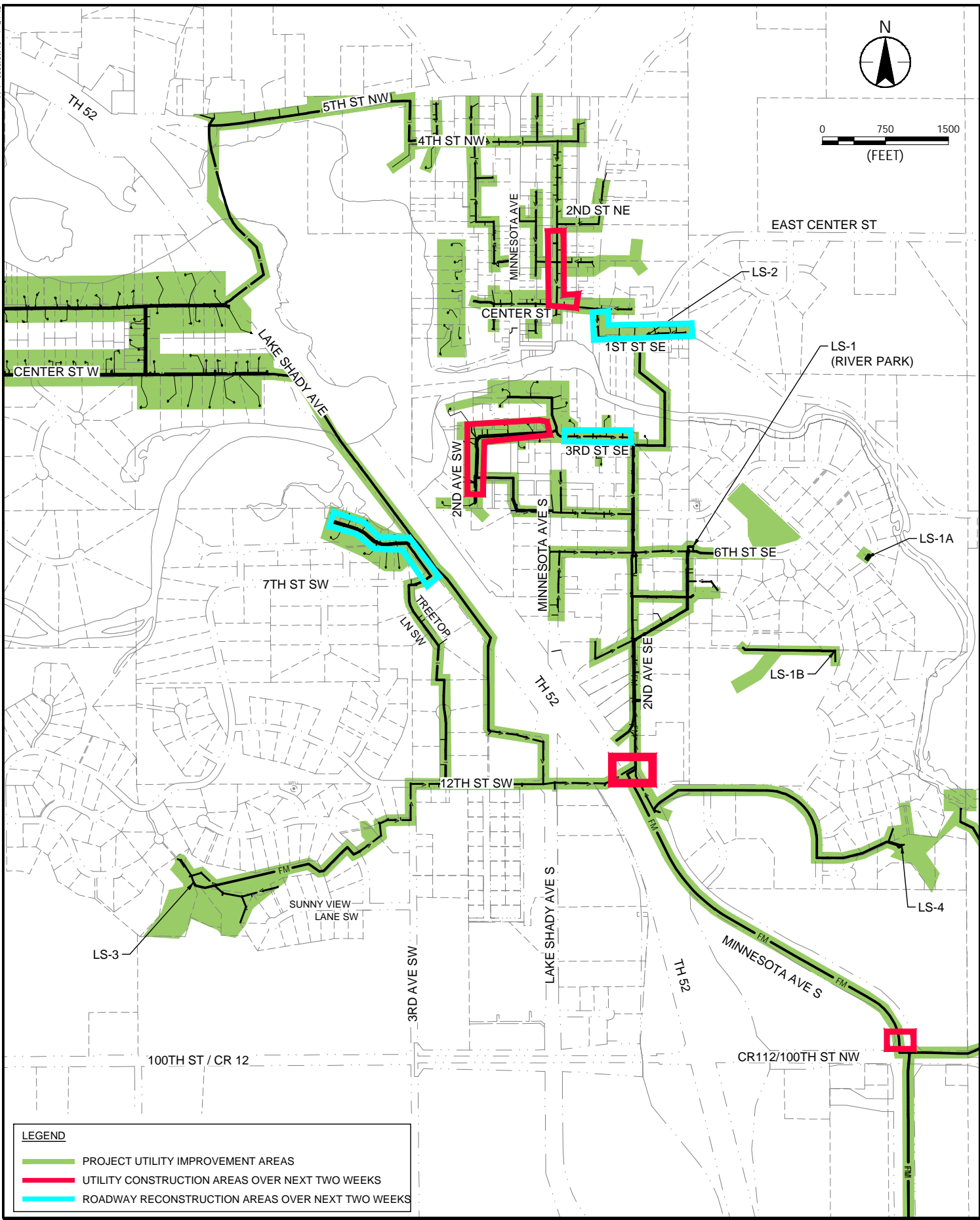
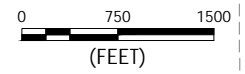
5. Fitzgerald Excavating will continue installing sanitary sewer forcemain and service piping mostly in the boulevards along 2nd Avenue SW and 3rd Street SW thereafter. The contractor will maintain at least one lane of traffic for resident access on 3rd Street SW and 2nd Avenue SW. Please drive with caution through the construction zone, follow the route delineated by the traffic control cones, and be prepared to stop as directed by contractor flagmen. Access for adjacent property owners may be restricted between 7:00 AM and 7:00 PM (Monday through Saturday). Please plan to park vehicles at a location out of the construction area if you need to leave home during working hours. The contractor will maintain access to roadway and driveways outside of construction hours and all day on Sunday.
6. Fitzgerald Excavating will so complete to reconstruct 3rd Street SE through aggregate base and will then move to reconstruct 1st Place SW followed by 1st Street SE and 2nd Avenue SE. During the street reconstruction process, access may periodically be restricted during working hours. The contractor will work with residents to facilitate access to properties to the extent feasible during the street reconstruction process. Roadway reconstruction through aggregate base typically takes 3-4 days per street.
7. Mail Service, Garbage Service and UPS / FedEx deliveries within areas impacted directly by construction.
  - Mailboxes on 1st Place SW are temporarily out of service. A bank of temporary mailboxes for these residents is located on 7th Street SW near the 1st Place SW intersection.
  - Existing mailboxes on 3rd Street SE are temporarily out of service. A bank of temporary mailboxes for these residents is located on 2nd Avenue SE near 3rd Street SE.
  - Existing mailboxes along 1st Street SE have been moved to a temporary mailbox bank just west of the Garden Park driveway.
  - Deliveries from UPS / Fed Ex to properties adjacent to the construction zone cannot be guaranteed as access to the roadway will frequently be limited. Please make other arrangements for deliveries or schedule to pick up packages directly from the carrier.
  - Garbage Service on East Center Street, 1st Avenue NE, 3rd Street SW and 2nd Avenue SW will be facilitated by the contractor. Please put your garbage out as normal and the contractor will work with the garbage collectors and see that service is provided.
8. The contractor will continue fine grading activities and preparations for turf establishment within ditches and boulevards impacted by past utility construction. Minimal impact to local traffic is expected.
9. Continued material deliveries to construction work areas will periodically occur. Expect truck traffic and periodic delays as materials are unloaded.

The City and construction team recognizes this project will temporarily impact and inconvenience many residents during the construction of the critically important sewer and water improvements. Construction traffic, access constraints & delays, use of alternate routes, dust, and muddy streets are all unfortunate realities associated with this type of construction. The City of Oronoco and its Contractors sincerely appreciate resident cooperation and your patience as we work together to complete this project.

Resident construction status updates will be posted on the City's website, emailed directly to residents who have provided their email address to the City, and printed for pickup at temporary mailbox stands located in construction areas. To facilitate enhanced dissemination of the update to residents, we ask that residents sign up for email updates by sending an email to [Oronococonstruction@gmail.com](mailto:Oronococonstruction@gmail.com). In addition to this update, the City has prepared a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document that addresses common resident construction related questions and is also available on the City's website. Questions about the contents of the construction status update or about the project in general can be directed to the City's Engineer Joe Palen at either 507.529.6036 or [joseph.palen@stantec.com](mailto:joseph.palen@stantec.com).

Questions or concerns about construction activities, driveway or roadway access, service interruptions or safety can be directed to Fitzgerald Excavating and Trucking Staff: Project Manager Gary Richter - (507) 208-0473, Project Foremen Luke Safranski (507) 676-3062, or Joe Fogarty (507) 517-8512.

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