

University Drive Drainage Channel Improvements

Public Meeting – September 23, 2008

General Information

What work does the project include?

The work includes:

- 1. Drainage channel stabilization from Syracuse Drive to Duck Creek Drive.*
- 2. Roadway culvert replacements at Columbia Drive and Syracuse Drive*
- 3. Repair and re-furbishing of the Duck Creek Pond*
- 4. Underground storm sewer extension in Columbia and Vanderbilt Drive.*

Who is the contractor?

*Austin Filter Systems, Inc. is the selected contractor.
City Crews for the Columbia/Vanderbilt storm sewer.*

Have permits been approved to protect wildlife and the environment?

Yes, the city has obtained all required federal, state, and local permits.

Who can I contact regarding the project?

City Contacts – Engineering Department::

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Austin Filter Systems:

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Web-Access:

*<http://Clients.freese.com/UniversityChannel>
(Note, do not put “www” at the beginning.)*

When will the project start? How long will it last?

The project will start the last week of September, 2008. The contractor has approximately 18 months to complete the work.

Where will the contractor start?

Generally, the contractor will work in this order:

- *From Syracuse Drive to Columbia Drive with culvert replacement at Syracuse Drive*
- *From Columbia Drive to 3705 University/Lancelot Place with culvert replacement at Columbia Drive*
- *From 3705 University/Lancelot Place to Duck Creek Drive*
- *Duck Creek Pond*

The storm sewer extension in Columbia/Vanderbilt is not yet scheduled. It will be done by City crews so as not to interfere with the main channel work.

Where will the contractor store materials?

Austin Filter Systems will have a construction trailer and material storage on the vacant Hunt tract between Syracuse Drive and Kingsley Road.

How will the contractor get access to the channel?

The City has executed access agreements with several homeowners. The contractor and the City will work with those homeowners where the contractor would like to use those access points.

What happens when it rains?

As much as is practical, efforts will be made to anticipate the weather and prepare the site for rain events.

What about the silt generated during construction?

Efforts will be made to keep roadways clear of silt and debris. Any silt generated in the channel will be deposited in the downstream pond on Duck Creek. The final project element is to clean out the pond and re-stabilize its banks.

Will the contractor work early in the morning, late at night, or on week-ends?

Working hours are from 7 am to 7 pm on Monday – Friday. The contractor may choose to work on Saturdays. Work is not allowed on Sundays or Holidays except for unusual or urgent situations.

How will the work affect neighborhood traffic? What about trash pick-up and mail delivery?

- *Traffic will be affected; however adequate signing and flagmen will be available at all times. The City will inform residents of any changes in trash pick-up routes or schedules, or mail delivery modifications.*
- *Road closures at Syracuse Drive and Columbia Drive during culvert replacements.*
- *One-way on Vanderbilt Drive during storm sewer extension.*

Are there any scheduled utility shut-off's?

No, but there may be occasional, unscheduled, stoppages of service.

What happens if my utility lines are cut?

Efforts will be made to immediately notify owners of any loss of service. Owners may contact the Field Inspector during working hours. Contact the City Water Dispatch at 972-205-3210, ext. '0', after hours.

What steps are being taken to ensure that my property is not damaged?

Before starting construction, the contractor will take detailed video of the entire project. This will verify and document existing conditions. It is advisable that each owner do the same for their property.

If you feel that your property has been damaged, please contact the City representative immediately.

Can I have the contractor do some extra work on my property?

The City's contractor is an independent contractor and can perform separate work for owner. The City prefers the contractor not take on a significant number of these small jobs.

Owners are advised to investigate and acquire all necessary permits.