

Village of La Grange

CONSTRUCTION NOTICE

Nicor Gas Main Replacement Area Bounded by 6th Avenue, Ashland Avenue, Burlington Avenue and Cossitt Avenue



June 14, 2016

Dear Residents, Property Owners and Business Owners:

The Village would like to advise residents that Nicor Gas is planning to replace gas mains, services, and meters in the Central Business District area generally bound by 6th Avenue, Ashland Avenue, Burlington Avenue and Cossitt Avenue. Nicor is replacing aging gas mains and other gas infrastructure in this area as part of an infrastructure improvement program called Investing in Illinois: A Nicor Gas System Improvement Initiative. This work is expected to start after the Arts and Craft Fair on July 11, 2016 and be completed over the next several months.

The scope of work will include replacement of aging gas mains, moving meters from the inside of properties to the outside, upgrading storage systems and improving the gas pressure delivery system. Generally, new gas mains and services will be installed on each block and to each property through a process called directional boring. Directional boring is a trenchless technology that reduces the amount of open cut excavation and subsequent restoration. Once the gas mains and services have been installed, Nicor will restore all roadways, parkways, sidewalks and private landscaping. For gas meter replacement, Nicor Gas will contact each property individually to schedule an appointment to determine an agreed location for any replacement gas meter.

Since the work is occurring within the Central Business District, special accommodations have been made with Nicor Gas to limit disruption to businesses and residents within this area. First, work is scheduled to occur between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday. Since the work involves opening sidewalks to replace gas mains, steel plates will be placed over openings and directional signage will be provided for pedestrians. Please note that at times access to areas of the public sidewalk will be restricted, and tables and chairs will need to be moved to accommodate the work. You will be contacted by either Nicor or the Village if access to a particular area is required.

Also, on-street parking will be restricted at times as needed to accommodate construction. Please be aware of posted parking restriction signs. All driveways, streets and alleys will remain

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accessible during construction.

The general sequence of work for each street segment will be as follows: (1) install and pressurize new gas mains [2-3 weeks], (2) install new gas services and meters to individual properties [3-4 weeks], (3) restoration [3 weeks].

Thank you in advance for your patience and cooperation. We will work with Nicor Gas as much as possible to minimize the inconveniences associated with this project. Should you have any questions about the project please contact the Nicor construction supervisor, Jason Jarka at (708) 318-5022. Nicor can also be reached by calling their Investing in Illinois hotline number at (630) 388-3333 or by visiting their website at www.nicorgas.com/residential/work-in-your-neighborhood. Alternatively you can also call the Department of Public Works at (708) 579-2328 with any questions, comments or concerns.

Sincerely,
VILLAGE OF LA GRANGE



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