



Celebrating 50 Golden Years

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September 5, 2019

OPEN HOUSE / STREET AND UTILITY RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT

Dear Resident:

The City of Apple Valley 2020 Capital Improvement Program identifies a street and utility reconstruction project in your neighborhood as shown on the included map.

The Palomino Hills neighborhoods (Cimarron & Surrey) were developed in the early 1970s. Street pavement throughout the neighborhood is deteriorating rapidly and becoming more costly to repair. The City is also encountering problems with the aging sanitary sewer and water distribution systems as well as storm systems within this area. Annual sewer cleaning is no longer adequate to control root intrusion into the system and prevent potential sewer backups.

A feasibility study of the project has begun. It is anticipated that phase 1 of the project will be publicly bid and awarded to a contractor in the late winter/spring of 2020 with construction anticipated in the 2020 season (phase 2 scheduled for 2021). An additional neighborhood meeting will be scheduled when the project is awarded to discuss in more detail the construction schedule and specific scope of work in April.

If the City of Apple Valley proceeds with the project, funding would be derived from the City's Road Improvement Tax Levy. The City Council has structured this funding source to allow the City to pay for the proposed street reconstruction work WITHOUT the use of any special assessments to residents.

To continue the long standing practice of not using special assessments the City Council has made some changes to the City Policy regarding Private items in the Public Right of Way and are outlined below:

Street Improvement Projects often require construction work to occur within the public right-of-way area behind the concrete curb or outside of the paved street section. This area is typically referred to as the boulevard. Adjacent property owners along the street frequently have installed privately owned items within the boulevard area. Some examples of privately owned items within the boulevard include:

- *Irrigation or sprinkler systems*
- *Bushes and landscape plantings*
- *Decorative fences*
- *Underground dog fences*

The City will not be responsible for the cost to remove/reinstall privately owned items that are encountered within the right-of-way as part of a Street Improvement Project. City staff will send notice to property owners ahead of the project timeframe, requesting that the property owner remove any privately-owned items within the construction zone of the public right-of-way.

Approved by City Council February 23, 2017, Resolution 2017-036



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Please complete and return the enclosed survey to assist with evaluating the proposed project by September 17, 2019. A stamped, self-addressed envelope is included for your convenience.

A project informational meeting and open house is scheduled for **September 19, 2019**, starting at **6:00 p.m.** at the Apple Valley Municipal Center (City Hall), in the Council Chambers. City staff will be available for questions and provide information on the upcoming project. The Municipal Center is located at 7100 147th Street, in the southwest corner of 147th Street and Galaxie Avenue.

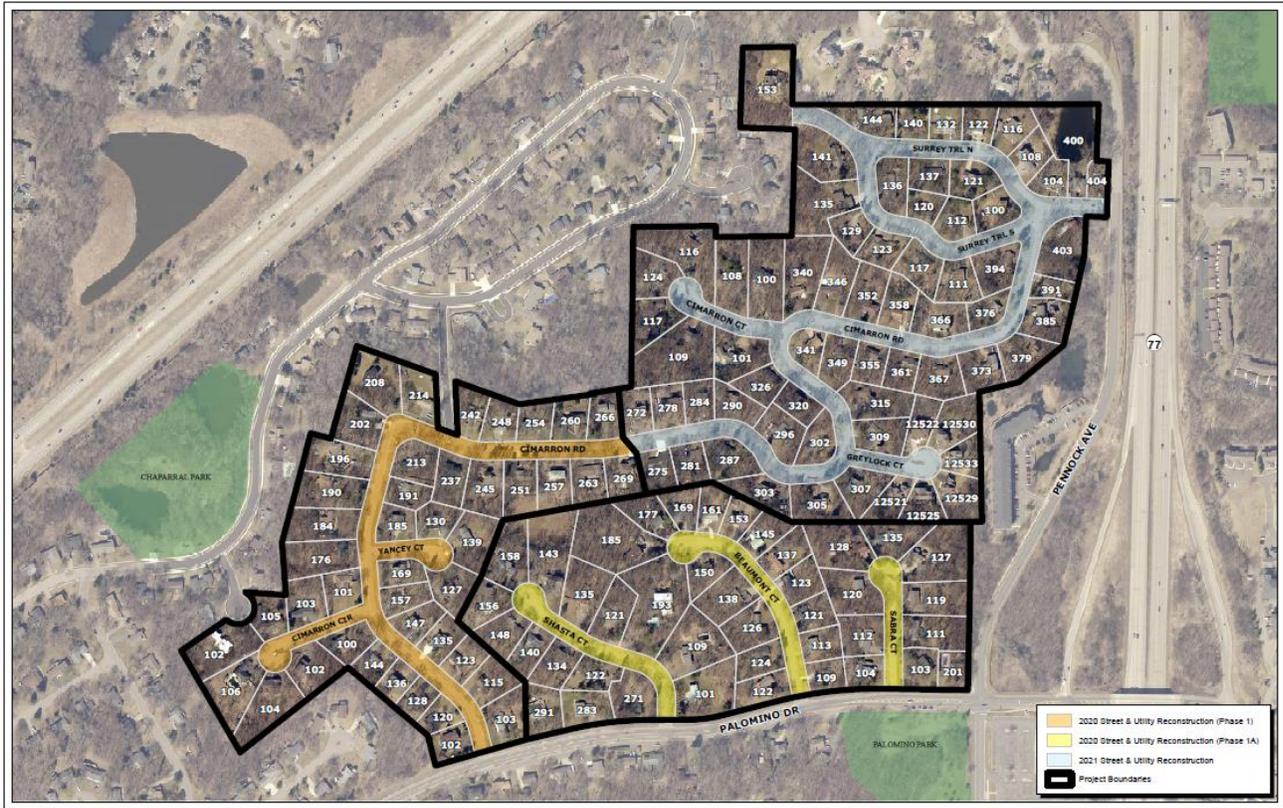
Please contact the Apple Valley Public Works Department at 952-953-2400 or email pubworks@cityofapplevalley.org for more information. Public Works staff looks forward to meeting with residents on September 19th to further discuss the proposed project.

**No formal presentation will be given.
This is an open house where you will be able to talk one on one with staff.**

Sincerely,

Apple Valley Public Works Department

Enclosures



2020 / 2021 STREET & UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS
CITY OF APPLE VALLEY

PROJECT AREA



SURVEY

This survey will help the Apple Valley Public Works staff better understand the infrastructure needs in your neighborhood. **Please return this survey by September 17, 2019.** You may also contact us at 952.953.2400 to discuss this project.

Thank you for your cooperation.

1. Do you have a lawn irrigation (sprinkler) system located within your front yard?

Please check one: Yes No

2. Do you have an invisible fence system located in your front yard?

Please check one: Yes No

3. What other concerns do you have? *(Note: Special Assessments are not proposed for this project.)*

Should you have questions or need more information, please contact the Public Works Department at pubworks@cityofapplevalley.org or call 952.953.2400.

Your Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Thank You!

Please **return by September 17, 2019** to:

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