

## Notice to Property Owners

**Re: Rutland Avenue Reconstruction and Water Main Improvements - City of Southfield**

Dear Property Owner:

The City of Southfield has upcoming infrastructure improvements within Rutland Avenue between 9 Mile Rd and Northwestern Hwy Service Dr. Water main will be replaced, and the road will be reconstructed in concrete.

**Stage 1:** SOUTHBOUND lanes will be fully under construction. You will have access to your property's driveway approach.

- Northbound traffic will be fully CLOSED during this stage, detouring traffic up the M-10 Service Drive to 9 Mile Rd.
- Southbound traffic will utilize the northbound lanes; traffic will be under a one-way traffic configuration throughout the duration of this project with southbound movements only. See map on page 3.

**Stage 2:** NORTHBOUND lanes will be fully under construction. You will have access to your property's driveway approach.

- Northbound traffic will remain fully CLOSED during this stage, detouring traffic up the M-10 Service Drive to 9 Mile Rd.
- Southbound traffic will be placed back in the normal configuration, utilizing the newly constructed southbound lanes; traffic will be under a one-way traffic configuration throughout the duration of this project with southbound movements only.

**Water Main Replacement:** Each stage of this construction will require interruptions to your water service as the water main as part of this contract. You will be notified 48 hours in advance with a separate flyer when water shut offs are scheduled to occur.

**SCHEDULE:** This project is planned as a one-year project starting March 31, 2025. All major construction is scheduled to be complete in October 2025. All contract work and acceptance of the project, including grass growth will need to be established by mid-June 2026.

### CONSTRUCTION CONTACT INFORMATION:

Construction Engineer: **OHM Advisors, Inc. (OHM)**  
34000 Plymouth Road  
Livonia MI 48150

**QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS:** Questions concerning the project will be handled through OHM on behalf of the City. Please contact in the order shown:

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| 4. OHM Main Office (Toll Free)                                 | 888-522-6711 |
| 5. City of Southfield Engineering Department (8 am to 4:30 pm) | 248-796-4810 |
| 6. City of Southfield Water Department, (8 am to 4:30 pm)      | 248-796-4850 |

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

- *How will water service be affected?*  
During water main construction, your water service will be temporarily disrupted when the new main is connected to the existing system. A notice will be given prior to the anticipated service disruption, and the re-connection should be completed in no more than four hours.  
  
Water service may be unexpectedly interrupted during construction due to water main breaks caused from work on or near the existing aged mains. In the event of a break, OHM, the City, and the Contactor will repair the system and get it running as quickly as possible. If you are out of water and work is not ongoing, please call us immediately.
- *What will happen to the road?*  
Road reconstruction and repairs will occur after the water main and storm sewer is complete. Road work will include concrete reconstruction with integral concrete curb and gutter. After road work is completed, driveway approaches will be replaced in kind where necessary to meet the new road surface or if they are removed as part of the water main work.
- *How will access to properties be maintained?*  
There may be intermittent traffic delays on the roads, intersections, and drive approaches as construction equipment moves around and the work is being performed. The Contractor will attempt to minimize delays to the traveling public and maintain temporary access to properties throughout the project. During paving operations, temporary driveway closures may be necessary, only if there is an alternative exit. Otherwise, the driveway will be constructed part-width, meaning you will have access to ½ of the driveway while the other ½ is being constructed. You will be notified prior to any extended driveway closures resulting from curb or driveway construction.
- *Will trees be removed as part of the construction project?*  
Yes, some trees will require removal. This is necessary to install the new water main.
- *What about lawn restoration?*  
Disturbed lawn areas will be restored with topsoil and hydroseed.
- *Will existing landscape features be impacted?*  
Landscaping, lights, sprinklers, fences, or other personal property located within the public road right-of-way could be impacted during construction.
- *How will school buses/buses be affected?*  
School bus routes and pick-up locations may be affected during the project. Please contact us if there are known routes on this segment.

**SAFETY:** This is the most important aspect of the project. Please work with us in respecting all signs and construction zones and driving at a prudent speed. During the placement and curing of concrete, please remain off the concrete while barricades are in place. Avoid contact with concrete to minimize delays in construction. We realize this project will be an inconvenience but replacing aging water mains and repairing roads will improve the community for years to come by providing safe roads and reliable water service to residents in the area. Thank you in advance for your cooperation and patience. Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns.



Sincerely,  
Cara Parks

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cc: Leigh Schultz, P.E. City Engineer, Engineering Division  
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