

March 11, 2022

Re: 2022 Tree Removal Project-Polk Street

Dear Resident,

The City of Ham Lake has scheduled the reconstruction of Polk Street, to begin in 2022, between Constance Boulevard NE (County Road 60) and 165th Avenue. Funding for the reconstruction project will be from assessments to benefitted parcels and through the City of Ham Lake Revolving Street Fund.

The Plans and Specifications of the street reconstruction project are nearly complete. Further notification will be given prior to project commencement. The Tree Removal plans can be viewed from the project web page, which is available at <http://www.rfcengineering.com/HLProj/2202.035/Plans.pdf>.

In preparation for this project, Plans and Specifications have been prepared for the clearing and grubbing (removing trees, brush and tree roots and trimming trees) along Polk Street to allow for the construction of the streets. Bids have been opened and the project has been awarded to Rivard Contracting.

The contact for Rivard Contracting is Mike Rivard – 612-919-5680 (cell) or 763-753-7888 (main office).

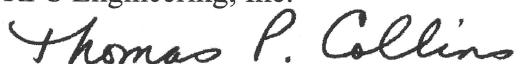
The work is scheduled to start as early as Tuesday, March 15th. Per City Ordinance, red oak trees are not to be disturbed between April 1st and July 15th, to prevent the spread of oak wilt. Rivard Contracting will have the trees reduced to 3 inches above existing grade by March 31st and the remaining stumps removed once the ground thaws and prior to May 31st. Survey crews will begin staking the tree removal areas as early as Tuesday, March 15th. Minnesota Gopher State One will be locating and marking utilities, such as electric, gas, telephone, and cable TV. Please do not move or destroy any flags, stakes, or markings.

Rivard Contracting is responsible for removing and disposing of all the trees, brush, stumps and roots away from the construction site unless the adjacent property owner desires to retain the wood. Please contact the phone number listed above for Rivard Contracting if you wish to retain any of the wood adjacent to your property. If you desire to retain the wood, Rivard Contracting shall trim and cut all logs four inches in diameter and larger into four-foot lengths and pile them on your property adjacent to the right-of-way.

You will receive future notification as to the schedule and contractor for the street reconstruction project. If you have any questions, comments or concerns with the project, or are aware of any specific issues, please notify me at 763-862-8000 or tcollins@rfcengineering.com.

Sincerely,

RFC Engineering, Inc.



Tom Collins, P.E.
Ham Lake City Engineer