



Weekly Reader

Public Works & Engineering Department

November 18, 2022

Department Updates

In addition to continued leaf pickup, our **Street Department** is **starting to bring out some Christmas cheer** as we prepare for the most wonderful time of the year! They have been working like busy elves setting up all sorts of **beautiful planter arrangements and holiday decorations**. As you already know, our department provides many essential services such as roadway maintenance and distributing clean water, but **another vital task that we take pride in is creating a community that brings our residents joy!**



Special delivery!

The **Water Department** has also been assisting in the continued development of the City by **overseeing the construction progress of the new Thornton's gas station** located near 159th St and Gougar Rd. This week, our **water operators performed chlorination, flow testing, and sampling** of the new water main at the property. These processes are necessary to **ensure the quality and flow of the utilities are sufficient for drinking and firefighting purposes**.

Improvements continue within the **Wastewater Department** as well. The STP crew worked with an electrical contractor to **replace the outdoor site lighting** with an energy-efficient LED alternative. Wastewater operations never stop, so in addition to saving energy, this upgrade was also necessary to **improve plant safety** while working at the plant during the night. STP crews saved costs on this project by **completing the trenches and backfilling for three light poles in-house**. Additionally, we **participated in the ComEd Energy Efficiency Program and received \$4,572.40** to offset some of the project's costs.

Project & Development Updates

- **2022 Resurfacing Project** - Paving and shoulder installations have been completed on 151st St. Pavement marking has been scheduled for Tuesday, November 22.
- **2022 Streetscape Project has been substantially completed!** Light bulbs for the streetlights will be delivered next week, and our engineering team is working through the punch list to ensure all work has been performed correctly.

Reminder

City offices will be closed Thursday, November 24, and Friday, November 25, in celebration of Thanksgiving. There will be **no electronic recycling** at the Public Works & Engineering facility on Friday, November 25.