

South Norfolk Updates

November 20, 2012

Hot Projects

CASCADE BOULEVARD PARK

Parks and Recreation: The nine temporary telescopic lights were removed from the fields this week due to the end of the football season for the Chesapeake Tigers.

Public Works: The Notice to Proceed was issued to the contractor on November 14. The shop drawing submittal process is expected to occur over the next 2 weeks. Actual equipment will arrive about 3-5 weeks later. Installation is expected to begin soon thereafter.

CONSOLVO PARK

No update.

DERELICT STRUCTURES

City Attorney: The City's Attorney's Office is working on changes to the associated ordinances. The draft ordinances are being reviewed by Development and Permits. The ordinance will be presented at a December City Council work session.

POINDEXTER STREET

Public Works: Virginia Power has been contacted to determine the impact of Hurricane Sandy on the installation of streetlights along Poindexter Street; however, they have not responded. Public Works is developing a plan to install the handicap signs as requested by the South Norfolk Revitalization Commission; an installation date is not available at this time.

SOUTH NORFOLK LIBRARY

Public Works: MGT mobilized plumbing and electrical subcontractors and have started to examine existing conditions. Temporary barricade fencing on the NE plaza has been installed. The existing building has a sanitary sewer pipe in the same area as the future elevator pit, which will need to be re-routed. Some of the sewer pipes have been installed. The electrical box submittal for the floor slab concrete is under review and must be approved before the slab can be poured. Project completion is expected in Spring 2013.

Project Updates

UTILITY-RELATED PAVEMENT REPAIRS

Public Utilities: Public Utilities is finding and fixing cave-ins associated with sanitary sewer leaks. The following areas have completed repairs and are waiting on asphalt paving: 1600 block of Jackson Street, 2913 Rodgers Street, and 2901 Rodgers Street. There are several locations being managed; they will be repaired if they become unsafe or nonoperational. They are as follows: Bainbridge Blvd. at Park Ave; 904 Avalon Ave.; 2700 Block of Bainbridge Blvd.; Westwood Ave. and Avalon Ave.; 1333 Chesapeake Ave.; 2020 Portlock Rd.; Faye St. between Omar St. and Mark St.

WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM MAINTENANCE / RE-DISINFECTION OF SOUTH NORFOLK AREA

Public Utilities: The switch back to City of Norfolk water was made on Tuesday, November 6, 2012. In response to an inquiry of how the public was notified of this change, two Clipper ads were placed and a notice was placed on the City's web site, main page. In addition, Public Utilities notified special needs customers (e.g. dialysis centers and industries) by special delivery letters. The Public Communications also issued a press release.

SOUTH NORFOLK STREETLIGHTS

Public Works: Public Works has reviewed the observations from the night time streetlight assessment of the South Norfolk Borough on November 1, 2012. The report will be presented at the November 27, 2012 City Council Work Session (postponed from the November 20, 2012).

ELIZABETH RIVER PARK

Parks and Recreation: In conjunction with Lane Construction and Parks and Recreation, there has been progress this week towards reopening the park and boat ramp. They remain closed at this time.

LAKESIDE PARK

Parks and Recreation: The fountain at Lakeside Park was reported as inoperable. Repairs were effected on November 19, 2012.

DUNKIN DONUTS

Development and Permits: Plans were submitted and the review is complete for the remodeled Dunkin Donuts building at 1336 Poindexter Street. The building is 1,343 sq. ft. and was formerly used as a Kentucky Fried Chicken. The permit was issued to Brown Building Corporation on November 13, 2012.

VETERANS DAY COOKOUT

Parks and Recreation: The annual Seniors Veterans Day Cookout was held at The Portlock on Friday, November 9. The program began with a presentation by the Sheriff of a new American flag to the seniors. The new flag was raised followed by a moment of silence to honor Veterans and Active Duty Military. After the ceremony, everyone enjoyed hamburgers and hot dogs from the grill along with side dishes furnished by the seniors.

