

August 11th, 2021

Re: 2021 Moreland Avenue – Sod Maintenance

Dear Resident or Property Owner:

Over the next few weeks, you will start to see the boulevards prepared for sod placement between Delaware and Stryker Avenue. The temporary mulch reinforcement seen on the west end of the project, along with the weed growths, will be removed as part of this process. The topsoil will be regraded, and the low areas will be filled in with additional soil. This would be the best time to re-install any irrigation lines. If you are replacing irrigation in the right-of-way, please be sure to clearly place flags next to the sprinkler heads.

Once the sod is installed, the contractor is responsible for watering the sod for the first 30 days. After 30 days, property owners are responsible for watering and maintaining the new sod. As a rule of thumb, new sod requires two inches of water per week. It is ideal to provide this in 3 to 4 separate applications.

Your new sod should not be mowed until one of the following occurs; the grass lies over when wet, or until the grass goes to seed. Do not be alarmed if neither of these conditions occur in the first 30 days. Prior to mowing, set the mower deck at the highest setting. New sod should be cut with this setting for the remainder of the year. The sod will likely die if you cut it with the lower settings, or discontinue watering it. Sod that dies after the first 30 days will not be replaced.

To stay informed on the dates of sod placement, please sign up for our weekly update that is posted at wspmn.gov. Once you are at the website, search “2021 Street Improvements”, and click the first link. Here, you can also sign up to have the weekly updates emailed or texted directly to you. If you have any questions regarding the project, please reach out to myself at (651) 552-4131, or by email at cjoos@wspmn.gov.

Sincerely,

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