



February 13, 2024

Subject: NICOR Main Replacement in Residential Areas

Dear Fellow Resident:

You will be receiving a notice from NICOR in the coming days regarding their program to replace their natural gas mains, service lines, and gas meters throughout the residential portions of the Village. Their intention is to replace all of their aging steel gas mains and service lines with non-corroding plastic piping which will improve the reliability of their system for many years to come. NICOR also wishes to improve its meter reading ability by removing gas meters from inside the home and placing them on the outside where they are more accessible.

NICOR's tentative schedule for this project is found in the table below:

WORK ITEM	APPROXIMATE DURATION
Sanitary Sewer inspections & mapping	February 2024
Installation of new gas mains	March 2024 thru May 2024
Transfer of gas services to new gas mains	April 2024 thru June 2024
Establish cross ties between old and new gas mains	April 2024 thru July 2024
Eliminate cross ties and retirement of old gas mains	July 2024 thru August 2024

NICOR intends to install its new mains and service lines using directional boring techniques that will limit the number of excavations in the roads, sidewalks, and driveway aprons. Access to properties will be available at all times and limited lane closures will only be necessary when work is being performed on your individual street.

Each home will have at least one small excavation on its property in order to make the connection between the new service line and the existing gas piping coming from the home. The schedule above does not provide a timeframe for surface restoration as those efforts may be staggered throughout the length of the project as conditions allow. All surfaces shall be restored by the Fall of 2024.

As noted in the NICOR information sheet, you may be contacted by them or one of their contractors to set up appointments to inspect your home's sanitary sewer line and the interior gas piping if you have a gas meter currently inside of your home. Your personal safety is important to us so do not let anyone into your home unless the personnel show their identification cards supplied by NICOR Gas. Do not feel pressured to let anyone enter your home if they have no appointment with you.

The NICOR information sheet provides contact information for the project managers. Questions and concerns should be brought to them first. If you wish to discuss a concern with a Village representative, please contact the **Public Works Department at 847-698-3744**.

This is an important project for the Village and represents the next phase of NICOR's plan to replace most of the gas mains throughout the Village. Last year NICOR replaced a large portion of its aging gas main along River Road, south of Bryn Mawr Avenue. That work will be extended further south to the Village limits this year as well. In aggregate, these projects represent a major investment in the community by NICOR that will preserve the quality of life that we enjoy. We ask for your patience and consideration throughout the coming construction season.

Sincerely,

Lisa DiMatteo
Director of Public Utilities