



NOTICE TO RESIDENTS

Barberry Street Relief Sewer Project

September 16, 2026

The City of Southgate awarded a construction contract to Dan's Excavating, Inc. (Contractor) of Shelby Township, Michigan, on March 4, 2026, to construct a relief sewer in Barberry Street from Eureka Road to Brest Street. As part of this sewer project, the Contractor has begun removing the remaining Barberry Street pavement from Eureka Road to Superior Street. The Contractor has also started grading Barberry Street for paving from Eureka Road northward. Concrete paving of Barberry Street is anticipated to begin within two weeks.

During the course of the construction, you should expect the following:

Construction Phasing

Barberry Street will be reconstructed in three phases. Phase 1 will consist of sidewalk, driveway approach and road pavement removal, subgrade grading, drainage structure adjustment and installing a gravel base in the roadway. Phase 2 will consist of paving Barberry Street, full width, from Eureka Road to Superior Street. After concrete cure time is reached for the Barberry Street pavement, the Contractor will begin Phase 3 work which will consist of sidewalk forming and grading, driveway approach forming and grading and paving of all sidewalks and driveway approaches.

Traffic Control and Detours

During construction, Barberry Street will be completely closed to traffic from Eureka Road to Superior Street. Traffic from all east/west streets, between Eureka Road and Superior Street, will not be able to access Barberry Street from Howard Street and Fort Street. We anticipate the street closures to last approximately 4 weeks. The Southgate Department of Public Safety is aware of the construction and precautions are being taken to continue proper safety protection of this street.

Parking

Parking restrictions on adjacent side streets will not be enforced during construction. However, please do not park in front of fire hydrants or too close to intersections. These infractions will still be enforced. The Southgate Department of Public Safety is aware of this construction, and precautions will be taken for safety protection of this street.

Dust Control

The Contractor on a regular basis will sweep the travel lanes during construction and all adjacent side streets to control dust as much as possible; however, this will be an active construction zone, and dust will exist and should be expected.

Driveway Approaches & Sidewalks

Driveway approaches will be removed and replaced as needed for the entire project to account for adjustments to the elevations of the new roadway. Following the completion of driveway approach paving, the approach will require a minimum of seven days to cure before it can be opened to vehicle use. Driveway approach replacements will not be allowed to be a greater width than what currently exists. All Barberry Street sidewalks including American Disabilities Act (ADA) sidewalks at all intersections will be removed and replaced.

Restoration

Upon completion of the project, all areas disturbed by the Contractor during this relief sewer and road reconstruction project will be replaced with topsoil and hydroseed. The Contractor will be responsible for watering each site until vegetative growth has been established.

Working Hours

Working hours will typically be from 7:00am to 6:00pm Monday through Friday, with occasional work taking place on Saturdays. However, during main line paving operations and sawcutting of joints following the placement of concrete, it is possible work hours may be extended later than 6:00pm. The Contractor will not work on holidays or holiday weekends.

Handicap Accessibility / Assistance for Seniors

If you have a disability and always need handicap accessibility during construction, please contact Hennessey Engineers at the phone number below and we will work to provide handicap accessibility as best as possible.

Future resident notices will be provided during construction to keep you informed. When construction begins, if you have any questions or concerns, the best source of information is to locate the full-time, on-site construction inspector from Hennessey Engineers. You can also contact John Miller or Nick Yuvan at Hennessey Engineers, the City of Southgate's engineering consultant, at (734) 759-1600.

Thank you in advance for your understanding and cooperation with this project. We apologize in advance for any temporary inconvenience this work will cause, but we trust that you will gain the benefits of this project once it is completed.

Sincerely,

John M. Miller
Project / Construction Manager
Hennessey Engineers, Inc.