



Q & A

VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING MAGNOLIA PARK SEC. 2 AREA DRAINAGE AND PAVING IMPROVEMENTS SUB- PROJECT 1A

**Please note that we have recorded all questions. For the purpose of this posting some of the general questions were consolidated due to the common response.*

Community Inquires/Comments/Questions	COH Response
Is there a facebook page residences can use to stay updated with this project?	The most updated exhibits and documents for this project can be found on our webpage: houston.publicworks.gov/engage . If you would like to access our facebook page for general info we can be reached at: https://www.facebook.com/HouPublicWorks/
When trees are replaced, will they be the same species of trees that are being removed, and can a homeowner request a different type of tree?	Trees are replaced with trees that are on the City of Houston's Approved Street Tree List. Replacement trees may not be the same species as the ones that are removed. Property owners adjacent to a new tree may request a change in tree species, but changes to the replacement trees are subject to approval by the City Forester and City Engineer.
What streets are going to be used by heavy weight trailer trucks that generally use the roads, and are those streets capable of holding those types of trucks?(Potholes or unlevel streets)	There will be a temporary route for those trucks, and those heavy streets are sustainable, and there will be a restoration process after construction. Residents who have any questions or concerns, please contact the contractors
For residents working from home, how loud will construction be?	We are unable to quantify how loud construction will be, but it will be loud considering construction is taking place. The process that will be the loudest is the excavation process. We would also like residents to be aware of vibrations. Once the excavation process is done, there will not be high volumes of noise.
Why is the 300 and 400 block of south 80th street out of the project?	That portion of 80th street is in sub-project 1B and will be constructed following this project.
How do residents know what will be taken down?	Encroachment letters have been sent to residents being impacted. Some residences that we notified a few years ago of an encroachment in conflict may have more recently been updated with a no conflict letter. Lastly, cyclone fences and wooden fences are the only types of fences that can be replaced by the City of Houston. Residence who have any questions or concerns, please contact the contractors.
Will driveway access be impacted?	Yes, your driveway access will be impacted. However, temporary driveways will be used to maintain driveway access. Driveways will not be accessible for several days when the new driveways are being constructed. The contractor will provide advance notice when this work is scheduled.
The 300 and 400 blocks of 80th street always floods and has downpours during hurricanes, how often will debris and construction material be removed from the area, and how often will the water drains clear?	The contractors typically do a cleanup every day, especially on Fridays and afternoons. But this area will not be impacted during this project. If a hurricane were to happen, the contractors would be notified in advance and activate the hurricane response plan. The contractors would then secure the equipment and the area.
If my car is broken into because I can't park in my driveway, who would be responsible for my car and belongings?	Please do not leave anything of value in your vehicle. We recommend that you remove such items from plain sight. Also feel free to reach out to law enforcement with these concerns as well.
Why is the 300-400 block of South 80th being left out of street construction/improvement?	This block is part of Subproject 1B, planned construction start July 2023.
The drainage on South 80th & Dayton St. always has debris. This is one of the main reasons this block always gets flooded every time we heavy rains and hurricanes.	Increase of storm sewer capacity in the area will improve drainage in the neighborhood. The new underground stormwater system will contain debris so that it will be less likely to accumulate in the low point of the street, as it did in low point of the existing roadside ditches.
Why are heavyweight 18 wheelers trucks allowed on South 80 St? Does the construction and improvement of this area account for the type of traffic and weight/load?	S. 80th St. is the designated street for truck traffic because there are several industrial businesses along 80th St. This street will be improved to accommodate truck traffic. The radius of the existing right-angle turns will be increased so turns will be easier for trucks to make, and the pavement thickness will be increased to 10 inches to better accommodate heavy load of truck traffic.
South 80th street has not been drivable as far as potholes & debris. What is planned for the 300-400 block?	S. 80th St. is not in this phase due to budgetary constraints but is in the next Subproject 1B. The planned improvements will improve S. 80th St. to better accommodate heavy truck traffic.