

INFORMATION ITEMS

3. Lead Line Inventory Required by Environmental Protection Agency via Department of Health

On January 15, 2021, the United States Environmental Protection Agency issued Lead and Copper Rule Revisions that went into effect December 16, 2021. The rule requires Group A water systems to submit service line inventories to the state by October 16, 2024.

In 1986, Congress prohibited the use of lead pipes in waterlines. The City has never used lead pipe in waterline construction, but some homes may have lead pipe from the meter to the house. To be inclusive of all homes that could potentially contain lead pipes, 1,500 homes in Lynden have been identified as being constructed prior to 1988. These residents will be sent a letter explaining the Lead and Copper Rule Revisions and will be asked to mail back a postage-paid postcard stating what type of waterline the home has. Notification is planned to begin in October to meet the October 2024 deadline.

4. Projects Update

The Committee briefly reviewed the current projects.

NEW BUSINESS:

5. Request for Cedar Drive Update

David Vos asked for an update on the Cedar Drive project. Korthuis affirmed that it is in the budget for 2024. The Committee discussed the various utilities associated with the project and how they will be remedied.

6. Revisit Ordinance No. 23-1667 Parking and Loading

Williams reminded the Committee that in March 2023, they voted to remove parking restrictions on Evergreen Street at the request of Charlie's Auto Body. As a result of this, the City is receiving complaints that semitrucks and delivery trucks are unable to negotiate turns and driveways along Evergreen Street and Agronomy Way. Williams, Hutchings, and Streets Superintendent Dale TeVelde visited the site to determine how to best meet the needs of all businesses in this area.

To start, "No Truck or Trailer Parking" signs will be placed at each end of Evergreen Street and Agronomy Way, and curbs will be painted yellow to further delineate available on-street parking. The amount of yellow curb will be determined after meeting with area businesses and determining turning radius needs of the trucks in use.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 pm.

NEXT MEETING: November 1, 2023