



May 14, 2015

Re: Storm Sewer Connection Opportunity

Dear Resident,

As many of you are aware, the Village's Northside Stormwater Management Project (NSMP) has recently begun. The contractor has made a significant amount of progress thus far and we look forward to further improving the area infrastructure over the next several months. While we know it can be an inconvenience at times, we appreciate your cooperation throughout the project and we will certainly try to minimize the disturbance as much as possible.

For those of you that were able to attend some of the previously held neighborhood meetings, you may have heard some preliminary conversations regarding any provisions that will be made to allow residents to connect clearwater discharges to the new storm sewer.

At this time we would like to offer an opportunity for those who are interested, to correct any improper sewer connections and re-direct all clearwater discharge directly into the new storm sewer. All homeowners are eligible, regardless of whether or not there is an improper sewer connection currently present. All clearwater discharge, including downspouts, sump pumps, and yard drains, helps to inundate the combined sewer and cause widespread sewer backup. With the installation of a dedicated storm sewer in your street, now is the ideal time to correct these persistent problems.

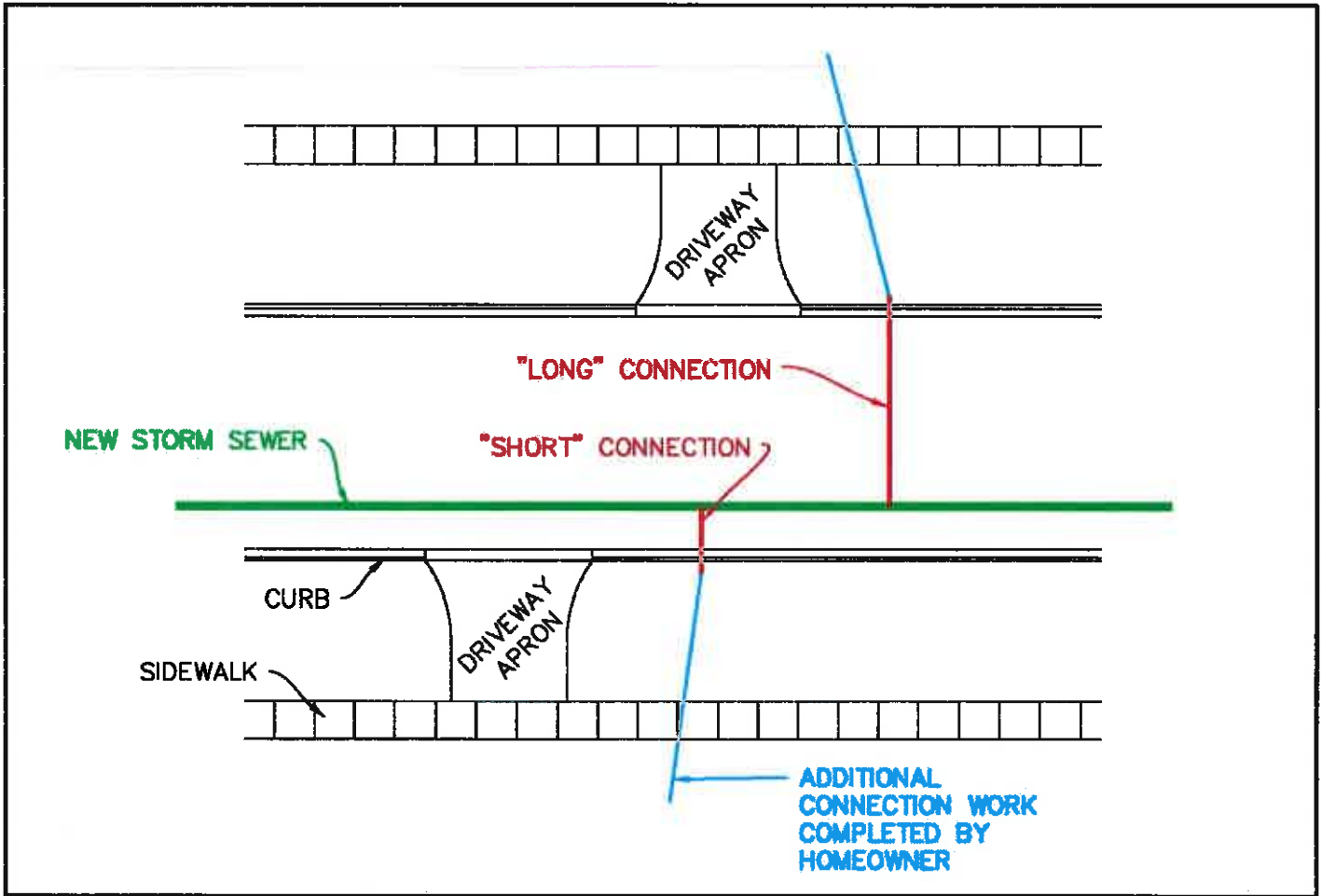
In the coming days, the Village will be contracting with a company to perform a visual inspection of the NSMP – Phase 1 area via the public sidewalk. They will be attempting to identify any potential improper connections as we recognize that many homeowners may not realize these connections exist. This company will also perform specific site inspections upon request, for those homeowners that wish to have one completed.

The new storm sewer that will be installed in front of your residence will either be along the east side of the street or the west side of the street. For those residences with the sewer to be installed on the *near* side of the street, the connection will be considered "short". For those residences with the sewer to be installed on the *far* side of the street, the connection will be considered "long" (a drawing has been provided on the reverse side of this letter for further clarification). **Only if requested and at your cost**, the contractor will install a length of six inch diameter PVC pipe between the new storm sewer and the parkway in front of your home at a depth of approximately four feet below grade. This pipe extension will stop just behind the curb so that no additional street excavation will be necessary. Any additional work to connect clearwater discharge from private property to this new extension will be the responsibility of the homeowner.

The cost associated with this work is \$2,000 for a "short" connection and \$3,500 for a "long" connection. **This fee will need to be paid to the Village by June 15, 2015** in order for the connection to be installed. A list has been provided on the reverse side of this letter to indicate which sides of the street each storm sewer will be installed. If there are any questions, please contact Dawn Haney (708-366-8500) at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

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STORM SEWER EXTENSION

- Keystone Ave** – As this storm sewer will be the large-diameter pipe, it will be installed along the middle of the street. Both sides will be considered “long” connections.
- Forest Ave** – The sewer will be installed along the east side of the street
- Park Ave** – The sewer will be installed along the west side of the street
- Franklin Ave** – The sewer will be installed along the east side of the street
- Ashland Ave** – The sewer will be installed along the east side of the street
- Lathrop Ave** – The sewer will be installed along the east side of the street between Division and Berkshire and will be on the west side of the street between Berkshire and Greenfield
- Jackson Ave** – The sewer will be installed along the east side of the street
- Monroe Ave** – The sewer will be installed along the west side of the street between Division and Berkshire and will be on the east side of the street between Berkshire and Greenfield
- William St** – The sewer will be installed along the east side of the street