

## Incorporated Village of Williston Park

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Dear Resident:

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The water tower located at the Village Highway Yard, located on Syracuse Street is scheduled to be replaced. Work on this major undertaking will begin on September 4, 2018. Expected completion of the new tank construction and site restoration is scheduled for late summer 2019.

Village wide impact should be minimal with no interruption of water service during this project. The Village, in conjunction with our engineers, D&B Engineering, has put a plan in place with the Village of Mineola to ensure no interruption of service or loss of water pressure. Although not expected, there may be short periods of water discoloration as the water flow between Williston Park and Mineola takes place. We are grateful to Mayor Strauss and his Board, for their assistance with this project.

The immediate areas surrounding the existing water tower (especially Syracuse Street and Stratford Ave) may be impacted by truck traffic and noise associated with the removal of the existing tower and its replacement. These issues have been discussed at length with both our Engineers and the contractors. They have been made abundantly aware of the Village's concerns and will work to lessen the impact to residents, as much as possible.

Parking and pedestrian traffic will be prohibited for all, except for Village employees and construction workers within the Village highway yard. This includes the baseball field, and basketball court. The park area will be closed on an as needed basis.

There will be restricted Parking along sections of both Syracuse Street and Stratford Ave., close to the site, to allow trucks access to the highway yard. Contractors and their employees will be required to park in the highway yard facility, Old Motor Parkway and the pool parking lot.

Construction is expected to take place Monday through Saturday, from no earlier than 7a.m. to no later than 6:30 p.m. More restrictive days and hours would have increased the cost and construction duration and in effect would have increased to cost of the project to the Village ratepayers.

The initial time line calls for the contractor to begin set up for demolition on Sept 4, with actual demolition beginning on Sept 10. This demolition will require the contractor to dismantle the existing tank in pieces, removing sections at a time. This portion of the work is anticipated to be completed in early October. Once this phase is completed, the contractor will excavate the area where placement of the new tank is to take place and construction the foundation for the new tank. It is expected that this portion of the work will be completed in later November. Once a new footing is in place and functional, construction of the new tank will begin. The timing of this portion of the work and subsequent application of coatings will be affected by the weather over the winter and spring seasons. However, it is anticipated that the tank will be operational in late May or early June of 2019. Site restoration and clean up work will extend into the summer months.

While this major undertaking will impact residents during construction, especially those who live close to the construction site, it is a necessary project in order to maintain the Williston Park water system. I ask all residents to be patient and understanding over the course of this construction. As the project moves forward updated reports will be posted on our web site as needed. I encourage all those residents who have not signed up for the Village email notification system to do so in case a situation arises that will require a notification to be sent regarding this project.

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