

## Thomas and McPherson Stormwater Project

**2022 Project Update And Construction Schedule** 

North Point Breeze Community February 17, 2021

## Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions
- Project Overview
  - Green Stormwater Infrastructure
  - Water Main Improvements and Lead Line Service Replacement
- Construction Updates:
  - Construction Completed to Date
  - Construction Remaining
    - Schedule
    - What to Expect
- Question and Answer

## Submitting Questions Using Zoom

#### During Presentation

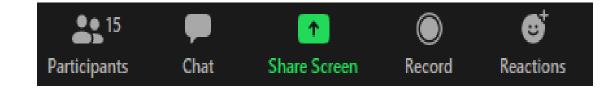
- Participants will be muted
- To ask a question use the chat box below

#### Click the Chat Icon

- Located at bottom of screen
- Looks like a cartoon bubble
- Type question in dialogue box; press enter to send
- All attendees will receive your question

#### When Presentation Ends

- We will respond to questions individually
- We will unmute microphones to enable verbal Q&A



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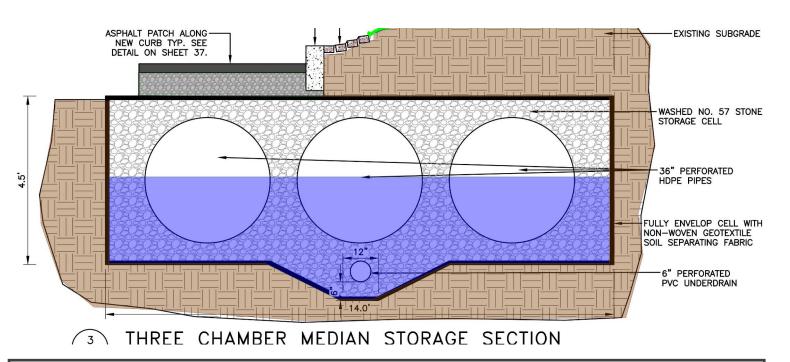
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## Thomas & McPherson Stormwater Project

- A-42 sewershed one of the highest sewer overflow contributors
- Gravel storage under medians of Thomas and McPherson Blvds and under N. Dallas Ave
- Permeable paver parking lanes along N. Linden Ave with underground gravel storage.
- Permeable paver "green alley" with underground gravel storage in Starling Way
- Project coordination to include water main and lead service line replacements to limit disruptions and costs

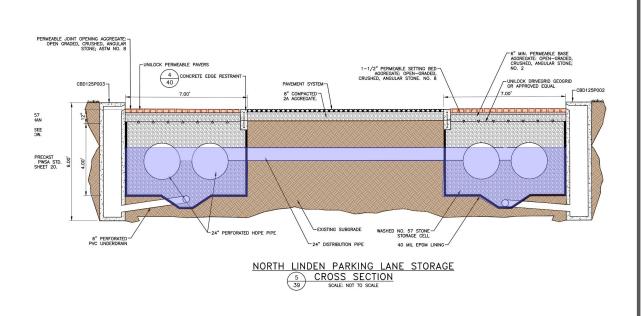






Median Storage

## PERMEABLE PAVER PARKING LANES

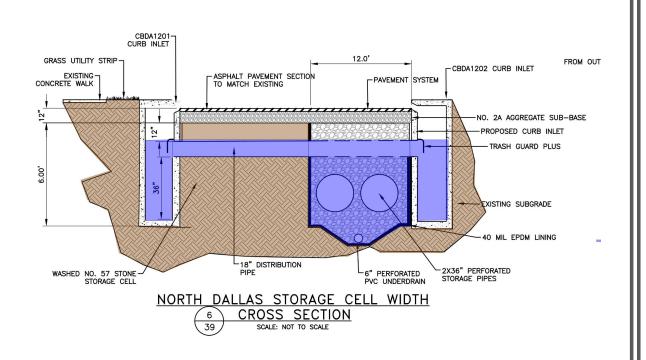








## UNDERGROUND STORAGE

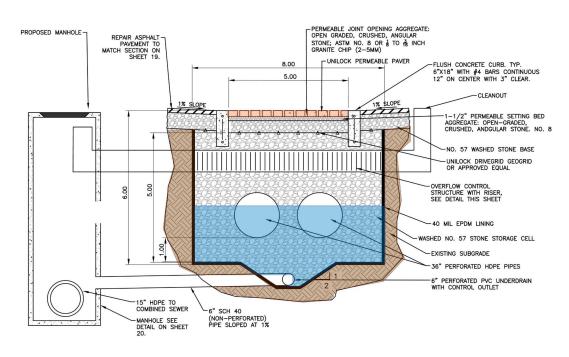








### GREEN ALLEYWAY: PERMEABLE PAVERS













Water Main Improvements

## WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS

- 1,900 feet of waterline replacement
  - McPherson Blvd. and N. Linden Ave.
- Replacing 71 water service connections
  - All public service lines and any private lead service lines
- Replacing 3 fire hydrants

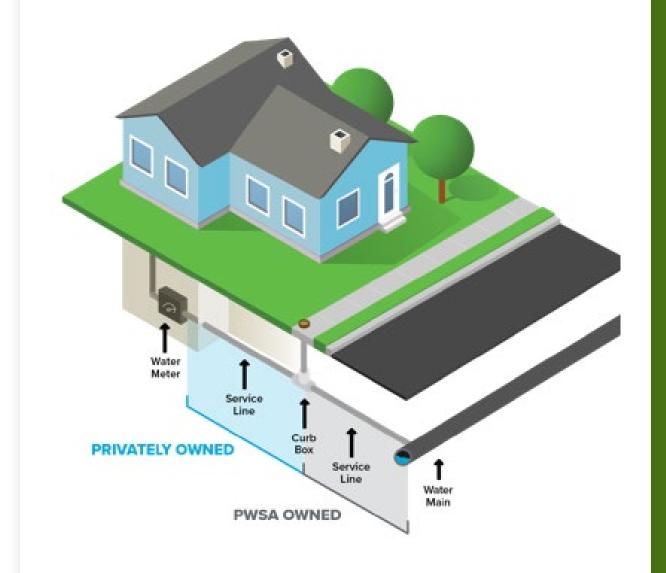


### Lead Service Line Replacement



## Water System Schematic – Residential Customers

- Service line has joint ownership, both PWSA and the customer;
- Each side of the service line can be different materials, typically lead, galvanized iron, copper or PEX (plastic);



# + PROCESS STEPS

- Inspect service line material: Verify the material of each service line connected to the old main. This will help identify lead service lines. \*Verification started February 2022
- Install new water main: Crews will work their way down the street laying the new water main. The old water main will remain in service during this time.
- Install new service lines: Crews will attach new service lines to the new water main.
   We will coordinate with properties with lead service lines to replace them at no cost.
- Restoration: Crews will finalize work by restoring sidewalks and asphalt that were impacted by the construction to the state they were before construction.
  - There may be some delay between the end of pipe installation and final concrete and asphalt work.



## **PWSA Policy**

- When PWSA replaces the portion of the service line between the water main and the curb stop, we will offer to replace a private lead service line at no cost.
- Property owners needs to sign agreement allowing work to proceed.
- If a property owner does not return the agreement or declines a replacement, **PWSA** is required to terminate water service.
- Customer will then be required to replace private lead service line and provide proof to PWSA before water service is restored.

This protocol is a requirement of our regulators, the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC).

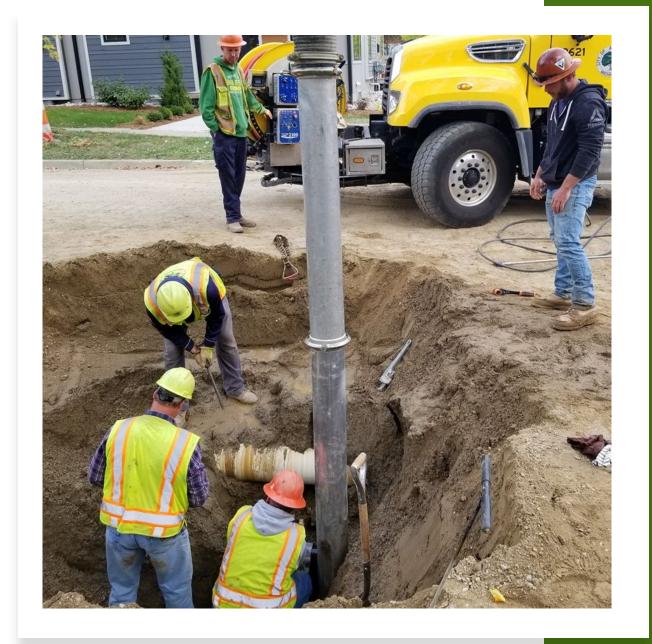
\*Agreements were sent out in early February, if you have any questions please reach out to us

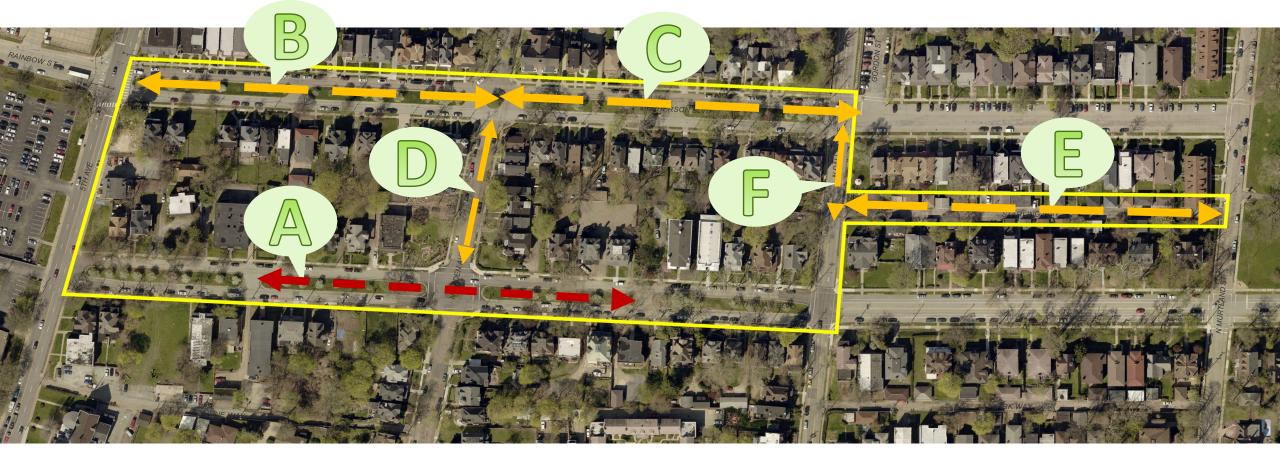
## Private property restoration policy

- Contractors incentivized to use least disruptive methods;
- Homeowner or their representative must be present during replacement;
- PWSA will backfill, but not restore any private property they disturbed;
  - Stairs, retaining walls, decorative landscaping could be disrupted;
- Over 98% of replacements can be done using less disruptive trenchless methods



# Construction: Updates and What to Expect





## Project Construction Phasing

**Construction Phase Sequence** 

2021 – Phase A – Thomas Blvd has been Completed

\*\*2022 – Phase B-F work will resume March 1, 2022

Phase B – March 1<sup>st</sup> – May 6<sup>th</sup>

Phase C – April 6<sup>th</sup> – June 16<sup>th</sup>

Phase D – June 9<sup>th</sup> – July 26<sup>th</sup>

Phase E – July 14<sup>th</sup> – August 15<sup>th</sup>

Phase F – July 28<sup>th</sup> – August 31<sup>st</sup>

<sup>\*\*</sup> Schedule is tentative to change depending on weather, materials, and field changes

## **Daily Impacts**

#### **Typical Work Schedule**

- Monday through Thursday; Friday being a makeup day
- Hours: 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM

#### **Traffic**

- Traffic signs and detours will be posted
- Flaggers on site during active construction work
- Starling Way will be temporarily closed during construction of the alley

#### **Parking**

- Signs posted 48-hours in advance
- Posted in areas where active construction work is taking place
- No parking loss when project complete



### Tree Protection Plan

Coordinated with City Forestry to manage the existing trees within the construction area.

- Pruning for machine clearance was completed in 2021.
- The contractor received permission from City Forestry to stockpile material in the center median near the trees, provided the weight distribution of the storage will not cause soil compaction.
  - No material will be stored within the dripline of the trees.
  - Heavier materials are stockpiled in an area that will be excavated later in the project.
- Tree protection for the entire site will be installed prior to the start of excavation.

### Street Tree Protection Plan

#### **Project Areas**

- **Thomas Boulevard West**
- Thomas Boulevard Fast
- **McPherson Boulevard West (6700 Block)**
- McPherson Boulevard East

#### Legend



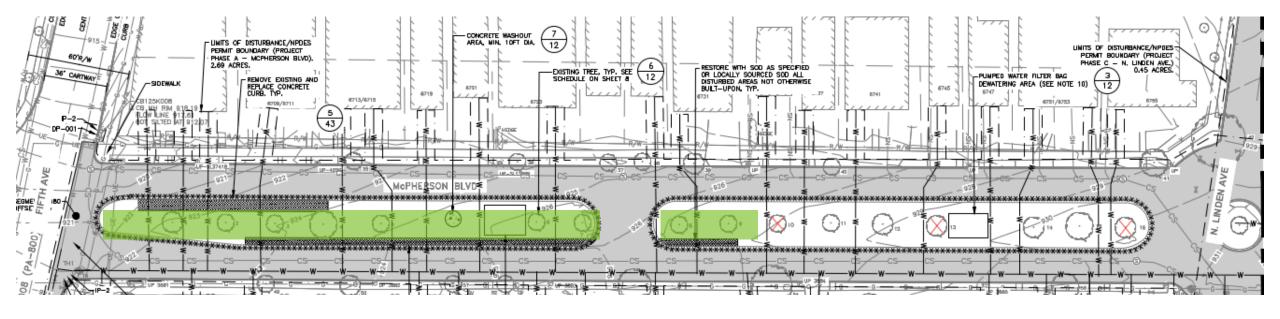
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Tree removal



Underground detention



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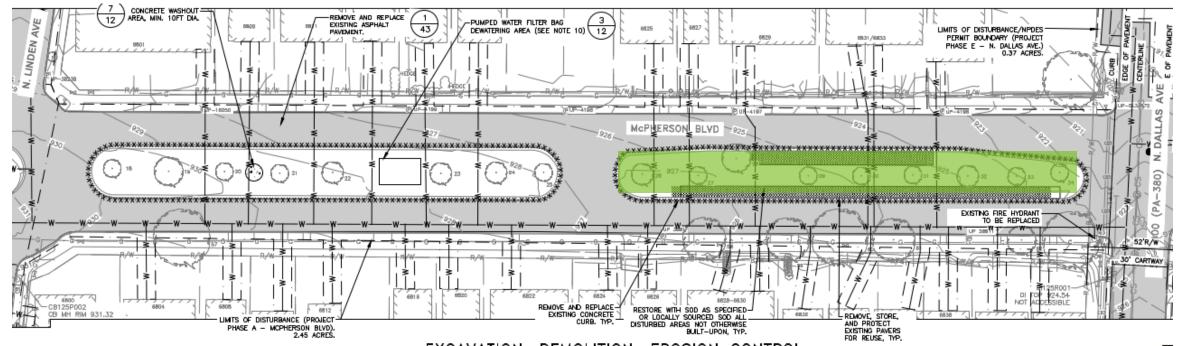
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#### **Project Areas**

- Thomas Boulevard West
- Thomas Boulevard East
- McPherson Boulevard West
- McPherson Boulevard East (6800 Block)



#### Communication

- Bi-weekly Construction Updates
  - Post to webpage
- Construction Project Signs
  - Posted in project area
  - Includes project & contact information
- Project Webpage
  - www.pgh2o.com/thomas-and-mcpherson

#### **Thomas & McPherson Stormwater Project**

In Construction

**Stormwater** 

We are building cost-effective and efficient stormwater solutions in this area of North Point Breeze to capture, hold, and slowly release stormwater runoff.



#### **Progress & Status**

#### February 17, 2022 Community Meeting

- We are hosting an online community meeting on Thursday, February 17, 2022 from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM to review construction plans for McPherson Boulevard, North Linden Avenue, North Dallas Avenue, and Starling Way.
- To learn more and register for the meeting, please visit the event webpage.

This area flows to the A-42 Sewershed; one of the largest sewersheds and highest combined sewer overflow contributors in Pittsburgh to the rivers. This project aims to manage runoff from 12 impervious acres in the surrounding area.



#### Stormwater Solutions

- Gravel stormwater storage under the center medians of Thomas and McPherson Boulevards
- Permeable paver parking lanes along North Linden Avenue with underground gravel stormwater storage

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## Thank you

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