



City Council

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Subject: Notice of Public Information Meeting and Request for Cooperation and Project Coordination

Dear Resident:

The City of Lafayette plans to reconstruct **Via Roble** from 1095/1102 Via Roble to the southeast leg of Via Baja this summer. Prior to the reconstruction process, other utility companies may also perform work on the street to update or relocate existing water, gas, electrical, or sewer lines. The City will present the planned street project at a **public meeting on Tuesday, February 19th, 2013, at 6:30 p.m.** at the City Offices located at 3675 Mount Diablo Boulevard, in Conference Room 240. This is an opportunity for residents to provide input to the design and learn how the construction project may impact existing frontage improvements as well as your street access and traffic flow during construction.

As part of the planned construction, damaged, severely cracked, sunken, or uplifted sections of concrete curb and gutter will need to be removed and replaced. Per Section 8-123 of the Lafayette Municipal Code, these repairs are the responsibility of the fronting property owners. The City has marked out with white or pink paint many sections of curb and gutter that should be replaced. The identified sections of curb and gutter and the associated driveway repairs adjacent to some sections of curb and gutter are listed in the attached table. Replacing (as a minimum) the sections of curb and gutter that have been marked out will provide a better paving project initially and also help the future integrity of the roadway. All property owners are encouraged to examine their individual frontages to determine if they want additional curb and gutter to be removed and replaced prior to paving the new street. Property owners may either hire a contractor to perform this work or request that the City include the repair in the upcoming construction project. Property owners hiring their own contractor for this work will be required to obtain a no-fee encroachment permit, and the work should be completed prior to April 15th, 2013. Encroachment permits may be obtained at the City Offices or by visiting the City of Lafayette's website. Alternatively, property owners may ask the City to perform the work and reimburse the City for the associated costs at the City contractor's bid price. Please be aware that failure to reimburse the City after the work is complete will result in a special assessment being levied on the subject property's tax roll.

We also request that each property owner evaluate the condition of your house sewer line (or lateral) prior to construction. Since these lines typically connect the house plumbing to the sewer main in the street, any needed repairs should be completed before the street reconstruction. If you have not replaced your sewer lateral within the last five years or your lateral requires regular maintenance, consider having the line inspected, and if necessary replaced, prior to April 15th, 2013. This work will also require an encroachment permit from the City. If the work is done prior to April 15th, the City will waive the usual permit fee; however, a permit from the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District (CCCSD)

will still be required). Please note that the inspection and replacement of sanitary sewer laterals is not mandatory, but also be aware that any excavation work within the road after the resurfacing is complete will require extensive (and more expensive) restoration measures to mitigate the impacts on the new pavement.

During construction, the City's contractor will trim shrubs, low hanging tree limbs, and all other forms of vegetation to one foot behind the curb or edge of the road and to 14 feet above the road. In some cases, such as juniper bushes or redwood trees, this may expose the bare interior of the vegetation. Construction contractors are not trained gardeners, and if you are concerned about the methods to be used in trimming the vegetation along your property frontage, please trim the vegetation yourself in advance of the project. Clearing the overhanging vegetation is required to allow clearance for the construction equipment and to protect trees and shrubs from more extensive damage during construction. Please be reminded that any vegetation that requires trimming or removal is currently on public property and is the maintenance responsibility of each fronting property owner.

Finally, if you would like special attention paid to private improvements such as sewer cleanouts, lighting, drainage, irrigation or other improvements within the public right of way and within five feet of the existing edge of the road or curb and gutter, please notify me in writing as soon as possible so that they may be brought to the contractor's attention. Please be advised that without specific notification from you, we cannot be aware of improvements that are not readily visible in a casual inspection. We will make all reasonable attempts to protect private improvements from damage, but please be aware of the risks of having them located on public property.

I hope to have your attendance at the public meeting. If you have questions regarding this project, please contact me at 299-3245 or MMoran@ci.lafayette.ca.us. Thank you in advance for your cooperation. Your new street is coming soon.

Sincerely,

Mike Moran
Associate Engineer

Address	Identified Repairs			
	Curb and Gutter Repair (Linear Feet)	Remove and Reset Decorative Paver Driveway (Square Feet)	Remove and Replace Concrete Drive/Walkway (Square Feet)	Remove and Replace Asphalt Driveway (Square Feet)
1057 Via Roble	40		61	
1059 Via Roble	11			
1061 Via Roble	35	104		
1063 Via Roble	25			71
1067 Via Roble	40		64	
1073 Via Roble	61		12	
1079 Via Roble	43			35
1070 Via Baja	20			
1087 Via Roble	18		40	
1089 Via Roble	5			
1091 Via Roble	75			
1093 Via Roble	58		58	
1095 Via Roble	21			