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Dear Tumwater Resident,

The City of Tumwater is ready to begin the 2016 Chip Seal and Crack Seal Project. This work is being completed in several areas of the City including the street where your property is located. This work is being funded through the voter approved sales tax increase that was enacted in 2015 as part of the Tumwater Transportation Benefit District in order to preserve our streets. Chip seals and crack sealing are cost effective methods of protecting and extending the life of the street surface.

Project work is scheduled to begin on your street on July 11, 2016. The work is weather dependent and this schedule is subject to change. An updated schedule will be maintained on the City's website at the following links: www.ci.tumwater.wa.us/streets and www.ci.tumwater.wa.us/streetmap.

The work involves several different operations including an initial thorough cleaning of the street, immediately followed by the application of the chip seal and then followed several days later by a "Fog Seal". The contractor will need access to the entire street during these operations. This will require that no vehicles or other items be parked/located on the streets during the days the work is taking place. **Residents are asked to remove all parked vehicles from the street between the hours of 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM. on the days work is scheduled. Vehicles remaining parked on the street are subject to being towed (at the owner's expense) so that the work can be completed.**

Residents will have access to driveways and will be able to drive on the streets except during the actual chip seal and fog seal work. If you will need access to the street during this time it will be necessary for you to park your vehicle outside of the area where the work is occurring. A city inspector and the contractor will be available on-site to assist you or provide more detailed information in regards to the schedule. If you have specific access concerns you can also contact the Public Works Department at 360-754-4140 in advance of the work. Emergency vehicles will have priority access.

Motorists are asked to **reduce their speed to 10 mph or less** during and following the work. This is especially important when making turning movements in and out of driveways or onto other streets. High speeds and severe turns will damage the new surfacing. In addition there will likely be loose rock chips on the street surface. If you expect visitors or deliveries on the days when work is scheduled please inform them of the pending work.

The work requires that the street be dry and remain dry until the treatment has cured. **Please DO NOT water your lawn, wash your car, or any other activity that allows water to enter the roadway before, during and immediately after the chip seal and fog seal work.**

We appreciate your cooperation in helping us to make this project a success in order to preserve and protect the streets in your neighborhood. Thank you

CHIP SEAL and CRACK SEAL TIPS FOR RESIDENTS

What is a Chip Seal?

- A coating of liquid asphalt and rock chips applied to the street surface to extend the life of the street.
- Excess rock is then swept up and an additional thin layer of asphalt (also called a fog seal) is placed over the new surface several days after the initial chip seal.

What does Chip Seal do?

- Seals the pavement to prevent water damage.
- Extends pavement life 7-10 years for a relatively low cost, compared to traditional paving.
- Leaves a renewed, black asphalt coating.

How do I prepare for chip seal?

- Inform visitors and delivery services about the planned work for your neighborhood.
- Clear the street in front of your property of all vehicles, landscape materials, garbage or yard waste cans, basketball hoops, etc.
- Turn off your sprinklers by 12 midnight the night before the scheduled work and keep sprinklers off until 48 hours after the second seal has been applied.

What do I do when Chip Seal is being applied?

- Please obey “NO PARKING” signs. Cars left parked on the street will be towed at the owners’ expense.
- Do not touch the seal and keep children and pets away until it is dry.
- Do not water lawns or conduct any other activity that may allow water to run into the street before, during and after the work.
- PLEASE drive slowly and smoothly on the new surface for two weeks after the work is completed to allow the seal to fully cure.

Crack Seal tips:

- Your residential trash service schedule will remain unchanged during construction.
- “No Parking” signs will be installed along your street approximately two days prior to the start of the work.
- The work will typically be performed between 7:00 AM and 7:00 PM. Overnight parking along the street is allowable, however vehicles on the street at 7:00 AM are subject to towing.
- The crack sealant material can be driven over within a few minutes of application.
- Dust and debris may be inadvertently spread over sidewalks and driveways. Any such debris will be blown back into the roadway following the sealing application (the same day). All roadways that have been sealed will be swept by the end of the week.

2016 Chip Seal and Crack Seal Street List

Chip Seal Streets

Street Name	Beginning Location	Ending Location
BELL ST SE	V ST	BELL LN
BOSTON ST SE	Y ST SE	X ST
CHARLES ST SE	Y ST SE	X ST
W ST SE	CAPITOL BLVD	E. END
W ST SE	ELM ST	E. END
Y ST SE	CHARLES ST	ELM ST
Z ST	ELM ST	E. END
65TH WAY SW	N. 7TH AVE	E. END
65TH CT SW	E. END	DENNIS PL
7TH AVE SW	TARTAN DR	N. END
BONNIE LN SW	TARTAN DR	N. END
DENNIS PL SW	DENNIS ST	65TH WAY
HEATHER LN SW	TARTAN DR	N. END
HIGHLAND DR SW	DENNIS ST	N. END
TARTAN DR SW	LINDERSON WAY	E. OF HIGHLAND DR

Crack Seal Streets

Street Name	Beginning Location	Ending Location
BELL ST SE	BELL LN	T ST SE
MARGO PL SW	LAURELHURST DR	PINEHURST DR
STANTON CT SW	S. END	DENNIS ST
U ST SW	CAPITOL BLVD	MARGO PL

QUESTIONS? Call Tumwater Public Works:

(360) 754-4140

www.ci.tumwater.wa.us

Thank You!