

MARY STREET STORM DRAIN RELIEF SYSTEM

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHAT SHOULD THE NEIGHBORHOOD EXPECT DURING CONSTRUCTION OF A STORM DRAIN PROJECT?

It is impossible to undertake this type of project without disruption to the neighborhood. At a minimum, please expect the following:

- Lane closures on Mary Street between Newton Street and East Bouldin Creek. This block of Mary Street may be rough to drive on before it is repaired at the end of the project.
- Noise, dust and vibrations during work hours. Please check the website for information about work hours.
- A small amount of tree trimming if branches are hanging low over the road.
- Some digging at the edge of certain yards on Mary Street to upgrade existing curbside inlets. The right of way extends about 10 feet behind the curb line.
- In addition, there is always the potential for temporary, unexpected disruptions to services such as gas, water, electricity or cable if a line is inadvertently cut. We will take care to avoid this.

WHAT DO I DO ABOUT MY GARBAGE?

Please continue to set out your garbage, composting and recycling as normal, even when your road is closed. We will coordinate with Austin Resource Recovery.

HOW WILL SAFETY BE ADDRESSED DURING THIS PROJECT?

Safety is a key concern, and we are taking all appropriate precautions. In any construction project, there are inherent dangers. We ask that you stay aware of safety fencing and signage and keep children and pets away from the construction area and equipment. We will coordinate with emergency workers to ensure that they will always have access to the area. The contractor will meet all current City and State COVID-19 safety requirements.

HOW WILL I BE KEPT INFORMED ABOUT THIS PROJECT?

We will send occasional email updates to keep you informed of our progress. To be placed on the distribution list, email our Outreach Coordinator at Stephanie.Lott@austintexas.gov. We will also contact you by letter if we are upgrading an inlet at your property.

HOW ARE YOU GOING TO PROTECT TREES?

A City of Austin arborist will evaluate the trees before construction begins and determine which trees need to be protected with fencing or planking and if any low-hanging branches need to be trimmed. This is to help prevent any damage to trees from construction equipment.

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