

## Waverly Heights Sewer System Reconfiguration Project

*Project kick-off update – November 2023*

### Project Overview

The City of Milwaukie is currently designing a project to upgrade public sewer pipes in the Waverly Heights neighborhood. The project will help protect public health, property, and the environment by restoring and repairing aging pipes, and reduce the likelihood of emergency sewer work in the future. The project will also help limit future wastewater service rate increases by limiting the amount of stormwater and groundwater Clackamas County Water Environment Services must treat.

### Project Area

Work will take place throughout the Waverly Heights neighborhood and affect residents who live on Waverly Drive, Cambridge Lane, Oxford Lane, and Eton Lane, as well as the Waverly Country Club.

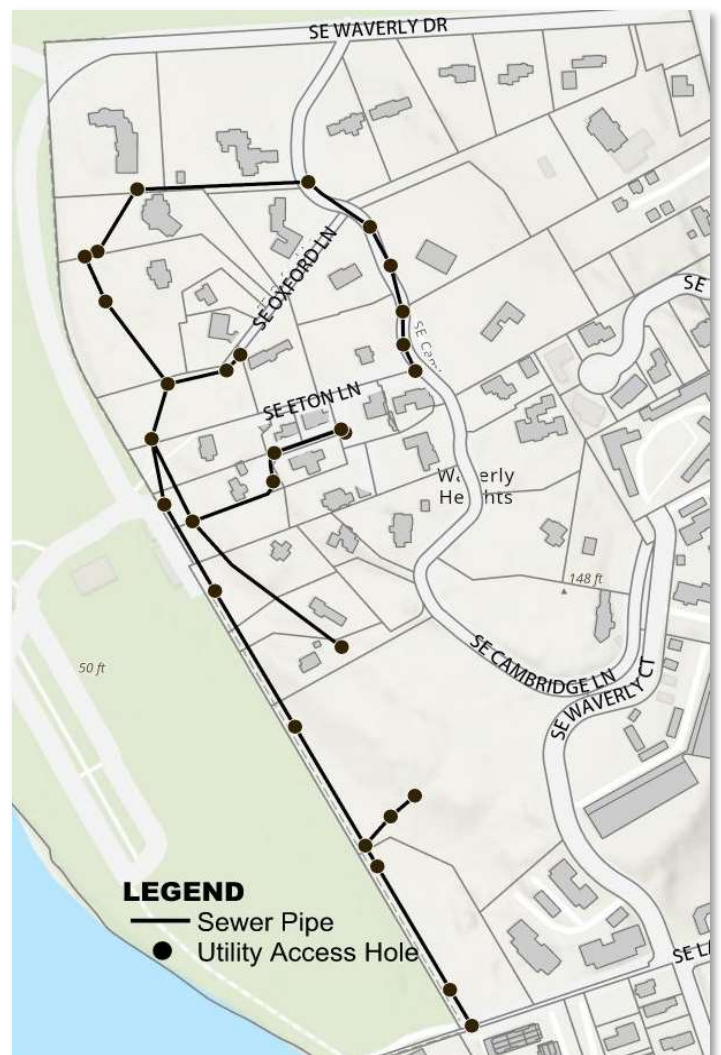
This project is unique because when the city constructed the sewer system in the 1960s, the building standards at the time allowed much of Waverly Heights' collection system to be installed in private roadways and backyards. Therefore, most of the repair work for this project will take place on private property, rather than in the public right of way.

### Project Schedule

We'll design the project between now and summer 2024. We will begin construction in mid-2025.

### What's Happening Now

During the project design process, crews will be in the neighborhood conducting various investigations to collect information that will help them figure out what pipes need repair and what construction methods to use. Over the next several months, crews will conduct a variety of activities, including pipe and maintenance hole inspections, survey work, utility locates, and soil and pavement sampling throughout the project area. These activities may temporarily disrupt and delay traffic and will occur over time, not all at once. These



Project area map showing the current location of the sanitary sewer collection system the City plans to repair.



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activities will help to avoid conflicts with other underground utilities during construction, including water, gas, and telecommunications lines. They will also help us clearly understand features of the existing landscape so that we can minimize construction impacts.

### What to Expect

We will work with residents to maintain minimal disruptions to sewer, water, and other utilities. You can expect the following while we design the project:

- **Work Hours:** Work hours are 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday. Sometimes we work on Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- **Site Visits and Evaluation:** Various project team members will be in the neighborhood collecting information that will help them develop a successful project. You may see engineers inspecting utility access holes and sewer pipes, survey crews taking various measurements, utility locate crews marking underground utilities, community outreach staff talking to residents and businesses, and other field crews conducting important investigations.
- **Survey:** Survey crews will collect information about the proposed construction area. Survey crews take a variety of measurements to figure out public right-of-way boundaries, private property lines, public sewer easement boundaries, the presence of utility vaults and other landmarks. You may see survey crews standing on sidewalks and streets in front of properties in the neighborhood or in side yards or backyards near the sewer.

### Let's Keep in Touch

Minimizing impacts to you and your neighbors is a priority for the City and for this project. We will be actively reaching out to residents to seek input and provide information as the design and rehabilitation work progresses. We will continue to share project information and updates with residents in the coming months. **Please know that we are creating a contact list to keep people informed about the project and will use information from completed Permit of Entry letters to create that list.** We encourage you to:

- Visit the project webpage for updates: [rebrand.ly/WaverlyHeightsSewer](https://rebrand.ly/WaverlyHeightsSewer)
- Contact Jeff Tolentino at [tolentinoj@milwaukieoregon.gov](mailto:tolentinoj@milwaukieoregon.gov), or 503-786-7544 or Katy Asher at [kasher@prrbiz.com](mailto:kasher@prrbiz.com) or 206-462-6390 with questions or comments.
- If you have a question or concern, please be sure to include your name, property address, and project name (Waverly Heights) in your voicemail and email so we can provide you with more details about what to expect near your property.

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