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Good Morning,

Attached is a copy of the agenda and sign-in sheet for yesterday's City Coordination Meeting.

My General Notes:

1. Zone 2 Project Update: 63 of 140 excavations complete; 47 properties with excavation complete have had sod installed

2. Zone 3 Project Update: 50 of 111 excavations complete; 46 properties with excavation complete have had sod installed

3. Zone 2 & 3 Interior Project Update: Interior dust sampling in Zones 2 & 3 has commenced at residences where 1) remediation has been completed; and 2) property owners and tenants (if applicable) have provided consent for access. Analytical results from some residences have been received, and the first interior cleaning in scheduled for August 6th.

4. Damage to newly sodded property in Zone 3: New sod installed along the parkway at Holy Trinity Croatian Church (148th St and Carey St) was damaged in parkway near 148th St and alley between Carey St and Grasselli Ave. Damage is believed to be caused by City of EC crew removing trash/bulky items from alleyways (crew usually consists of front end wheel loader, skidsteer, and dump truck). Solario/Portalatin to discuss with Public Works Department staff.

Sod damage at Personal Address / Ex. 6. Located along 148th Street (Along alley on Northeast side of 148th Street).

5. Herbicide application in Zones 2 & 3: Herbicide application along curb and gutter in Zones 2 & 3 have damaged some newly installed sod. Below are some address in Zone 3 where damage has been documented. Properties in Zone 2 have also been affected. Solario/Portalatin to discuss with Public Works Department staff.

- 4757 Grasselli
- 4742-56 Carey
- 4824 Parrish
- 4802 Drummond
- 4712 Carey

6. Update on spoil piles discussed during 7/3 meeting: Original spoil piles found in Zone 3 near Euclid Ave and 149th Place have been removed by City ; however, a new spoil pile is now present in the same general area. Solario/Portalatin will discuss with City Water Department and Engineering staff.

7. Sod maintenance at newly sodded City-owned properties – how to communicate with City lawn mowing crews? City lawn mowing crews attempted to mow at a newly sodded property in Zone 2. EPA (Rolfes) was able to speak with crew and stop them for mowing. Parsons will provide Solario with a list of City properties with the respective sod installation dates along with sod care instructions. Solorio suggested that a stake with placard be placed at these properties (front and back yard). The placard will identify that these properties are in the sod maintenance period and should not be mowed. A contact person and number for any questions/concerns will also be identified on the placard. Solario will provide the appropriate contact person and phone number for the placard.

8. Continuation of 7/3 meeting discussion about restoration work at "Hardest Hit" demolition properties: Discussed 7/25 email from Randy Palachek (Parsons) summarizing discussion with EC (Portalatin). Parsons will provide a credit to EC for sod and sod maintenance at these "Hardest Hit" demolition properties. City will then be responsible for final sod installation and maintenance at these 4 properties. City will be conducting a kickoff meeting with their demolition contractor on 8/1/18, and anticipate demolition to commence mid-to-late August. Portalatin will update with demo start date when available, so that Parson can plan remediation accordingly.

9. Additional City demolition properties: City is pursuing grant funds to conduct demolition of dilapidated structures in Zone 2. The current plan would be to demo properties in Winter 2018/Spring 2019 at properties

where remediation will occur in 2019. Portalatin to provide list of proposed demo properties to EPA/Parsons for review and further discussion.

10. Remediation at properties with potential redevelopment plans (Moving Forward or other grant source): Discussion continued to obtain a list of addresses where redevelopment in Zone 2 is planned. EPA (Rolfes) will provide Solario a list of City properties addresses with the respective PINs for ease of review by City. Solario will review and provide list back to EPA identifying properties with redevelopment plans.

11. Calumet Days: Crews in Zone 2 have been working to close all open excavation to reduce safety hazards for community members. Limited work will occur in Zone 2 on Friday, 7/27; no excavation work will occur, but crew will be installing sod. Crews in Zone 3 were completing sod installation along Grasselli Ave on 7/26, and anticipate only having a few open excavations (back yards only) by COB Friday, 7/27. Crews will working in Zone 3 on a limited basis on Friday, 7/27. There will be some truck traffic into the former DuPont property on 7/27; these truck will not be entering the neighborhoods. Sod watering operations will continue on Friday and throughout the weekend. EPA staff will have an informational booth at Riley Park on Saturday with staff present during the hours of 10AM – 2PM.

Our next meeting is currently scheduled for Thursday, August 2nd. Since this is next week, it was discussed after the meeting that the 8/2 meeting be cancelled and our next meeting will be held on Thursday, August 16th at 10AM.

Please let me know if there are any questions or concerns.

Thx
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