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Dear Business Owner, Property Owner, Resident:

Re: 8th Street East Water Main Replacement Project

The City continues to plan for the upcoming 8th Street East Water Main Replacement Project. The project is scheduled to begin the week of June 1st barring weather delays and unforeseen circumstances, and will include the replacement of water mains, restoration of roadways and the rehabilitation of sidewalks.

Work will occur in phases 7 days a week from 7:00 am until 7:00 pm. The following are approximate timelines for each phase, barring weather delays and unforeseen circumstances:

- **Phase 1** – 8th Street East from Campbell Avenue to Arlington Avenue - approximately 5 weeks.
- **Phase 2** – 8th Street East from Sommerfeld Avenue to Preston Avenue – approximately 4 weeks.
- **Phase 3** - 8th Street East from Preston Avenue to Campbell Avenue - approximately 3 weeks.

In the coming weeks:

- A construction notice will be delivered to area businesses and residents. The notice will include information about what you can expect during this work.
- All businesses impacted by this project can now access a copy of the Construction Survival Guide. A copy of this guide has been included as an attachment along with this update. The guide includes a social media marketing package for businesses to let customers know they're still open.
- The contractor is anticipated to begin to mobilize to the area to place temporary water lines for Phase 1 of this project. To receive temporary water service, a functioning outdoor faucet without backflow prevention will be necessary in order to connect your property to the temporary water system. Please speak to a plumber or when the contractor speaks with you please confirm that you have this type of faucet.
- Once temporary water lines are placed, the contractor will ensure that pedestrians and motorists can safely cross over these lines.
- During the connection of temporary water lines to your property, there will be a small disruption in water services. The contractor will discuss this process with you and detail what you can expect prior to connecting you to the temporary water line.

Throughout the project:

- During each phase, the east bound lanes of 8th Street East will close and east bound traffic will be diverted into the west bound lanes. Left-turn restrictions will be in place.
- Access to businesses along the south side of 8th Street East will be maintained by utilizing 7th Street East.
- All water services will be maintained through the use of temporary water lines. Businesses and residents will be notified in advance of the temporary line installations.
- Signage will ensure motorists and pedestrians are able to navigate safely through the construction zone and access all businesses along 8th Street East.

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- Marketing tactics will be deployed by the City of Saskatoon ahead of the project as well as throughout the duration of the project to let citizens know 8th Street East businesses remain accessible during this work.
- Project updates will be provided every two weeks throughout the duration of the project.

The City thanks businesses and residents for their patience while this necessary work is carried out. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our Customer Care Centre at 306-975-2476 or by e-mail at customercare@saskatoon.ca. The next project update is scheduled for Monday, June 1, 2020.

Sincerely,

Transportation & Construction Department

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City of Saskatoon

