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RECONSTRUCTION OF BANK STREET AND NASSAU STREET (NJSH RT. 27) STREETScape
(BAYARD LANE TO BANK STREET)

Project Update Notice No. 7

April 20, 2021

Dear Bank Street Residents and Nassau Street Business Owners:

Beginning on Monday, April 26, weather permitting, PSE&G will be working on Bank Street to increase the pressure in the 4" gas main that serves your properties. We have reached out to PSE&G about conducting a virtual meeting with the neighborhood this week to answer all of the questions you may have about this work and the impact to your properties. In advance of a possible meeting, we are providing you with the following information (*shown in italics below*) that we received regarding the details of the work. We will also separately send out PSE&G contact information for you to ask your questions directly.

The following construction work is necessary to increase the pressure in the gas main:

- 1. First, PSE&G will replace all of the services and install an emergency flow valve at the main connection on all services.*
- 2. PSE&G will also install a new second service for 11 / 13, 15 / 17, 16 / 18, 34 / 36, and 35 / 37.*
- 3. PSE&G will install a new main at the intersection on Bank and Nassau from the existing 16" pressure to the existing 4" low pressure main.*
- 4. The day of the uprate PSE&G will need to gain access to every structure and physically shut the service off both inside and outside at the curb. Those structures that are not able to be accessed, PSE&G will have to physically cut the service at the curb and cannot be connected until PSE&G gains access.*
- 5. PSE&G will next separate the existing 4" low pressure system and begin the process of bringing the pressure up in 4 equal increments. After each increase PSE&G will survey the street for leaks.*
- 6. Once PSE&G has the main up to line pressure, their service techs will proceed to start turning each customer back on individually. Any structure that PSE&G is unable to access once the uprate is complete will be left off and PSE&G will leave a direct number to call so you can be reconnected or turned on the same day.*

The following details relate to the gas meters for each structure:

- All existing meters that are currently inside a structure will remain in the structure. However, if the existing sleeve that runs through the wall is corroded, PSE&G will have to put the new sweep outside.*
- The existing meters that are already outside will remain but will have an emergency flow valve installed for extra protection.*

- *5 houses (11 / 13, 15 / 17, 16 / 18, 34 / 36, and 35 / 37) will require a new separate service for the house that does not currently have the gas meter. PSE&G will install a sweep above grade with a shutoff and regulator outside then pipe inside to hide the meter.*

While PSE&G is working on Bank Street, Princeton's contractor, Earle Asphalt Company (EAC), will perform work on Nassau Street and elsewhere. It is anticipated that PSE&G's work will cover two calendar weeks. EAC is scheduled to return to Bank Street on May 10 to begin sidewalk and curbing.

Bank Street will continue to be closed to all through traffic each day while this work is taking place to provide adequate maneuvering space for the contractor's vehicles and equipment; this is for both your safety and the contractor's safety.

On-street parking is still prohibited from 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM while work is taking place. The road may reopen earlier than 6:00 PM. Parking will be allowed in existing driveways; however, access to the street will be closed during work hours. It is recommended that residents move cars before 8:00 AM if they are needed during the workday. Cars may return to Bank Street at end of the day. If you park in private parking lots on Bank Street, we recommend moving your vehicles before 8:00 AM, should you need to leave during construction hours.

As mentioned in the neighborhood meeting and previous notices, we have arranged parking as follows:

- 25 parking spaces at Trinity Church designated for residents
- 7 parking spaces along the northern curb of Paul Robeson Place designated for residents
- 8 parking spaces on Mercer Street Extension designated for businesses
- 10 parking spaces along the northern curb of Paul Robeson Place designated for businesses

Please email tsmith@princetonnj.gov to register for a parking placard to utilize these parking spaces. The yellow parking placard must be displayed on the vehicles dashboard while parked at these locations. Overnight parking on Paul Robeson Place and Mercer is permitted. Overnight parking at Trinity Church on Friday and Saturday nights will **NOT** be permitted. Overnight parking will be permitted at Trinity Church on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday nights. All parking areas will have signage to show permissible parking spaces.

We would also like to take this opportunity to remind residents to contact your service provider(s) ASAP, if you are planning on making underground utility upgrades. This will ensure that upgrades will be complete before we replace sidewalks and pave the roadway.

Despite our best efforts to notify service providers, we advise that there will most likely be disruptions to garbage collection and recycling when work is taking place. Please report missed garbage pickups on Princeton's SeeClickFix system. Missed recycling pickups should be reported directly to the Mercer County Improvement Authority at (609) 278-8086.

Ian Baker, E.I.T., Construction Engineer, will be acting as the project manager; Inspectors Rich Decker and Tiffany Smith will be on-site each day while construction is occurring. Please visit the project webpage on Princeton's website at the [Bank Street Improvement Project webpage](#) for all of the latest project information and updates. To facilitate ease of communication regarding the project, please subscribe to

receive text messages and/or email notifications on the municipal website at <https://www.princetonnj.gov/list.aspx>. To be added to the project E-mail list or if you require a translated version of this notice, please contact jredeyoff@princetonnj.gov.

We appreciate your tolerance of the construction activities and everyone's cooperation while we work to improve the neighborhood!

IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION

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 Engineering Webpage <https://www.princetonnj.gov/218/Engineering-Department>

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 Nixle alerts (for emergency notifications only)..... <https://local.nixle.com/register/>

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