With summer upon us, we hope this newsletter finds you well during these unprecedented times. Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, construction on the Ohio Creek Project continues. To complete this three-year project, we will raise roads, install flood gates, and improve the stormwater system. There will be several new road closures and detours that will impact travel around the neighborhood and into and out of the community. Keep your eyes out for a mailer. It has important information about the road closures in your neighborhood.

**Important Dates: July 15- August 31**

- Westminster Ave between Ballentine Blvd and Chesterfield Academy parking lot will be closed. A temporary road from Westminster Ave to Victoria Ave has been installed through Grand Village Park.
- Southbound Ballentine Blvd will be closed from Westminster Ave to Victoria Ave. Follow posted detours to Westminster Ave to Norchester Ave.
- Northbound Ballentine Blvd traffic on Westminster Ave east of the school must turn left onto the temporary road, right at Victoria Ave and right at Ballentine Blvd.

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- Kimball Terrace will be closed at the culvert/bridge and near Wiley Drive and Kimball Loop. Kimball Terrace will close to all traffic between the culvert/bridge and Majestic Ave. Traffic will be detoured to I-264 eastbound and Westminster Ave westbound. Kimball Terrace will also be closed between Wiley Drive and Kimball Loop. Kimball Loop will be closed from Kimball Terrace to Ballentine Blvd.
Community Walking Map

Enjoy new sidewalks through Grandy Village Park and along Kimball Terrace. The left map shows how you can access new and existing sidewalks to reach the HRT light rail station, Grandy Village Recreation and Learning Center.

A Familiar Face Around the Project
Selo Qejvani, P.E., Civil Engineer and Construction Project Manager for the City of Norfolk.

Selo joined the project in May 2019 and continues his integral role as a civil engineer ensuring the quality of technical aspects. As a civil servant Selo takes pride working for the citizens of Norfolk and using his expertise towards improvements to the infrastructure of Chesterfield Heights and Grandy Village neighborhoods. Throughout construction he will be present at the project site to answer questions and connect with the community.

Safety First

As construction continues, please remember to stay clear of construction sites. Avoid all construction equipment, especially barriers. Adhere to posted construction signage and traffic detours. If you see children straying into construction zones or any unsafe situation, please let a construction crewmember know or call the Project Manager at 757-664-6510 or the Construction Hotline (Monday – Friday after normal work hours) 757-664-7220.
MEB has contracted work for seven separate work items to Section 3 businesses and seven Section 3 residents have been hired to work on the project. MEB is continuing to seek Section 3 participation from businesses and individuals. Information on job and contracting opportunities is distributed via email and posted on information boards.

The information boards are located at the intersection of Ballentine and Kimball Terrace, at the intersection ofEarlscourt and Ballentine, and Kimball Terrace West near the Ohio Creek Bridge. If you would like to be included in the email distribution of work opportunities, please email your contact information to Michelle Cleavenger (mcleavenger@mebgc.com) and Tim Griffin (tgriffin@mebgc.com). If you are a business seeking subcontracted work, please include a capability statement.

Current subcontracting opportunities include:
• Chain link Fence for Temporary Pathway
• Temporary Crushed Aggregate Sidewalk to Learning Center
• Grinder Pump and Piping Installation from the Learning Center
• Pump Station Modified Bitumen Membrane Roof

Please continue to look out for opportunities to be involved with the project.

Carl DeWald is MEB’s Project Superintendent who oversees all aspects of the project. Carl has worked in the construction industry for over 35 years and been employed at MEB for 15 years. His experience as a Project Superintendent includes construction of schools, jails, industrial manufacturing facilities, wastewater treatment plants, and pump stations. Carl’s role in the Ohio Creek Project is to supervise the work being performed by our various subcontractors and to resolve problems when they arise. Carl also works with the departments of the City of Norfolk to coordinate water and sewer work, vehicular and pedestrian traffic plans, and other temporary impacts to the residents.

Ronnie Garrett is MEB’s Assistant Superintendent who is focusing on the construction of the earthen berms, coastal work, and the park. Ronnie has been employed by MEB for 11 years and has worked in the construction industry for 35 years. Ronnie’s construction experiences and skills include a wide variety of activities including concrete work, carpentry, utilities, architectural finishes, and earthwork.

Carl and Ronnie have offices in MEB’s construction office trailer at the intersection of Ballentine and Kimball Terrace. Please feel free to stop by the trailer or stop and talk to them at our work areas if you have questions about construction activities.

Work Opportunities on the Project

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