
From: Public Works
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Good morning,

This is the second in what we hope to be a regular update on the City's Ferndale Terrace improvement project. If you prefer not to receive updates, please let us know so that we can remove your address from our list. If you've signed up on our website, thank you for your interest in this project!

Utility relocation work along Ferndale Terrace, as well as on nearby systems, is still underway. Puget Sound Energy (PSE) and Potelco have recently completed the first part of its work to move power ahead of the City's planned construction work, placing new poles, wire, and transformers so that customers could be transferred to the new system. Line crews are wrecking out old wire this week, so there should be continued work on the east end of the project near the Vista roundabout. Other overhead utilities, including Comcast and Ziply are working to finalize those designs so both utility providers can place facilities on PSE's poles.

Today, Cascade Gas will begin work in earnest on Ferndale Terrace to relocate its gas main. Work will include "zipping" the asphalt ahead of excavating for the new gas main. This is accomplished using a small grinder (known as an asphalt zipper) attached to the front of a loader, which essentially pulverizes the existing pavement. The new trench line will be zipped between Seamount and Birch, allowing for easier excavation of the road surface. Cascade Gas crews will follow, installing the new gas main and services. This process is expected to take about a month to complete along the entire length of Ferndale Terrace. It's our understanding that they will start on the west end by Seamount and work their way east toward Vista drive.

The City recently opened bids for construction of the improvements. The response was favorable, with seven firms submitting a bid to complete the work. The City is currently working through its process for approval of the contract. Interwest Construction, Inc. of Burlington, WA submitted the low bid, which came in less than the engineer's estimate, and Council will be asked to authorize award the contract to Interwest (ICI) at its meeting scheduled for Monday, March 3. We will follow up with more information about the project schedule and anticipated start date in the next several weeks.

If you have questions about the project, please feel free to [check out our project page](#), contact Public Works at this address, or give us a call at (360) 384-4006. Feel free to forward this email on to others who may be interested, or encourage them to sign up on our project page to be included on future correspondence.

Thank you.

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