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Dear Resident:

We are pleased to provide the information in the Curbing Notice below as part of our continued commitment to infrastructure repair, replacement, and improvement.

We apologize for the inconvenience, but are pleased to complete yet another Township project.

Thank you.

Mayor & Council

Township of Montclair

## **CONSTRUCTION NOTICE**

### **RESIDENTS OF UPPER MOUNTAIN AVENUE (WATCHUNG AVENUE TO BELLEVUE AVENUE)**

The Township of Montclair has contracted with Portofino Builders, LLC. for the construction of street improvements on Upper Mountain Avenue. **Work is scheduled to commence on or about Monday, June 15, 2026, weather permitting.** Construction activity will be on Upper Mountain Avenue (between Watchung Avenue to Bellevue Avenue). **Please note that work will continue as weather permits.**

Improvements will include reconstruction of existing concrete curbs, driveway aprons, and ADA curb ramps, as well as installation of new drainage improvements. Work will commence at Watchung Avenue and continue north along the western curblin towards Bellevue Avenue. Once work along the western curblin is completed, the contractor will then begin work along the eastern curb line, starting at Bellevue Avenue, moving towards Watchung Avenue. Paving and traffic calming improvements will be performed at a later date and a separate notice will be issued to affected residents prior to the start of paving.

No parking will be allowed on the street during the day while construction is in progress. The street may also be closed to traffic at various times during the day. If you must use your vehicle(s) during the day; it should be removed from your driveway and parked on a side street by 7:00 A.M. Access to your driveway may also be restricted for several days (and nights) if the curb is being replaced in front of your property and while the concrete driveway apron is curing. **Additional information regarding the construction is on the reverse side of this notice.**

Utilities – gas, electric, water will be marked out by the appropriate utility company prior to the start of construction work. **Please mark out any private underground sprinklers, invisible fences, heating elements within your driveway/sidewalk, or other privately installed items prior to construction to avoid damage. Also, notify us of other issues such as retaining walls, drainage pipes and/or any other private installations within the Township's right of way, which extends approximately 10 feet behind the curb.**

If there is a problem and the Township inspector is not on-site, we ask we ask that you do not approach the contractor but immediately call the Department of Community Services at 973-509-5711. The supervisor will contact you by phone and/or return to the job site within a short time.

**Please obey all signs and use caution when driving or walking in this area (see the reverse side of this notice for additional information).**

**What is included in the project?** The Township will be reconstructing areas of curbs, driveway aprons, ADA curb ramps, and installing new drainage improvements. As a result, your driveway apron (the area between the sidewalk and the street) may also be replaced if the curb is reconstructed along your property.

Please note that the strip between the sidewalk and curb (approximately four feet from the edge of the roadway where there is no curb) will need to be dug up for the installation of any curbs. If you have other plantings in this area, you should relocate them until after the construction is completed. **Also, if you have sprinklers in this area, please mark them out or call them to the attention of the Township inspector before construction starts.**

**How long will the work take?** The construction time will vary depending on the street length; however, you can expect curb construction to last approximately 4-6 weeks. Please note that all estimates for the length of construction are only estimates, which may be affected by inclement weather, material supply problems, etc.

**What are construction hours?** Work hours are typically 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

**Will the street be closed?** The street will be closed to through traffic at various times during the construction. These closings will not extend beyond the workday. In fact, it is preferable to close the street both for the safety of motorists and the contractor's personnel. Parking on the street is prohibited during construction activities but is allowed when the contractor is not working, i.e. evenings and weekends. You can expect delays getting in and out due to construction activity. If you require immediate access to your vehicle(s) during the day; we recommend parking your vehicle(s) elsewhere before 7:00 a.m. on construction days.

**Will access to my driveway be blocked and if so, for how long?** If curb is installed in front of your property, the driveway apron may need to be broken out, and generally, you will not be able to use your driveway until a few days after the new concrete is poured. You should then move any vehicle(s) you need to use onto the street before 7:00 a.m. on that day. After concrete is poured, you should not drive over it for at least two days while the concrete cures. The entire process will take four to seven days, depending on weather conditions.

**Will I be able to park on the street at night?** Generally, yes. We work with the Montclair Police Department to monitor construction areas in order to prevent residents in those areas from being ticketed when parked on the street at night. However, this does not mean you may park in violation of traffic laws (no parking within 10 ft. of a hydrant, 25 ft. of an intersection or crosswalk, etc.).

**What should I do if there's a problem?** The Township assigns a supervisor to each project and you can always speak to him or her at the job site. The supervisor for this project is Norberto Hernandez. If the supervisor is not on-site, we ask that you do not approach the contractor but immediately call the Department of Community Services at 973-509-5711. The supervisor will contact you by phone and/or return to the job site within a short time.