Dear Resident:

Good News! The contractor will be starting on the replacement of Howard, which includes work in front of, or near, your home. They have indicated that they will begin the project, weather permitting, on June 16, 2003. The road is being replaced from London to Merrill and the entire road will be closed to through traffic.

If your driveway is along Howard, there will be no vehicle access to your home from the time the work begins until approximately one week after your drive approach has been re-installed. We assure you that we will do everything reasonably possible to have the contractor complete the work as soon as possible. The Lincoln Park Police and Fire Departments are aware of the situation, and precautions are being taken to continue proper protection. Also, temporary no parking signs will be installed along Howard during the duration of the project.

If you want to have your drive approach widened, the contractor is willing to complete this work. However, you will be solely responsible to pay for the work up front and directly to the contractor. Also, you will be responsible to pay for all appropriate city permit fees associated with installing a new approach. Therefore, if you want a new approach, you must contact the DPS at 313-386-9000 by June 20, 2003. After your request is made the city will have to determine if it is feasible to install the approach, obtain the price from the contractor, and then inform you if it is feasible and what the costs will be. If you only want to widen your approach, also contact the DPS to determine if it is feasible. For widening an approach, you will be responsible for paying the difference in price from the original approach to the new one. If you want any other concrete work completed on your property, you must deal directly with the contractor once they mobilize to the site.

For those residents with underground sprinkler systems, please take a moment to mark the sprinkler heads by spray painting the grass at each head to make the sprinklers more visible to the contractor. Trash pickup will remain the same. However, for the people who place their trash along Howard, please place it along the street that runs east and west along your house on your regular day and it will be picked up.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Department of Public Service at 386-9000 or, once work begins, you may contact the city inspector from Hennessey Engineers who will be on site during construction operations or call their office at 734-692-3300.