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#### **BE SAFE. PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING.**

We'd like to ask customers to recognize the essential work being done by our employees and contractors, and remind them to adhere to social distancing rules for everyone's safety. If a customer sees a crew performing work in their area, and wishes to ask a question about it, they are encouraged to visit our website, Facebook, or Twitter pages, or call **Customer Service at** (800) 272-1325.



**QUESTIONS?** 

Please call our Customer Service Center: 1-800-272-1325 Hours: 7 a.m.–7 p.m., M-F For emergencies, we're available 24/7.



## WE'RE INVESTING \$3 MILLION IN OCEAN CITY

### PUMP STATION AND MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT

New Jersey American Water is preparing to relocate and replace an aging pump station currently located in front of the residence at 39 West 17th Street. The existing pump station has reached the end of its useful life, and its replacement will be more efficient and safely raised out of the 100-year flood zone. The proposed new location of the traffic median on West 17th Street will be more accessible for maintenance and will have less impact on residents.







**NEW PUMP STATION RENDERING** Traffic median on West 17th Street

**EXISTING PUMP STATION** Sidewalk at 39 West 17th Street

Additionally, we will replace approximately 2,050 feet of aging 6-inch water main and 8-inch sewer main, installed as far back as the 1950's, with new 8-inch PVC main on the **17th Street island.** The project also includes replacing all fire hydrants and utility-owned service lines and sewer laterals along the pipeline route. Please see reverse for more information about service lines.

The project represents a critical investment for the company in support of our commitment to provide customers with safe, reliable water service.

### **PROJECT TIMELINE**

Construction of this project will start in Fall 2021 and is expected to be completed within approximately seven months. Work hours will be in compliance with Ocean City Ordinances.

### ABOUT SERVICE LINES

There are two components of a service line.

Utility-owned portion of the service line: This is the portion of the service line that extends from the company's main in the street to the company shut off valve (generally located near the curb).

Customer-owned portion of the service line: The property owner is responsible for this portion. It extends from the company shut off valve to the inside plumbing.

If we replace the utilityowned service line serving your property, we'll notify you on the day the service line is replaced with further instructions on how to flush your household plumbing prior to using the water. If you're not home, we'll leave the instructions at your front door.

### WHAT'S YOUR SERVICE LINE MADE OF?

Over the years, plumbers have used many different materials, including copper, PVC, lead and others. One way to find out what your service line is made of is to contact a licensed plumber. If we find lead during the course of our main replacement project, we'll contact you to discuss replacing your service line. Replacing lead service lines reduces your potential exposure to lead. To learn more, visit newjerseyamwater.com. **Under Water Quality, select** Lead and Drinking Water.



# UTILITY-OWNED VS. CUSTOMER-OWNED PORTION OF THE SERVICE LINE



Please note: This diagram is a generic representation. Variations may apply.

### PROJECT OVERVIEW AND WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT

- **Install new pump station.** The construction of the new pump station will have minimal impact if any on customer water and sewer service.
- **Install, test and place new water and sewer main into service.** While we interconnect the new main to the distribution system, customers may experience a temporary service interruption. Customers may also experience a slight discoloration of water. If this happens, run the water until it is clear.
- **Replace utility-owned service lines and transfer customers to the new main.** Once the main is installed, we'll return to connect customers to the new main. This may involve replacing utility-owned service lines. If we're replacing the utility-owned service line at your property, typically there is a 30- and 60-minute interruption of service while the contractor connects the new service line. We'll attempt to notify customers 24 hours in advance. We'll also notify you on the day the service line is replaced with instructions on how to flush your household plumbing prior to using water. It is important that you read and follow these instructions. If you're not home, we'll leave the instructions at your front door. You may want to consider storing a few gallons of water for drinking and cooking during the service line work.
- Decommission existing pump station and restore sidewalk.
- Perform final paving and any restoration of concrete, driveway, grass and landscaping.

Our crews will work as quickly as possible to shorten the length of these temporary inconveniences. We appreciate your patience and understanding during this project.

### TRAFFIC FLOW AND ACCESSIBILITY

For the public's and workers' safety, traffic restrictions and/or alternating traffic patterns are likely to occur during work hours. New Jersey American Water's inspector, along with the contractor's personnel, will provide a minimum of 24 hour's notice prior to any parking and/or driveway use restrictions. All emergency vehicles and local traffic will be allowed access during construction.

### NOISE

As with any construction project, some noise will be unavoidable with this project. We apologize for any inconvenience, and appreciate your understanding and cooperation.

### SITE MAINTENANCE

The project site will be maintained and cleaned each day before contractors have completed work.