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# News Release

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## Five City streets to undergo sealing of joints and cracks *Work to extend life of streets starts in early April*

MURPHY (March 24, 2022) In much the same way that applying wax to a car extends the life and attractiveness of the auto's exterior, applying specially designed sealant to cracks and joints on City streets extends the life and value of roadbeds by preventing water from seeping into joints and cracks and eroding the integrity of the concrete.

Starting in early April, Murphy Public Services personnel will partner with contractors in the Concrete Joint and Crack Sealing project, applying the sealant to five neighborhood streets, saving money by avoiding the costs of major repair and providing a smoother driving surface.

"Sealing the joints and cracks is important for many reasons," says Public Services Director Tim Rogers. "Without sealing these entry points, water, either from rain events or runoff from irrigation, can be harmful to the underlayment, perhaps causing undesirable shifting. During winter, of course, the water freezes and expands, causing further damage."

Included in the project are Ridgeview Drive; Sunrise Court; Sunset Drive; Skyline Drive; and Moonlight Drive. The precise start and end dates for each of these is yet undetermined but affected homeowners will be alerted prior to the start of the project on each street.

While there will be some disruption of local traffic, steps will be taken to ensure at least one lane is open for motorists. Nevertheless, extreme caution is advised, as crews and equipment will be present at each location before and during the sealing process.

Crews will not begin before 7 a.m. and will not work past 5 p.m. and trash and recycling collection services will not change from normal pickup days.

Residents are asked to refrain from irrigating lawns or discharging water onto the roadways while crews are working. The sealant must cure fully to ensure its full effectiveness, and water may deter the curing process.

While streetside parking is not prohibited during the work, officials ask that streets remain as clear as possible in order to ensure all cracks and joints are completely accessible.

Questions can be directed to Wade Williams, Public Works Superintendent, at [wwilliams@murphytx.org](mailto:wwilliams@murphytx.org) or by calling (972) 468-4376 during office hours.

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ABOUT MURPHY -- Murphy is a fast-growing community located in Collin County. The population is approximately 20,010, generally characterized as highly educated with a median household income well above the state average. With more than 80 percent of the land developed, the community is dominated by single-family residences. City planners strive to preserve a family-oriented community with a strong sense of place. Money Magazine has dubbed Murphy as the 27th Best Place to Live in America for small cities, and D Magazine placed Murphy as the fifth best suburb in the 2014 list, where it has consistently ranked in the top 10.