

Things to Know

- The video, speaking, and screen sharing functions are available to presenters, but disabled for participants to avoid unauthorized persons or offensive content.
- You can leave and rejoin the meeting at any time (unless the meeting is at capacity or you are removed for inappropriate behavior).
- You can communicate through the Q&A feature.
- Multiple opportunities for questions will be provided throughout the presentation.
- Presentation and additional materials are available www.a2gov.org/smainwatermain



South Main Street Water Main Replacement and Resurfacing

Public Engagement Meeting No. 1 – Planning the Project
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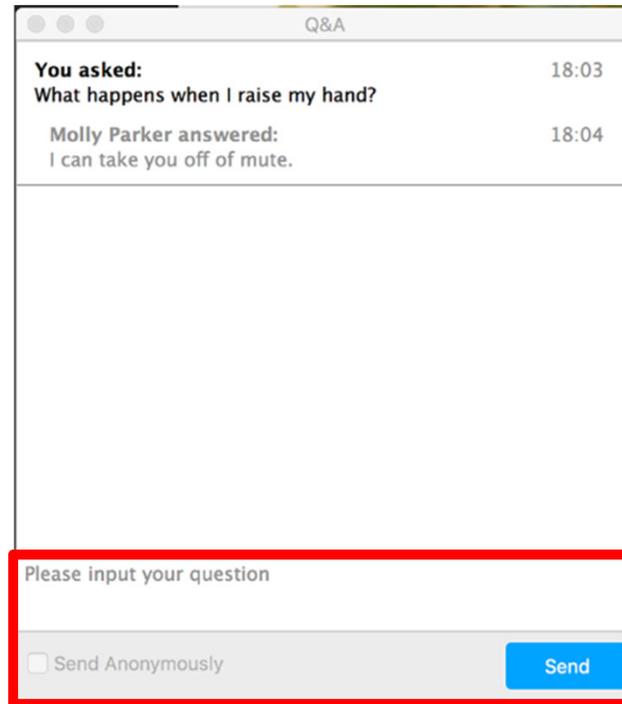
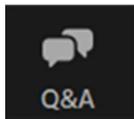
Technology Overview

Ask a Question or Share a Comment

We will be using the Q&A feature for those using a computer and the Raise Hand feature for those who are on the phone.

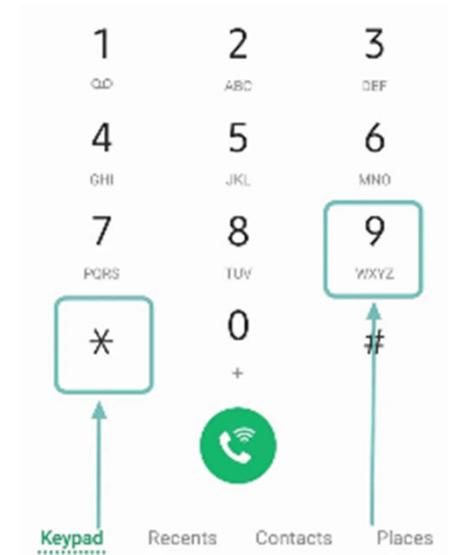
Computer

- Please use the Q&A feature located at the bottom of the screen to ask a question/comment.
- Type your question/comment.
- Click **Send**.



Phone

- Select *9 to raise your hand
- You will be identified by the last 3 digits of your phone number



Audio Settings ^

Raise Hand

Q&A

Leave



Technology Overview

Polling

Note: When you raise your hand, the host will enable your microphone. The host will disable your microphone after your question.

Computer

During an active poll

- Click your answer
- Press submit

Do you live in the designated project area

1. Do you live in the designated project area?

Yes

No

Submit

When the poll closes

- View results
- Press close

Host is sharing poll results

1. Do you live in the designated project area?

Yes 100%

No 0%

Close

Phone

- Raise your hand (*9)
- The host will unmute you
- Say your answer to the poll

Note: Phone polling **is not** anonymous. Everyone in the meeting will be able to hear your response.

Computer polling **is** anonymous. Your name will not be viewable with your response



Demographic Poll **Optional and Anonymous**



DEMOGRAPHIC SURVEY (OPTIONAL)

Thank you for participating with the City of Ann Arbor. The city is trying to gain a better understanding of who we are reaching to find ways we can continuously improve public engagement efforts and support inclusivity. To help us gain this understanding, please complete this brief, anonymous survey. This survey is completely voluntary; you are not required to fill it out.

1. Do you live in Ann Arbor?

- a. Yes
- b. No

2. Do you work in Ann Arbor

- a. Yes
- b. No
- c. Retired

3. Age:

- a. Under 15 years
- b. 15-19 years
- c. 20-29 years
- d. 30-39 years
- e. 40-49 years
- f. 50-59 years
- g. 60-69 years
- h. 70 years or older

4. Which identifiers would you use to describe yourself?

- a. American Indian or Alaska Native
- b. Asian
- c. Asian Indian
- d. Black or African-American
- e. Chamorro
- f. Chinese
- g. Filipino
- h. Japanese

- i. Korean
- j. Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
- k. Samoan
- l. White
- m. Middle Eastern or North African
- n. Hispanic or Latinx
- o. Other or Multiracial _____

5. What is your gender identity?

- a. Woman/girl
- b. Man/boy
- c. Transgender Woman/girl
- d. Transgender Man/boy
- e. Gender non-conforming or non-binary
- f. Other _____

6. Which best describes your household income last year?

- a. Less than \$24,999
- b. \$25,000 - \$34,999
- c. \$35,000 - \$49,999
- d. \$50,000 - \$74,999
- e. \$75,000 - \$99,999
- f. \$100,000-\$149,999
- g. \$150,000-\$199,000
- h. \$200,000 or more

7. Do you rent or own your primary residence?

- a. Rent
- b. Own
- c. Other

8. What would make it easier for you to engage with the city?



Zoom Meeting Norms

- Commit to learning and avoid speculation – we encourage you to ask questions through the Q&A feature so we can explore the issue together.
- When speaking over the phone, please move to a quiet area and silence any background sounds. We want to be sure that we hear what you are saying.
- Please remember the importance of rights and the dignity of others. With that, we ask that you:
 - Critique ideas, not people.
 - Are thoughtful about your language so this can be a comfortable and respectful forum for all participants - inappropriate written and/or verbal comment or language, including personal attacks and accusations, will result in the attendee being removed from the meeting.

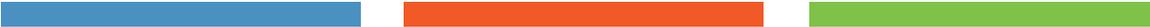
Is there anything else anyone would like to add?



Follow-up Expectations

- Meeting summaries will be posted by March 16th at 12:00 p.m. (noon)
- Your feedback will be considered in addition to technical and cost considerations for the recommendations of this design effort.

Agenda



1. **Introductions**
 2. **Project Limits - Project Purpose and Need**
 3. **Anticipated Elements of the Project**
 4. **Project Schedule**
 5. **Planning Process**
 6. **Potential Concerns**
 7. **Discussion – Making the project easier for everyone.**
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Project Limits

S. Main Street – Huron to E. William Streets. Work along the side streets of Washington, Liberty, and E. William will extend east and west just far enough to keep future work out of S. Main Street for future projects.

It is possible during the design process that we may elect to extend the project limits north of Huron and south of E. William in order to avoid having to work within these intersections again in the foreseeable future. We will evaluate the condition of the water main as the design progresses to determine if this is necessary.



Project Vicinity





Project Purpose and Need

It is necessary to replace the water main as it is approximately 100-years old and is at the end of its service life, appears to have several broken valves, and is in need of replacement. A primary concern with the broken valves is that it could lead to compromised fire fighting capacity.

The surface of the street is in poor condition and needs to be repaired before other more extreme repairs become necessary.



Anticipated Elements of the Project

- Replace an existing 8-inch water main that is approximately 100-years old;
- Upsize to a 12-inch water main that meets, or exceeds, future needs;
- Provide improved fire flow from new fire hydrants and improved fire hydrant coverage;
- Replace galvanized water services from the shut-off valve located in the sidewalk in front of the building to the water meter inside the building (where applicable);
- Possibly install sanitary sewer leads in S. Main Street to service buildings that are without proper, public, sanitary sewer services;
- Provide new asphalt surface at the completion of the water main work;
- Ensure all sidewalk ramps meet current Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements



Project Timeline

ANTICIPATED PROJECT TIMELINE



This timeline is subject to change based on funding and what is learned during the process.



Public Engagement and Outreach

The Project Team will conduct a robust public engagement and outreach program to discuss business owner's and resident's concerns and needs. We will work in an iterative fashion to formulate project solutions that balance the project's needs with the community's desires.

The Project Team will carefully evaluate the project work and determine strategies that are sensitive to the unique Special Events that occur within the project limits and surrounding area.



Possible Impacts to Business Owners and Residents

- Proposed work will be extensive and time-consuming;
- The work will unavoidably disrupt normal traffic and business operations along S. Main Street and the side streets immediately adjacent to the work site;
- Our planned project approach is to maintain pedestrian access along S. Main Street for the duration of the project's construction;
- The proposed construction will have to be carefully studied in order to analyze impacts to Special Events that are normally held along S. Main Street within the vicinity of the project. It is not known at this time what the impacts to Special Events along S. Main Street will be; and,
- Dust, noise, some vibrations, and inconvenience will be prevalent due to the nature of the planned construction.



What Do You Want Us to Know? What Is Important to You?

We are planning to perform the project starting in 2023. We anticipate this project will take about 5 to 6 months to construct.

- What are your concerns with performing the work during Special Events?
- How can we best work with, or around, the Special Events?
- Are there other issues we need to consider?
- What solutions do you suggest?
- Should we work on the project in a segmented manner, i.e. Huron to Washington?
- Is working on the weekends acceptable to complete the project faster?
- Do you own or work in a building with an underground vault?
- Do you know if your building has a galvanized steel water service?
- How does your business currently receive deliveries? How often? What are your concerns with continuity of delivery service?



Are These Helpful?

Do you consider this type of signage helpful to your businesses?

There are other types of signs we may be able to use to help share important information about the work and local businesses.



 | **What Are Your Questions?**

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Next Steps

- “Walk & Talks” – to be scheduled next
- Contact Mike with any questions or comments:
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- Stay tuned at: A2gov.org/smainwatermain



Thank You!

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