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Garfield Street to Close for Water Main Construction

Garfield Street between Austin Boulevard and Ridgeland Avenue will be closed to all but local traffic for about six weeks beginning Tues., June 1, to replace the water main between Lombard and Taylor avenues that carries Lake Michigan water to the villages of Westchester and Broadview.

The same portion of roadway likely will be closed again later in the summer to allow for the final remediation phase of Barrie Park, a former manufactured gas plant site that is being cleaned up by ComEd and Nicor Gas. A small wedge of soil near Garfield remains to be removed and replaced.

Construction along Garfield is not expected to affect the Lombard Avenue bridge, which should stay open throughout most of the project, with only short-term temporary closings as work nears the intersection.

Once the old water main has been removed and the new one installed, the portion of Garfield along the park will be temporarily resurfaced pending final park remediation. Once work in the park is complete, Garfield will be resurfaced and new curbs and gutters installed.

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