



**MEADOWBROOK GLENS
AT&T FIBER INSTALLATION PROJECT UPDATE**

Mayor and Council,

As requested, please see the correspondence sent to Meadowbrook Glens residents regarding the fiber work being done.

- Victor

August 21, 2023

Valued Resident,

I hope you are enjoying the end of summer in Novi.

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As you may be aware, AT&T is currently working on a project within Meadowbrook Glens to provide improved high-speed internet to residents in the subdivision.

After AT&T began installing pedestals or towers in the subdivision, the City received feedback from multiple residents who expressed their concerns regarding the project. First and foremost, I understand the frustration you may have felt and thank you for expressing your concerns with the City.

While AT&T needs a permit from the City to conduct work in the subdivision, the City of Novi has no authority to tell AT&T or any other telecommunications company what they can or can't place in the right of way due to Michigan law, Public Act 48 of 2002 known as the METRO Act. The purpose of the METRO Act is to assist telecommunication providers in cutting through red tape and obtaining permits without having to pay excessive fees or endure unnecessary delays.

While the City had its hands tied, under the direction of the City Council, the Novi Engineering Department and City Manager's Office met with residents who expressed concerns and worked with AT&T to offer different alternatives to provide high-speed internet access.

I am happy to announce the City received official correspondence last week from AT&T that they will now be installing handhold or flush mounts rather than pedestals.

I want to thank residents again for reaching out and for their advocacy, patience, and cooperation during this process. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to get in touch with Community Relations at communityrelations@cityofnovi.org or 248.735.5628.

Please know that City Council and City staff will continue to advocate for you, Meadowbrook Glens, and our community.

Sincerely,

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