

2016 Downtown Improvements Update

June 3, 2016



City of Rockford

Project Update

With the utility portion of the project completed, the project has transitioned into the sidewalk, landscaping and lighting portion of the project. Blackstone Contractors, the project sidewalk and landscaping contractor, has begun placement of the concrete curb and gutter. Please keep all vehicle and pedestrian traffic off of newly poured concrete throughout the project until after the approved timeframes. All concrete access questions should be directed to Steve Hegland at 612-741-6548.

Laketown Electric, the project electrical contractor, has begun placement of conduit for the lighting portion of the project.

The Main Street closure from Highway 55 to Elm St. has been extended through June 19th, 2016. To minimize the impacts to the residents and businesses, the intersection at Walnut, Bridge and Cedar Street have been opened. Periodically intersections will be closed for work, but at a minimum, one intersection will remain open.

Properties located along Main St will still have access to buildings throughout the project. Vehicle access will be maintained throughout as well to local businesses and homes. All access issues should be coordinated with Steve Hegland at 612-741-6548.

Project Progress

Concrete curb and gutter has been placed for a large portion of the project. The connections to existing curb and gutter and storm sewer grates will be placed next week.

Electrical conduit installation has begun for the lighting portion of the Downtown Improvements Project.

Upcoming Work

- The curb and gutter installation will be completed the week of June 6th.
- Sidewalk and installation and well as the concrete tree planter box installation will begin the week of June 6th.
- Electrical conduit installation will continue next week with lighting pole bases beginning to be installed.

What can you do?

- It is the City's priority to maintain a safe environment during this project. Safety involves not only the City and the Contractors, but the residents as well. We ask that you:
 - Please stay off concrete curb and gutter and sidewalk after it is poured. Please contact Steve Hegland at 612-741-6548 if you witness any vandalism of any concrete.
 - Stay a safe distance from equipment and excavations.
 - Drive with caution and do not cross into the construction area unless through an approved location. Obey construction signage.
 - Respect the construction notices with regards to parking and access to areas of the site.
- In an emergency, dial 911.
- Send your E-mail address to shegland@wenck.com to be included on future e-mails. Steve can be contacted at 612-741-6548 with questions about the project.