

2016 Downtown Improvements Update

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City of Rockford

Project Update

The downtown Improvements project is progressing towards its completion with the sidewalk and paver components continuing to be installed.

The Wright County 2016 Highway Project is still scheduled to move into Downtown Rockford the week of June 27th, 2016. The County project will consist of a newly paved Main St/ County Road 20. In an effort to support the County Project and help our Main Street Project remain ahead of schedule, the Main Street closure from Highway 55 to Elm Street has been extended through the week of June 27th, reopening July 2nd. To minimize the impacts to the residents and businesses, the intersection at Walnut, Bridge and Cedar and Elm Street will continue to remain open. Periodically intersections may be closed for work, but at a minimum, one intersection will remain open. Any questions or concerns with the Wright County Highway Project should be directed to Chad Hausman at Wright County (763-682-7383).

Project Progress

The sidewalk installation for the Downtown Improvements project continues to progress moving from Hwy 55 and nearly being completed through Bridge St. Paver installation has begun with light pole accents and tree box accents being installed. 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.

Blackstone Contractors plans to continue pouring concrete sidewalk working from Bridge St to the park and working on both sides of the street.

Upcoming Work

- Concrete sidewalk installation will continue with the contractor continuing to work north along the project.
- Lighting poles and fixtures will be delivered to the site in the next couple of weeks and light pole installation will begin at that time.
- Wright County will transition their 2016 Highway Project into the downtown area. This will involve a heavier flow of trucks and equipment to remove the remaining pavement and begin shaping the road section for the new pavement.

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 sidewalk and driveways after it is poured. Please contact Steve Hegland at 612-741-6548 if you witness any vandalism of 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.