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STREET DIVISION MAINTENANCE UPDATE

STREET SWEEPING:

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The fall residential and arterial sweeping cycles are complete as of Friday, December 1, 2017. Sweeping will resume again in the spring of 2018.

All Street Division Operations are dependent on existing weather conditions and are subject to change accordingly. Citizens are urged to approach Public Works Crews with caution and at a reduced speed that is below posted speed limits.

The City of Rockford appreciates your continued patience and cooperation as we perform our Street Maintenance Activities.

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Harrison Avenue Reconstruction Project **(Harrison Avenue between 9th Street and East of 22nd Street)** **(11th Street between Wills Avenue and South of 23rd Avenue)**

Continuing the 2017 construction season, Harrison Avenue roadwork is proceeding between 9th Street and 20th Street, and 11th Street roadwork is underway between 23rd Avenue and Wills Avenue. As Stage 2 of the Harrison Avenue project advances, the focal point of construction crews is concrete paving along the south lanes of Harrison Avenue. Stage 2 progression includes box culvert extension, road widening, new pavement, curb and gutter placement, median installation, sidewalk improvements, sanitary sewer construction, storm sewer installation, water main replacement, new street lights, new traffic signals, and pavement markings. Stage 2 construction is scheduled to continue through fall of 2017.

Road construction on Harrison Avenue, 11th Street, and 20th Street has now been changed. Marshall Street and Hanson Street are closed to traffic at Harrison Avenue. Alton Avenue has been closed at 11th Street. 20th Street is open to traffic from Harrison to the south and one lane with dedicated turn lane from Harrison to the north. Both Harrison Avenue and 11th Street traffic patterns have been moved to the outside lanes in each direction with dedicated turn lanes so that the construction crews can finish median work.

On Friday, December 15, 2017, all lanes and side streets will be open to traffic and construction will be postponed until the 2018 construction season. All construction will be completed in the spring of 2018. All work is dependent on the proper weather conditions. Drivers should be aware of work zone speed limits and use caution when driving in these areas.

**Lane Closures of North Main Street (IL-2) – Illinois
Department of Transportation Roadway Project (Yonge Street
to just north of Riverside Boulevard)**

During the week of December 11th, 2017, intermittent lane closures and intersection closures will occur for utility relocation along Riverside Boulevard as well as along North Main Street. Please be alert for construction activities when driving, biking, and walking through these areas in the upcoming weeks.

The northbound lanes of North Main Street between Auburn Street and Pierce Avenue will be closed for roadway milling and paving operations for the length of the project until further notice. Southbound and northbound traffic will be two way traffic for the conclusion of this project. In addition, intermittent western legs of North Main intersections will be closed for the duration of traffic staging 2B. This work is anticipated to be completed by the end of October 2017.

Please note that businesses are open during construction.

On March 22nd, 2017, construction began on the IDOT N Main project. The North Main Street Roadway Project consists of pavement removal, excavation, roadway re-alignment, PCC pavement, HMA pavement, curb and gutter placement, landscaped median, multi-use path and sidewalk construction, water main replacement, storm sewer installation, landscaping, street lighting, traffic signal modernization and interconnection, pavement markings, erosion control, maintenance of traffic and all other necessary items to complete the improvements.

The City of Rockford appreciates your continued patience and cooperation during this project.

North Alpine Box Culvert over Keith Creek (North Branch)

Road construction began on the North Alpine Box Culvert over Keith Creek (North Branch). Similar to the box culvert interchange on South Alpine Road in 2015, this project includes the complete replacement of the box culvert structure on North Alpine Road, north of Maray Drive. The limit of the project will be resurfaced. Dependent on weather, this year's operations will consist of the replacement of the box culvert. The remainder of the project will be finished next construction season.

Reconstruction on the North Alpine Box Culvert is completed for this construction season. The project will resume in the spring of 2018 and will be finished by early summer 2018. All lanes are open to traffic through winter.

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City of Rockford Annual Fire Flow Testing Program Update

ROCKFORD, Ill. – The City of Rockford began its annual fire flow testing program on Monday, September 25, 2017.

The Annual Fire Flow Testing Program is complete for the 2017 Season.

Water quality questions and concerns may be directed to the Water Quality Section at 779-348-7151.

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