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**DATE July 27, 2017**

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***STREET DIVISION MAINTENANCE UPDATE***

**STREET SWEEPING:**

**Supervisor: Harry Noble**

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Spring residential street sweeping began on April 10, 2017 and was completed on June 14, 2017.

Arterial and Central Business District sweeping cycles will continue throughout the summer months through Mid-September. The fall residential sweeping cycle will commence Mid-September, 2017.

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 9<sup>th</sup> Street and East of 22<sup>nd</sup> Street)** **(11<sup>th</sup> Street between Wills Avenue and South of 23<sup>rd</sup> Avenue)**

Road construction on Harrison Avenue between 9<sup>th</sup> Street and 20<sup>th</sup> Street continues for the 2017 season. Currently construction crews are concentrating on the installation of underground utilities along the south lanes of the road as work is now in Stage 2 of the Harrison Avenue project. Stage 2 includes box culvert extension, road widening, new pavement, curb and gutter, medians, sidewalk, 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 the spring and summer of 2017.

During Stage 2, the north lanes of Harrison Avenue will remain open to one lane of traffic each way at this time, with short, intermittent side street closures as the underground work moves through those intersections at various times during this stage.

Crews will be working on the completion of the 20<sup>th</sup> Street intersection and temporary ramp for the side streets on the south side of Harrison Avenue from the box culvert to the east end of the project. They will also be prepping 11<sup>th</sup> street for concrete on the west side. Concrete is expected to be poured this upcoming week through the intersections. Please follow all detours. Temporary lane closures may occur during these periods. Please expect delays.

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 July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017, roadway removal work is underway south of the railroad tracks and pavement removals are underway north of the railroad tracks. Concrete pavement placement will occur south of the railroad tracks. Please be alert for construction activities when driving/Biking/Walking through these areas in the coming weeks.

Southbound and northbound traffic will be two lane traffic for the duration of this work as paving operations will occur on the northbound lanes between Auburn Street and Pierce Avenue. In addition, many eastern 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.

**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, 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 work.

### **East State Street & Madison Street Traffic Signal Upgrade**

Construction to upgrade the traffic signals at the intersection of East State Street and Madison Street began on *Monday, July 24<sup>th</sup>* and is expected to proceed through to *Friday, September 1*. These improvements include replacing the old, outdated traffic signal equipment with decorative traffic signal mast arms, signal posts, pedestrian countdown timers and street lighting. The new overhead signals are expected to be more visible to the traveling public and increase the safety of the intersection.

During the entire duration of construction, the intersection will be placed under an ALL-WAY STOP traffic control condition. STOP signs will be placed at each leg of the intersection. Construction work shall commence early on Fridays to minimize delays for Friday afternoon and evening events. Motorists should expect delays during construction and are encouraged to bypass the area by using Jefferson Street and Walnut Street to arrive at their destination in a timelier manner.

## **City-Wide Street Repairs 2017 Group No. 2** **(Residential)**

Construction work began on the City-Wide Street Repairs 2017 Group No. 2 (Neighborhood) project. Full width resurfacing with curb and gutter, sidewalk, ADA ramps, driveway approaches, pavement striping and structure repairs as needed at the following locations:

- 1) 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 15<sup>th</sup> Street to 18<sup>th</sup> Street
- 2) 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 12<sup>th</sup> Street to 13<sup>th</sup> Street
- 3) 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue from Woodruff Avenue to 20<sup>th</sup> Street
- 4) 17<sup>th</sup> Street from 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- 5) Hillsdale Street from Greenwood Avenue to Rural Street
- 6) Woodruff Avenue from 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 16<sup>th</sup> Street
- 7) Indiana Avenue from South Main Street to West Street
- 8) Lincoln Avenue from South Main Street to Weldon Street
- 9) Regina Lane from Montague Street to End of Regina Lane
- 10) Rose Avenue from Blake Street to Morgan Street
- 11) West Street from Morgan Street to Hulin Street
- 12) 16<sup>th</sup> Street from Pershing Avenue to Sawyer Road
- 13) 18<sup>th</sup> Street from Harrison Avenue to Wills Avenue
- 14) 19<sup>th</sup> Street from Pershing Avenue to End of 19<sup>th</sup> Street
- 15) 42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue from 6<sup>th</sup> Street to 9<sup>th</sup> Street
- 16) Collins Road from Reed Avenue to Brooke Road
- 17) Marshall Street from Alton Avenue to Reed Avenue
- 18) Old Gate Road from 35<sup>th</sup> Street to North Port Drive
- 19) Sewell Street from Reed Avenue to Pershing Avenue
- 20) Wills Avenue from Sewell Street to Horton Street
- 21) Colorado Avenue from Harrison Avenue to Ashbrook Drive
- 22) Craig Hill Drive from Harrison Avenue to Ashbrook Drive
- 23) East Gate Parkway from Ohio Parkway to Oregon Avenue
- 24) Nevada Circle from Beach Street to Cul-de-sac
- 25) Oregon Avenue from Ohio Parkway to Carolina Avenue
- 26) Public Lane from Brownfield Road to Raismore Road
- 27) Seward Avenue from Colorado Avenue to Montana Avenue
- 28) 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 9<sup>th</sup> Street to 11<sup>th</sup> Street
- 29) 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 12<sup>th</sup> Street to 13<sup>th</sup> Street
- 30) 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 16<sup>th</sup> Street to 17<sup>th</sup> Street
- 31) 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 10<sup>th</sup> Street to 11<sup>th</sup> Street
- 32) 17<sup>th</sup> Street from 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- 33) Fieldcrest Drive from Carol Court to Valentine Place
- 34) Governors Drive from Trevor Circle to Hampshire Close
- 35) Greenleaf Way from Castlewood Court to Dorchester Drive
- 36) Longmeadow Lane from Alpine Road to Beckett Place
- 37) Orchard Avenue from Diane Drive to Esmond Drive
- 38) Sulkey Lane from Carriage Green Way to Cul-de-sac
- 39) Buttercup Lane from Bellworth Drive to Bittersweet Row
- 40) Charlotte Drive from Newburg Road to Forest View Avenue

- 41) Cindy Drive from South End of Cindy Drive to Village of New Milford Limits
- 42) Marion Avenue from Warren Road to Hillcrest Road
- 43) Montmorency Drive from End of Montmorency Drive to Laurel Cherry Drive
- 44) Ralph Drive from South Bend Road to End of Ralph Drive
- 45) Suffolk Drive from End of Suffolk Drive to Newburg Road
- 46) Warren Road from Forest View Avenue to Charles Street
- 47) White Swan Lane from Mill Road to End of White Swan Lane

Bituminous Patching with curb and gutter, sidewalk, ADA ramps, driveway approaches, and structure repairs as needed at the following locations:

- 1) East Gate Parkway from Colorado Avenue to Louisiana Road
- 2) Seward Avenue from Wisconsin Road to Colorado Avenue
- 3) 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue Patching at the Intersection of 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 8<sup>th</sup> Street

Construction for this project is expected to end on July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017. Construction operations for these locations may require a parking restriction at some short periods.

### **City-Wide Street Repairs 2017 Group No. 3** **(Alleys)**

Construction work began on the City-Wide Street Repairs 2017 Group No. 3 (Alleys) project. Repairs may include, but are not limited to, pavement patching, full width mill and overlay, curb repairs, sidewalk, ADA ramps, structure adjustments, and apron repairs. at the following locations:

- 1) 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward – Alley 740 from the 0600 Block of Smith Avenue to the 0600 Block of Bohm Avenue
- 2) 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward – Alley 745 from the 0600 Block of Smith Avenue to the 0600 Block of Bohm Avenue
- 3) 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward – Alley 757 from the 2600 Block of Greenwood Avenue to the 2600 Block of Rural Street
- 4) 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward – Alley 759 from the 0900 Block of Luther Avenue to the 0900 Block of Winthrop Lane
- 5) 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward – Alley 791 from the 400 Block of Mulberry Street to the 0400 Block of West Jefferson Street
- 6) 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward – Alley 793 from the 0300 Block of Park Avenue to the 0300 Block of West Jefferson Street
- 7) 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward – Alley 844 from the 1400 Block of Myott Avenue to the 1100 Block of Auburn Street
- 8) 5<sup>th</sup> Ward – 2900 Block of Kling Street from South Avenue to the End of Kling Street (South)
- 9) 7<sup>th</sup> Ward – Alley 361 from the 0700 Block of John Street to the South
- 10) 7<sup>th</sup> Ward – Alley 379 from the 1100 Block of Irving Avenue to the 1100 Block of Furman Street
- 11) 7<sup>th</sup> Ward – Alley 814 from the 0500 Block of Whitman Street to the

- 0500 Block of Napoleon Street
- 12) 7<sup>th</sup> Ward – Alley 847 from the 1600 Block of Auburn Street to the 0500 Block of King Street
  - 13) 7<sup>th</sup> Ward – Alley 1081 from the 2000 Block of Elmwood Street to the 2000 Block of Grenshaw Street
  - 14) 7<sup>th</sup> Ward – Alley 1082 from the 2000 Block of Grenshaw Street to the 2000 Block of Edgemont Street
  - 15) 11<sup>th</sup> Ward – Alley 771 from the 0100 Block of North 2<sup>nd</sup> Street to the East
  - 16) 12<sup>th</sup> Ward – Alley 520 from the 0400 Block of Ellis Avenue to the 0400 Block of Camlin Avenue
  - 17) 12<sup>th</sup> Ward – Alley 525 from the 500 Block of Camlin Avenue to the 0500 Block of Cottage Grove Avenue
  - 18) 12<sup>th</sup> Ward – Alley 535 from the 0700 Block of Harper Avenue to the 0700 Block of Brown Avenue
  - 19) 12<sup>th</sup> Ward – Alley 551 from the 0600 Block of Brown Avenue to the 0600 Block of Van Wie Avenue
  - 20) 12<sup>th</sup> Ward – Alley 552 from the 0500 Block of Brown Avenue to the 0500 Block of Van Wie Avenue
  - 21) 12<sup>th</sup> Ward – Alley 561 from the 0900 Block of Van Wie Avenue to the 0900 Block of Fulton Avenue
  - 22) 12<sup>th</sup> Ward – Alley 589 from the 3300 Block of Louise Street to the 3300 Block of Ruth Street
  - 23) 12<sup>th</sup> Ward – Alley 590 from the 1200 Block of Deborah Avenue to Alley 589

Alleyway Reconstruction with 6” stone base and 1.5” of binder mix and 1.5” of surface mix with curb and gutter, sidewalk, ADA ramps, driveway approaches, and structure repairs as needed at the following locations:

- 1) 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward – Alley 657 from the 1800 Block of 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue to the 1800 Block of 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- 2) 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward – Alley 746 from Alley 740 to Alley 745
- 3) 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward – Alley 809 from the 0200 Block of Franklin Place to Alley 810
- 4) 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward – Alley 810 from the 1000 Block of Harlem Boulevard to the 1000 Block of Franklin Place
- 5) 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward – Alley 822 from the 0300 Block of Churchill Street to the West
- 6) 7<sup>th</sup> Ward – Alley 378 from the 1400 Block of Arthur Avenue to Alley 379
- 7) 7<sup>th</sup> Ward – Alley 1077 from the 2000 Block of Richmond Street to the 2000 Block of Vermont Street
- 8) 11<sup>th</sup> Ward – Alley 221 from the 1000 Block of 23<sup>rd</sup> Avenue to Alley 222
- 9) 11<sup>th</sup> Ward – Alley 222 from the 2300 Block of 6<sup>th</sup> Street to the 2300 Block of 7<sup>th</sup> Street
- 10) 13<sup>th</sup> Ward – Alley 890 from the 0700 Block of Green Street to the 0700 Block of Cedar Street
- 11) 13<sup>th</sup> Ward – Alley 912 from the 2100 Block of Green Street to the

2100 Block of Berkley Street  
12) 13<sup>th</sup> Ward – Alley 978 from the 0100 Block of Victory Street to the  
0100 Block of Woodrow Street

## **City-Wide Street Repairs 2017 Group No. 4** **(Concrete)**

Construction work began on the City-Wide Street Repairs 2017 Group No. 4 (Concrete) project. Repairs may include, but are not limited to, This project consists of various pavement repairs throughout the city. Repairs may include but are not limited to pavement patching, full width mill and overlay, curb repairs, sidewalk, ADA ramps, structure adjustments, and apron repairs.

Full width resurfacing and Road Reconstruction with curb and gutter repairs, sidewalk repairs, ADA ramps, driveway approaches, drainage repairs, and structure repairs as needed at the following locations:

- 1) Oak Lawn Avenue – Parkview Avenue to Rockford Avenue
- 2) Post Avenue – Churchill Street to Ellsworth Street
- 3) Salter Avenue – South Main Street to West Street
- 4) Ed Vera Drive – Sandy Hollow Road to Jamestown Drive
- 5) Arline Avenue – Richmond Street to Vermont Street
- 6) Lynwood Street – Sovereign Boulevard to Forest View Avenue
- 7) 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue – Kishwaukee Street to 4<sup>th</sup> Street
- 8) 10<sup>th</sup> Street – 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Broadway
- 9) North Independence Avenue – Andrews Street to School Street
- 10) Lydia Avenue – North Springfield Avenue to Victory Street
- 11) West Jefferson Street – Underwood Street to Avon Street

Reconstruction of roadway with new curb and gutter and structure repairs as need at the following locations:

- 1) Barnum Road – Bildahl Street to 9<sup>th</sup> Street

Curb and gutter repairs, sidewalk repairs, ADA ramps, driveway approaches, drainage repairs, and structure repairs as needed at the following locations:

- 1) North Church Street Sidewalk – Sidewalk at 220 North Church Street
- 2) 6<sup>th</sup> Street Sidewalk – Benton Street to Chamberlain Street
- 3) North Church Street Sidewalk – Sidewalk at 1003 North Church Street
- 4) South First Street Sidewalk – Sidewalk at 322-328 South First Street
- 5) Guilford Road Sidewalk – Sidewalk at 3124 Guilford Street
- 6) Liberty Drive Sidewalk – Sidewalk at 3104 Liberty Drive
- 7) North Avenue Sidewalk – Napoleon Street to Ridge Avenue
- 8) Parkside Avenue Curb and Gutter – Soper Avenue to Johnston Avenue
- 9) Richmond Street Curb and Gutter and Sidewalk – Arline Avenue to Parkside Avenue
- 10) Constance Drive Sidewalk – Sidewalk at 3212 Constance Drive

- 11) Bell Avenue Approach – Approach at St. Bernadette’s
- 12) Carriage Lane Sidewalk – Sidewalk at 2923 Carriage Lane
- 13) Latham Street Sidewalk – Wagner Avenue to Brown Avenue (Various Locations)
- 14) Marriott Drive Sidewalk – Carriage Lane to Riverside Boulevard
- 15) Ridge Avenue Sidewalk – Intersection of Ridge Avenue and Grace Street
- 16) Ridge Avenue Sidewalk – Intersection of Ridge Avenue and Quincy Street
- 17) 4<sup>th</sup> Street Sidewalk – 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue to 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- 18) 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue Sidewalk – Sidewalk at 1924 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue (15<sup>th</sup> Street Sidewalk)
- 19) Charles Street Sidewalk – East State Street to 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue
- 20) Alley 565 – Approach repairs at Fulton Avenue
- 21) Elm Street Sidewalk – South Hinkley Avenue to Waldo Street
- 22) 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue Sidewalk – 7<sup>th</sup> Street to 8<sup>th</sup> Street
- 23) East State Street Sidewalk – Intersection of East State Street and Prospect Street
- 24) Police Station No. 1 Sidewalk – Sidewalk around the project limits of Police Station 1

Alley reconstruction with new concrete surface, curb and gutter repairs, sidewalk repairs, driveway approaches, drainage repairs, and structure repairs as needed at the following locations:

- 1) Alley 450 – N0100 Block of North First Street to Alley 774

Concrete Patching and structure repairs as needed at the following locations:

- 1) Marieme Drive Patching – Shirley Road to End of Merieme Drive
- 2) Central Avenue Patching – Intersection of Central Avenue and Preston Street
- 3) Harney Court Patching – Intersection of Harney Court and Morningside Drive
- 4) Larson Avenue Patching – Kenmore Road to Shenandoah Avenue
- 5) School Street Patching – Jilson Avenue to Forest Avenue

## **City-Wide Sidewalk and ADA Repairs 2017 Package #3, A & B**

City-Wide Sidewalk and ADA Repairs 2017 packages #3, A and B have begun. Construction activities may include but are not limited to replacing sidewalk and ADA ramps, parkway restoration and other related work throughout the city at various locations throughout the City of Rockford. The necessary traffic control and signage will be posted.

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### HYDRANT FLUSHING PROJECT UPDATE:

*Week of July 30, 2017*

ROCKFORD – The following is an update of the current City of Rockford Unidirectional Flushing Program for the 2017 flushing season.

#### UNIDIRECTIONAL FLUSHING PROGRAM:

Water Superintendent: Kyle Saunders

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Assistant Superintendent: Jamie Rott

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#### *Unidirectional Flushing Boundaries:*

North – Harrison Avenue

South – Sandy Hollow Road

East – 20<sup>th</sup> Street

West – Rock River

#### *Project Update:*

The Public Works Department releases the following information on the flushing operation from 07/23/17 to 07/29/17:

#### *Residential Streets Flushed:*

Bildahl Street

Energy Avenue

Alton Avenue

Wills Avenue

Brooke Road

Fitch Road

Barnum, Road

8<sup>th</sup> Street

10<sup>th</sup> Street

**Projected Flushing Locations:**

During the week of 07/30/2017 to 08/05/2017, the following streets are scheduled to be flushed:

18 <sup>th</sup> Street	Marshall Street	Pershing Avenue
Lapey Street	Kennon Road	Grant Park Blvd.
Rexford Drive	Sawyer Road	Collins Street

**WATER QUALITY CONTACTS:**

**Water Quality Group:**

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If discolored water occurs, it is not a health hazard. However, during any flushing procedures, iron (red water) and manganese (black water) may become stirred up within the water main, which can create staining on the porcelain and laundry. This work may result in the disturbance of sediment, possibly containing lead. It is advised that you flush your water lines for 1 – 2 minutes once work is completed in your area including removing and cleaning faucet aerator screens to remove sediment. For this reason it is vital that the public be aware of the time and area that will be affected. If there are any Water Quality questions, please contact water quality at the number listed.

For a detailed map of hydrant flushing locations and when staff will be working in specific neighborhoods, please visit the City's web site at:

<http://rockfordil.gov/public-works/water-division/hydrant-flushing>.

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