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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Mitch Leatherby

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STREET DIVISION MAINTENANCE UPDATE

STREET SWEEPING:
Supervisor: Harry Noble 779 348-7619

Arterial Sweeping was completed for the spring cycle on April 19, 2019. The Central Business District was swept again for the third cycle, ending May 3, 2019 during the overnight hours.

The spring Residential Street Sweeping began on April 1, 2019 and will continue through an anticipated completion date of June 1, 2019.

During the week of May 20, 2019, street sweepers will be operating in the following areas:

   20th St east to S Mulford Rd – Sandy Hollow Rd north to Harrison Ave
   Garver Ave east to the River – Cunningham north to State St
   Huffman Blvd east to the River, - Auburn St north to Halsted Rd

Each Thursday throughout the sweeping season, weekly updates will be provided to highlight the areas of the city in which street sweepers will be working. Maps will also be included to provide a visual of areas completed, not completed and those in progress.

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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Spring 2019 Street Sweeping Detail

Residential streets in the indicated areas are scheduled* for sweeping the week of:

May 20 through May 23, 2019

*Sweeping operations are subject to weather conditions and may change without notice.
Orange areas indicate where residential sweeping has been completed for this cycle. Yellow areas are scheduled for sweeping during the next week.

Residential Street Sweeping
Spring 2019 Cycle Overview

Blue numbers indicate the order in which the sections will be swept.
Date shows when the section was completed.

Orange areas indicate where residential sweeping has been completed for this cycle.
Yellow areas are scheduled for sweeping during the next week.
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Public Works Water Division

HYDRANT FLUSHING PROJECT UPDATE:

Week of May 19, 2019

ROCKFORD – The following is an update of the current City of Rockford Unidirectional Flushing Program for the 2019 flushing season.

UNIDIRECTIONAL FLUSHING PROGRAM:

Water Superintendent: Kyle Saunders 779.348.7371
Assistant Superintendent: Mike Norris 779.348.7359
Operations Supervisor: Devin Johnson 779.348.7362

Unidirectional Flushing Boundaries:

North – Riverside Blvd.
South – Auburn Street
East – Rock River
West – Huffman Blvd.

Project Update:

The Public Works Department releases the following information on the flushing operation from 5/12/19 to 5/18/19:

Residential Streets Flushed:

Muldoon Drive River Bluff Blvd. Halsted Road
Normandy Avenue Latham Street Grant Avenue
Country Club Beach Terrace Fulton Avenue Huffman Blvd.
**Projected Flushing Locations:**

During the week of 5/19/2019 to 5/25/2019, the following streets are scheduled to be flushed:

- Fremont Street
- Brown Avenue
- Van Wie Avenue
- Grant Avenue
- Hancock Street
- Clinton Place
- Harlem Blvd.
- Oxford Street
- Custer Avenue

**WATER QUALITY CONTACTS:**

**Water Quality Group:**

779.348.7151

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](http://rockfordil.gov/public-works/water-division/hydrant-flushing).

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IDOT PROJECT LANE CLOSURES AND UPDATE  
N. MAIN ST. (IL 2) - PIERCE AVE. TO CAMPUS HILLS BLVD.  

Rockford, IL - There continues to be a Lane closure from the tracks near Pierce Ave to Riverside Blvd in the furthest west southbound lane set up to work on remaining construction items. All business entrances on the west side of IL 2 will remain open during this closure. In addition, the entrance to Cliff Breakers restaurant and Hotel should be back open to traffic on Friday May 17th. These closures and lane reductions will not be as complex as they have been in the past so disruption to traffic flow should be minimal. As always, weather is a factor when it comes to construction schedules. We apologize for any inconvenience or delays this may cause during this time.

We ask that all drivers slow down and take extra precautions when traveling through the work zone to protect construction workers, emergency responders, other motorists and themselves. One life lost is one too many! Total completion for the project is scheduled for early this summer.

IDOT and the City will continue coordinating with all applicable governmental agencies throughout the project.

For questions regarding this project, please contact Rick Rundblade at (779)348-7642.

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IDOT PROJECT UPDATE
S. MAIN (IL 2)/US BYPASS 20 INTERCHANGE

Rockford, IL- The Illinois Department of Transportation continues with the reconstruction of the US 20/IL 2 interchange. Ramps in this area will be closed periodically until temporary ramps are installed. Please be aware of changes in traffic patterns.

To allow continued traffic movement, crossovers, detours, and lane reductions using flaggers will be utilized as needed. This project is estimated to be completed by October 30, 2020. Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area. To avoid the work area, when feasible, use of alternate routes should be considered. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to changed conditions and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits, refrain from using mobile devices and be alert for workers and equipment.

PROJECT SCOPE OF WORK-William Charles Construction will be reconstructing US 20 and IL 2 with new Portland Cement Concrete pavement and shoulders. The dual structures carrying US 20 over IL 2 will be removed and replaced. The existing cloverleaf interchange will be configured as a diamond interchange with new signal installations at the ramp intersections with IL 2. The cost of the project is $24 million.

For IDOT District 2 updates on Twitter, follow them on Twitter at @IDOTDistrict2 or you can view construction details on IDOT’s traveler information map on GettingAroundIllinois.com
IDOT and the City will continue coordinating with all applicable governmental agencies throughout the project. For questions regarding this project, please contact Rick Rundblade at (779)348-7642.

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ROAD CLOSURE
KEITH CREEK BANK STABILIZATION AND BRIDGE REMOVAL
PHASE I - CONSTRUCTION

Rockford, IL- The reconstruction of Keith Creek continues to progress. Work is on
schedule to meet the completion deadline. The intersection of 5th street and 7th
ave remains closed to finish remaining items.

The project limits are from 5th street to 7th street along Keith Creek. The project
will consist of removing the bridge at 5th street over the creek, reconstruction of
5th st and 7th ave intersection, reinforcement of the banks with sheet pilling in
certain areas, reshaping creek banks and creek bank stabilization. The project is
scheduled for completion by the end of June. Please be aware of equipment and
workers and follow all traffic control through the deration of this project. Please
be advised that the 5th street bridge will be removed permanently and will not
be replaced.

For questions regarding this project, please contact Rick Rundblade at (779)348-7642.

YALE DRIVE CULVERT REPLACEMENT

Rockford, IL- Construction work is almost complete for the project. Restoration of the
disturbed areas should be completed by the end of the week. The hand rail behind the
sidewalks on both sides of the street will be installed either Friday the 17th or on Monday
the 20th. The road is back open to traffic but please be aware of workers in the area trying
to finish up last minute items. Thank you for your patience during this project.

For questions regarding this project, please contact Rick Rundblade at (779)348-7642.

**Hartman and Center Street Reconstruction**

Hartman and Center Street curb and gutter and concrete approaches are complete. The concrete street is scheduled to for tomorrow May 16 pending weather conditions. After the streets are completed they will be completely closed for 7 days. Project completion date is June 14, 2019.

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.

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