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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

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**Mitch Leatherby**

**Street & Transportation Superintendent**

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**DATE: May 2, 2019**

**Phone: (779) 348-7631**

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***STREET DIVISION MAINTENANCE UPDATE***

***STREET SWEEPING***

**Rockford, IL-** Arterial Sweeping was completed for the spring cycle on April 19, 2019. The Central Business District will be swept again for the third cycle during the overnight hours beginning Thursday, May 2, 2019.

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 April 29, 2019, street sweepers will be operating in the following areas:

Rock River east to Kishwaukee Street – Airport Drive north to Y Boulevard  
City Limits east to Kilburn Avenue – State Street north to Auburn Street

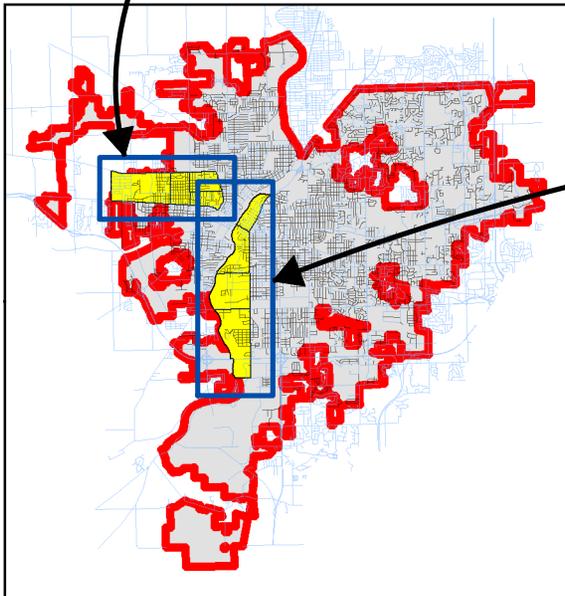
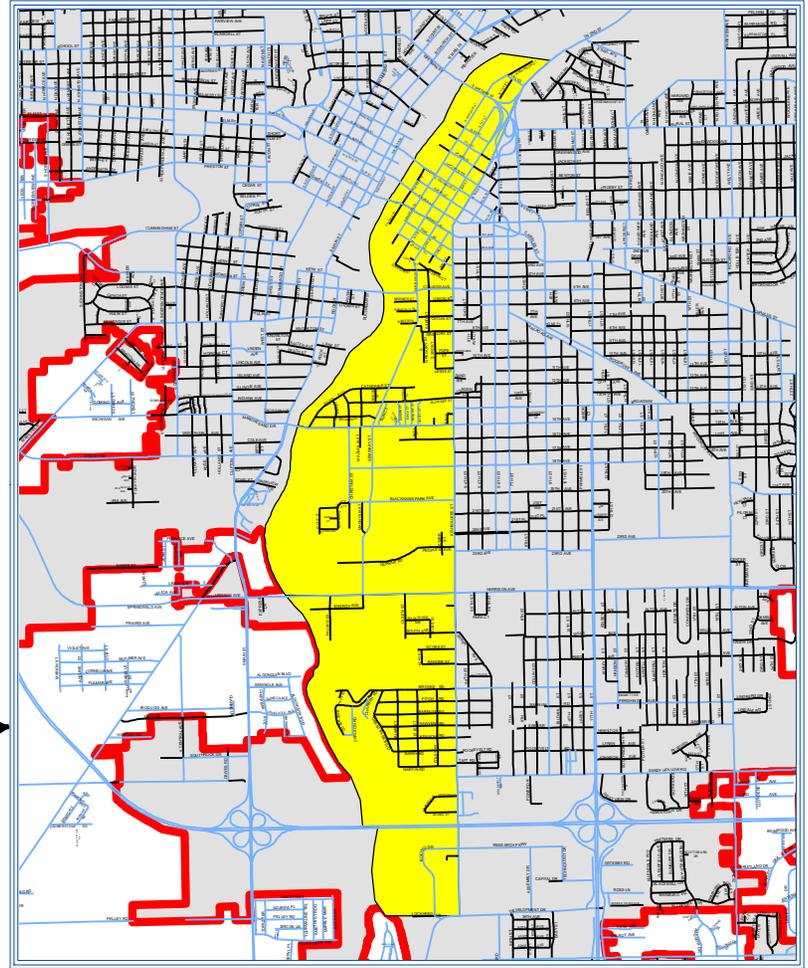
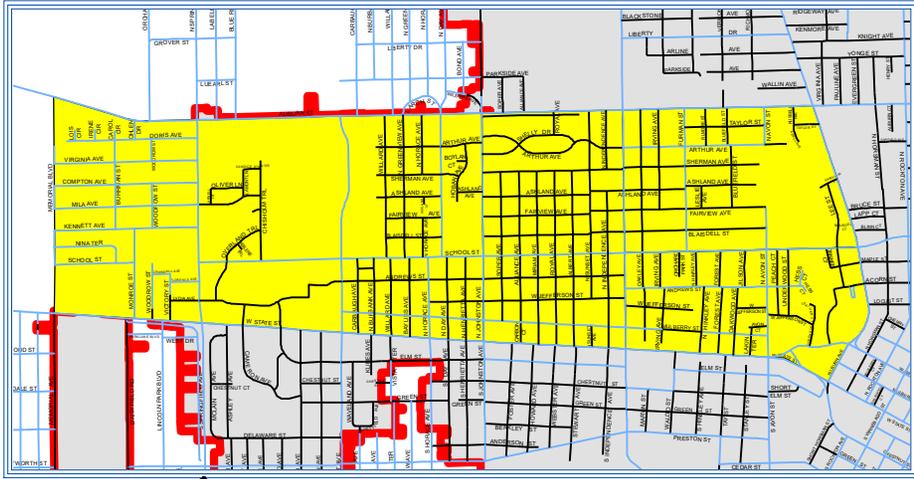
Each Thursday throughout the sweeping season, weekly updates will be provided to highlight the areas of the city in which street sweepers will be working. Maps will also be included to provide a visual of areas that are completed, in progress, and to be completed.

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.

For questions regarding this project, please contact Harry Noble, Street Maintenance Supervisor, at (779) 348-7619.

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# Spring 2019 Street Sweeping Detail

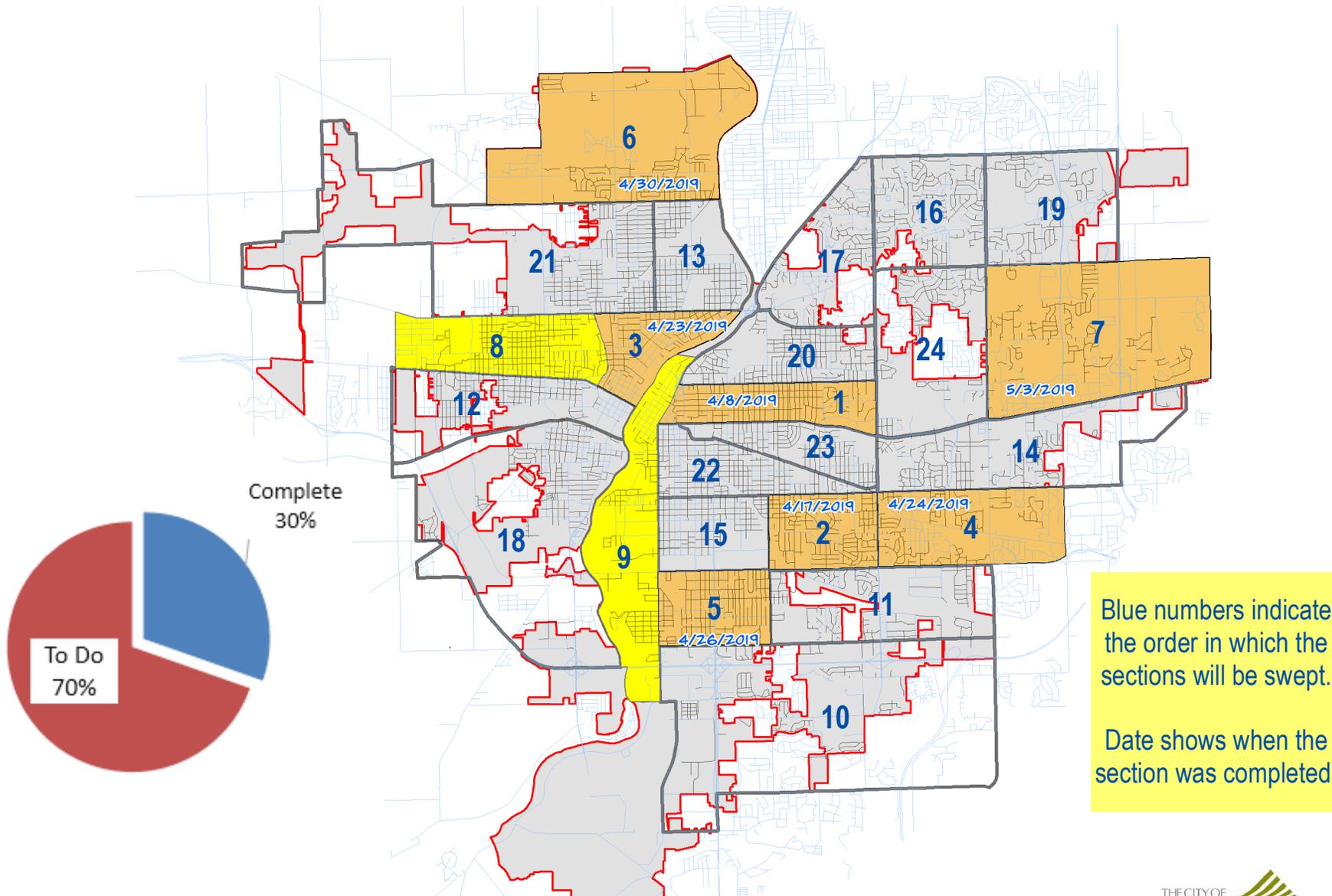


Residential streets in the indicated areas are scheduled\* for sweeping the week of:  
**May 6 through May 10, 2019**  
\*Sweeping operations are subject to weather conditions and may change without notice



# Residential Street Sweeping

## Spring 2019 Cycle Overview



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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**Water Superintendent**

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**WATER DIVISION MAINTENANCE UPDATE**

**HYDRANT FLUSHING PROJECT UPDATE**

**THE WEEK OF MAY 5, 2019**

**Rockford, IL-** 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 – Elmwood Road

South – Auburn Street

East – Huffman Boulevard

West – Meridian Road

**PROJECT UPDATE:**

The Public Works Department releases the following information on the flushing operation from 4/28/2019 to 5/4/2019:

**Residential Streets Flushed:**

Sundance Lane

Embury Drive

Canary Drive

Schalck Drive

City View Drive

Alida Drive

N Central Avenue

Cameron Avenue

N Rockton Avenue

**Projected Flushing Locations:**

During the week of 5/05/2019 to 5/11/2019, the following streets are scheduled to be flushed:

Summerdale Avenue	N Winnebago Street	Glenwood Avenue
Lawndale Avenue	Fulton Avenue	Ridge Avenue
Tacoma Avenue	N Horace Avenue	Knight Avenue

**WATER QUALITY CONTACTS:**

Water Quality Group: (779) 348-7151

Customers are advised that they may experience discolored water during hydrant flushing. While not a health hazard, iron (red water) or manganese (black water) may become stirred up within the main while flushing which may create staining on porcelain and laundry. This may result in the disturbance of sediment, possibly containing lead. It is advised that you flush your water lines for one to two 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.

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>.

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

***N GARDINER AVENUE WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT  
(FROM GUILFORD ROAD TO RURAL STREET)***

**Rockford, IL-** As of Monday, April 22, 2019, N Gardiner Avenue from Guilford Road to Rural Street is closed to through traffic so that water main installation may occur. Please note that access to residential homes will be maintained. The project is anticipated to be completed mid-June 2019.

The N Gardiner Avenue Water Main Replacement Project consists of replacing a ninety year old six inch diameter water main with an eight inch diameter water main, water services, and all associated appurtenances.

All work is dependent on the proper weather conditions. Drivers are reminded to obey work zone speed limits and to stay alert for workers when driving through the construction zone.

For questions regarding this project, please contact Jamie Rott, Assistant Water Superintendent, at (779) 348-7654.

**23<sup>RD</sup> STREET WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT**  
**(FROM BROADWAY STREET TO 16<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE)**

**Rockford, IL-** As of Monday, April 22, 2019, 23<sup>rd</sup> Street from Broadway Street to 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue is closed to through traffic so that water main installation may occur. Please note that access to residential homes will be maintained. The project is anticipated to be completed mid-June 2019.

The 23<sup>rd</sup> Street Water Main Replacement Project consists of replacing ninety year old six inch diameter water main with an eight inch diameter water main, water services, and all associated appurtenances.

All work is dependent on the proper weather conditions. Drivers are reminded to obey work zone speed limits and to stay alert for workers when driving through the construction zone.

For questions regarding this project, please contact Jamie Rott, Assistant Water Superintendent, at (779) 348-7654.

**WENTWORTH TOWER REHABILITATION**  
**(2310 WENTWORTH AVENUE)**

**Rockford, IL-** Beginning Sunday, May 5, 2019, maintenance activities will commence to rehabilitate the water tower at 2310 Wentworth Avenue. The project is anticipated to be completed early December 2019.

The Wentworth Tower Rehabilitation Project consists of abrasive blasting and recoating of the interior wet, interior dry and exterior of the tank, ladder and catwalk improvements, as well as other various upgrades and improvements.

All work is dependent on the proper weather conditions. Drivers are reminded to obey work zone speed limits and to stay alert for workers when driving through the construction zone.

For questions regarding this project, please contact Jamie Rott, Assistant Water Superintendent, at (779) 348-7654.

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### *ENGINEERING DIVISION MAINTENANCE UPDATE*

### *IDOT PROJECT LANE CLOSURES AND UPDATE*

### *N MAIN STREET (IL 2) –*

### *PIERCE AVENUE TO CAMPUS HILLS BOULEVARD*

**Rockford, IL-** Beginning the week of April 8, 2019, the IDOT N Main Street (IL 2) and W Riverside Boulevard Project resumed to finish the remaining items for project completion. There continues to be a lane closure in the western southbound lane of N Main Street from the tracks near Pierce Avenue to W Riverside Boulevard. This lane closure is in effect so the contractor can work on remaining construction items. All business entrances on the west side of N Main Street will remain open during this closure. In addition, the entrance to Cliff Breakers will be closed for another week to reconstruct the entrance, contingent on weather conditions. Please use alternate entrances for the North Town Mall complex for access to Cliff Breakers. The disruption to traffic flow will be minimal during these closures and lane reductions.

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, as well as themselves. Please expect delays throughout the construction zone and consider alternate routes for the duration of the project. Weather permitting, total completion for the project is scheduled for early summer 2019.

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

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

**IDOT PROJECT UPDATE**  
**S MAIN STREET (IL 2) AND US BYPASS 20 INTERCHANGE**

**Rockford, IL-** The Illinois Department of Transportation continues with the reconstruction of US 20 and Illinois Route 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, flaggers will be in place as needed for crossovers, detours, and lane reductions. This project is estimated to be completed by October 30, 2020. Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for travel through this area. When feasible, drivers are encouraged to consider alternate routes. Motorists are reminded to pay close attention to changed conditions and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits, refrain from using mobile devices, as well as be alert for construction 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 construction updates from IDOT District 2, follow [@IDOTDistrict2](#) on Twitter or 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 this project.

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

**ROAD CLOSURE**  
**KEITH CREEK BANK STABILIZATION AND BRIDGE REMOVAL**  
**PHASE 1 - CONSTRUCTION**

**Rockford, IL-** The Keith Creek Bank Stabilization Project continues to progress. The removal of the 5th Street Bridge, the sheet piling installation, as well as the bank stabilization between 6<sup>th</sup> Street and 7<sup>th</sup> Street have all reached completion. The project is on schedule to meet the completion deadline. The intersection of 5<sup>th</sup> Street and 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue remains closed to traffic due to reconstruction.

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, reconstructing the 5th Street and 7th Avenue intersection, reinforcing the banks with sheet piling in certain areas, as well as reshaping and stabilizing the creek banks.

The project is scheduled for completion by the end of June 2019. Please be aware of equipment and workers as well as follow all traffic control through the duration 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, Senior Project Manager, at (779) 348-7642.

### **YALE DRIVE CULVERT REPLACEMENT**

**Rockford, IL-** Beginning the week of April 15, 2019, construction resumed to complete the Yale Drive Culvert Pipe Replacement Project, which was laid over from last construction season. Yale Drive at the box culvert is closed to complete the project. The traveling public is advised to use an alternate route.

Weather permitting, project completion is anticipated to be finished around the second week in May 2019. The City of Rockford appreciates your continued patience and cooperation.

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

### **HARTMAN STREET AND CENTER STREET RECONSTRUCTION**

**Rockford, IL-** Due to unforeseen utility conflicts and inclement weather conditions, the 20th Street closure at Center Street is extended through Friday, May 3, 2019. The route is detoured from Harrison Avenue to 11th Street to 23rd Avenue. Vehicles taller than eleven feet eight inches are not allowed under the railroad viaduct on 20<sup>th</sup> Street north of 23<sup>rd</sup> Avenue due to the height restriction.

This project consists of a total reconstruction including water main, storm sewer, and underground service replacements. The roadway is being completely replaced with new concrete, curb and gutter, as well as driveway approaches. This project is expected to be completed by June 14, 2019. All work is dependent on the proper weather conditions.

Please follow the detour signs during construction. Drivers should be aware of work zone speed limits and use caution when driving in the construction area. The City of Rockford appreciates your continued patience and cooperation.

For questions regarding this project, please contact Marty Ruvolo, Senior Project Manager, at (779) 348-7632.

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