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STREET DIVISION MAINTENANCE UPDATE

STREET SWEEPING

Rockford, IL- The Spring Residential Sweeping cycle is complete as of Friday, June 21, 2019. Crews began the second Arterial Sweeping cycle on Monday, June 24, 2019. The Central Business District and City parking lots will continue to be swept regularly during the overnight hours throughout the summer.

The Fall Residential cycle is scheduled to begin around the first week of September, 2019. During the Fall Residential Sweeping Cycle, we will again provide weekly updates to highlight the areas of the city where 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.

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

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**Jamie Rott
Interim Water Superintendent**

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WATER DIVISION MAINTENANCE UPDATE

HYDRANT FLUSHING PROJECT UPDATE

THE WEEK OF JULY 14, 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:

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| 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 – Harrison Avenue
South – Sandy Hollow Road
East – 20th Street
West – Rock River

PROJECT UPDATE:

The Public Works Department releases the following information on the flushing operation from 7/21/2019 to 7/27/2019:

Residential Streets Flushed:

| | | |
|------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Alton Avenue | Reed Avenue | Pershing Avenue |
| 8 th Street | Sewell Street | Brook Road |
| Marshall Street | 10 th Street | S 4 th Street |

Projected Flushing Locations:

During the week of 7/28/2019 to 8/03/2019, the following streets are scheduled to be flushed:

| | | |
|-------------------------|------------------------|----------------|
| Sawyer Road | Lyran Avenue | Barry Road |
| Grand Park Boulevard | 7 th Street | Score Street |
| 19 th Street | Collins Street | Roosevelt Road |

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.

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

Rockford, IL- Maintenance activities continue to progress 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.

BRUCE STREET AND LAPP COURT WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT **(FROM KILBURN AVENUE TO N HORSEMAN STREET)**

Rockford, IL- Lapp Court from Kilburn Avenue to N Horseman Street is closed to through traffic so that water main installation may occur. Please note that access to residential homes will be maintained. This water main project is anticipated to be completed by July 2019. The Bruce Street and Lapp Court Water Main Replacement project consists of replacing a one hundred five year old, six inch diameter water main with an eight inch diameter water main, water services, and all associated appurtenances. This replacement project is being completed in conjunction with the Neighborhood Program – 2018 City Wide No. 3.

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.

2019 NEIGHBORHOOD WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT
(HILL STREET FROM N MADISON STREET TO N 2ND STREET,
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N 1ST STREET FROM HILL STREET TO 2ND STREET,
AND 2ND STREET FROM OLIVE STREET TO N 1ST STREET)

Rockford, IL- The 2019 Neighborhood Water Main Replacement project began week of July 22, 2019. Please note that access to residential homes will be maintained. The water main project is anticipated to be completed late September 2019.

The 2019 Neighborhood Water Main Replacement project consists of replacing ninety to one hundred twenty-five year old four inch and six inch diameter water main with 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.

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City Engineer

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ENGINEERING DIVISION MAINTENANCE UPDATE

PAVEMENT STRIPING

Rockford, IL- Beginning the week of July 25, 2019, city-wide pavement striping for lane lines will be performed on the following roadways:

Reynolds Street from N Main Street to 1 block west
Auburn Street from the bridge to Springfield Avenue
Cherry Street from Court Street to Winnebago Street
Bennington Road from Latham Street to N Main Street
Campus Hills Drive from N Main Street to Latham Street
Muldoon Drive from Campus Hills Drive to Riverside Boulevard
Central Avenue from Preston Street to Morgan Street
Court Street from John Street to W State Street
Court Street from South of Summer Street to north of Reynolds Street
Custer Avenue from Kilburn Avenue to N Main Street
Cumberland Street from Harlem Street to Fulton Avenue
Harlem Avenue from west of Cumberland to Auburn Street
Harlem Avenue from Auburn Street to Fulton Avenue
Edson Street from Eddy Avenue to Fulton Avenue
Eddy Avenue from Edson Street to end
Wallace Street from Fulton Avenue to Willoughby Avenue
Elmwood Road from N Main Street to Browns Beach Road
Fulton Avenue from Harlem Street to Huffman Boulevard
Glenwood Avenue from east of Rockton Avenue to Kilburn Avenue
Halsted Road from Central Avenue to Robey Avenue
Huffman Boulevard from Riverside Boulevard to Bell Avenue
Huffman Boulevard from south of Auburn Street to north of Auburn Street
Johnston Street from Auburn Street to Elm Street
Light Street from N Main Street to 1 block east
Locust Street from Court Street to N Main Street
Mulberry Street from Kilburn Avenue to Winnebago Street
Mulberry Street from Avon Street to Central Avenue

Park Street from Court Street to Wyman Street
Myott Avenue from Latham Street to Sherman Avenue
Ridge Avenue from Halsted Street to Whitman Street
Riverbluff Avenue from west of Main Street to Robey Avenue
Rockton Avenue from Cedar Street to Chestnut Street
School Street from Springfield Avenue to N Main Street
Shepherd Trail from N Main Street to 1 block east
Riverside Boulevard from Bridge to Central Avenue
Willoughby Avenue from N Main Street to Oxford Street
Williams Avenue from Kilburn Avenue to east of Kilburn Ave
Collins Avenue from Kilburn Avenue to south of Kilburn Ave
Vermont Street from Collins Avenue to Summerdale Avenue
Summerdale Avenue from Glenwood Avenue to East of Glenwood Avenue
Midway Drive from Rockton Avenue to east of Rockton Ave
Church Street from John Street to Salem Street
N Winnebago Street From just north of Whitman to Winnebago Street
Green Street from Rockton Avenue to Winnebago Street
Green Street from Church Street to Main Street
Court Street from Green Street to Elm Street
Chelsea Avenue from Highcrest Road to Guilford Road
W State Street from Springfield Avenue to Chestnut Street
Park Avenue from Wyman Street to N Main Street
N Main Street from Park Avenue to 350 feet north of John Street
N Main Street from turn lanes for Eddy Ave to turn lanes for Eddy Ave
John Street from N Main Street to Church Street
Church Street from John Street to Cedar Street
Cedar Street from Church Street to S Main Street

The operation is dependent on existing weather conditions and is subject to change, accordingly. City-wide pavement striping for lane lines will continue during the months of May through August 2019.

Citizens are urged to approach striping crews at a reduced speed that is below posted speed limits. Proceed with caution traveling into the lane adjacent to the pavement striper and maintain a safe distance. Changing lanes in close proximity to the pavement striping crew is not recommended. Recent changes in EPA Regulations have mandated that manufacturers remove solvent-based driers from striping paint, thus creating extended drying times. The City of Rockford appreciates your continued cooperation.

For questions regarding this project, please contact Jeremy Carter, Traffic Engineer, at (779) 348-7656 or Mark Stockman, Director of Public Works, at (779) 348-7631.

IDOT PROJECT LANE CLOSURES AND UPDATE

N MAIN STREET (IL 2) –

PIERCE AVENUE TO CAMPUS HILLS BOULEVARD

Rockford, IL- Restoration work is completed for the project at N Main Street from Peirce Avenue to Campus Hills Boulevard. Traffic control has been removed from the project

limits. There will be daily lane closures set up for the pavement parking and tree planting in certain areas throughout the next coming weeks. There will continue to be construction workers in the area finalizing a few construction items. Please be aware of these closures and workers when traveling through the construction zone. Please note that the lane closure set up in front of the new Swedish American Clinic is not part of this IDOT project. This lane closure has been put in place for the completions of the clinic project.

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. Please be aware of changes in traffic patterns as work progresses throughout the construction season.

To allow continued traffic movement as needed, 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.

KEITH CREEK BANK STABILIZATION AND BRIDGE REMOVAL

PHASE I & II - CONSTRUCTION

Rockford, IL- Construction work continues to progress along the Keith Creek between 7th Street and Railroad Avenue. Completion for Phase II has been pushed back to the end of

August 2019. Please be aware of construction workers and equipment coming and going from the construction site through the duration of this project.

Phase II project limits are from 7th Street to Railroad Avenue along Keith Creek. The scope of work is to reshape and stabilize the creek banks to help prevent erosion. The bridge at 8th Avenue will be permanently removed during this phase.

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

CITY-WIDE BRIDGE INSPECTION

Rockford, IL- Starting Monday, July 15, 2019, the City of Rockford's bridge inspection contractor began inspecting the bridges throughout the city. The contractor will begin inspecting the bridges over the Rick River.

Please be aware of lane closures in place for each inspection. Drivers are reminded to use caution when driving through these areas.

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

CITY WIDE STREET REPAIRS GROUP NO. 1 – 2019 (RESIDENTIAL)

Rockford, IL- Construction work has begun on the City Wide Street Repairs Group No. 1 – 2019 (Residential) Project. This project consists of various pavement repairs throughout the city.

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

- 1) Ashdale Close from Thoren Lane to Cul-de-sac
- 2) Ashwin Boulevard from Spring Creek Road to Villagreen View
- 3) Bell Vista Terrace from Grandchester Place to Bell School Road
- 4) Flower Hill Road from Lark Rise to Cul-de-sac
- 5) Mindy Lane from Thoren Lane to Cul-de-sac (West)
- 6) Mindy Lane from Thoren Lane to Cul-de-sac (East)
- 7) Rainsford Way from Chenowith Court to Sandringham Lane
- 8) Shadow Ridge Road from Thoren Lane to Cul-de-sac
- 9) Shadow Ridge Road from Thoren Lane to Reid Farm Road
- 10) Thoren Lane from Guilford Road to Shadow Ridge Road
- 11) Villagreen View from Reid Farm Road to Perrygreen Way
- 12) Laurel Cherry Drive from Stony Creek Way to Willowick Lane
- 13) Burningtrees Drive from Alpine Road to Crofton Drive
- 14) Cassandra Court from Cassandra Drive to Cul-de-sac
- 15) Clarendon Drive from Spring Lake Drive to Suffolk Place
- 16) Flambeau Court from Flambeau Drive to Cul-de-sac
- 17) Grenoble Court from Innsbruck Drive to Cul-de-sac
- 18) Gingeridge Lane Drainage

- 19) Northcliffe Court Drainage
- 20) Thyme Drive from Innsbruck Drive to Crested Butte Trail
- 21) Weaver Court from Weaver Road to Cul-de-sac
- 22) Weaver Road from Kaiser Lane to Live Oak Lane
- 23) 16th Avenue from Raismore Road to Alpine Road
- 24) 25th Street from Broadway to Hillside Court
- 25) Bavarian Lane from Jacqueline Drive to Angus Court
- 26) Greendale Drive from Colorado Avenue to Silent Wood Trail
- 27) Remington Road from Louisiana Road to Public Lane
- 28) Cameron Avenue at the intersection of Cameron Avenue and Alida Street
- 29) Karen Drive from North Rockton Avenue to Packard Parkway
- 30) North Winnebago Street from Auburn Street to Burton Street
- 31) Vernon Street from Bruner Street to Carney Avenue
- 32) Latham Street from Deborah Avenue to Halsted Road
- 33) Pleasant Valley Boulevard from Carefree Drive to Pecan Street
- 34) River Bluff Boulevard from Louise Street to Fremont Street
- 35) River Bluff Boulevard from Latham Street to North Church Street
- 36) Talbot Trail from Dunbar Place to Eaton Drive
- 37) Arnold Avenue from Newburg Road to Marion Avenue
- 38) Beckett Place from Charles Street to Longmeadow Lane
- 39) Einor Avenue from Arnold Avenue to Duncan Avenue
- 40) Grassridge Road from Old Oaks Court to Cul-de-sac
- 41) Mayflower Avenue from Colony Bay Drive to South Alpine Road
- 42) Old Oaks Court from Grassridge Road to Cul-de-sac
- 43) Winnetka Drive from Upland Drive to Skokie Drive
- 44) Lyford Road from Royal Oaks Road to Rote Road

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

- 1) Sauber Avenue Patching from Huffman Boulevard to North Winnebago Street
- 2) Fulton Avenue Patching from Hecker Avenue to Huffman Boulevard
- 3) Colony Bay Drive Patching from Mayflower Avenue to Sandy Hollow Road
- 4) Javelin Drive Patching from Woodridge Drive to South New Towne Drive
- 5) South New Towne Drive from East State Street to Javelin Drive

Construction for this project is anticipated to be complete by August 16, 2019. Construction operations for these locations may require a parking restriction at some short periods.

For questions regarding this projects, please contact Steve Sumner, Senior Project Manager, at (779)348-7645.

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