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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

**CONTACT INFORMATION:**

**Mitch Leatherby  
Street & Transportation Superintendent**

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**DATE: June 11, 2020**

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***STREET DIVISION MAINTENANCE UPDATE***

**STREET SWEEPING:**

**Street Supervisor: Giovanni Giacomazzo**

**779-348-7675**

**Asst. Street Superintendent: Harry Noble**

**779 348-7619**

**Rockford, IL-** The Street Division has completed the first arterial street sweeping cycle, and contractor crews have shifted their focus on residential streets. Central Business District street sweeping will continue to be swept every other week throughout the summer. Crews will begin the 2<sup>nd</sup> Arterial cycle the first week in June.

We expect the fall cycle to begin sometime in mid-September. At that time we will again provide weekly updates and maps.

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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**Jamie Rott**

**Water Superintendent**

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**WATER DIVISION MAINTENANCE UPDATE**

**HYDRANT FLUSHING PROJECT UPDATE**

**THE WEEK OF JUNE 14, 2020**

**Rockford, IL-** The following is an update of the current City of Rockford Unidirectional Flushing Program for the 2020 flushing season.

**UNIDIRECTIONAL FLUSHING PROGRAM:**

Water Superintendent: Jamie Rott

(779) 348-7654

Assistant Superintendent: Mike Norris

(779) 348-7359

Operations Supervisor: Devin Johnson

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**UNIDIRECTIONAL FLUSHING BOUNDARIES:**

North – Springcreek Road

South – Crosby Street

East – Alpine Road

West – Rock River

**PROJECT UPDATE:**

The Public Works Department releases the following information on the flushing operation from 6/7/2020 to 6/13/2020:

**Residential Streets Flushed:**

Talbot Trail

Park Terrace Drive

Marsh Avenue

Landstrom Road

Elder Lane

Northview Road

Cushman Road

Dorset Drive

Ramsgate Road

**Projected Flushing Locations:**

During the week of 6/14/2020 to 6/20/2020, the following streets are scheduled to be flushed:

Brookview Road

El Rancho Lane

Green Apple Lane

Pinecrest Road

Rebecca Drive

Pelham Road

Jacoby Place

James Avenue

Burrmont 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.

**PARK AVENUE AND WATER STREET WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT**

Rockford, IL - On April 30, 2020 East State Street between Madison Street and Wyman Street will be closed to traffic so that water main installation may occur and will remain closed until May 15. A detour will be posted (see attached).

Water main installation has started on N Water Street at the Riverview Icehouse and will continue south to East State Street. Please note that access to businesses will be maintained. The project is anticipated to be completed late-May 2020.

**Businesses within the closure are open during construction. During these uncharted times, please call or check websites to verify hours of operation:**

Carlyle Brewing Co.

LimaMar Restaurant

Rockford Register Star

Taco Betty's

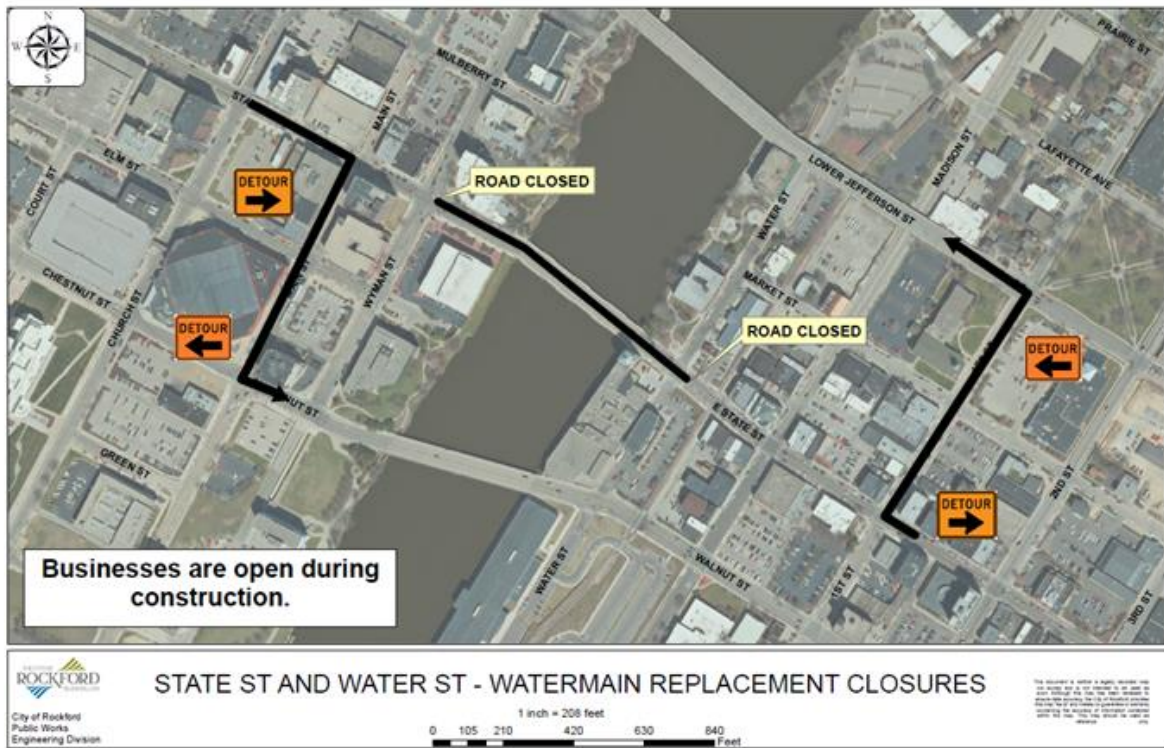
Title Underwriters Agency

Waterside Center

Waterside Financial Advisors

The Water Street and Park Avenue water main replacement project consists of replacing nearly 120 year old high-risk water main with new zinc-coated ductile iron water main, water services, hydrants 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, Water Superintendent, at (779) 348-7654.



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### **ENGINEERING DIVISION MAINTENANCE UPDATE** **PAVEMENT STRIPING**

**ROCKFORD, IL – Effective June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

Beginning 6/15/2020 through 6/21/2020, city-wide pavement striping for lane lines will be performed on the following roadways:

H Alpine Road from Spring Creek Road to Newburg Road  
Guilford Road from Alpine Road to Rural Street  
Guilford Road from West of Alpine Road to Williamsburg Road  
Parkview Road from Guilford Road to 1 Block North  
Birchwood Drive from Parkview Road to 1 Block West  
Rural Street from Longwood Street to Prospect Street  
Fairview Boulevard from East State Street to Guilford Road  
Welte Avenue from Guilford Road to East State Street  
Trainer Road from Garrett Lane to South of Newburg Road  
Lyford Road from East State Street to Rote Road  
Show Place Drive from Northern Avenue to Ashwell Lane  
University Drive from Blue River Road to End  
Rote Road from Lyford Road to Reid Farm Road  
McFarland Road from Riverside Boulevard to Rote Road  
Olde Creek Road from Reid Farm Road to Perryville Road  
Reid Farm Road from Olde Creek Road to Spring Creek Road  
Bell School Road from Spring Creek Road to Spring Brook Road  
Bell School Road from Argus Drive to Lucky Lane  
Buckley Road from Argus Drive to Walton Road  
Walton Road from Perryville Road to Bell School Road  
Puri Parkway from Bienterra Terrace to Trainer Road  
Mulford Village Drive from Executive Parkway to Puri Parkway

Executive Parkway from West of Mulford Road to Mulford Village Drive  
Roxbury Road from East State Street to Parliament Place  
New Towne Dr. / Diane from North of E. State Street to Orchard Ave.  
Argus Road from Trainer Road to Bell School Road  
Bell School Road from Spring Brook Road to Riverside Boulevard  
Mill Road from Argus Drive to Perryville Road  
Mulford Road from Riverside Boulevard to Harrison Avenue  
Northridge Drive from Forest Hills Road to Riverside Boulevard  
Siseman Road from West of Alpine Road to East of Alpine Road  
Pepper Drive from Forest Hills Road to Alpine Road  
Innsbruck Drive from Alpine Road to East of Alpine Road  
Landstrom Drive from Forest Hills Road to Bradley Road  
Longwood Street from State Street to Y Boulevard  
Whitman Street from Bridge to All Ramps at Interchange  
Prospect Street from State Street to Arlington Road  
Spring Brook Road from Spring Creek Road to Bell School Road  
Shaw Woods Drive from Spring Brook Road to just South of Spring Creek Road  
Highcrest Road from Comanche Drive to Spring Creek Road  
Spring Creek Road from Mulford Road to Auburn Street (Bridge)  
Market Street from Water Street to 4th Street  
East State Street from Wyman Street to Water Street  
Maray Drive from Alpine Road to Morsay Drive  
Morsay Drive from Alpine to Fairview Blvd  
Applewood Lane from Old Collins Road to Riverside Boulevard  
Eaton Street from North of N. 2nd Street to South of N 2nd Street  
Y Boulevard from Jughandle E of 2nd to Madison Street  
1st Street from Oak Street to Jefferson Street  
2nd Street from Walnut Street to Division Street  
Lynmar Court from Morsay Drive to East State Street  
Benton Street from 6th Street to Longwood Street  
Spafford Avenue from 6th Street to Longwood 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 thru August.

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. Your cooperation is appreciated.

For questions regarding this project, please contact Jeremy Carter, Traffic Engineer, at (779) 348-7656 or Kyle Saunders, Director of Public Works, at (779) 348-7371.

**AUBURN STREET BRIDGE JOINT REPAIRS**  
**OVER THE ROCK RIVER**

Rockford, IL- Bridge Repairs are complete. The City of Rockford appreciates your patience and cooperation.

**JUNCTION ROAD OVER DRAINAGE WAY BRIDGE REPAIRS**

Rockford, IL- Bridge Repairs are complete. The City of Rockford appreciates your patience and cooperation.

**STRATHMOOR DRIVE EXTENSION**  
**(FROM MULFORD ROAD TO ROXBURY ROAD)**

Rockford, IL- The Strathmoor Drive Extension is underway and continuing as scheduled. Strathmoor Drive between Mulford Road and the new Strathmoor Extension will be closed to through traffic. Strathmoor Drive will be open to local traffic, public bus and emergency services only.

New asphalt pavement along with storm sewer, curb and gutter, sidewalk, and street lighting will be constructed. This project is anticipated to be completed by the end of November 2020. All work is dependent on the proper weather conditions.

Drivers are encouraged to use the Roxbury entrances to access OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center. Drivers are reminded to drive slow and use caution when driving through work zones.

For questions regarding this project, please contact Ryan Lundberg, Project Manager, at (779) 348-7644.

**CRISTINA STREET RECONSTRUCTION**  
**(FROM BLACKHAWK PARK AVENUE TO 18<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE)**

**Rockford, IL** - The reconstruction of Christina Street is ongoing and moving forward as scheduled. Christina Street is closed to traffic from Blackhawk Park Avenue north to 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue for removal of existing concrete roadway.

New asphalt pavement along with curb and gutter and sidewalk will be constructed. This roadwork is expected to take eight to ten weeks. All work is dependent on the proper weather conditions.

For questions regarding this project, please contact Ryan Lundberg, Project Manager, at (779) 348-7644.

**9<sup>th</sup> STREET RECONSTRUCTION –**  
**6<sup>TH</sup> AVE TO NORTH OF CHARLES STREET**

**Rockford, IL**- The reconstruction of 9<sup>th</sup> Street continues moving forward as scheduled. The contractor will start working on storm sewer installation through the end of the week and into next week. On Monday and Tuesday of next week they will be working on the water main at 6<sup>th</sup> Ave and 9<sup>th</sup> Street. During this time there will be a disruption in your service and you will be without water during this time. Please look for a notification that will be hung on your door with more information if you are affected by this work. The west outside lane will remain open to traffic except for periodic daily lane closures within individual blocks. These closures will be limited to daily working hours and will be fully opened to the single lane after working hours.

The project limits for 9<sup>th</sup> Street will be from Sixth Avenue to East State Street. Improvements include the installation of larger diameter storm sewer to help alleviate drainage capacity issues, water main replacement, sidewalk replacement, and new concrete curb and gutter. The reconstruction will include the narrowing of the roadway to accommodate more accessible pedestrian facilities as well as on-street bicycle accommodations. Motorists are advised to use caution when traveling near the work zone. Total completion for the project is scheduled for October 30<sup>th</sup>.

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