



PRESS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

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Street & Transportation Superintendent**

DATE: July 2, 2020

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STREET DIVISION MAINTENANCE UPDATE

STREET SWEEPING:

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Rockford, IL- The Street Division has completed the first rounds of Arterial and Residential sweeping this season. By the end of June, contractor crews will again focus on Arterial streets for a second time this season. The Central Business District will continue to be swept every other week throughout the summer.

We expect the fall Residential 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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Water Superintendent

DATE: July 2, 2020

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WATER DIVISION MAINTENANCE UPDATE

HYDRANT FLUSHING PROJECT UPDATE

THE WEEK OF JULY 5, 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

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Assistant Superintendent: Mike Norris

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Operations Supervisor: Devin Johnson

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UNIDIRECTIONAL FLUSHING BOUNDARIES:

North – Crosby Street

South – Broadway

East – Alpine Road

West – 20th Street

PROJECT UPDATE:

The Public Works Department releases the following information on the flushing operation from 6/28/2020 to 7/4/2020:

Residential Streets Flushed:

Dawson Avenue

Oriole Circle

N. Highland Avenue

S. London Avenue

Hooker Avenue

Shirley Road

Larson Avenue

27th Street

Lexington Way

Projected Flushing Locations:

During the week of 7/5/2020 to 7/11/2020, the following streets are scheduled to be flushed:

28th Street

12th Avenue

30th Street

Widergren Drive

Florist Drive

Radcliffe Court

Center Terrace

Lexington Way

31st Street

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 - Park Avenue from N Main Street to N Wyman Street has closed to traffic and will remain closed for two weeks so that water main installation may occur. A detour has been posted.

Businesses within the closure are open during construction.

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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City Engineer

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ENGINEERING DIVISION MAINTENANCE UPDATE

PAVEMENT STRIPING

ROCKFORD, IL – Effective July 2nd, 2020

Beginning 7/6/2020 through 7/12/2020, city-wide pavement striping for lane lines will be performed on the following roadways:

Pepper Drive from Forest Hills Road to Alpine Road
Landstrom Drive from Forest Hills Road to Bradley Road
Whitman Street from Bridge to All Ramps at Interchange
Eaton Street from North of N. 2nd Street to South of N 2nd Street
Spafford Avenue from 6th Street to Longwood Street
Reynolds Street from North Main Street to 1 Block West
Auburn Street from Bridge to Springfield Avenue
Bennington Road from Latham Street to North 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
Custer Avenue from Kilburn Avenue to North 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 North 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 North Main Street to 1 Block East
Locust Street from Court Street to North Main Street
North Main Street from Chestnut Street to Park 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 Elmwood Street to West State Street
Rockton Avenue from Cedar Street to Chestnut Street
School Street from Springfield Avenue to North Main Street
Shepherd Trail from North Main Street to 1 Block East
Riverside Boulevard from Bridge to Central Avenue
Willoughby Avenue from North Main Street to Oxford Street
Kilcen Road from Kilburn Avenue to South of Kilburn Ave
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
Safford Road from Page Park School to Kilburn Avenue
Church Street from John Street to Salem Street
North 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
Clifton Avenue from East of Main Street to Montague Street
Cunningham Street from South Main Street to Cunningham Road
Corbin Street from Cunningham Street to Morgan Street
Elm Street from Waldo Street to Avon Street
Elm Street from Central Avenue to Horace Avenue
Horace Avenue from West State Street to Cunningham Road
Michigan Street from Central Avenue to Clifton Street
Marchesano Drive from Clifton Street to South Main Street
West Street from Marchesano Drive to Montague Street
Mill Street from South Main Street to Rock River
Montague Road from Montague Street to Pierpont Avenue
Montague Street from Main Street to Montague Road
Ogilby Road from Montague Street to South Main Street
Pierpont Avenue from Auburn Street to Montague Road
Preston Street from Avon Street to Springfield Avenue

Winnebago Street from Montague Street to North of Whitman Street
Southrock Avenue from South Main Street to Dawes Road
Simpson Street from Dawes Road to Overpass
Avon Street from Mulberry Street to Curve Street
Curve Street from Avon Street to Cunningham Road
South Main Street from Chestnut Street to Harrison Avenue
Central Ave from Preston Street to just North of Auburn (Just South of Bridge)

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.

CRISTINA STREET RECONSTRUCTION
(FROM BLACKHAWK PARK AVENUE TO 18TH 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 18th 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.

STRATHMOOR DRIVE EXTENSION
(FROM MULFORD ROAD TO ROXBURY ROAD)

Rockford, IL- The southbound curbside traffic lane of Mulford Rd. from Garrett Ln. to Strathmoor Dr. will be closed beginning Monday, June 29th and will open by the fourth of July weekend.

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.

9th STREET RECONSTRUCTION –
6TH AVE TO NORTH OF CHARLES STREET

Rockford, IL- The reconstruction of 9th Street continues moving forward as scheduled. The contractor will continue working on storm sewer installation through the end of this week and continue into the following week. There will be an additional crew working on putting in the stone base on the east portion of the roadway. 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. There will be no work being done on the project on Friday July 3rd in observance of the July 4th holiday. The far west lane and cross streets will be opened for the holiday weekend.

The project limits for 9th 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 30th.

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

City Wide Street Repairs Group No. 2 – 2020 (Residential)

Rockford, IL - This project consists of various pavement repairs throughout the City. Work is scheduled to be completed by Friday, August 14th, 2020. Repairs may include but not limited to pavement patching, full width mill and overlay, curb and gutter repairs, sidewalk repairs, ADA ramp repairs, driveway approach repairs, drainage repairs, and structure repairs as needed at the following locations:

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

- 1) 17th Street from 12th Avenue to Broadway
- 2) 18th Street from Charles Street to 7th Avenue
- 3) Greenwood Avenue from Welty Avenue to James Avenue
- 4) Jackson Street from Dawson Avenue to James Avenue
- 5) Kings Highway from Highcrest Road to Alta Vista Road
- 6) South 3rd Street from Oak Street to Grove Street
- 7) Sprucewood Drive from Birchwood Drive to Cul-de-sac
- 8) Aragona Drive from Montague Street to End of Aragona Drive
- 9) Genoa Street from South Sunset Avenue to Webster Avenue
- 10) Loomis Street from Webster Avenue to Hulin Street
- 11) Bildahl Street from Sawyer Road to Roosevelt Road
- 12) Arthur Avenue from North Central Avenue to North Independence Avenue
- 13) Belden Street from Gladstone Avenue to Summerdale Avenue
- 14) Fairview Avenue from North Independence Avenue to North Sunset Avenue
- 15) Grenshaw Street from Kenmore Avenue to Ridgeway Avenue
- 16) Lawndale Avenue from Elmwood Street to Kilburn Avenue
- 17) Montrose Avenue from Richmond Street to Vermont Street
- 18) Sherman Avenue from North Central Avenue to Royal Avenue

- 19) Alliance Avenue from West Jefferson Street to School Street
- 20) Webster Avenue from Hudson Street to Preston Street
- 21) South Pierpont Avenue from Hudson Street to Liberty Street
- 22) Campus Hills Boulevard from North Main Street to St. Francis Drive
- 23) Safford Road from Franz Drive to North Springfield Avenue

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

- 1) Buckingham Drive Patching from Westchester Drive to Scottswood Road
- 2) Overlook Road Patching from Greenmount Street to Ridgewood Road
- 3) Ridgewood Road from Greenmount Street to Cospers Avenue
- 4) Westchester Drive Patching from Guilford Road to Buckingham Drive
- 5) Broadway Patching at the Intersection of Broadway and Orange Street
- 6) Loomis Street Patching from Clover Avenue to South Independence Avenue
- 7) Nelson Boulevard Patching from Orange Street to Christina Street
- 8) South Sunset Avenue Patching from Loomis Street to Genoa Street
- 9) Ashland Avenue Patching from North Central Avenue to North Sunset Avenue
- 10) Grenshaw Street Patching from Knight Avenue to Kenmore Avenue
- 11) King Street Patching from North Court Street to Garrison Avenue
- 12) Napoleon Street Patching from North Court Street to Grant Avenue
- 13) Oakley Avenue Patching from Sherman Avenue to Arthur Avenue
- 14) 6th Street Patching from Keith Creek to 11th Avenue

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

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