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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

**CONTACT INFORMATION:**

**Mitch Leatherby  
Street & Transportation Superintendent**

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**DATE: July 30, 2020**

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

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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 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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**Jamie Rott**

**Water Superintendent**

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**DATE: July 30, 2020**

**Phone: (779) 348-7654**

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**WATER DIVISION MAINTENANCE UPDATE**

**HYDRANT FLUSHING PROJECT UPDATE**

**THE WEEK OF AUGUST 2, 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

(779) 348-7362

**UNIDIRECTIONAL FLUSHING BOUNDARIES:**

North – Broadway Street

South – Sandy Hollow Road

East – Alpine Road

West – 20<sup>th</sup> Street

**PROJECT UPDATE:**

The Public Works Department releases the following information on the flushing operation from 7/26/2020 to 8/1/2020:

**Residential Streets Flushed:**

Minnesota Drive

Eastmoreland Avenue

Colorado Avenue

Eastgate Pkwy

Ohio Pkwy

Constance Drive

Laude Drive

Greendale Drive

Amherst Lane

**Projected Flushing Locations:**

During the week of 8/2/2020 to 8/8/2020, the following streets are scheduled to be flushed:

Bannister Drive

Jacqueline Drive

New England Drive

Majesty Court

Holiday Drive

Lindale Road

Bavarian Court

New England Drive

Meriday Lane

## **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 up to one week so that water main installation and street restoration 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 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Beginning 8/3/2020 through 8/9/2020, city-wide pavement striping for lane lines will be performed on the following roadways:

Park Street from Court Street to Wyman Street  
Chelsea Avenue from Highcrest Road to Guilford Road  
Park Avenue from Wyman Street to North Main Street  
Cedar Street from Church Street to South Main Street  
Alpine Road from Newburg Road to Harrison Avenue  
Harrison Avenue from Kishwaukee Street to 11th Street  
Kishwaukee Street from Walnut Street to Harrison Avenue  
Blackhawk Road from 11th Street to 20th Street  
Baxter / Bend Road from Beltline Road to Kishwaukee Road  
Condon Road from Bend Road to Kishwaukee Street  
Prairie Road from Harrison Avenue to South Main Street  
Rotary Road from Skyview Center to Valentine Lane  
Chelsea Avenue from Highcrest Road to Guilford Road  
Parkside Drive from Charles Street to Broadway  
Eastmoreland Avenue from Broadway to Florida Drive  
Larson Avenue from Alpine Street to 1 Block West  
Shirley Street from Fairview Avenue to Hawthorne Avenue  
31st Street from Broadway to 1 Block North  
11th Street from Charles Street to Harrison Avenue  
11th Street Service Rd. From Blackhawk Road to Samuelson Road  
15th Avenue from South Main Street to 15th Street  
15th Street from Broadway to 23rd Avenue  
18th Avenue from Christina Avenue to 15th Street

18th Street from Charles Street to Broadway  
7th Avenue from 20th Street to 1 Block West  
20th/Rockford Street from Lookout Drive to East State Street  
23rd Avenue from West of Kishwaukee St to 20th Street  
35th Street from Courtland Terrace to Linden Road  
5th Avenue/College Avenue/Morgan Street from Cunningham Road to 11th Street  
7th Street from Charles Street to 23rd Avenue  
9th Street from Harrison Avenue to Crosby Street  
Airport Drive from South Main Street to Assembly Drive  
Falcon Road from Airport Drive to Beltline Road  
New Milford School Road from Falcon Road to 10th Street  
Alpine Road from US Bypass 20 to Samuelson Road  
American Road from Alpine Road to East of Alpine Road  
Brooke Road from Kishwaukee Street to 11th Street  
Arnold Avenue from South of Newburg Road to East State Street  
Blackhawk Park Avenue from Christina Avenue to Kishwaukee Street  
Blackhawk Road from 11th Street to Falcon Road  
Broadway from Alpine Road to 20th Street  
Cessna Drive from Beltline Road to the End  
Charles Street from East State Street to Alpine Road  
Christina Street from 15th Avenue to Blackhawk Park Avenue  
Division Street from Seminary Street to 1st Street  
Dempster Avenue from East State Street to East Lawn Drive  
East Lawn Drive from Manhattan Drive to Chalet Drive  
Chalet Court from East Lawn Drive to Alpine Park Drive  
Alpine Park Drive from Chalet Court to Easton Parkway  
Easton Parkway from Alpine Park Drive to Edgewood Hills Drive  
Eastrock Drive from Harrison Avenue to 28th Street  
Fairview Avenue from East State Street to Charles Street  
Fincham Road from Perryville Road to Trainer Road  
Harrison Avenue from Alpine Road to South Main Street  
Harrison Avenue from Alpine Road to Mulford Road  
Kishwaukee Street from 1st Avenue to Airport Drive  
Linden Road from Alpine Road to 35th Street  
Louisiana Road from Eastmoreland Road to Log Cabin Street  
Madison Street from Y Boulevard to Grove Street  
Mulford Road from East State Street to Harrison Avenue  
Phelps Drive from Newburg Road to North of E. State Street  
Samuelson Road from Falcon Road to Trevor Circle  
Sandy Hollow Road from Kishwaukee Street to Mulford Road  
Seminary Street from Harrison Avenue to Division Street  
Wesleyan Avenue from 20th Street to Ohio Parkway  
Logistics Avenue from Airport Drive to South of Samuelson Road  
Cedar Street from Avon Street to Church Street  
Newburg Road from Alpine Road to Mulford Road

Mid-America Drive from East State Street to Fincham Drive  
Stowmarket Avenue from Cherryleaf Lane to Heaton Court  
Wansford Way from Sandhutton Avenue to Stowmarket Avenue  
Sandhutton Avenue from Harrison Avenue to South of Wansford Way  
Forest View Road from Harrison Avenue to South of Forest View  
Manchester Drive from Harrison Avenue to Alpine Road  
Ohio Parkway from Harrison Avenue to Eastgate Parkway  
29th Street from East State Street to Oak Grove Lane  
24th Street from Charles Street to 9th Avenue  
Hunter Avenue from Charles Street to Broadmoor Drive  
2nd Avenue from 8th Street to Charles Street  
6th Avenue from 6th Street to 7th Street  
Woodruff Avenue from 11th Street to Broadway  
Colorado Avenue from East Gate Parkway to Harrison Avenue

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 striping crew 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 18<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE)***

**Rockford, IL** - The reconstruction of Christina Street is complete.

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

**Rockford, IL-** Strathmoor Drive just east of Roxbury will be under construction beginning the week of August 17, 2020. The emergency access to the hospital will continue to be open at all times. There may be times flaggers will be on site to control traffic around construction activities.

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.

**CHARLES AND 10<sup>TH</sup> STREET INTERSECTION TRAFFIC SIGNAL**  
**PROJECT**

**Rockford, IL-** The lighting project at 10<sup>th</sup> Street and Charles Street continues to progress. The contractor will be doing some underground boring for cable installation at the intersection. We ask that you please be aware of workers in the construction zone and proceed through with caution.

This project will consist of installing new traffic signals at the intersection and new curb and ADA sidewalk ramps will be installed as well. 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.

**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. Pavement removal will continue through the end of the week as well as new storm sewer installation. Additional crews will be on to install curb and gutter and sidewalk south of Charles Street on 9<sup>th</sup> Street. The west outside lane of 9<sup>th</sup> street will remain open to traffic except for periodic daily lane closures within individual blocks so the contractor can safely perform their work. These closures will be limited to daily working hours and will be fully opened to the single lane at the end of each working day.

The project limits for 9<sup>th</sup> Street will be from 6<sup>th</sup> 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.

**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 14<sup>th</sup>, 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) 17<sup>th</sup> Street from 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Broadway
- 2) 18<sup>th</sup> Street from Charles Street to 7<sup>th</sup> 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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) 6<sup>th</sup> Street Patching from Keith Creek to 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue

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