

WEEKLY STREET MAINTENANCE UPDATE FOR SEPTEMBER 1, 2017

This week, manhole adjustments on recently paved streets continue throughout the City. Manhole adjustments promote safety and limit damage to snowplows during snow and ice removal. Damaged snowplows are expensive to fix and slow removal operations during storms. Adjustments to manholes on North Tenth Street are complete. The contractor will continue to work west on Market Street and Pine Street.



Pavement marking on all resurfaced streets also continues. The picture to the right shows recent pavement markings on North Tenth Street from the railroad tracks north of Lincoln Highway to Pleasant Street.

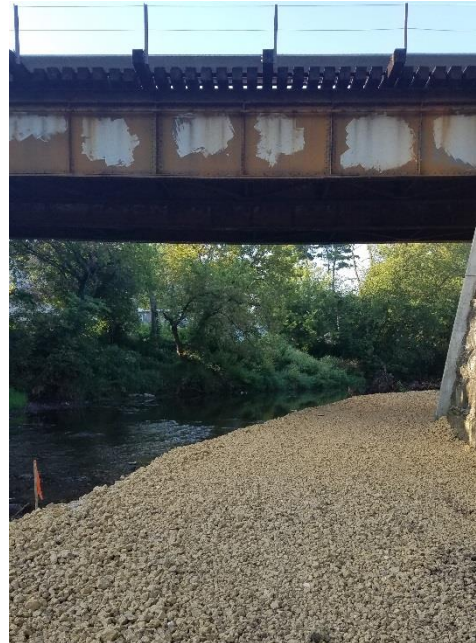


Currently, the City's contractor is preparing for the final phase of the street maintenance program. The schedule pictured below lists the streets selected for two inch milling and patching. Once patching begins, Public works will post traffic updates to inform residents of possible lane closures. The patching requires extensive traffic controls as the contractor will be patching the north and southbound lanes.

2017 Street Schedule for Patching		
Street	Start	End
7th St	Sycamore Road	Davy
2nd St	Taylor Street	Dead End
Peace Rd	Fairview	Route 38
Bethany Rd	North First Street	Sangamon Road
1st St	West Dresser Road	Rich Road
Taylor St	Kenningston	South First Street
Annie Glidden	Twombly	Lincoln Highway

The water main replacements on South Eleventh Street and Sunset are complete. Pressure testing and bacterial sampling are scheduled for next week. Upon satisfactory results, the new water mains will go live. The water main replacement on Maplewood Avenue began on Thursday and will continue after the Labor Day holiday.

Currently, the contractor continues to remove trees along the planned Kishwaukee Kiwanis Bike path. Near the Union Pacific Railroad Bridge, tree and brush clearing is complete. The contractor began to lay the aggregate base this week. Contractors lay base aggregate below asphalt and concrete pavement structures. The base acts as the load bearing and strengthening component of the pavement structure. This aggregate will run north to the Route 38 Lincoln Highway Bridge deck running below the bridge pictured above.



The path is scheduled for completion in the late winter with several landscaping restorations to take place in the early spring of 2018. Weather may affect the projected completion date. The recently lifted Illinois budget impasse delayed construction for one month. However, the recent favorable weather has allowed the project to progress quickly.

The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) will resume milling several small stretches of IL 23 after the Labor Day Holiday. Motorist can expect paving to restart mid next week and quickly wrap up. In the meantime, the contractor advises motorist to watch for potholes and loose gravel. Once the base of a road is exposed for extended periods, weather and traffic leave the road vulnerable to potholes.

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