

April 10, 2024

## Sherman Street Reconstruction Update

Construction will be starting on Sherman Street beginning **Monday, April 15<sup>th</sup>**. On Monday, traffic control will be set up to close Sherman Street from South Avenue to Belgrade Avenue. Most of the boulevard trees within the project limits (South Avenue to Monroe Avenue) will need to be removed to accommodate the new street and underground utility improvements planned with the project. While we try to avoid removing trees to the greatest extent possible, it is necessary to remove boulevard trees that are either visibly damaging existing sidewalk, impacted by proposed construction, or are in poor condition and deemed at risk for disease. Trees that need to be removed will be marked with a pink "X." Tree removal throughout the entire project length will start on Monday and should take 3 to 5 days. There will be additional traffic control and temporary closures north of Belgrade Avenue for the tree removals, but those traffic restrictions north of Belgrade Avenue will be removed after the tree removals are completed.

The sequence of work for this project is planned to be done in three phases. The Contractor plans to have each Phase constructed to a drivable surface prior to starting removals and road closures for the next phase.

- **Phase 1: Sherman Street from South Avenue to Belgrade Avenue (starting Monday, April 15<sup>th</sup>).**
- **Phase 2: Sherman Street from Belgrade Avenue to Grant Avenue (expected start mid-late May).**
- **Phase 3: Sherman Street from Grant Avenue to Monroe Avenue (expected start TBD).**

**PHASE 1:** On **Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup>** and **Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup>**, WW Blacktopping plans to lay the piping for temporary water and connecting to the necessary homes/businesses that require temporary water. The process typically involves installing a water pipe running along the surface with smaller water pipes branching off of this that run up to each home/business. The Contractor then connects this smaller pipe to a hose spigot located on the outside of each home/business. The Contractor is responsible for coordinating temporary water connections with each home/business. With the small amount of watermain work occurring in **PHASE 1**, only a few houses within this area will require a temporary water connection. While on temporary water, there will be no change to daily routines such as drinking water, laundry, and showering.

Pavement removals are anticipated to begin on **Wednesday April 17<sup>th</sup>** for **PHASE 1**. For residences having garage driveways on Sherman Street, please plan to have vehicles out of your driveways Wednesday morning by 7:00 AM. Residents in the **PHASE 1** area should plan to park on side streets and have all vehicles, etc., that you need during construction removed from your property. In general, access to driveways and garages on Sherman Street and on-street parking on Sherman Street will not be available throughout most of the **PHASE 1** construction process. Working hours are anticipated to be Monday through Friday from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM. Work on some Saturdays may also be necessary to meet project schedules. We realize that construction isn't always the most convenient, but we please ask for your cooperation throughout this process as we work on improving your street.

Spring drop-off is scheduled for April 19<sup>th</sup> through April 21<sup>st</sup>, when residents may take items to be disposed of to the Public Works site on Webster Avenue. Let me know if you feel that you need assistance with getting items to the drop-off site due to construction access limitations.

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If you have a sump pump and it drains toward the street, please let me know if you would like an underground connection to the underdrain that flows to the storm sewer.

During construction, the Contractor will be responsible for maintaining all garbage and recycling services. Please bring your cans to the edge of your property as you normally would on your respective pickup day and the Contractor will ensure that the containers are picked up. Please mark your specific receptacles with your address to ensure they are properly returned.

Currently, the post office plans to continue to deliver mail door to door during construction. If this changes, you will be notified of the location of the temporary mailboxes.

If you are interested in watching an informative ten-minute video on the general construction process, please check out this video created by Bolton & Menk. <https://tinyurl.com/ConstructionProcess>

If you have any questions, concerns, or special needs, please contact **Caden Hanna with Bolton and Menk at 320-250-6354.**