

MEMORANDUM

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TO: Ellis Mitchell

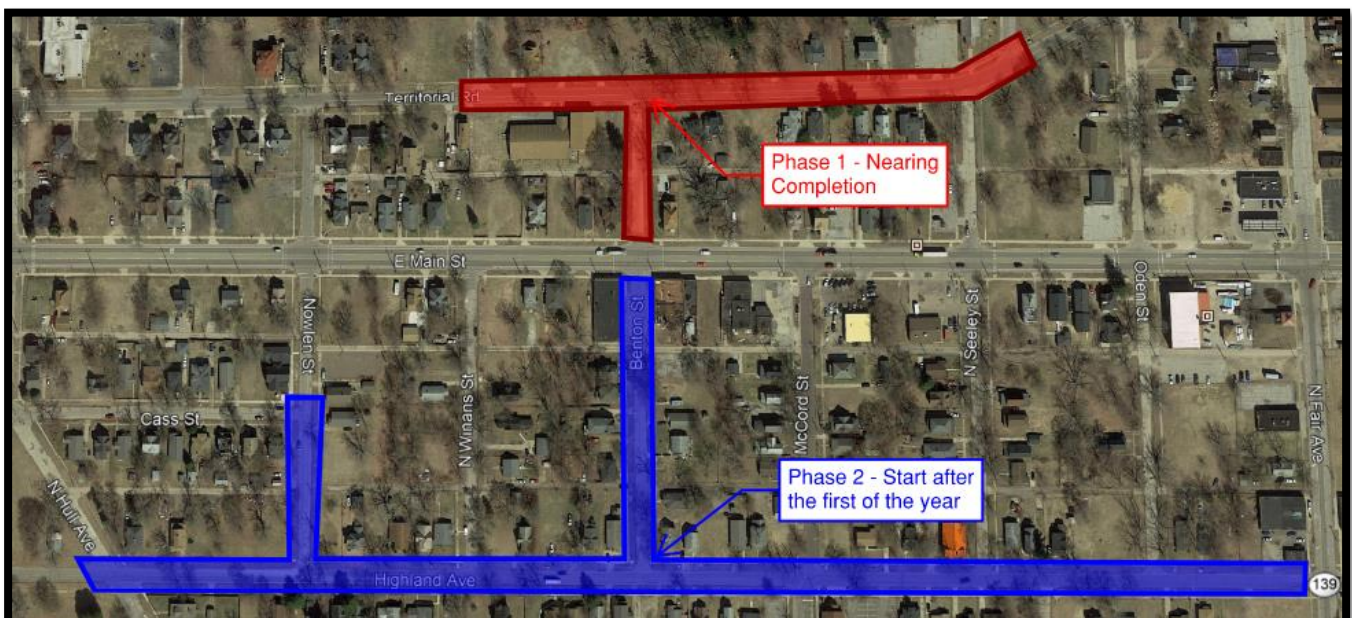
FROM: Eric Kamps, EIT

RE: City of Benton Harbor Construction Project Updates

Northeast Section Reconstruction Project

This week, Selge Construction worked to grade and place concrete driveways, sidewalks, and curb and gutter on Phase 1 of the Northeast Section project along Territorial Road and Benton Street. The contractor is generally working on placing concrete from the east end of the project to the west.

The schedule for the upcoming week includes the continuation of preparation of driveways and sidewalk areas for the placement of concrete. After the concrete work, the contractor will grade the area between the curb and gutter and the sidewalk to prepare it for restoration. The contractor is nearing the completion of work on Phase 1 of the project and is looking to move into Phase 2 in the next few weeks. To begin the Phase 2 work, the contractor will begin with tree removal starting the week of December 14th. Phase 2 will fully begin after the first of the year. Abonmarche and Selge Construction will be working over the next few weeks to confirm the schedule.



Empire Ave. Reconstruction Project

The work along Empire Ave. has all been completed and the roadway is open to traffic. A walkthrough was held on site to note any issues with the completed work and created a punchlist of items for the contractor to address. This week, Northern Construction and Abonmarche has been working together to get all the final documents together and close out the project. This work will continue for the next few week until the project can be closed out.



Empire Ave. has been opened to traffic



Water services and storm sewer connections were completed this week

Pipestone Street Corridor Reconstruction Project

Progress continues on schedule for Phase 1 of the project, between Market Street and Main Street. Kalin Construction worked to install the new water services from Main Street south toward Market Street which were completed today and worked on completing final connections for the storm sewer. Removal of curb and gutter and sidewalk throughout the Phase 1 limits continued as needed to accommodate underground work. All water main installation work for Phase 1 was completed last week and all the water main testing has been completed this week

Next week, Kalin will begin building and grading the roadway. Lead and galvanized water services are scheduled for replacement as part of this project and will continue when work shifts to Phase 2 of the project. Kalin and Abonmarche will coordinate with property owners and tenants to access each property where lead or galvanized services are present. If you have not been contacted, please notify one of our on-site representatives. They will help you get in touch with our staff.

The project is scheduled to be completed by November, 2021. Detours will be in place for each phase of construction.

Stevens Street Reconstruction Project

The work along Stevens Street continued this week. The contractor, Kamminga & Roodvoets, Inc., and their subcontractor worked to place concrete pavement, curb and gutter, and sidewalks along Waukonda Ave. The contractor also continued work on installing sanitary sewer on Stevens Street and was able to fully install the sanitary sewer.

Next week the contractor will work on grading Stevens Street. Concrete work along Waukonda Ave. is expected continue next week as the weather allows for the placement of sidewalk ramps. The project is scheduled to be completed by June, 2021. A detour route on Waukonda Ave. is currently in place.



Concrete pavement was placed along Waukonda Ave. this week



2020 Local Streets and Alleys Project

Work on the 2020 Local Streets and Alleys project has continued this week. The contractor, Kalin Construction, performed adjustments to existing structure covers in the pavement to ensure a smooth transition to the adjacent asphalt pavement. To do this, the contractor cored a circle around each structure cover, adjusted the cover to the pavement elevation, and placed concrete pavement around the cover. All structure cover adjustments have been completed at this time. Upcoming alley work is expected to continue until project completion and will include the fine grading and debris/excess material cleanup. The project will be moving toward the closeout over the next few weeks.



Kalin Construction has been adjusting manhole structure covers on resurfaced streets

Benton Harbor Signage Replacement Project

Rathco Safety Supply has been able to complete all of the 164 intersections. During some of the high winds over the past few weeks, a number of new street name signs have become dislodged. Abonmarche and Rathco are working together to compile a list and have the signs replaced. Abonmarche and Rathco Safety Supply will be working together in the upcoming week to prepare final documents and closeout the project. The current schedule to prepare the final documents and closeout the project shortly thereafter.



Sign Replacement along Broadway

Improvements to the City's Water Tower

The Improvements to the City's Water Tower project has been awarded to Seven Brothers Painting. The work is expected to start in the next few months and will be completed next year with a majority of the work to begin in 2021.

If you have any project questions or would like to be added to the email list for project updates, please contact Eric Kamps of the project team at ekamps@abonmarche.com or (269) 926-4556.

