

IA 136/JOHNSON ST. RECONSTRUCTION UPDATE #12

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The contractor had another productive week on the IA 136/Johnson St. Reconstruction project. Monday the grading crew continued pavement removal and coreout on the rural portion of the project, removing about another 250 feet of material.

Tuesday the grading crew removed pavement and cored out an additional 450 feet of material. They also installed about 500 feet of subdrain tile.

Wednesday the grading crew finished pavement removal and coreout on the rural part of the project. They also installed the final 1100 feet of subdrain tile. After tile was installed, about 500 feet of geogrid and subbase was placed.

Thursday the grading crew completed geogrid and subbase placement on the rural portion of the project. In conjunction with that work, the crew tidied up the side street tie in areas in preparation for paving. Finally, the crew cored out 4th and 5th Ave. to the project limits.

Friday the grading crew was unable to do subbase placement on 4th and 5th Ave due to rain the night before. Instead, the crew finished prepping the side streets and alleys within the project.

As of now, the plan for the first part of next week is to finish subbase on 4th and 5th Ave as well as doing the remaining testing required on the project before paving. Additional staking will also be completed in preparation for paving. Paving prep on the urban section of the project may also begin the middle to end of next week. Additional clean-up of the site and minor grading will take place. As paving time



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nears, an abundance of stakes will be placed on and around the site that assists the contractor in paving the roadway. Please do not touch these, as they are vital for the contractor during paving. Also, with paving just around the corner, there will be an increase of work vehicles parking on the side streets of the project due to the manpower needed during paving time. These vehicles are not able to be parked on grade due to the work being performed, but also need to be close enough to the work area so tools, forms, supplies, etc. are easily accessible. This means there may be times when you will need to park a few spots further from your house than normal.

For those who live and travel throughout the project corridor on a regular basis, please use caution around the ongoing construction. Midwest, and their subcontractors, may have multiple crews working at any given time.

PLEASE STAY ON PUBLIC ROADWAYS

As a reminder, neither Medical Associates nor White Front's driveways should be used as a through roadway. Those are on private property and can be considered trespassing if not used correctly. To aid in town traffic, the city has made some traffic changes on Buchanan St. SW to allow traffic in both directions to 1st Ave. Please be sure to obey stop signs and the speed limit.



If you have questions throughout construction, please do not hesitate to contact MSA or Lisa Kotter, the City Administrator.