

## ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT PROJECT NEWS

August 5, 2016

### CITY NEWS

#### **PROJECT OPEN HOUSE: Central Corridor Improvement Project: 26<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> Streets**

The City of Marion will hold a public open house from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 15 at Marion City Hall regarding future construction phases for the eastern portion of the Central Corridor Project: 26<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> Streets in Marion. Engineering staff will provide an overview of the project and the proposed construction schedule for future stages beginning at 6 p.m.

This portion of the Central Corridor Project includes the installation of a roundabout which will eventually connect 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue over the former Marion Iron site and will reconstruct 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 26<sup>th</sup> Street to 31<sup>st</sup> Street. The completed project also includes street lights, multi-use pathways, hardscaping and landscaping.



Keep up to date on the project's progress by visiting [www.cityofmarion.org/CentralCorridorEastEnd](http://www.cityofmarion.org/CentralCorridorEastEnd).

#### **Signs, Signs, Everywhere a Sign**

Did you know that signs - other than official traffic or street signs - are not allowed in the area between the street and the sidewalk or on City property? This time of year For Sale, Garage Sale, advertising, special event and political signs are widely-distributed and can cause distractions and public safety concerns.

Be a good neighbor and if you intend to place a temporary sign at the corner lot, on someone's property, request permission. Be mindful of the areas where such signs are permitted, and then remove them in a timely fashion. Also note, temporary signs should not be fastened to utility poles or street signs. Together we can keep our community well-maintained.

Signage located within the right-of-way or on City property may be removed by City staff without warning. Contact the Engineering or Planning and Development Departments for more information: 319-743-6340 (6320).

### Swamp Fox Festival Set for Sept. 24

Don't miss the 27th annual Swamp Fox Festival in Marion. This year's festival will again coincide with the Fall Marion Market coordinated by the Marion Chamber of Commerce. A variety of events will take place in and around City Square Park including the Swamp Fox 5k, a 1-mile kids' fun run, a pancake breakfast, and the always popular Swamp Fox Parade. The market features more than 50 vendors with seasonal produce, artisan items and food options along with children's activities and musical entertainment by Craig Erickson. The fun moves to Lowe Park on Saturday evening for live music at the amphitheater featuring Alisabeth Von Presley, food, life-size games, and a grand fireworks finale.



This year's theme is "My Marion" which encourages parade participants to celebrate what the community means to them. Parade entries could honor Marion's past, its existing attributes or its bright future.

Registration forms are currently available for those wishing to participate in the 5K run/walk, Little Fox Miler or parade at [www.cityofmarion.org/swampfox](http://www.cityofmarion.org/swampfox).

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*The complete **Annual Engineering Work Program and Map**, with estimated construction schedules, separated by project type, can be found at [www.cityofmarion.org](http://www.cityofmarion.org).*

## 2016 PROJECTS CURRENTLY UNDER CONSTRUCTION

**35<sup>th</sup> Street / 29<sup>th</sup> Avenue Mini Roundabout Project** – Eastern Iowa Excavating, \$255,366  
**Funding Source:** LOST & Traffic Safety Improvement Program (TSIP) grant funding.

**Project Overview:** The construction of a mini roundabout to replace the existing 2-way stop condition. This project includes installing concrete pavement, sidewalks, curbs and street lighting to complete a mini roundabout at the intersection of 35<sup>th</sup> Street and 29<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

**Progress Updates:** The riser cabinet has been installed. Once we have received IDOT approval the project will go to Council for consideration of acceptance. The contractor has used 39 of the 45 working days provided; 100% of the contract has been completed.

**Alburnett Road Extension Project** - \$1,300,000 (Concept Study – Snyder & Associates, \$248,950.00)

**Funding Source:** LOST funding; project funding is not intended to provide for the construction of the bridge over Indian Creek.

**Project Overview:** The funding was proposed to complete several early phases of the project, including the concept study, design and possible right-of-way acquisitions from Boyson Road to 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Council has reaffirmed the need for the realignment due to traffic volumes on Central Avenue and 10<sup>th</sup> Street. City Council awarded a contract to Snyder & Associates regarding the concept study on June 23, 2016 in an amount of \$248,950.00.

**Progress Updates:** Once all of the utilities have been located Snyder & Associates will initiate the Cultural Resources investigation. The investigation will include subsurface sampling. Work will continue on and off throughout the summer.

An open house will be held regarding the concept study once information and data have been collected and preliminary design decisions have been made.



**2015 Alburnett Road Widening Project - Rathje Construction Co., \$189,587**  
**Funding Source:** Miscellaneous Street Repair funding.

**Project Overview:** The widening of Alburnett Road between 29<sup>th</sup> Avenue and East Robins Road to provide for a dedicated left turn lane.

**Progress Updates:** City Council accepted the project at their August 4, 2016 meeting. The contractor used 47 of the 50 working days provided.

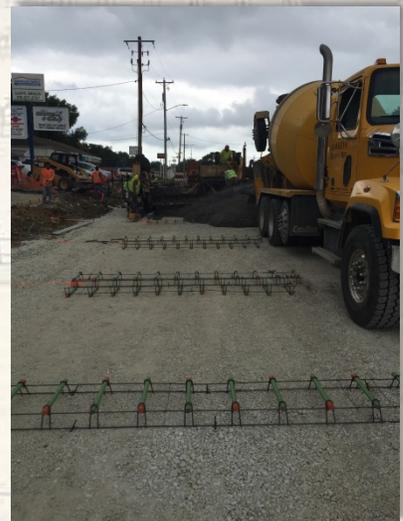
**Central Corridor Complete Streets and Capacity Improvements (Roundabout at 7<sup>th</sup> Ave & 7<sup>th</sup> St) - Ricklefs Excavating, LTD, \$2,871,607**  
**Funding Source:** Bond Funding and a grant from the Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program.

**Project Overview:** Complete reconstruction of the 7<sup>th</sup> Street and 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue intersection which will include a four-legged roundabout. The project will be broken into 7 stages.

**Progress Updates:** The contractor has finished the water main for Stage 4 and has poured sidewalk along 7<sup>th</sup> Street.

They continue to backfill and set the retaining wall, install storm sewer, pave the Country Kitchen parking lot, and pave 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue west of 7<sup>th</sup> Street.

The contractor is finishing up Phase 4 and plans on transitioning to Phase 5 on Tuesday, August 9. Phase 5 is anticipated to take 6 weeks to complete, weather and utility dependent. During Phase 5, traffic will continue to be one lane in each direction on the northerly ½ of the project.



### Phase 5 Closures:

- 7<sup>th</sup> Street: between 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue: west of 7<sup>th</sup> Street to east of 8<sup>th</sup> Street
- Intersection of 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 7<sup>th</sup> Street
- Intersection of 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 8<sup>th</sup> Street
- The 7<sup>th</sup> Street entrance to Country Kitchen (use 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue entrance)
- The 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue entrance to Zio Johnno's and VIP (use the alley via 9<sup>th</sup> Street)

The contractor has used approximately 68.5 of 120 working days provided; 40% of the contract has been completed.

### Central Corridor Project (26<sup>th</sup> Street to 31<sup>st</sup> Street) – Abode Construction

**Funding Source:** This is a joint public/private project.

**Project Overview:** The project includes the partial construction of the Central Corridor Project between 13<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> Streets by Abode Construction, including the roundabout near the old Marion Iron site connecting 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The roundabout will be constructed as a part of Phase 2 with five separate stages.



**Progress Updates:** The City will be holding an Open House August 15, 2016 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. regarding the remaining portions of the project.

Phase II, Stage 1 work is finishing up. Phase II, Stage 2 work will begin the first week of August.

August 4<sup>th</sup>, traffic shifted to the northern two lanes on 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue between 26<sup>th</sup> Street and 31<sup>st</sup> Street. One lane of traffic will be maintained in each direction (eastbound and westbound). Stage 2 is anticipated to be completed by mid-September, weather and utility dependent.



Working days and completion date will be set and controlled by the developer. The contractor has completed 14% of the Phase II contract.

**Fairview Drive Reconstruction** - Rathje Construction Co., \$537,400

**Funding Source:** Miscellaneous Street Repair funding.

**Project Overview:** The project includes the reconstruction Fairview Drive from S. 8<sup>th</sup> Street to S. 11<sup>th</sup> Street.

**Progress Updates:** The contractor has finished pavement removal and the installation of granular subbase. They have started paving the loop through Hanna Park which will connect Fairview Drive to Orchard Road.



The contractor has used approximately 32 of 70 working days provided; 45% of the contract has been completed. Liquidated damages in the amount of \$500 per day will be assessed for each calendar day in excess of this schedule.

**ImaginArt in the Alleys Project** - Central States Concrete, LLC, \$343,468.15

**Funding Sources:** ArtPlace America Grant - \$350,000; City bond funds - \$315,000; public/private donations approximately - \$175,000.

**Project Overview:** Infrastructure improvements to the alleys between 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> Streets and 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Avenues. The project includes the installation of: new paving, lighting, drainage systems, art, and aesthetic enhancements.

**Progress Updates:** The underground electrical system is being installed at this time.



The contractor has completed 22% of the contract. The project shall be completed no later than October 23, 2016. Liquidated damages in the amount of \$1,500 per day will be assessed for each calendar day in excess of this schedule.

**2016 Lowe Park Parking Lot Project** - L.L. Pelling Company, Inc., \$671,415.65

**Funding Source:** LOST funding

**Project Overview:** This includes the extension of Irish Drive into Lowe Park, along with the construction of two parking lots and adjacent trails.

**Progress Updates:** Storm sewer was installed last week and sanitary sewer is going in this week. The sanitary sewer will allow for future public facilities.



The contractor has used approximately 14.5 of the 50 working days provided; 25% of the contract has been completed. Liquidated damages in the amount of \$300 per day will be assessed for each calendar day in excess of these schedules.

**2016 Miscellaneous Sidewalk Assessment Project** – Borst Bros. Construction, Inc. \$128,445

**Funding Source:** Annual program using Capital Improvement Project funds

**Project Overview:** This annual program provides for the construction of sidewalks in areas where no sidewalk currently exists. Below are the locations that will receive sidewalk as a part of this program per the State process for assessment along with their approximate starting dates:

- 27<sup>th</sup> Street (West Side) From 10<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue [**approx. 8.29.16 – 9.16.16**]
- Grand Avenue (South Side) South 15<sup>th</sup> Street to 420' west [**approx. 8.8.16 – 8.26.16**]
- Barrington Parkway (North Side) west of 10<sup>th</sup> Street [**approx. 8.22.16 – 9.2.16**]
- East Post Road (West Side) Oakbrook Drive to 1040 Grand Avenue [**approx. 8.8.16 – 8.26.16**]

**Progress Updates:** A preconstruction meeting was held on July 26, 2016. The contractor plans to start work on August 8, 2016.

There are 40 working days allocated to this project. Liquidated damages in the amount of \$300 per day will be assessed for each calendar day in excess of the schedule.

**2016 Sanitary Sewer Manhole Project** - Rathje Construction Company, \$44,470

**Funding Source:** The 2016 Sanitary Sewer Repair Program has a budget of \$240,000. This is broken down into two separate projects due to the differences in the types of projects and the contractors that would bid these types of projects.

**Project Overview:** The project involved the removal of two brick manholes and the placement of four new manholes and associated work. This is to help provide better access and maintenance to the existing sanitary sewer network. The manholes are located on 9<sup>th</sup> Street at 6½ Avenue and 7½ Avenue and 9½ Street at 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 7½ Avenue.



**Progress Updates:** City Council accepted the project at their August 4, 2016 meeting. The contractor used 24.5 of the 25 working days provided.

**2016 Sanitary Sewer Slip Lining Project** – Visu-Sewer, Inc. , \$137,303

**Funding Source:** The 2016 Sanitary Sewer Repair Program has a budget of \$240,000. This is being broken down into two separate projects due to the differences in the types of projects and the contractors that would bid these types of projects.

**Project Overview:** This project, using Sanitary Sewer funding, will include the cured-in-place pipe (CIPP) sewer lining of approximately 6,123 LF of 8-inch diameter pipe. Locations are as follows:

- 5<sup>th</sup> Street, north of 29<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- 26<sup>th</sup> Street, south of 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue, from 26<sup>th</sup> Street to 27<sup>th</sup> Street
- 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 27<sup>th</sup> Street to 31<sup>st</sup> Street
- 26<sup>th</sup> Street, from 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, from 26<sup>th</sup> Street to 31<sup>st</sup> Street
- 27<sup>th</sup> Street, from 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- 27<sup>th</sup> Street, from 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- 28<sup>th</sup> Street, from 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- 30<sup>th</sup> Street, from 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue, from 30<sup>th</sup> Street to 31<sup>st</sup> Street



**Progress Updates:** All of the lines have been cleaned except for 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue between 26<sup>th</sup> Street to 31<sup>st</sup> Street. The slip lining process will begin August 8.

The contractor has completed 1% of the contract; work shall be completed no later than Sept. 25, 2016. Liquidated damages in the amount of \$300 per day will be assessed for each calendar day in excess of this schedule.

Some lane closures and localized congestion are expected during construction.

### 2016 Sidewalk Inspection Program

**Project Overview:** Every two years the Engineering Interns walk the sidewalks, marking those that do not meet City of Marion standards with pink paint. This year they have walked the northern portion of Marion, approximately McGowan Blvd and north. This is done to help ensure that our city sidewalks are user friendly and safe for citizens.

**Progress Updates:** Our interns have completed the inspections for this year. Notices went out to 186 property owners that were cited for sidewalk violations and explaining what repair is required. Approximately 40% of the violations have been repaired.



### Tower Terrace Road Project – Phase V – Mooney-Engle Land Company, \$1,517,642

**Funding Source:** This is a joint public/private project.

**Project Overview:** The project includes the extension of Tower Terrace Road east from the 10<sup>th</sup> Street intersection to the new location of Winslow Road, west of Indian Creek. The construction will extend the typical cross section of the divided street with grass median, decorative lights, and trees. The project will also include the completion of the signalization of the 10<sup>th</sup> Street and Tower Terrace Road intersection.

**Progress Updates:** The site has been wet the past few weeks, once it dries out the contractor will continue to mass grade the site. They have started lowering the grade to match the future bridge approach. Grading is expected to take a few more weeks to complete.

Construction activities are anticipated to have limited impact to traffic.



### **Waldo's Rock Park Parking Lot - \$150,000**

**Funding Source:** REAP grant awarded to the Marion Parks & Recreation Department

**Project Overview:** In June 2015 Waldo Morris donated 7.4 acres of land near Partners Avenue and 62<sup>nd</sup> Street to the City to be used as a city park. The park will feature a glacial erratic boulder formation, which will serve as the center of the park. The park will include a trail loop and a fishing pier. An access road and parking lot will be constructed off of Partners Avenue. The project also includes a trail head connection to the Grant Wood Trail, pavilion, and trees and prairie grasses. The project is expected to be completed in 2017.



**Progress Updates:** The access road is in place (not open to the public at this time) and grading of the park has started. The Parks & Recreation Department is overseeing the project.

### **Winslow Road Realignment Project - Mooney-Engle Land Company, \$1,070,411**

**Funding Source:** Joint public/private project

**Project Overview:** This includes the relocation of Winslow Road from south of Settlers Drive to Tower Terrace Road. The new alignment will go through Bridge Creek Fourth Addition. The realignment will have a typical cross section of a collector street with trail on one side and sidewalk on the other.

**Progress Updates:** Winslow Road from Indian Creek Road to Connection Avenue has been opened to traffic. The new realignment of Winslow Road will remain closed west of the



current Winslow Road/Winslow Road (new alignment) intersection until the connection is made with Tower Terrace Road.

Working days and completion date will be set and controlled by the developer. Paving of the realigned Winslow Road has been completed just past the existing Winslow Road.

## 2016 Winslow Road Reconstruction Project – Rathje Construction - \$994,589.75

**Funding Source:** LOST funding

**Project Overview:** The project will include the reconstruction of Winslow Road from approximately Para Drive south to Berry's Run Bridge. The project includes the reconstruction of the existing pavement, driveways, storm sewer, sub drain, water main and other associated work. The project will begin in 2016 and will be completed in 2017. During the 2016 construction season, work is expected to last for approximately 3-5 months. The project has been split into four stages; complete street closure will occur within each stage of the project and the detour plans can be found on the City's website. Detour signs will also be posted.

**Progress Updates:** The contractor has started work on Stage D. Traffic control and detour signage is in place and the removal process of the road has begun.



The following is an approximate timeline of the four project stages:

**Stage A:** north side of bridge over Berry's Run to south of the intersection with Hunters Ridge Road [**Scheduled not provided at this time**]

**Stage B:** south of the intersection with Hunters Ridge Road to north of the southern intersection of Hunters Creek Way [**Scheduled not provided at this time**]

**Stage C:** north of the southern intersection of Hunters Creek Way to halfway between Bellboy Drive and Valentine Drive [**Scheduled not provided at this time**]

**Stage D:** halfway between Bellboy Drive and Valentine Drive to Para Drive [**July 25 – September**]



The contractor has used approximately 5 of the 135 working days provided; 0% of the contract has been completed. Liquidated damages in the amount of \$750 per day will be assessed for each calendar day in excess of the schedule.

## 2016 GENERAL PROJECTS UPDATES

### **2016 35<sup>th</sup> Street Water Main Relay Project** – Phase 1 - Rathje Construction Co., \$69,850

**Funding Source:** Funded and administrated by the Marion Water Department.

**Project Overview:** This includes 630 linear feet of new 12-inch water main to be installed from the intersection of 3rd Avenue and 35th Street to 160 35th Street, replacing the existing 8-inch water main.

**Progress Updates:** The preconstruction meeting was held and it was discussed that the anticipated start date will be middle of August.

Work shall be completed by September 9, 2016. Liquidated damages in the amount of \$300 per day will be assessed for each day in excess of the specified completion date.

### **Armar Drive Extension Project** - \$400,000

**Project Overview:** The project will extend Armar Drive from the existing south end (in Cedar Rapids) to Highway 100. The intersection at Highway 100 has already been constructed and signalized with ARRA Funds.

**Progress Updates:** A meeting was held July 15, 2016 with the owner and negotiations continue.



### **Boyson Road and 10<sup>th</sup> Street Traffic Study** - \$60,000

**Funding Source:** LOST funding

**Project Overview:** This study will evaluate the need for improvements at the Boyson Road and 10<sup>th</sup> Street intersection. It is expected that the intersection of Indian Creek Road and 10<sup>th</sup> Street will also need to be included due to its proximity to the study area.

Traffic volumes, accident rates, congestion levels, and visibility will be studied prior to the selection of a traffic device to solve any related issues. Separate funding will be needed to complete any recommended changes.

### **2016 Lowe Park Lighting Project** – Trey Electric Corporation, \$79,173

**Funding Source:** LOST funding

**Project Overview:** This project includes the installation of 6 street lights, 5 dual parking lights, 18 trail bollards, footings, electrical systems, and miscellaneous related work and appurtenances in accordance with the contract documents.



**Progress Updates:** Work cannot start on this project until the 2016 Lowe Park Parking Lot Project is complete; however, work shall begin no later than April 30, 2017 and be completed within 25 working days. Liquidated damages in the amount of \$100 per day will be assessed for each calendar day in excess of these schedules.

## SUBDIVISION DEVELOPMENT

Staff provides inspection for the development of all subdivisions and commercial sites within the city limits. This work begins with construction plan review and includes field quality control for storm and sanitary sewers, drain tile, Portland cement concrete maturity, grade, air content, slump (water content) and pavement thickness. The City has adopted the latest version of SUDAS (Statewide Design Standards) and utilizes these standards for all subdivision construction.

### Subdivision Residential

**Authors 4<sup>th</sup> Addition** - Rathje Construction, E & F Paving

Location: East side 35<sup>th</sup> Street

The preconstruction meeting was held and work is planned to begin soon.

**Bedford Heights** – Pirc Tobin Construction

Location: West of Alburnett Road / south of Echo Hill Road

Paving has begun.

**Bowman Meadows 4<sup>th</sup> Addition** – Rathje, E & F

Location: South of Boson Road, west of Alburnett Road

The preconstruction meeting was held and work is planned to begin soon.

**Bowman Woods Unit 37** - Rathje Construction, E & F Paving

Location: south of East Robins Road, west of Alburnett Road

Work is on hold. They plan on paving next year.

**Bridge Creek 4<sup>th</sup> Addition** - Ricklefs Excavating, City Wide

Location: Winslow Road south of Rolling Glen Drive Storm

See Winslow Road Realignment.

**Echo Ridge Estates 1<sup>st</sup> Addition** - Pirc Tobin

Location: west side of Alburnett Road, north of Echo Hill Road

Work to start soon.

**Edgebrooke Estates North 1<sup>st</sup> Addition** – Rathje

Construction, E & F

Location: extension of Edgebrooke Drive to Vaughn Drive and White Oak Drive to Edgebrooke Drive.

Water main installed.

**Gemstone Estates 3<sup>rd</sup> Addition** – Rathje Construction, E & F Paving

Location: extension of Gemstone Drive and connection to Tower Terrace Road via Lennon Lane.

Half of the subgrade was proof rolled.

**Prairie Hill 17<sup>th</sup> Addition** –

Location: extensions of 50<sup>th</sup> Street and Prairie Hill Drive, and 28<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

A preconstruction meeting has not been held yet.



**Prairie Ridge Estates 7<sup>th</sup> Addition** – Ricklefs, City Wide

Location: East of Hwy 13 and north of E. Kacena Ave, extension of Crestwood Lane.

A preconstruction meeting has not been held yet.

**Squaw Creek Meadows 7<sup>th</sup> Addition** – Rathje Construction, E & F

Location: Alexis Lane extension south of Grand Avenue and west of 31<sup>st</sup> Street

City Council accepted the subdivision on July 7.

## Commercial Sites

**Capital Commercial (1204 7<sup>th</sup> Ave)**

Construction is on hold.

**Integrity Homes Commercial Condos (591 62<sup>nd</sup> St)**

Site work nearly completed. Final stabilization will occur in the spring.

**Marion Public Services Site (3<sup>rd</sup> Ave)**

No additional review was done. Prelim plans have been reviewed in the past.

**Legacy Site Plan (650 Partners Ave)**

Temporary occupancy has been given to the shipping office and warehouse only.

**El Plast Site Plan (Partners Ave)**

Site stabilization and punch list items remain.

**Linn COOP Expansion (3<sup>rd</sup> Ave)**

Building Department has issued a temporary occupancy certificate.

**Platinum Multi-Family (Prairie Hill Drive)**

Second 12-plex nearly completed. First 5-plex is well under way.

**Linn Mar High School Remodel (10<sup>th</sup> St)**

Site under construction.

**Moose Properties (44<sup>th</sup> St)**

Construction has started on the proposed “middle” building.

**Croell Redi-Mix (49<sup>th</sup> St)**

Site under construction.

**Hills Bank (3204 7<sup>th</sup> Ave)**

Site under construction.

**Hotchkiss Commercial Property (1286 Blairs Ferry Rd)**

Building construction continues on Building C; Buildings A & B have been given temporary occupancy.

**Electric Specialty Manufacturing (6451 Partners Ave)**

Site under construction.

**Arctic Insulation Specialists (Partners Ave)**

Site plan reviewed and approved. Site work has not started.

**Platinum Multi-use (29<sup>th</sup> Ave / Prairie Hill Dr)**

Site plan reviewed and comments sent back to Consultant.

**Blairs Ferry Senior Housing (830 Blairs Ferry Rd)**

Building is under construction.

**Arbor Trails Senior Housing (1362 Blairs Ferry Rd)**

Building is under construction.



**MISD – Longfellow Elementary Demo (2900 8<sup>th</sup> Ave)**

The site is being graded at this time.

**APC Emmeret Site Plan (3<sup>rd</sup> Ave)**

Building construction has started.

**KTRO Storage Units (4150 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave)**

Site is under construction.

**Dunkin Donuts (584 7<sup>th</sup> Ave)**

Site is under construction.

**Platinum Warehouse (102 35<sup>th</sup> Street)**

Building construction has started.

**Lebeda Mattress Factory (2525 7<sup>th</sup> Ave)**

Site is under construction.

**MISD-Longfellow Elem (2900 8<sup>th</sup> Ave)**

Site is under construction.

**Parks/Schmidt Stonefield (901 Tower Terrace Rd)**

Plans are being reviewed.

## TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)

As the chairman of the Traffic Advisory Committee (TAC) it is the City Engineer's responsibility to coordinate citizen requests regarding traffic concerns and possible changes in signage or traffic regulations. The TAC is comprised of the City Engineer, City Manager, Police Chief, Fire Chief, Planning Director, and the Public Services Director. The committee meets when necessary and able to evaluate the requests and make a recommendation to City Council whether the request warrants mitigation. Requests are only accepted in written form (letter or email) and directed to the Mayor and City Council. The City Council then decides if the request is only for information or requires evaluation and referral to the TAC. If review is necessary Council will, by motion, receive and file the item and refer it to TAC.

The TAC evaluates the requests based on several criteria including the following:

- Traffic counts, speed, vehicle type, and overall volumes provided by staff and traffic data collectors,
- Vehicle and pedestrian accident rates provided by the Police Department,
- Site visibility and stopping distances based on engineering standards,
- Emergency vehicle, snow removal, and garbage pickup accessibility,
- General public use versus individual owner needs,
- Input by the requestor and the public.

TAC then uses the criteria to discuss, evaluate, and provide a recommendation to City Council at a regular Council Meeting. The requestor is notified of the date that the report recommendation will be presented and provided a time to address City Council regarding the request. Once Council has acted on the request notice is sent to the requestor and appropriate action is taken by staff.

- **At this time TAC has not received any requests to review.**

## UPCOMING COUNCIL ACTION ITEMS

- **On August 4, 2016 City Council:**
  - amended Section 69.06 – 13 of the Code of Ordinances establishing parking regulations regarding length of reservation spaces within the Incorporated Limits of the City (Final Consideration).
  - accepted the 2015 Alburnett Road Widening Project.
  - accepted the 2016 Sanitary Sewer Manhole Repair Project.

## PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION ITEMS

- **On July 21, 2016 City Council:**
  - approved amending Section 69.06 – 13 of the Code of Ordinances establishing parking regulations regarding length of reservation spaces within the Incorporated Limits of the City (Second Consideration).
  - accepted the 2016 Lindale Trail Crossing at Lindale Drive Project.
  - amended the original motion and directed staff to prepare an encroachment agreement associated with the request for use and improvements at 3501 29<sup>th</sup> Avenue (Ken and Karen Swalley, 3500 28<sup>th</sup> Avenue).

*These are not comprehensive lists of items that City Council will consider taking action on or has taken action on; for a comprehensive list please refer to the upcoming City Council agenda, which can be found at [www.cityofmarion.org](http://www.cityofmarion.org).*

We continue to build an email list, so please forward addresses to me of those wishing to receive this information. Feel free to forward to anyone with interest.

If you have additional questions regarding ongoing projects please address them to my email and I will add them to future reports.

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