

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT PROJECT NEWS

July 7, 2017

CITY NEWS

Free Sunrise Yoga Continues at Lowe Park - Saturdays this Summer

Blue Zones Project® Marion and Marion Parks and Recreation are again teaming up with area yoga and fitness instructors to offer free outdoor yoga classes. Classes will be held every Saturday morning at 7:30 a.m. through August at the Klopfenstein Amphitheater for the Performing Arts at Lowe Park (4500 N. 10th Street). Participants are encouraged to bring a water bottle and yoga mat or beach towel. All ages and abilities are welcome. Registration is not required, but participants will be asked to sign a waiver upon arrival.

Uptown Marion Market Returns this Saturday

Make your way to Uptown Marion this Saturday to enjoy the Uptown Marion Market. It will be open for business from 8 a.m. – noon in City Square Park. Each market features more than 50 vendors offering fresh produce, baked goods, honey, flowers, plants, meat, wines, and an array of artisan items. In addition, food vendors will be onsite to offer a variety of take-and-eat items. The market will also feature live entertainment, cooking demonstrations, children's entertainment and healthy living programming for all ages. The City has an information booth at the event and the Police and Fire Departments will offer demonstrations.

Pedal Marion Bike Ride July 8

Marion's Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee is hosting a community bike ride known as "Pedal Marion" at the conclusion of the Uptown Marion Market tomorrow. Bicyclists are encouraged to meet at City Square Park when the market closes at noon to depart on an 8-mile loop around Marion. The rides are open to all ages and the group will travel at a family-friendly pace. Helmets are required, but there is no cost to participate.

Marion PD to Host AARP Smart Driver™ Course

Cars have changed. So have traffic rules, driving conditions and the roads we travel every day. On Saturday, July 15, 2017 the Marion Police Department will host the AARP Smart Driver™ course from 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Marion Police Headquarters, 6315 Highway 151 in Marion. The course, offered by AARP Driver Safety, is the nation's first and largest refresher course designed specifically for drivers age 50 and older. AARP membership is not required to attend and all ages are welcome.



AARP instructors will cover the current rules of the road, defensive driving techniques and how to operate a vehicle more safely in today's increasingly challenging driving environment. Attendees will learn techniques for handling left turns, right-of-way and roundabouts. In addition, participants will discover proven driving methods to help keep themselves and their loved ones safe on the road. Anyone interested in attending is encouraged to contact their insurance company, as some will offer an auto insurance discount for attending the course. The course is available to AARP members for \$15 and non-members for \$20. To register, contact Lt. Mark Merta at 319-377-1511 or [email](#). Payment will be collected the day of the event.

Midwest Dueling Pianos Return to Lowe Park on July 15

Join the Marion Parks and Recreation Department for a night of outdoor family fun as dueling pianists take you on an interactive whirlwind tour of music across all different decades and genres. From sing-a-longs, to dancing, to jokes, you're sure to have a great night of laughs and memories with the guys from Midwest Dueling Pianos. This FREE, family-friendly show will take place on Saturday, July 15 at 7 p.m. at the Klopfenstein Amphitheater at Lowe Park. Guests should bring a chair or blanket for seating. Outside food and drink are permitted, but limited concessions will also be available onsite. Sponsored by the Marion Hotel/Motel Grant Program.



Satellite Absentee Voting offered at Marion Public Library on July 20

The Marion Public Library is hosting a satellite voting station Thursday, July 20 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The Marion Public Library is located at 1095 6th Ave., Marion, Iowa. The election is to choose a supervisor representation plan. Absentee ballots will be available for eligible voters of Linn County. This voting opportunity is in addition to the Linn County Auditor's office, which is open for absentee voting Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. through July 31, 2017. Election Day is Tuesday, August 1, 2017. For additional information about this satellite voting station, please contact Linn County Election Services. Phone: 319-892-5300, ext. 1. Email: elections@LinnCounty.org.

Visit www.linncounty.org/ElectionServices to gain access to all election-related information for Linn County.

2017 PROJECTS OUT FOR BID

2017 Storm Sewer Project – \$200,000 FY18

Funding Source: Annual program using Capital Improvement Project funds

Project Overview: The project includes the construction of storm sewer and draitile, as well as effected sidewalks, drives, and ramps at the following locations:

- 15th Street (West Side): former Rail Road Property to 5th Avenue
- Valleyview Drive (North Side): S. 15th Street to 1900 Valleyview Drive
- Hillview Drive (North Side): S. 15th Street to 1940 Valleyview Drive
- S. 15th Street (East Side): Valleyview Drive to 845 South 15th Street Drive

- W. 33rd Avenue (North Side): 120 to 98 33rd Avenue
- 25th Avenue (North Side): 3100 to 3460 25th Avenue

The engineer's preliminary construction estimate for the 2017 Storm Sewer Project is \$200,331.01.

Sealed bids will be received by the City of Marion on the 25th day of July, 2017.

City Council will hold a public hearing on August 3, 2017 to consider the bids submitted. Work shall begin no later than August 28, 2017 and be completed within 35 working days. Liquidated damages in the amount of \$300 per day will be assessed for each calendar day in excess of this schedule.

This project will require localized lane closures at the various locations.

2017 31st Street Rehabilitation Project (NSI) - \$200,000

Funding Source: Neighborhood Street Improvements (NSI) funding

Project Overview: This project will provide for alignment modifications of 31st Street at 1st Avenue/Munier Road intersection for southbound traffic. The project will also include the removal and replacement of PCC patches between 1st Avenue and 3rd Avenue.

The engineer's preliminary construction estimate for the 2017 31st Street Rehabilitation Project (NSI) is \$151,422.50.

Sealed bids will be received by the City of Marion on the 11th day of July, 2017.

City Council will hold a public hearing on July 20, 2017 to consider the bids submitted. Work shall begin no later than September 11, 2017 and be completed within 20 working days. Liquidated damages in the amount of \$500 per day will be assessed for each calendar day in excess of this schedule.

During construction, full road closure is expected to occur.

Lucore Road Reconstruction Project - \$1,570,000

Funding Source: LOST funding

Project Overview: This project will include the reconstruction of Lucore Road from approximately Hunters Ridge Road south to approximately the Indian Creek Bridge. The project includes the reconstruction of the existing pavement, sidewalks, storm sewer, subdrain, and other associated work.

The engineer's preliminary construction estimate for the 2017 Lucore Road Reconstruction Project is \$1,723,997.50.

Sealed bids will be received by the City of Marion on the 11th day of July, 2017.

City Council will hold a public hearing on July 20, 2017 to consider the bids submitted. Work shall begin no later than August 14, 2017 and be completed within 145 working days.

Liquidated damages in the amount of \$750 per day will be assessed for each calendar day in excess of this schedule.

During construction there will be a period of complete street closure to provide for storm sewer installation and complete pavement reconstruction.

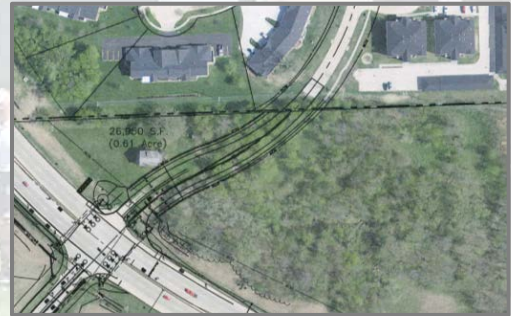
2017 PROJECTS CURRENTLY UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Armar Drive Extension Project – Rathje Construction Co., \$329,618.65

Funding Source: Bond and LOST funding

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.

The engineer's preliminary construction estimate for the 2017 Armar Drive Extension Project was \$525,000.00.



City Council held a public hearing on June 8, 2017 and accepted the bids and awarded the contract to the low bidder, Rathje Construction Co. The low bid amount is \$329,618.65, which is 62% of the engineer's estimate. On June 22, 2017 City Council approved the contract with Rathje Construction.

Progress Updates: A preconstruction meeting was held on June 28, 2017. Rathje is tentatively planning on starting work July 31, 2017.

Work shall begin no later than July 31, 2017 and be completed within 60 working days. Liquidated damages in the amount of \$300 per day will be assessed for each calendar day in excess of this schedule.

There will be little impact to traffic, but be aware of construction traffic turning into and out of the site.

Central Corridor Project (13th Street to 19th Street) – Abode Construction

Funding Source: This project is a joint public/private project with the City and Abode Construction.

Project Overview: On May 10, 2014 a resolution approving a development agreement with Genesis Equities, LLC including tax increment financing payments in an amount not to exceed \$8,400,000 plus interest, was approved by City Council providing for the construction funding by the developer. This agreement includes the Central Corridor Project from 13th Street to 31st Street.

This portion of the project includes the reconstruction of 6th Avenue from 13th Street to 19th Street. The City is in the process of acquiring the necessary easements and properties before moving forward. Depending on acquisitions, this project may be constructed in multiple phases with a roundabout located at 6th Avenue and 15th Street.



Progress Updates: On June 8, 2017, City Council approved a contract with Genesis Equities, LLC regarding the demolition of buildings along 6th Avenue between 14th Street and 17th Street. They have also applied for demolition permits through the Building Department which are currently under review.

Final design plans have been returned to the engineering firm for a few revisions before they are finalized.

Working days and completion date will be set and controlled by the developer.

Central Corridor Project (26th Street to 31st Street) – Abode Construction, \$2,600,000

Funding Source: This is a joint public/private project with the City and Abode Construction.

Project Overview: The project includes the partial construction of the Central Corridor Project between 13th and 31st Streets by Abode Construction; this portion of the project will construct the roundabout between 26th Street and 31st Street as Phase 2 with five separate stages.

Progress Updates: As of Tuesday, June 6, the Contractor opened all lanes of the roundabout to traffic. There are a few minor punchlist items for them to complete before the project is accepted.

Working days and completion date will be set and controlled by the developer. The contractor has completed 99% of the Phase II contract.

Central Corridor Complete Streets and Capacity Improvements (Roundabout at 7th Avenue & 7th Street) - Ricklefs Excavating, LTD, \$2,900,000

Funding Source: Bond funding and a grant from the Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program.

Project Overview: This project included a reconstruction of the 7th Street and 7th Avenue intersection as a four-legged roundabout. A ribbon cutting was held on November 10, 2016.



Progress Updates: The Contractor has resumed work and is finishing up the remaining punchlist items as well as final seeding some areas.

The contractor has used approximately 161.5 of 122 working days provided; 99% of the contract has been completed.

2017 HMA Resurfacing Project – L.L. Pelling Co., \$702,137.00

Funding Source: Miscellaneous Street Repair funding

Project Overview: This annual program includes approximately 5019 tons of ½ inch asphalt surface and base and 22,450 square yards of milling.

Progress Updates: The Contractor has finished Mobilization #1 and #2 per the schedule, they started Mobilization #3 July 5th. Within each mobilization, the Contractor will start with milling the existing streets, laying the base layer, and then finishing up with the surface layer.

Mobilization #1: [6.5.17 – 6.16.17] (Completed)

- 1) Keyes Court: Marion Boulevard to Blairs Ferry Road
- 2) 7th Street: 9th Avenue to Central Avenue
- 3) 14th Avenue: 24th Street to 26th Street.
- 4) 3rd Street: 3rd Avenue to 5th Avenue

Mobilization #2: [6.19.17 – 7.3.17] (Completed)

- 1) Knollcrest Drive: Keyes Court to Blairs Ferry Road
- 2) Grand Avenue: S. 15th Street to S. 22nd Street
- 3) 23rd Avenue: 27th Street to 31st Street
- 4) 12th Avenue: 12th Street to 13th Street

Mobilization #3: [7.5.17 – 7.19.17] (In Progress)

- 1) Ridge Drive: Southview Drive to Longview Drive **(Completed)**
- 2) Ridge Court: Southview Drive north **(Completed)**
- 3) 8th Street: 7th Avenue to Central Avenue **(base layer)**
- 4) 1st Avenue: S. 11th Street to S. 15th Street **(base layer)**



City Council approved Change Order #1 at their June 8, 2017 meeting. This Change Order added two additional streets (3rd Street: 3rd Avenue to 5th Avenue and 12th Avenue: 12th Street to 13th Street) and three additional working days to the Project.

The Contractor has used 20 of the 45 working days provided; 63% of the contract is complete. 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.

2017 Miscellaneous Sanitary Sewer Repairs (manhole) – Rathje Construction Co.,
\$55,825.00

Funding Source: Sanitary Sewer funding

Project Overview: The project includes the removal and replacement of four sanitary sewer manholes and associated work. This work is to provide better access and maintenance to the existing sanitary sewer network.

On April 6, 2017 City Council approved the manholes located on 11th Avenue at 4th Street and 5th Street, at the intersection of S. 22nd Street and 1st Avenue, and at the intersection of 11th Avenue and 24 ½ Street.

City Council held a public hearing on May 4, 2017, accepted the bids, and awarded the contract to the low bidder, Rathje Construction Company. The low bid amount was \$55,825.00, which is 105% of the engineer's estimate. On May 18, 2017, City Council approved the contract and bond with Rathje Construction Company.

Progress Updates: A preconstruction meeting was held on June 28, 2017. Per the schedule, Rathje is tentatively planning to start work July 24, 2017; however, the schedule may be altered and work may begin sooner.

Some lane closures and localized congestion are expected during construction. Work shall begin no later than July 24, 2017 and be completed within 25 working days. Liquidated damages in the amount of \$300 per day will be assessed for each calendar day in excess of this schedule.

2017 Miscellaneous Sanitary Sewer Repairs (sliplining) – Municipal Pipe Tool Co., LLC,
\$174,720.15

Funding Source: Sanitary Sewer funding

Project Overview: This project will include cured-in-place pipe (CIPP) sewer lining of 8-inch diameter pipe, 10-inch diameter pipe, 12-inch diameter pipe and 15-inch diameter pipe.

On April 6, 2017 City Council approved the recommended street locations as follows:

1. Hillview Drive from S. 7th Street to S. 8th Street
2. S. 8th Street from Grand Avenue to Hillview Drive
3. Grand Avenue from S. 8th Street to S. 11th Street
4. 2nd Avenue from 7th Street to 9th Street
5. 10th Street from 1st Avenue to 3rd Avenue
6. 11th Street from 12th Avenue to 13th Avenue
7. 13th Avenue from 10th Street to 11th Street
8. 11th Street from 13th Avenue to 14th Avenue
9. 19th Street from 6th Avenue to 7th Avenue
10. 7th Avenue from 19th Street to 22nd Street
11. 11th Avenue from Northview Drive to 24th Street
12. Northview Drive from 11th Avenue to 12th Avenue
13. 12th Avenue from Northview Drive west
14. Alley between 24th Street and 25th Street, from 10th Avenue to 11th Avenue



City Council held a public hearing on May 4, 2017, accepted the bids, and awarded the contract to the low bidder, Municipal Pipe Tool Company, LLC. The low bid amount was \$174,720.15, which is 71.7% of the engineer's estimate. On May 18, 2017, City Council approved the contract and bond with Municipal Pipe Tool Company, LLC. On June 22, 2017, City Council approved Change Order #1 for additional work located at 3rd Avenue from 26th Street to 31st Street and 6th Avenue from 7th Street to 6th Street and turning north onto 6th Street to north alley.

Progress Updates: Before work can begin, a pre-construction meeting will be held.

Some lane closures and localized congestion are expected during construction. Work shall be completed no later than September 24, 2017. Liquidated damages in the amount of \$300 per day will be assessed for each calendar day in excess of this schedule.

2017 Miscellaneous Sidewalk Assessment Project – Eastern IA Excavating & Concrete, LLC
\$58,324.09

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. Locations are added to a comprehensive list, reviewed for need, and recommended to City Council by a committee.

The 2017 Miscellaneous Sidewalk Assessment Project will occur along the east side of 29th Street from 10th Avenue to 12th Avenue. Construction is expected in the summer of 2017 and will include some partial lane closures, mainly in residential areas.



The engineer's preliminary construction estimate for the 2017 Sidewalk Assessment Project was \$70,817.50. City Council held a public hearing on June 8, 2017 and accepted the bids and awarded the contract to the low bidder, Eastern IA Excavating & Concrete, LLC. The low bid amount is \$58,324.09, which is 82% of the engineer's estimate. On June 22, 2017 City Council approved the contract with Eastern IA Excavating & Concrete, LLC.

Progress Updates: The Contractor started work on July 5, 2017 with removals of soil and trees.

Some lane closures and localized congestion are expected during construction. Work shall be completed within 30 working days. Liquidated damages in the amount of \$300 per day will be assessed for each calendar day in excess of this schedule.

2017 Sidewalk Ramp Repair Project – Hunt Construction Company, Inc., \$79,452.00

Funding Source: This annual program uses bonded funding.

Project Overview: The project includes the reconstruction of approximately 5,310 sq. ft. of sidewalks, sidewalk ramps, and associated work. City Council approved additional work to be added to the project contract at their meeting on April 20, 2017.

Progress Updates: The Contractor has completed pouring all the ramps included in the original contract. The Contractor has started work on the ramp locations listed within Change Order #1.

The Contractor has used 32 of the 50 working days provided; 99% of the contract is complete. 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 Winslow Road Reconstruction Project – Rathje Construction - \$994,589.75

Funding Source: LOST funding

Project Overview: This project, includes 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 began in 2016 and will be completed in 2017. Complete street closures will occur within each stage of the project and the detour plans can be found on the City's website. Detour signs will be posted prior to road closures.

The following is an approximate timeline of the four project stages (weather dependent):

Stage A: north side of bridge over Berry's Run to south of the intersection with Hunters Ridge Road [**Almost Complete**]

Stage B: south of the intersection with Hunters Ridge Road to north of the southern intersection of Hunters Creek Way [**In Progress**]

Stage C: north of the southern intersection of Hunters Creek Way to halfway between Bellboy Drive and Valentine Drive [**Completed**]

Stage D: halfway between Bellboy Drive and Valentine Drive to Para Drive [**Completed**]



Progress Updates: There is still some work to finish within Stage A before it is considered complete; however, it has been re-opened to traffic, Berry's Run Bridge to the south side of the intersection with Hunters Ridge Road. Within Stage B, all of the pavement, driveway approaches, and sidewalk has been removed. Next week the plan is to install storm sewer.

The contractor has used approximately 100 of the 135 working days provided; 73% 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.

2017 GENERAL PROJECT UPDATES

Alburnett Road Extension Project - \$2,300,000 (Concept Study – Snyder & Associates, \$248,950)

Funding Source: LOST funding

Project Overview: This project will include the first phase of the extension of Alburnett Road from 7th Avenue to Boyson Road.

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 7th Avenue. Council has reaffirmed the need for the realignment due to traffic volumes on Central Avenue and 10th Street. Project funding is not intended to provide for the construction of the bridge over Indian Creek, but will allow for extensive preliminary work to be completed. City Council awarded a contract to Snyder & Associates regarding the concept study on June 23, 2016 in an amount of \$248,950.00.



Snyder & Associates is currently finalizing the alignment location and compiling the concept plans. The project was discussed at the Parks Board meeting on April 12, 2017 and at the Water Board meeting on May 9, 2017. City staff along with Snyder & Associates held a public open house on May 23, 2017 to answer questions and discuss the proposed alignment.

At the Council Work Session on June 20, 2017, a history of the Alburnett Road Extension Project was presented to City Council. The memo presented to City Council is available at www.cityofmarion.org/departments/engineering.

Briargate 6th Addition (35th Avenue & 44th Street) - \$375,000

This project will improve 35th Avenue west of Highway 13 in relation to the development of the Briargate 6th Addition. The connection of 44th Street to 35th Avenue is developer driven as it is associated with the subdivision.

Next week, July 10, 2017, the Developer plans to close down 35th Avenue in conjunction with the Briargate 6th Addition. This will allow for the conversion of a rural cross section to an urban cross section along their property and will extend 44th Street north to 35th Avenue.

The existing gravel section of 35th Avenue will be closed to traffic from 35th Street to Highway 13 until mid-September to allow for this work to occur (diagram on following page).



2017 S. 12th Street & A Avenue Water Main Relay Project – Rathje Construction, \$179,253
Funding Source: Water Revenue

Project Overview: Marion Water Board awarded the contract at the April 11, 2017 board meeting to Rathje Construction. The project involves relaying 2,150 linear feet of 6” water main and the replacement of fire hydrants, water valves, sidewalks, and affective driveways. The Contractor plans on starting the work late summer. Work shall be completed by October 27th 2017.

Tower Terrace Road Project (Winslow Road to Lennon Lane) - \$1,400,000
Funding Source: Tax Increment Financing

Project Overview: Schnoor-Bonifazi has been hired to complete the engineering design services. This project includes the extension of Tower Terrace Road from Winslow Road to Lennon Lane.

This project will be constructed in two phases. Phase one would include the extension of Tower Terrace Road to Winslow Road. Phase two, Indian Creek Road (Tower Terrace Road) Project, will include the reconstruction and realignment of Winslow Road, including connections to Oak Savannah Court and Vaughn Drive.



City Council approved a Memorandum of Agreement with Morris Wood Enterprises, LLC on May 18, 2017 regarding the removal of pavement. The construction work will be done by the Developer and their contractor.

Construction of this project will require the planned closure of Indian Creek Road from 35th Avenue to Lucore Road.

Indian Creek Road (Tower Terrace Road) - \$660,000

Funding Sources: Tax Increment Financing

Project Overview: This project includes the realignment and reconstruction of Winslow Road between Tower Terrace Road and Indian Creek Road and is the second phase related to the Tower Terrace Road (Winslow Road to Lennon Lane) Project. It will also include modified connections to Oak Savannah Court and Vaughn Drive.

Indian Creek Trunk Sewer Replacement Project - \$6,361,229 (Segment 7: \$4,200,000)

Project Overview: The Indian Creek and Dry Run Creek Trunk Sanitary Sewer consists of approximately 16 miles of sanitary sewer ranging in size from 18-inches to 48-inches in diameter. The trunk sewer is multi-jurisdictional serving Linn County and the cities of Cedar Rapids, Marion, Hiawatha and Robins. The new sanitary sewer will provide additional capacity to accommodate present needs and future growth. The sanitary sewer will be constructed in multiple phases over a period of 15 plus years.

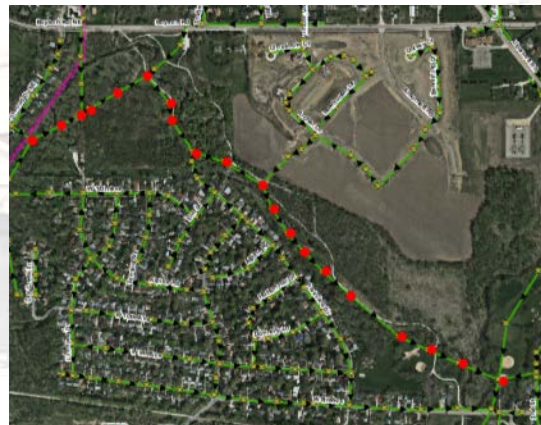
The City of Marion has completed the development of a 28E agreement for the construction of Segments 7 and 11. These include:

1. From confluence Indian Creek and Dry Run Creek to approximately 700 feet north of the intersection of Alpine Road and West 14th Avenue, approximately 4,972 lineal feet.
2. From 36th Street Drive (east of) to approximately 300 feet north of Iowa Highway 100, approximately 6,393 lineal feet.

On June 9, 2016 Marion City Council approved the 28E Agreement with Cedar Rapids, Hiawatha, Robins, and Linn County. City Council approved a contract with Veenstra & Kimm, Inc. for engineering design services in an amount not to exceed \$315,000.00. Segment 7 is currently being designed; this is expected to take several months. Construction of Segments 7 (2 phases) and 11 is expected to begin in 2017 and take several years.



Trunk Sewer Segment 7



Trunk Sewer Segment 11

SUBDIVISION/COMMERCIAL 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 4th Addition - Rathje Construction, E & F Paving

Location: Faulkner Avenue to Hemmingway Street, SE of 35th Avenue and 35th Street

Sewer cleaning and re-televising and bonds have been submitted.

Authors 5th Addition (4th Addition Plans) - Rathje Construction, E & F Paving

Location: 35th Avenue east of 35th Street, Hemmingway Street connection to 35th Avenue

Water main work underway.

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

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

Underground utilities have been installed. No work being done.

Briargate 6th Addition – Abode

Location: 35th Avenue and 44th Street

Work will begin on 35th Avenue (week of July 10th).

Bridge Creek 4th Addition - Ricklefs Excavating, City Wide

Location: Winslow Road south of Rolling Glen Drive Storm

Mainlines have been poured. The intersections are next.

Champion Estates 4th Addition – Pirc Tobin

Location: Artesian Road, east of Lucore

Grading ROW is next. Sanitary and storm sewer has been installed.

Country Club Estates 13th Addition

Location: East side of Irish Drive, south of Lowe Park

Plans have been approved.

Downing Farm 1st Addition – Ricklefs

Location: West side of Alburnett Road, north of East Robins Road.

Sanitary main has been installed. Storm sewer has been installed in ROW. Site work is ongoing.

Downing Farm 2nd Addition – Ricklefs

Location: Kettering Road extension, north of East Robins Road.

Intake tops are set and intake inserts have been poured. A punch-list needs to be created.

Echo Ridge Estates 2nd Addition - Pirc Tobin

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

Punch-list needs to be created.

First United Methodist Church 1st Addition – 35th Avenue – Dave Schmitt, City Wide

Location: 35th Avenue west of Hwy 13, REC Drive extension west of Hwy 13

REC Drive plans approved with REC 2nd Addition. 35th Avenue plans have been approved but will not be constructed at this time.

Gemstone Estates 4th Addition – Rathje, E&F

Location: Gemstone Road extension – north of Tower Terrace Road, west of Lennon Lane

Plans have been approved



Glen Rock Farms 7th Addition

Location: West side of Winslow Road, south of County Home Road.
Mass grading is underway.

Prairie Hill 17th Addition – Eastern IA, Schaul Excavating
Location: extensions of 50th Street and Prairie Hill Drive, and 28th Avenue.
Compaction tests are passing for trenches. Drantile is being installed.

Prairie Trail 2nd Addition – Rathje, E&F
Location: Oak Park Trail and Prairie Trail extensions on west side of Alburnett Road.
Prairie Trail mainline has been poured. Oak Park Trail mainline pour is next.

Commercial Sites

Aldi's Addition (1001 50th Street)

Site is under construction.

Bob Burger (5606/8 Business Lane)

Site under construction.

Capital Commercial (1204 7th Avenue)

The current building permit has expired. It is unknown at this time when reconstruction will begin.

Cobban & Hervey Building (1138 7th Avenue)

Site is under construction.

Ian Shaw, DDS (1180 7th Avenue)

Temporary Occupancy issued.

Iowa Walls Warehouse (5951 Linn Aire Avenue)

Plans under review. Foundation permit issued.

KTRO Storage Phase II (4150 3rd Avenue)

Site under construction.

KTRO Commercial Condos (4150 3rd Avenue)

Site under construction.

Linn Mar High School Remodel (3111 10th Street)

Temporary Occupancy issued.

MISD-Longfellow Elem (2900 8th Avenue)

Site is under construction.

Marion Public Services Site (3rd Avenue)

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

Menards Remodel (200 Menard Lane)

Partial occupancy has been granted.

Morris/Woods Self-Storage (1111 Eagleview Drive)

Permit issued.

Morris/Woods Shop (6271 Partners Avenue)

Site under construction.

Parks/Schmidt Stonefield (901 Tower Terrace Road)

Internal build-outs are under construction.

RDW Plumbing (861 62nd Street)

Site under construction.

Select Construction (665 49th Street)

Site is under construction.

Sunny Ridge Apartments (2255 & 2257 Bison Court)

Site under construction.

Terrace Glen Village Senior Housing (3400 Alburnett Road)

Site is under construction.

The Views (720 Oakbrook Drive)

Site is under construction.

Victorian Corner Olmstead (1655 Blairs Ferry Road)

Site is under construction.

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 verses 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.

- **TAC is reviewing the following items:**
 - **request for a pedestrian crosswalk on Boyson Road at Timber Creek Drive (Robert Raftis, 2025 Timber Creek Drive).**

UPCOMING COUNCIL ACTION ITEMS

- **On July 22, 2017 City Council will consider:**
 - **receiving and filing correspondence in regards to a request for a 'No Parking' zone on Mulberry Drive from East Robins Road to Mulberry Court (Lisa Hawk et al., Mulberry Ridge Subdivision).**

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION ITEMS

- **On July 6, 2017 City Council:**
 - approved temporary construction easements associated with the 2017 Storm Sewer Project and 2017 Sidewalk Assessment Project.
 - approved a property purchase at 184 8th Avenue associated with the Alburnett Road Extension Project.
 - received and filed the TAC Report regarding the request for a 'No Parking' request on Edgebrooke Drive from 29th Avenue to 3345 Edgebrooke Drive.
 - received and filed correspondences in opposition to the 'No Parking' request on Edgebrooke Drive from 29th Avenue to 3345 Edgebrooke Drive.
 - denied the request for a 'No Parking' zone on Edgebrooke Drive from 29th Avenue to 3345 Edgebrooke Drive.

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.

Non-Official Signs in the Public Right-of-Way Policy

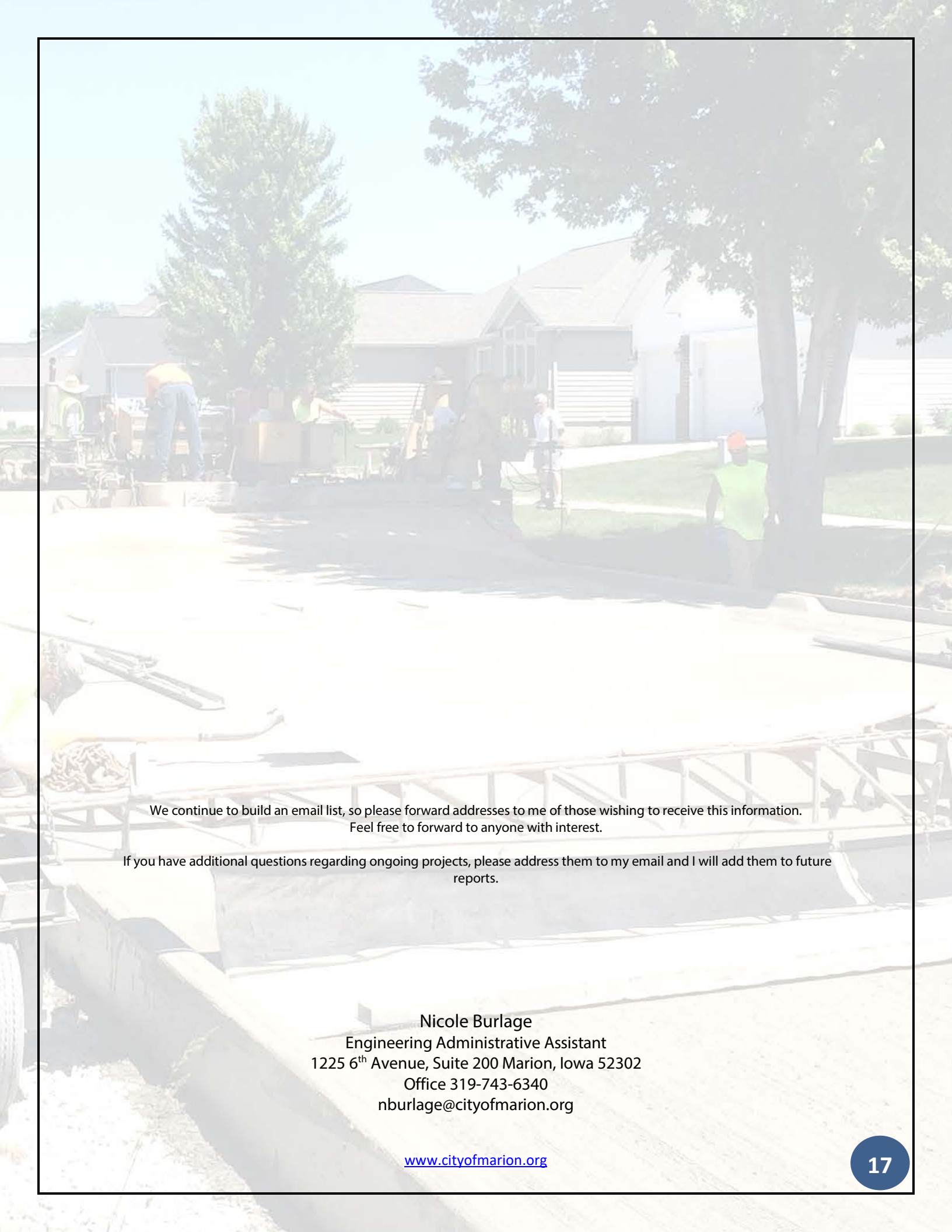
On May 18, 2017 City Council, at their Regular Council Meeting, supported staff's recommendation to more comprehensively enforce existing regulations regarding all non-regulatory signs in the street right-of-way and on City Property and directed staff to prepare a structured process for handling removed signs.

Staff has now prepared a draft policy and wishes to further inform the public regarding the current level of enforcement of the code and the anticipated enforcement of the policy following formal adoption. Staff is also seeking input regarding the policy and non-official signs in the public right-of-way.

A U.S. Supreme Court decision, *Reed v. Town of Gilbert*, June 18, 2015, determined it was unconstitutional for a jurisdiction to regulate signs by content. Regulations must provide for the enforcement of any policy to include all non-regulatory signs. Therefore City staff will be removing all signs similarly.

The purpose of a policy would be for the enforcement of signs in the right-of-way per the City Code and is intended to promote and protect the public health, safety and welfare; by creating a more attractive economic and business climate within the commercial and office areas of the City; by enhancing and protecting the physical appearance of all areas of the City; and by reducing the distractions, obstructions and hazards to pedestrian and auto traffic caused by the indiscriminate placement and use of signs.

The Complete Draft Policy is available at www.cityofmarion.org/departments/engineering



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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