

## ENGINEERING PROJECT NEWS

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## BID OPPORTUNITIES

- [2025 Crack Sealing Project Rebid](#) – bid 8.12.25

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## STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

### *1st Avenue Reconstruction Project* – Rathje – \$1,747,847.27

**Project Overview:** This project will span two construction seasons (2025/2026) and includes the complete removal and replacement of 1<sup>st</sup> Ave from the intersection of 15<sup>th</sup> St to 22<sup>nd</sup> St as well as removal and replacement of 22<sup>nd</sup> St from 1<sup>st</sup> Ave to 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. The project includes upgrades to water, sanitary sewer and storm sewer infrastructure.

**Progress Update:** Rathje is working on Stage 1 and 1A. 1<sup>st</sup> Ave from 15<sup>th</sup> St to 21<sup>st</sup> St is closed to thru traffic, including the intersection of 1<sup>st</sup> Ave and 15<sup>th</sup> St. We anticipate opening the 15<sup>th</sup> St intersection by Aug. 15.



### *Pavement Patching Project* – Cedar Falls Construction – \$1,141,405

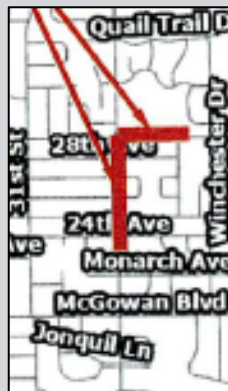
**Project Overview:** This program is designed to extend the life of existing roadways that are showing signs of deterioration. By replacing failed panels and reinforcing cracks, the pavement can be salvaged rather than allowing it to continue to deteriorate.

**Progress Update:** Work on 6<sup>th</sup> Ave from 8<sup>th</sup> St to 15<sup>th</sup> St is complete. Crews will continue construction at the following locations:

- 35<sup>th</sup> St from Monarch Ave to 29<sup>th</sup> Ave
- 29<sup>th</sup> Ave from 35<sup>th</sup> St to Highland Dr

On Aug. 11, the contractor will close 29<sup>th</sup> Ave just east of 35<sup>th</sup> St. This section of roadway will be closed for 1 week. This closure will allow for the remaining partial patches, crack sealing and pavement markings to be completed.

The previously established detour will be reinstated during this closure to maintain traffic access, and residents will have access to their driveways from the east during this closure. Full project completion is anticipated by Aug. 22, weather permitting.



- Boyson Rd from west City limits to Central Ave

Earlier this week, the contractor completed full-depth patching work on Boyson Rd–Phase 1 from City limits to Alburnett Rd. Following completion of diamond grinding operations on 35<sup>th</sup> St next week, diamond grinding work will begin on Boyson Rd–Phase 1. Upon completion, additional improvements including partial patching,



crack sealing and pavement markings will follow. Phase 1 is expected to be completed by Aug. 22, weather permitting. Work will then shift to Boyson Rd–Phase 2, which includes a closure of Boyson Rd from Alburnett Rd to Central Ave. Weather permitting, this closure is expected to last 4-5 weeks.

## MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS

### ***Sidewalk Ramp Project*** – Hunt Construction – \$167,297.50

**Project Overview:** The City committed to annual funding to provide for the reconstruction of non-ADA compliant sidewalks, ramps and associated work. The City has approximately 3,880 sidewalk ramps, of which 46% are compliant with design standards and 54% of the sidewalk ramps are considered non-compliant.

**Progress Update:** This project includes the removal and replacement of existing sidewalks and sidewalk ramps. When necessary, during construction, limited partial lane closures are anticipated on side streets. During work on each street/intersection, direct access to properties may be impacted (except for emergencies).

Sidewalk ramps will be reconstructed at the following locations:

#### **REMAINING LOCATIONS:**

- Rosslare St/Pennington Dr
- Raleigh Ln/Pennington Dr
- Daleview Dr/26<sup>th</sup> St
- 31<sup>st</sup> St/10<sup>th</sup> Ave



#### **COMPLETED LOCATIONS:**

- Winslow Rd/Connection Ave
- 29<sup>th</sup> Ave/Somerbrook Ln
- 29<sup>th</sup> Ave/Oxford St
- 24<sup>th</sup> St/26<sup>th</sup> Ave
- 44<sup>th</sup> St/Vasey Ave
- 11<sup>th</sup> St/4<sup>th</sup> Ave
- 11<sup>th</sup> St/3<sup>rd</sup> Ave
- 11<sup>th</sup> St/2<sup>nd</sup> Ave
- 11<sup>th</sup> St/1<sup>st</sup> Ave

## SUBDIVISION DEVELOPMENT

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



### ***Subdivision Residential***

**Commons at English Glen, 8th Addition** – Rathje. Calder Dr extension south of 35<sup>th</sup> Ave. Punchlist items remain.

**Commons at English Glen, 9th Addition** – Boomerang. Eight Bells Dr extension of REC Dr. Street paving soon.

**Preserve at Lowe Park 1st Addition**– Boomerang. North of Lowe Park, west of 10<sup>th</sup> St. Preconstruction meeting to be held soon.

**Sycamore Heights 1st Addition** – Concise Earthworks. NE corner of 35<sup>th</sup> Ave/44<sup>th</sup> St. Subdivision work is completed and accepted.

**Sycamore Heights 2nd Addition** – Concise Earthworks. NW corner of 35<sup>th</sup> Ave/44<sup>th</sup> St. Sanitary installation has started.

### ***Commercial***

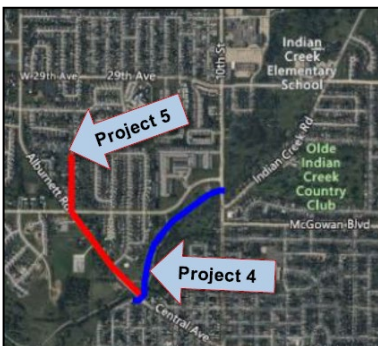
**Lindale Commercial Park** – Plans have been approved. Preconstruction meeting to be held soon.

## SANITARY SEWER PROJECTS

### ***ARPA Sanitary Trunk Sewer Projects 4/5***

Boomerang – \$2,947,643.46

**Project Overview:** Work includes reconstruction and upsizing of a sanitary sewer along Indian Creek from Central Ave to 10<sup>th</sup> St, and along Central Ave from Indian Creek to Boyson Rd. Work also includes water main replacement along Central Ave from Indian Creek to Boyson Rd, and north along Larick Dr to Isham Dr.



#### **Progress Update:**

Boomerang is continuing work on manhole and water main loop.

## STORMWATER/DRAINAGE PROJECTS

### ***Storm Sewer Project*** – Valentine Construction – \$187,346.25

**Project Overview:** The project includes drintile installation as well as removal and replacement of curb and gutter in the following areas:

- 29<sup>th</sup> St (W and E side) from 10<sup>th</sup> Ave to 12<sup>th</sup> Ave
- 24<sup>th</sup> St at 26<sup>th</sup> Ave (NE side)
- 21<sup>st</sup> Ave near 24<sup>th</sup> St
- 4<sup>th</sup> Ave near 27<sup>th</sup> St →
- Valley Park St south of Grand Ave

**Progress Update:** Valentine will continue installing subdrain on the west and east side of 29<sup>th</sup> St, north of 10<sup>th</sup> Ave to 12<sup>th</sup> Ave. This work is expected to last 3 more weeks, weather dependent. Access to driveways and sidewalks will be impacted in these areas. One lane of traffic will be maintained in each direction during construction.

On Aug. 13, Valentine will begin work on 4<sup>th</sup> Ave near 27<sup>th</sup> St. This includes closing 4<sup>th</sup> Ave west of 27<sup>th</sup> St. This work is expected to last one week, weather dependent.

