



CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

In **Stage 1**, the contractor has finished grading along the boulevards and will begin installation of the new sidewalk today. Installation of the sidewalk between 5th St. S. and Southview Boulevard will be completed early next week.

In **Stage 2**, the contractor has finished preliminary grading of the roadway and has begun installation of new curb and gutter. Installation of the majority of curb and gutter between 5th St. S. and 7th St. S. will be completed today. Finish grading for paving will begin next week. Paving is tentatively scheduled for late next week.



The minimum curing time for sidewalks and driveway aprons is 3 days. Concrete curb and gutters need 7 days to cure.

In **Stage 3**, the plan is to have all of the utilities, concrete and base pavement complete in Stages 1 and 2 before any work on Stage 3 begins. It will likely be early August before Stage 3 sees any construction activity.

Lighting

Street lighting will be added along 5th Avenue South in conjunction with the project. The initial work will include installation of the light pole bases, cabinets, conduits, and wires. It is anticipated that the poles and lights themselves will not be installed until late fall due to production and delivery time. Cobra heads on 25'-30' poles will be used at the intersections to provide complete lighting of the intersections for improved safety. Between intersections decorative lights on 14'-15' poles will be added intermittently for aesthetics and increased lighting. A picture of the decorative fixture head to be used is shown at the right.



SAFETY FIRST

The Contractor has posted signs at the alley entrances to notify motorists that no through traffic is allowed. Please note that alley speed limits are 10 mph and there may be more activity in the alleys due to the construction out front.

5th Avenue has been blocked off to traffic from 7th Street to Southview Blvd. Please continue to stay out of the construction area for your safety. Large and small construction equipment will be working in the area during the street improvements and it can be a powerful draw to curious onlookers (of all ages). Remember to stay clear of construction equipment. Your patience and cooperation is appreciated!



PROJECT CONTACTS & INFORMATION

- For construction related questions or concerns, during the hours the Contractor is working, please call the project representatives:
 - Tom Madigan (Lead Inspector) at (651) 554-3212
 - Mat Steely (Inspector) at (612) 636-7825
 - Lee Elfering, City Engineer, at (651) 554-3210 (Monday-Friday, 8 – 4:30)
 - After hours or on weekends you can leave a message to receive a follow-up call on the next business day at (651) 554-3210
 - Emergency after work hours, call 911
- For general project related questions, call (651) 554-3210 (Monday – Friday, 8 – 4:30)
- The project website will be used for posting construction newsletters and relevant information. The website address is <https://5thaves.com/>. Sign up to be e-mailed the newsletter!



OTHER IMPORTANT WATER INFORMATION

The City has sent out letters to all properties along the roadway informing residents of the existence of lead water services in the project area. Some of these residents have already begun replacing their lead services. The City has discovered another lead service that we were unaware of. The homeowner was notified. As the Contractor is performing the watermain work, we will determine the material type for each water service as we encounter it. If we encounter any indication of a lead water service to a property, that property owner will be notified.

The City will be replacing every water service from the City's main to the curb stop as part of the project. The replacement or work on the water service line from the curb stop to the house is the responsibility of the property owner. If a lead service exists to a residence, we would strongly recommend the property owner replace the remaining portion of the water service. However, the decision to replace is up to each property owner.

Should you choose to replace your service, each property owner would need to obtain a Contractor for completing the work of replacing their water service from the curb stop to the house. **The City does have programs at this time to help residents with the cost of replacing lead services, and due the impacts of our construction project you will likely be able to replace the service at less cost at this time rather than in the future after the road work is done.** If you have any questions on lead water services or if you would like more information on the cost saving programs the City has at this time, please call the City Engineer at the number below or look on the City's website.