



IA 136/JOHNSON ST. RECONSTRUCTION UPDATE #5

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PROJECT UPDATE #5

A week of nice weather helped the contractor this week on the IA 136/Johnson St. Reconstruction project. Monday the crew installed the majority of the new 8" water main across IA 136/Johnson St. at the 2nd Ave. intersection. The crew installed about 115 feet of 8" ductile iron pipe (DIP) along with a new water valve.

Tuesday the crew prepped the water main tie in points on West 2nd Ave. and East 3rd Ave. This included digging up the tie in points and staging material needed for the water main shutdowns on Wednesday and Thursday. After prepping these areas, the crew began installation of 8" PVC water main running south from 3rd Ave. to 4th Ave. This is a new line that will loop the water system and eliminate a water main dead end at 4th Ave. The crew installed about 140 feet of pipe this day.



Wednesday the crew completed the water main tie in on West 2nd Ave. This work consists of installing various pipe, fittings, and bends to connect the new pipes to the old pipes. After this was finished, the crew completed the pressure testing of the water main at 3rd Ave.

Thursday the crew completed the water main tie in on East 3rd Ave. A new water valve and new fire hydrant were also installed. This connection completes the water main work on 3rd Ave.

Friday the crew continued installation of the 8" PVC water main between 3rd and 4th Ave. They installed about 100 feet of 8" PVC water main and installed a blowoff to test that stretch next week.

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As of now, the plan for next week is to complete the remainder of water main on the project. This will include tying in residential water services to the new main and finishing the last of the water main tie ins to the water system. Once the water main is completed, storm sewer install will start. During water main install, portions of the existing water main will need to be shut off to connect the new water main to the existing system. During these times, residents in the immediate area of the work may experience periods of time without water. These water outages will be conveyed to affected residents the day prior to try and allow them time to plan for the scheduled shutdowns. Please keep an eye on your front doors for hangers.

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.