



BUILD MACHESNEY
A Blueprint for the Future

**Kingsley & Drexel Improvements
Construction Update #15
September 23, 2016**

- There is rain in the forecast over the weekend, and early into the work week which could certainly impact the construction schedule for the week.
- The Contractor will be prepping for curb and gutter on the NORTH side of Kingsley Drive between 4th and Elm Streets, and the WEST side of 4th Street between Evans and Kingsley. The Contractor expects to make a curb pour for this area on Wednesday, September 28th, weather permitting. We will issue a construction update the day ahead of the pour which will be delivered to your temporary mailbox (and will also be available on the Village's website), so please make it a point to check your mailbox or website in the afternoons. Most of the curb and gutter for this project is constructed via a machine that is guided by a "string line". Before the actual construction of the curb and gutter, the contractor will drive specialized stakes and set the string line that is used to guide the machine; and therefore you may lose access to your driveway for short periods of time while the contractor is initially positioning the string line. Please ask the Contractor to depress the string line if you need access to your driveway as driving through the string line may damage your vehicle, and may cause some of the stakes to come out of the ground which can cause injury to people or pets around the stakes. The Contractor has advised that curb crews will be on site beginning Monday, September 26th to set stakes and string line and take it back down. On Tuesday, September 27th, curb crews will be on site to put the string line back up and run the curb line. At this time the string line will stay up until the curb pour on Wednesday, September 28th. We ask that you please have your vehicle out of your driveway by 7:00 A.M the day of the pour. It typically takes 2-4 days for the concrete to cure to a sufficient strength to support traffic, so you will not have vehicular access to your driveways during that time. You will need to park on the opposite side of the road if you need access to your vehicle while the curb is curing. Parking and working space will be tight during the curb and gutter construction, and you might want to check to see if your neighbors on the opposite side of the street will allow you to park in their driveways. The Contractor will backfill a small portion (3-4 feet wide) of the new curb the day after it is poured to make it easier to walk over. They will backfill the remainder of the curb once it has cured to sufficient strength to support traffic. The contractor will be prepping the stone for the curb and gutter early in the week, and again, your driveway approach will be **much steeper** until the new curbing is in place.
- The Contractor will also pour curbing in the 600, 700, and 800 block of Kingsley Drive. Some of the curbing will cross driveways, and the Contractor will coordinate with the affected property owners on an individual basis.

(over)

- The Contractor will be working on sidewalk/driveway removals on Kingsley Drive. During the removal process, there will be a short period of time (30 minutes +/-) where your driveway will not be accessible. The Contractor will place a temporary stone driving surface to provide access until the forms are set for the concrete pour.
- Weather permitting, the Contractor will begin to pour concrete sidewalks on Drexel. This work is scheduled for later in the week, and the Contractor will coordinate with the property owners on an individual basis. Forms will be placed ahead of the sidewalk pour. Once poured, the sidewalk typically needs 3-5 days to cure to a sufficient strength to support vehicular traffic, and therefore you will not have access to your driveway during this time.
- For those of you in the 900 Block of Drexel that have been provided with the letter and Temporary Construction Easement forms, please get those forms turned in today if you desire the work to be done.

Finally, we have experienced a few isolated instances of vandalism. The vandalism results in additional expense, and adds time to the construction process and ultimately increases the inconvenience for all of the residents and business owners in the construction area. If you should see any vandalism occurring, please report it to the Machesney Park Division of the Winnebago County Sheriff's Police at (815) 282-2600.

If you have any comments or questions feel free to contact:

N-TRAK Group,
Danielle Schlichting
815-282-3000

McMahon
Chris Dopkins or Jim Kroeplin
815-636-9590

We again thank you for your patience, and we remind you to please continue to exercise caution while driving through the construction zone.