

City of Dawson – Phase 2 Street and Utility Project

Week starting 05-14-23

The Phase 2 project is part of an ongoing effort by the City to update its infrastructure. The project itself has been divided into 5 sub-phases to attempt to minimize the amount of disturbed area. The following information is meant to be an overview of the project.

Final Assessment hearing May 16th

Upcoming Work: **Schedule may change depending on weather or other circumstances**

- **May 15th:** One Crew working on sanitary on pine, heading toward 5th and north to the tracks on 5th. Watermain to follow. One crew will start work on 6th & Spruce, installing utilities heading South to the bridge. 8th St and 7th St and Spruce will be brought up to finish gravel grade. Concrete crews will work on 11th and Elm, and Chestnut St sidewalk, followed by Locust.
- **May 22nd:** Crew will finish working between Spruce and the bridge, then will begin working north toward the Chestnut St. Grading will begin on 6th street and crews will maintain as much access as possible. Concrete to follow.
- **6th St Detour:** The area between Spruce and the Bridge will be closed for underground work:
 - Traffic intending to travel South on 6th street from HWY 212 will instead turn South on 311th Ave (Approx 1.6 miles East of HWY 212/6th Street Intersection), travel 2.1 miles south to CR 8, then head West another 1.5 miles to get back onto CR 23(6th Street)
 - Traffic intending to travel North on 6th Street coming from South of town on CR 23 will turn East on CR 8, travel 1.5 miles and turn North on CR8, travel 2.1 miles and then turn West on HWY 212 for another 1.6 miles to get to the intersection of HWY 212/6th Street.
 - For citizen and worker safety we ask that motorists always obey detour signage/guidelines and plan their trips accordingly.
- A grading crew will follow behind, regrading streets left open from last year and bringing new streets to gravel-grade.
- Concrete crews will pour curb as streets are ready and as weather permits.
- Paving crew intend to pave as conditions/schedule/timing permits.

Project Area: (see the project map for reference)

1. Phase 1: The area South of the river and East of 6th Street
2. Phase 2: The area South of the river and West of 6th Street
3. Phase 3: The area surrounding the School, the area between 12th Street and 6th Street, and generally North of Pine Street.
4. Phase 4: The area West of 12th Street (with a small leg into Chestnut extending to 10th street) out to 15th Street.
5. Phase 5: The corridor along 6th Street. This phase is in conjunction with a county overlay project extending from Highway 212 to South past the City limits.

The project began with phases 1 and 2. Phase areas and timing will vary depending on contractor methods and existing conditions.

Updates on the phases:

- Phase 1:
 - Removals – Complete
 - Underground utilities – Complete
 - Road Grading – Complete
 - Concrete curb & gutter and pavement – Complete
 - Paving – Base lift complete. Final lift to be paved in 2023
 - Grading in the yards – Nearing Completion
 - Topsoiling and seeding – Underway

- Phase 2:
 - Removals – Complete
 - Underground utilities – Complete
 - Road Grading – Complete
 - Concrete curb & gutter and pavement – Complete
 - Paving – Base lift complete. Final lift to be paved in 2023
 - Grading in the yards – Nearing Completion
 - Topsoiling and seeding – Underway

- Phase 3:
 - Removals – Complete
 - Underground utilities – Nearing completion
 - Road Grading – Underway. Crews will prep remaining open areas for paving once underground work is completed in this phase.
 - Concrete curb & gutter and pavement – Underway. Will resume once grading is completed.
 - Paving – Paving crew intends to pave remaining areas in phase 3 once they are ready.
 - Grading in the yards – Underway
 - Topsoiling and seeding – Will be done in 2023.

- Phase 4:
 - Removals – Complete
 - Underground utilities – Complete
 - Road Grading – Complete
 - Concrete curb & gutter and pavement – Underway, will continue to place C&G and driveways as weather permits.
 - Paving – Paving crew intends to pave areas in phase 4 once they are ready.
 - Grading in the yards – Will be done in 2023
 - Topsoiling and seeding – Will be done in 2023.

- Phase 5: Work has begun, crews are starting near the bridge and will be working their way to the North in front of the downtown businesses. Keep an eye out for detours and plan accordingly.

- Removals – Removals have begun and will continue just ahead of the underground crews.
- Underground utilities – Underground utilities will follow the removals, starting south of Spruce and then working North.
- Road Grading – Grading will follow underground completion, with roads being reopened as quickly as possible.
- Concrete curb & gutter and pavement – Concrete will follow road grading completion
- Paving – Paving will happen mid-late summer.
- Grading in the yards – Mid-late summer
- Topsoiling and seeding – Early Fall

FAQ

Who can I contact for any construction questions or concerns that I may have? Widseth personnel will be on site most of the time that construction is taking place. However, if we are not available, please contact the Blaine Green at 320-335-5057 or blaine.green@widseth.com and he will be able to address your question or concern. If Widseth representatives are not available, please call the City number (320-769-2154).

How many hours will they be working in a day? The contractor has informed us that a typical working day will start around 7:00 am and they will work until around 7:00 pm Monday through Friday, occasionally working on Saturdays. This may vary depending on what they are working on and if they run into any setbacks.(Weather, scheduling, unforeseen circumstances, etc.)

Can I drive through the streets during the day? While underground utilities are being installed the street under construction will be closed. If you see the crews working on a particular street please do not attempt to drive through the construction zone. If it is an emergency, let us or one of the workers know and they will work to accommodate you. Alleys located between streets are not undergoing any construction for this project.

Will I be able to get into my driveway every night? The contractor will try their best to make the streets passable each night. However, there will be nights when you will not be able to drive into your driveway. If you have any special needs that we should be aware of please contact the City and we will address that issue.

Can I park on the streets during the day? We ask that you do not park on the streets within the project area, if possible, park outside the project area or on an alley close to your residence (if applicable).

Will I have water and sewer service at all times? You will have water service except for times when the contractor is connecting the new water main to the existing and when your new individual service is being connected to your existing service. Prior to the connections taking place, you will be informed of the upcoming water shutdown with approximate times and duration. When given notice please be prepared by filling containers with water. There may also be times when the existing water main may need to be repaired due to unforeseen circumstances. In this case you will get little warning as to when the water will be out, but crews will work quickly to repair the main. You will have complete use of sewer service whenever you have water service.

Will the contractor replace my sanitary sewer/water service, driveway, sidewalk, etc. for me as part of the project? The contractor will be replacing any disturbed utility/surface up to the right of way line as part of the project. Due to the project size and scope, at this time the contractor committed to making the project deadline and is looking to avoid any private work. Contact Blaine with Widseth for more information.

What about my sidewalk? There are several different scenarios:

1. If your sidewalk is part of the Safe Routes to School plan, your sidewalk will be removed and replaced with new sidewalk. This will not affect your assessment in any way.
2. If your sidewalk is not part of a Safe Routes to School route, portions of the sidewalk will be removed to allow for installation of your services to the right of way line. The sidewalk will not be replaced with the project. **Please speak to a Widseth representative on site or call Blaine if you want to discuss options.**
 - a. Homeowners can elect have it replaced *but will be assessed the additional cost.*
 - b. Homeowners can elect to have the remainder of the sidewalk removed along their frontage *at no cost* to the homeowner.
 - c. If a homeowner takes no action then the remaining sidewalk along the frontage will be left in place.

How will I get my mail? There are temporary mailboxes placed on Ash just east of 6th Street for residents in Phase 1, and another bank of temporary mailboxes on 7th between Birch and Hackberry for residents in Phase 2. For Phase 3, the mailboxes will be located near the intersection of Locust and 9th. For phase 4 the mailboxes will likely be set up near the intersection of 14th & Walnut.

Who is the prime contractor? Ryan Contracting Co. The contractor will be performing much of the work, with some sub-contractors working on miscellaneous items like tree removal/electrical/paving/turf establishment/etc.