

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS – TH 60 / 4TH STREET NW RECONSTRUCTION

CITY OF FARIBAULT

1. What are the project reconstruction limits for the TH 60 / 4th Street NW Reconstruction?

Trunk Highway 60 (4th Street NW) is being reconstructed from Central Avenue to Irving Avenue and being milled and overlaid with median improvements from Irving Avenue to Hulett Avenue. The total project length is just under 1.1 miles.

2. What infrastructure improvements are proposed in conjunction with the project?

The project generally includes the reconstruction of the following infrastructure elements from Central Avenue to Irving Avenue:

- *Sanitary sewer mains and manholes*
- *Storm sewer mains and catch basins / manholes*
- *Water main, fire hydrants and valves*
- *Sewer & water service pipe from main to property line*
- *Street lights (Central Avenue to Hulett Avenue)*
- *Signal Systems (8th Avenue NW, 4th Avenue NW, 2nd Avenue NW & Central Avenue)*
- *Bituminous roadway with curb and gutter*
- *Sidewalk*
- *Driveway aprons*
- *Mill and pavement overlay with median improvements from Irving Avenue to Hulett Avenue*

3. What is the status of the project?

The project was publicly bid on December 20, 2018 in accordance with State and Local Requirements. The Low bidder was BCM Construction of Faribault with a total bid of \$8,158,778.04 and the Faribault City Council voted to award them the contract at the January 8, 2019 City Council meeting.

4. When will the project construction begin?

BCM Construction tentatively plans to commence construction beginning the week of April 1, 2019 with traffic control and pavement removals. Pavement removals will only impact the segments of roadway that will be impacted within the first phase. The reconstruction portion of the project is schedule to be done primarily in 3 phases and according to the tentative timelines as listed below Note these timelines reflect from the time the pavements will be removed to the time the first lift of bituminous pavement is laid and are tentative and subject to change based on weather, unanticipated construction obstacles, etc. There will be additional work after these tentative completion dates to complete lighting, signals, final bituminous pavement etc.

Phase 1 – Central Avenue to 3rd Avenue NW (April 1-June 15)

Phase 2 – 3rd Avenue NW to 6th Avenue NW (May 20-August 2)

Phase 3 – 6th Avenue NW to Irving Avenue (July 8-September 20)

The mill and overlay and median improvement phase will be scheduled as it best fits likely soon after school is out.

5. How long will reconstruction take?

The project is expected to take the full construction season to construct with substantial completion scheduled for November 1, 2019. Completion, including contractor punchlist work and final cleanup is possible during the

Spring of 2020. The City understands that the proposed utility, roadway, and pedestrian improvements will have a major impact on property owners, businesses, and residents along and in the vicinity of the project corridor. To limit construction related impacts, the 4th Street NW reconstruction contract requirements includes construction phasing, staging and access requirements. In addition, the City will work with businesses to develop and disseminate information on how customers and deliveries can access your specific location.

6. Will I be able to access my home during construction?

Existing TH 60 will be closed to non-local vehicular, bike and pedestrian traffic for the duration of construction (likely April through October) from Central Avenue to TH 21. A detour route utilizing TH 3 and TH 21 will be set up for the entire duration of the project. Access will be maintained to all driveways (without a secondary access) generally from 7:00 PM to 7:00 AM – Monday through Saturday and all day on Sunday unless precluded by certain construction activities such as concrete cure times, utility trenching or due to wet weather conditions. To facilitate vehicular access to driveways during evenings and weekends, the contractor is required to construct temporary ramps to adjoining roads and driveways and provide a drivable surface using onsite materials. Pedestrian access to all parcels is required to be maintained throughout construction. Please understand that we will do what we can to maintain access but, there will be times when direct access via vehicle will not be possible. Thank you for your patience and understanding in advance of these inconveniences. The City and Contractor will work to designate nearby street parking for residential properties on the project corridor for times when vehicle access to their properties is prohibited due to construction. If you have a particular need during construction related to access (such as a large delivery) or your utility service (such as why is my water pressure different) please contact a project representative from either the City or Contractor as soon as possible to discuss your needs/concerns.

How will customers, employees and deliveries be able to access my business during construction?

BCM Construction will maintain access to businesses via vehicles and pedestrian walkway at all times through a variety of techniques including the use of alternate accesses (where possible), construction of temporary gravel roadway / driveways and walkway through the construction corridor, utilizing construction staging techniques (partial intersection or driveway construction, use of high-early concrete, sequencing construction, etc.). Additional correspondence will be forthcoming regarding access configurations and construction phasing. In addition, the City will assist to prepare mapping and communications information for use in informing customers on how best to access your business during construction. Please understand that we will do what we can to minimize access limitations and impacts to business. A limited amount of business directional signage will be used on the project to direct traffic to certain business, please understand it is unreasonable to sign every business for every possible route patrons may use. Thank you for your patience and cooperation in advance of the construction related challenges associated with the reconstruction activities. Again, if you have a particular need during construction related to access (such as a large delivery/event) or your utility service please contact a project representative from either the City or Contractor as soon as possible to discuss your needs/concerns.

7. Will utility service be interrupted to my property?

The TH 60 Reconstruction project includes reconstruction of the existing sanitary sewer and watermain and associated utility services. Sanitary sewer service will be maintained at all times unless you are specifically notified otherwise during construction. Watermain reconstruction will require a few brief service interruptions, you will be notified about the timing and duration a few days in advance of the scheduled interruption. In addition, a temporary water system will also be constructed to maintain water service during water system

reconstruction. The temporary water system is an above ground pipe network that will provide water to each impacted property via connection to an outside spigot of each home/ business. A representative from BCM Construction may contact you regarding this connection and may also need to access your property to view your existing plumbing, water heater /softener. Thank you in advance for your cooperation regarding connection and use of the temporary water system.

Gas, electric and communication utilities may also be impacted by construction as these utilities may be required to relocate or upgrade their facilities. We are not aware of any scheduled outages for these utilities but, future planned or unplanned outages associated with the reconstruction project are a possibility. We will do our best to limit any service outages associated with the reconstruction project.

8. Will mail and garbage service be interrupted by construction?

Mail service will largely continue as it currently does. Additional correspondence about mailboxes located within the roadway right-of-way that will be impacted by construction will be forthcoming.

Garbage Service will continue as it normally does unless you are otherwise notified. BCM Construction will work with the garbage haulers to access your garbage and provide garbage and recycling service.

9. How much of our front lawn/sidewalk will be disturbed by this project?

We anticipate that construction disturbances will be contained within the road right-of-way and the temporary easements acquired from most properties. Most temporary easements are 10-feet wide, begin within ~1-foot of the outside edge of the existing sidewalk, extend 10-feet into most properties and extend along the entire width of most properties abutting 4th Street NW. Project representatives will coordinate with individual business owners on the replacement of sidewalks and access ways in order to maintain viable access to all businesses.

10. Will the contractor repair or replace landscaping, plantings and turf disturbed within the Temporary Easement on my property or within the road right-of-way boulevard?

The City's intent is to avoid impacts to private property where practicable. If construction work necessitates an impact, the contractor will be required to repair or reconstruct impacted landscape features located on private property to a condition equal to or better than the existing condition as part of the contract. For impacts to landscaping and plantings within the road right-of-way boulevard (area between the curb and sidewalk) that are likely, we recommend that residents salvage and relocate landscaping and plantings within this area that they wish to save. The contractor will not be required to repair or reconstruct impacted landscape features within the road right-of-way boulevard. All impacted turf within private property and the road right-of-way boulevard will be restored with sod.

11. Will I be assessed for the proposed utility and roadway improvements?

There are **NO** assessments proposed by the City of Faribault for the proposed pedestrian, roadway, and utility improvements within the project corridor.

12. Is safety a concern within the project corridor?

Yes, safety is a concern to all residents, business owners, contractors, and agencies alike. We are all attracted to construction machinery, and enjoy watching construction work, especially children. The construction crews are very safety conscious, and do their best to keep hazardous areas to a minimum. Trenches are not allowed to be open overnight or will be fenced off, for example, and we encourage the contractors to backfill areas as they are completed, rather than at the end of the day. We ask that you keep your distance from construction areas and

that parents stress to children that they can watch, but they must keep their distance as well. Please stay out of the Work Zone unless it is absolutely necessary.

13. How can I get additional information regarding the project?

Please feel free to call or email Mark DuChene Faribault City Engineer at (507) 333.0360 (email: mduchene@ci.Faribault.mn.us) with your questions and concerns. Weekly construction updates will be posted on the City's website and Facebook pages once construction begins. If you'd like to receive a copy of the weekly updates via email please submit your email address to the email address above requesting to be placed on the TH 60 Weekly Construction Update list.