

Engineering Department

Black River Parkway and Commerce Park Drive Paving Project

Bid Results are in for 1 mile of paving on these two streets, which includes upgrading handicap ramps, striping and repairing manhole and catch basin structures. Apparent Lowest Qualified Bidder was CFR Paving, Canastota, for an amount of \$294,659.70, which works out to be approximately \$56 per foot of street. A bid recommendation will be placed on the Council agenda for August 19th. The work is anticipated for September-October this year.

Brett Street Conveyance

We reached out to the property owners along the unpaved portion of Brett Street to determine their level of interest in accepting the paper street portion of Brett Street from the City, if we were to convey our interest to the adjoining property owners. Once we have confirmation on interest from a couple more owners, we can prepare a map of how the land would be subdivided, and provide an update to Council on the feasibility of the conveyance.

Cooper Street Outfall

The utility design plans and specifications have been finalized. The project, which entails replacement and repair of several hundred feet of sanitary sewer mains on Cooper Street and Harrison Street, will be put out to bid soon.

Flower Avenue West

The project is essentially complete, and the close-out paperwork will be finalized shortly, including the final tally of quantity over runs and under runs, which affect the contract value. Lawn restoration concerns at a handful of locations will continue to be monitored and addressed to ensure proper grass growth is attained.

Mill Street & Pearl Street Bridge Rehabilitation



Work is progressing well on both bridges. Paint removal and repainting of the Mill Street Bridge has been completed, and concrete repair of the Pearl Street Bridge deck and abutments are advancing. The eastbound lane of Pearl Street Bridge deck was poured on August 6th. Once the 14 day wet cure of the deck is complete, and contractor finishes sidewalk, curbing and railing installations, traffic will be switched over to allow demolition and rehab of the westbound lane.

Newell Street Boiler Replacement

DPW and Engineering have been working with Jade Stone Engineering to finalize design drawings and specifications for a new Boiler Replacement System at the DPW Building located at 521 Newell Street. Specs and Drawings have been advertised for bidding with a bid date of August 21st. Project completion schedule is 60 days to provide heat in early Fall.

Thompson Boulevard Recon

Pin on curbing is being installed this week on the recently paved section between Franklin Street and Park Circle. Once curbing is complete, DPW will pave the top course of asphalt. The curbing will help keep vehicles from getting pulled into the ditch when they go off the edge of pavement on snow covered roads.



Washington Street - Stone Street Bumpout

At the mid-block crossing of Washington Street and Stone Street, staff evaluated options to provide a clearer buffer space between pedestrians and vehicles turning onto Stone Street. We evaluated various options to construct a concrete curb and sidewalk bumpout, apply a textured brick pattern similar to the crosswalks on Factory Street, and in a similar concept, simply striping the bumpout.

The costs of these options ranged significantly from \$10-20k for a concrete bumpout and drainage modifications, to about \$6,000 for the pavement surface treatment, to minimal cost for DPW to stripe the bumpout. With no funding for the project in the current budget, and an opportunity to use in-house forces to make the improvements and evaluate the results on a trial basis, DPW completed the striping of the radius, per direction of engineering, to guide vehicles on a wider turn onto Stone Street.

While there is no physical barrier to keep cars from turning the corner tight, it is proving successful at guiding drivers on a wider and slower overall turn movement. Future consideration for adding in-road features, such as mountable curbing, or posts can be considered for next year. In-road features require penetration into the asphalt surface and could be an impediment for larger turning vehicles, such as tractor trailers and delivery vehicles. The striping of the curb bump out is proving to be an effective, low cost solution which is changing many drivers' behavior and guiding a wider turn.

Western Boulevard

This project is complete, except for lawn restoration, as well as tree replacements which will be monitored and completed this fall.

Water Department

Hydroelectric

Hydro-electric production is down due to lack of flow in the Black River.

Wastewater Treatment



The Plant staff received fall protection and rescue retrieval training this week.

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Black and McDonald performed maintenance on the high voltage stations for the back half of the plant and they started the one-line diagram for the facility.

