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MEMO RE: April St. Clair Street Reconstruction Update

DATE: May 9, 2024

PREPARED FOR: Operations Committee

PREPARED BY: Operations Manager

RECOMMENDATION: THAT this report be received and filed; and THAT a meeting with the Village, Contractor and Engineer take place prior to the next stage to discuss initial challenges found through the first stage and outline expectations for next stage.

DESCRIPTION: A monthly report regarding the St Clair & Lite Street Reconstruction Project will be provided through the Operations Committee meeting.

DISCUSSION:

The Phase I activities completed by the contractor throughout the month of April to present include the following:

- Locating all existing sanitary and water service connections.
- Set-up, testing and connection of the temporary (above ground) water system with assistance from Village staff.
- Removal of the existing concrete curbs and sidewalks.
- Pulverization (grinding up) of the existing asphalt pavement.
- Installation of a section of storm main and a storm manhole near Bridge Street.
- Installation of all storm services and catch basin laterals from Bridge Street to Helena Street.
- Localized sanitary sewer repairs are included as part of the regular contract work.
- Installation of new watermain, water services, and hydrants from Bridge Street to in front of the Public Works yard.

Project challenges which have been encountered and mitigated to date:

- Many calls, emails and site visits by MIG and Village staff to address access and construction operations related concerns at local businesses and residences.
 - The contractor has responded to concerns in both written and physical meetings.
- Two (2) temporary water main breaks caused by contractor operations.
 - The contractor has modified process to prevent this situation from occurring again



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- Changes to traffic control plan and detour routes required due to contractor operations, traffic volume, and speeds through the construction area, including additional notification requirements.
- Additional design work required for post-construction parking space and entrance layout at Iron Works.
 - This was in response to a misunderstanding of property line and pre-existing parking habits. After the parking lot redesign, the owner was satisfied.
- Multiple requests for additional signage for local business detour routes.
 - This has been reviewed and businesses have been contacted by Village staff.
- Requests for additional public notifications (social media and radio) related to businesses being open during construction and detour routes.
 - This is being reviewed by Village staff.
- An unnotified water shutdown to the local businesses due to contractor operations.
 - The contractor has taken responsibility for the issue.
- Ongoing correspondence and delays with Bell for the relocation of the existing pedestal relocation in front of Iron Works.
 - This mitigation is on-going.
- Broken gas main in front of the Public Works yard due to contractor operations.
 - The contractor has modified the workforce to avoid such a situation from occurring again. This event has triggered the requested meeting with the contractor.

New water main, hydrant and water service installations will continue into next week. Once watermain installation is complete, one of the contractor's crews will start the road reconstruction work (cut/fill and grading) between Bridge Street and Helena Street, while a second crew will start on the replacement of the storm sewer between Helena Street and Front Street along with the installation of the remaining storm services and catch basin leads.

No firm dates have been provided by the contractor for the placement of curb and pavement. Updates on the scheduling of this work will be provided once available.

Pending weather conditions and other unforeseen circumstances, May 31st will mark the 30th working day on the project based on a construction start date of April 19th (start of road pulverization work).

The Operations Manager worked with the Engineer and The Chief Administrative Officer in the preparation of this report.