

# August 23, 2019

# TH 60 - 4th Street NW Weekly Construction Updates - Weeks 18 & 19

The City of Faribault and its project partners intend to send out and publish a weekly construction update on the TH 60/4th Street NW Reconstruction Project. This weekly update will be issued through the City of Faribault Facebook page and the City's website <a href="www.faribault.org">www.faribault.org</a> on the Project website <a href="http://www.ci.faribault.mn.us/549/2019-03-TH-60-Reconstruction">http://www.ci.faribault.mn.us/549/2019-03-TH-60-Reconstruction</a>. You can sign up to receive an emailed pdf of the newsletter by submitting your email address to <a href="mduchene@ci.faribault.mn.us">mduchene@ci.faribault.mn.us</a> and requesting to be placed on the weekly TH 60 newsletter distribution list or you can sign up for a text notification that will contain a link to the newsletter via the Faribault chamber of Commerce by texting <a href="mailto:Faribault Hwy60">Faribault Hwy60</a> to 313131. Questions about the contents of the weekly updates or about the project in general can be directed to Mark DuChene, Faribault City Engineer at either 507.333.0360 or <a href="mduchene@ci.faribault.mn.us">mduchene@ci.faribault.mn.us</a> or to Glenn Cunningham, Senior Engineering Technician at either 507.333.0366 or <a href="mailto:gcunningham@ci.faribault.mn.us">gcunningham@ci.faribault.mn.us</a>.

The project is proposed to be completed in 4 main phases, and a copy of a map showing the project detour as well as project phasing and anticipated phasing timelines can be found at:

http://www.ci.faribault.mn.us/DocumentCenter/View/4263/DetourMap\_v2?bidId=

If there is a non-life threatening emergency within the construction limits (such as loss of water) outside of normal business hours please call dispatch at 507.334.4305 and they will contact the appropriate parties.

# Previous Weeks Review 8/10/19 to 8/23/19

Construction crews finished underground utility work through the 7<sup>th</sup> Ave NW intersection and completed removals of existing pavements up to 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW. Curb and gutter was installed in the 400 & 500 blocks in anticipation of bituminous paving of the first two lifts of pavement in these blocks on 8/23/19 & 8/24/19. The signal system at 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue was also installed and should be put into flashing red operation in the coming days. The contractor also completed the curbing on one of the two new concrete raised median islands on the west end of the job between Lincoln Avenue and Irving Avenue. Restoration work is also mostly complete from Central Avenue to 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

### Next Week Look Ahead 8/24/2019 to 8/30/2019

The first two lifts of bituminous pavement are scheduled to be placed in the 400 & 500 blocks starting today, August 23<sup>rd</sup> and continuing on August 24<sup>th</sup>. Once the paving is complete the contractor will place a temporary stripe on the road and this section will be opened to traffic similar to the blocks to the east. Work will then focus on pouring the concrete sidewalks and driveway aprons in these two blocks and installing street lights. The contractor will also begin installing

utilities in the 700 block up to 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Crews are also scheduled to complete the curbing for the second raised median island between Hulett Avenue and Lincoln Avenue. Lastly, crews are scheduled to begin raising manholes from Central Avenue to 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue so that the final lift of pavement can be placed on these blocks and then permanent striping can be completed.

# **General Traffic Control/Detour Notes**

During the duration of the entire project and through the entire project limits which extend from Lyndale Avenue/TH 21 on the west end to Central Avenue on the east end, thru traffic will be detoured off TH 60 and rerouted along 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue NW, TH 3/20<sup>th</sup> Street NW and TH 21 (see detour map link above) Portions of TH 60/4<sup>th</sup> Street NW within the project limits may be signed "Road Open to Local Traffic or Road Closed to Thru Traffic" or something similar. *Please keep in mind that "local traffic/access" is defined as having direct access on TH 60, or having business with someone or a business who has direct access on TH 60. If you do not fall into either of these two categories, you should not be on TH 60 within the project limits at any time. Travel on TH 60 within the project limits should take place only when there is no other possible alternative. Also please be respectful of private property and do not use private property to "short cut" the detour route.* 

Pedestrian traffic will be maintained to the maximum extent practical to provide access to businesses and residents who have access to TH 60, however other portions of sidewalk will be closed to facilitate construction work and those sidewalks will be detoured along an alternate pedestrian route (typically around the block). Please review the link to the FAQ above for more information about access during construction.

#### **Phase 1 Access Notes:**

Phase 1 is open to traffic. The intersections of TH 60/Central Avenue and TH 60/2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue are open under flashing red conditions (4-way stop). Crews are scheduled to begin raising manholes in this phase ahead of scheduled paving of the final lift of pavement, so there will be workers again present, please pay attention to traffic control.

## **Phase 2 Access Notes:**

Currently 4<sup>th</sup> St NW/TH 60 is closed between 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW for Phase 2 construction. The first two lifts of pavement in this area is scheduled to be completed today and tomorrow and these blocks will then be opened to traffic after a temporary centerline stripe is placed and most of the concrete sidewalk and driveway work is more complete. It is anticipated the road will be open sometime later next week weather depending. Access to properties will be opened as much as can be, some with temporary gravel driveway approaches. Thanks for your patience.

### **Phase 3 Access Notes:**

4<sup>th</sup> St NW/TH 60 is now closed from 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW for Phase 3 construction. The signal system at the intersection of 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue has been placed into flashing red and is scheduled to remain open until sometime later in the week after the Labor Day weekend.

<u>Traffic is permitted on the avenues on both sides of TH 60 up to the construction project limits.</u> On-street parking on the avenues is also open. If your business is on or near the project limits and you need assistance with maps to post at your business or on your business website to direct traffic to/from your business, please contact the City Engineer.

# **Construction Photo of the Week**

The picture on the left shows crews sawing and removing pavement so that the castings for the new manholes can be installed to their final grade. This is typically the last step before the final lift of pavement can be placed. The picture on the right shows 400 & 500 blocks prepped and ready for pavement scheduled for today and tomorrow.















