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Driving along Main Street you can begin to see the project filling out as decorative concrete is poured and parking stripes are painted. Our dedicated crews will continue to work the project for the first part of next week but will be taking time to spend with their families over the holiday weekend. We would like to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. Next Friday there will be no Weekly Update but will resume on Friday, December 6th.





* Photo Credit: Richard Perez, Guho Corp

Sidewalk & Asphalt

Concrete placement for the first two blocks, from East Jackson to American Legion, is complete. This includes curb, gutter, ramps, pedestrian paths and decorative, stamped sidewalk. The third block has had pedestrian paths poured and can expect the remainder of concrete work to finish up next week prior to Thanksgiving. After the holiday weekend, weather depending, crews will start on the fourth block, if they haven't already. Kudos to the concrete crews who have been doing a phenomenal job and have such great attention to detail.

Before the driveway of Calvary Chapel can be opened for through access, it must have a week to two weeks of cure time. Once it has set, it will be opened for access. All asphalt patching in the roadway has been completed and stripes have been painted for parallel parking spaces.





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Light Poles & Landscape

For safety measures, the existing light poles will not be removed until the new light poles can be fully installed. Currently, the light poles themselves are in, but the lights are not. There is no estimated time for arrival and install. Updates to come!

Although landscaping palettes have been designed for the Downtown Project, some of the selected species of shrubs and bushes will not tolerate the current conditions during transplants. However, with the help of Kim Siegenthaler, Landscape Architect with Jensen Belts, Miguel Pedroza, Parks Superintendent and local U of I Extension Educator, Brad Stokes tree species have been identified and sourced. Planting dates will be determined based on weather conditions that could harm or negatively impact transplants.



The Hub Plaza

This Urban Renewal Agency project has been incredible to watch. With the project wrapping up within the next few weeks, it's easy to envision the potential of the local gathering place. The bike repair station and most of the musical instruments have been placed on site but a few remain to be installed. Things are definitely taking shape and we are eagerly awaiting the placement of the well-known "Hub" sign in the coming weeks.



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