



Downtown Branson Historic Streetscape PROJECT NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to our first newsletter regarding the Historic Downtown Branson Streetscape project. As your Aldermen in Ward 2, we decided it would be helpful to establish this informal “newsletter” to keep all of the businesses, property owners and concerned citizens in the downtown area better informed on the upcoming construction project.

This multiyear project will result in wonderful enhancements to our downtown that will help to keep it vibrant and exciting. We hope you share our enthusiasm on this project and the positive impact it will have on our business community.

As with all construction projects there will be inconveniences, noise, dust and other interruptions in our daily routine. We look forward to your cooperation while constructing this complete streets project.

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Patrick Parnell

PHASE 1 LOCATION

Phase 1 of the construction project will be in the southwestern portion of downtown. Future phases will be throughout downtown until the entire project is complete. Pedestrian access will be provided to businesses in Phase 1 throughout the construction process. Phase 1 will involve three streets:

- College Street from Veterans Boulevard to Commercial Street
- Commercial Street from Pacific Street to College Street
- Pacific Street from Veterans Boulevard to Commercial Street
- Plus a waterline extension in Commercial Street from Pacific Street northward to the alley

WHAT ARE THE AMENITIES

The downtown improvement project is being referred to as a “streetscape” project. As such, the project will include many new items including; sidewalks, plantings, benches, street lighting, street signs, street pavement, bike racks, wayfinding signage, crosswalks, waterlines, storm sewers and provisions for street fairs and festivals.

SCHEDULE

The details of the future phases continue to be developed as the city updates revenue projections and funding scenarios. Currently, only Phase 1 has a firm schedule:

<i>June 2014:</i>	<i>Bid the project</i>
<i>October 6, 2014:</i>	<i>Begin construction</i>
<i>May 15, 2015:</i>	<i>Project completion</i>

CONTACT INFORMATION

The downtown streetscape project is considered a “Capital Investment” by the City of Branson. As such, the capital project construction is managed by the Branson Engineering Department. If you have any questions, concerns, problems, issues or compliments, please feel free to contact David Miller the Branson City Engineer. David is the point of contact for this project and he can be reached at 417-337-8559 or feel free to visit his office on the third floor of City Hall any weekday from 8:00am to 4:30pm. The entire Engineering Department is involved in this very critical construction project and will be willing to assist you in getting the answers you need.