

NOTICE TO RESIDENTS & BUSINESSES

CLINTON AVENUE BIKEWAY PROJECT

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2023

Through a selective bidding process, the City of St. Clair and the Michigan Department of Transportation has awarded Boddy Construction of Port Huron, Michigan the contract to install a 10 foot wide asphalt bikeway/walking path along the north side of Clinton Avenue from Carney Drive to Riverside Avenue. The City has received grant funding through MDOT's Transportation Alternatives Grant program and through the St. Clair County Community Foundation Work to complete this project completing a critical gap of the overall master plan for the Bay to Bridge trail network.

The project will involve the complete removal of the existing concrete sidewalk along the north side of Clinton Avenue with replacement of the existing sidewalk being a 10 foot wide asphalt path, 3 inches in thickness over a 6 inch aggregate base, along with drainage improvements, driveway approach replacement, handicap ramp installation to Americans with Disability Act (ADA) compliance at all intersections and retaining walls where necessary due to significant elevation differences. Weather dependent, Boddy Construction anticipates starting construction the week of September 18, 2023. Work will be completed in stages starting at Carney Drive and working east towards Riverside Avenue. During the course of construction, you should expect the following:

Construction Schedule

Raymond Excavating, Inc., weather dependent, plans to mobilize equipment and traffic control devices and start construction the week of September 18. Boddy Construction will complete the installation of the new bikeway in stages starting with the removal of the sidewalk along the segment from Carney Drive to the railroad tracks. Boddy Construction expects to fully complete this project in mid-late November.

Traffic Control and Parking

At no time will Clinton Avenue be completely closed to through traffic. Boddy Construction will have periodic lane closures where work is taking place with flagmen on site to direct traffic around the work zone. In addition, access to 3rd Street, 6th Street and 9th Street will be open at all times. There may be temporary closures of remaining side streets to complete drainage improvements and handicap ramp installations. No parking will be allowed along the north side of Clinton Avenue within the work zone.

Along with the installation of the new bikeway, in order to accommodate the new elevation of the bikeway, all residences along Clinton Avenue will receive a new driveway

approach. There will be a period of time when the bikeway and driveway approach in front of your home will be out of service. It is expected that driveway access would be lost for up to 2 weeks. New concrete placed for driveway approaches requires 5-7 days to cure and reach necessary compressive strength before the driveway can be opened to vehicular traffic. When driveway approaches are removed and replaced, residents will be required to park on the south side of Clinton Avenue, if available or on adjacent side streets. Residents will be notified ahead of time when access to driveways will be temporarily unavailable. Businesses receiving new driveway approaches will be completed half width at a time to allow for continued access at all times.

Dust Control

The Contractor, on a regular basis, will sweep the construction site and adjacent side streets during construction to control dust as much as possible; however, this will be an active construction zone and dust will exist and should be expected.

Irrigation Systems

If you reside or have a business along the north side of Clinton Avenue and have a lawn irrigation system, it is recommended you mark or flag the location of any sprinkler heads located between the street and existing sidewalk or directly behind the existing sidewalk to prevent unnecessary damage to your system. If irrigation systems are accidentally damaged, the Contractor will be required to replace as part of the restoration phase of the project.

Vegetative Restoration

Upon completion of the project, all disturbed lawn areas will be replaced with topsoil and seed. The Contractor will be responsible for establishing vegetative growth.

Garbage Pick-Up/Mail and Parcel Delivery

Garbage pickup, mail delivery and parcel delivery will not be interrupted at any time during this project. For garbage pickup, please place your garbage at the end of your driveway as normal prior to 7am on the day of pickup and the Contractor will move all garbage as necessary for pick up if within the work zone for that day. We recommend that garbage be placed in bags during construction; however, if you do use a trash can, it will be returned by the Contractor. It is recommended that your home address be placed on any trash cans.

We apologize for any inconvenience that this work may cause, but trust that you will understand the benefit of this project once it is completed. We will continue to update you regularly throughout the course of this project with updates delivered to your door.

For questions or concerns during the duration of the project, please contact Ryan Kern or Joseph Lech with the City's engineering consultant, Anderson, Eckstein and Westrick, Inc. (AEW) at 586-726-1234, or by e-mail at rkern@awinc.com. AEW will also have a construction observer on site for the entire duration of the project.