

## GRAND AVE IMPROVEMENTS – SECTION VI (CHICAGO AVE to DAMEN AVENUE)

Start Date - March 21, 2022

Tentative Completion Date – July 3, 2023

### **TRAFFIC ADVISORIES (MAJOR STREETS) for week of March 27<sup>th</sup>**

No parking restrictions are in place on Grand Ave. between Western Ave. to about 300 east of Damen Ave. Traffic control has been erected to close the north side of Grand Ave. and shift both lanes of traffic to the south side. The left turn lanes on Grand Ave. at Damen Ave. have been temporarily removed in this traffic configuration.

Impact to traffic flow: **MEDIUM** (less than 5 minute delay)

No parking restrictions are in place on Damen Ave. between Race Ave. and Hubbard Street. Traffic control has been erected to close the west side of Damen Ave. and shift both lanes of traffic to the east side. There are no separate left turn lanes for northbound or southbound on Damen Ave.

CTA - Damen Ave (Route 50) southbound bus stop at Grand temporarily closed - use Hubbard stop.

Impact to traffic flow: **MEDIUM** (less than 5 minute delay)

No parking restrictions are in place on Western Ave. between Hubbard St. and Ohio St. Temporary traffic striping has not yet commenced and will likely be the week of April 3<sup>rd</sup> Western Ave. traffic will be reduced to one lane in each direction shifted west onto the southbound lanes and the northbound lanes closed. The north and south left turn lanes will remain.

**No permanent driveway or street access closures are scheduled between Western Ave and Damen Ave. Accesses to businesses are open.** Please be advised there will be short term temporary driveway closures or business entrance disruption at times to facilitate the removal of sidewalk and driveway operations. Contractor will attempt to advise property owner prior to temporarily closing any access.

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**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SEE PAGES 2 & 3**

## ***WORK COMPLETED LAST WEEK: March 20 to March 26***

Traffic control and temporary striping was installed on Grand Ave between Artesian Ave. and just east of Damen Ave, and on Damen Ave. between Race Ave. and Hubbard St.

The Chicago Water Department completed the relocation of four existing fire hydrants between Damen and Western.

Contractor began saw cutting the existing pavement starting at Damen and working westward.

## ***SCHEDULED CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES for the week of March 27 to April 2***

The contractor will complete saw cutting Grand Ave along the existing curb line to Western Ave. Existing side streets will also be saw cut for future electrical conduit crossings. Removal of the existing sidewalks, driveways, and curb and gutter will begin at Damen and continue westward. Storm sewer work will begin between Damen and Leavitt. Temporary stone access will be provided at all building entrances and driveways to maintain access. Temporary fence with screening will be installed following the removal of the sidewalks. Gaps in the fencing will be provided for access.

The electrical subcontractor will begin the removal of the existing aerial wires, luminaires, and mast arms for the existing street lighting on the north side of Grand. Underground conduit crossings at side streets may begin.

ACCESS TO BUSINESS AND RESIDENTIAL BUILDING ENTRANCES AND WILL BE TEMPORARILY IMPACTED DURING THE REMOVAL OF SIDEWALK AND DRIVEWAY OPERATIONS WHEN THE EQUIPMENT IS IN THE AREA FOR ABOUT 15 TO 20 MINUTES. THE CONTRACTOR WILL RESTORE ACCESS WITH STONE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE FOLLOWING THE REMOVAL (TYPICALLY WITHIN AN HOUR OR 2) TEMPORARY WOOD RAMPS MAY BE USED UNTIL THE STONE ACCESS CAN BE INSTALLED.

## ***SCHEDULED CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES for the week of April 3 to April 9***

The contractor will continue removal of the existing sidewalks, curb and gutter; providing temporary stone access, and installing the temporary fence with screening from Damen to Western. Storm sewer work will also continue between Damen and Western.

Underground electrical conduits will continue across side streets between Damen and Western. Underground electrical conduits will be installed along the north side of Grand starting at Damen and working westward.

Existing soil should be excavated and replaced with new soil mix at the sculpture plaza on the southwest corner of Grand and Western. Sidewalks and coping at top of retaining at the sculpture plaza and coping at top of retaining wall may be framed.

ALL SCHEDULES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE BECAUSE OF WEATHER

In all construction areas:

- Please observe all regulatory traffic signs
- Be sure to slow down and keep alert while driving through the work zones
- Keep children and pets out of work areas
- Visit your local businesses that are open during construction
- Dust and noise can be prevalent, please take proper precautions
- Grand Ave. is a signed bicycle route. Traffic lanes are to be shared with bicycles.
- Notify 311 if you see suspicious activity or Chicago Police at 312-746-6000 if you see a crime in progress such as theft or vandalism.