

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

Start Date - March 21, 2022

Tentative Completion Date – July 8, 2023 - extended to November 22, 2023 due to additional bike lanes and concrete raised cross-walks

TRAFFIC ADVISORIES (MAJOR STREETS) for week of September 18, 2023

Parking is open to the public on the north side of Grand Ave. between Damen and Oakley.

We anticipate opening Damen Ave. to normal pattern traffic on Wednesday 9/20, weather depending. The striping will be done in temp paint as we still need to put a final asphalt surface on the north half of the roadway later this fall.

No parking restrictions are in place on Grand Ave. between Leavitt Ave. and Chicago 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. The bus stop for Damen Ave. has been relocated to the west side of Damen while the east side is under construction.

Impact to traffic flow: **MEDIUM** (5 to 10 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 east side of Damen Ave. and shift both lanes of traffic to the west side. There are no separate left turn lanes for northbound or southbound on Damen Ave. CTA - Damen Ave (Route 50) southbound bus stop has been re-opened. We anticipate reopening Damen fully to traffic by the 9/15 weather permitting. This closure is expected to end on 9/20 and left turn lanes restored NB & SB as well as bus stops fully opened. 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. Western Ave. traffic is reduced to one lane in each direction shifted east onto the northbound lanes and the southbound lanes closed. The north and south left turn lanes will remain. The southbound Western CTA stop is temporarily closed due to a rerouting of the bus route due the southbound full closure at the Metra viaduct for Metra to perform repairs on the viaduct.

Impact to traffic flow: **MEDIUM** (5 to 10 minute delay)

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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WORK COMPLETED LAST WEEK: September 11 to September 17

Pavement removal was performed between Oakley and Artesian. Existing subbase was removed and new subbase prepared for the new pcc pavement and permanent bike lane islands.

Saw cut of the existing pcc pavement continued between Western and Rockwell.

Underground conduit installation continued west of Washtenaw towards Chicago.

MCI completed their underground work at the Washtenaw intersection and between California and Chicago.

The ComEd electric handhole was adjusted at the northeast corner of Damen which will allow Damen to be fully opened to traffic next week after the temporary asphalt ramps are installed.

Contractor continued miscellaneous house-keeping clean up throughout the project including cordoning off drop off areas and installing HMA ramps for accessibility.

Sidewalk was poured between Western and Artesian and between Campbell and Rockwell.

Curb was poured at the northwest corner of Western.

Infiltration test was completed at the Western Triangle.

Side curbs and PCC base were completed at the Western Triangle for the unit paver area.

Curb and gutter base was prepared between Rockwell and Washtenaw.

SCHEDULED CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES for the week of September 18 to September 24

ADA ramp at the northwest corner of Leavitt and northeast corner of Artesian should be poured.

Curb & gutter should be poured between Rockwell and Washtenaw.

Pour driveways between Campbell and Rockwell at Smith Park.

Underground conduit installation should be completed along the back of curb from Rockwell to Chicago. Helix light pole foundations should be installed between Western and Rockwell. Existing aerial cables and street lights should be removed between Rockwell and Chicago. Light poles may be installed between Western and Rockwell.

Saw cutting of base course will continue from Rockwell to Chicago. Median bike islands should be framed and poured between Oakley and Western.

Bus pads should be prepared and poured at the Western intersection. Bus pad at Hoyne should be relocated towards the centerline at Hoyne on the south side of Grand. This will require westbound traffic on Grand to be shifted into the parking lane for the week.

Curb & gutter base should be prepared, curb framed and poured between Washtenaw and California.

ACCESS TO BUSINESS AND RESIDENTIAL BUILDING ENTRANCES MAY BE TEMPORARILY IMPACTED DURING THE SIDEWALK CONCRETE INSTALLATION OPERATIONS WHEN THE EQUIPMENT IS IN THE AREA FOR ABOUT 30 MINUTES TO AN HOUR TO POUR AND FINISH THE SIDEWALK. TEMPORARY WOOD PLATFORMS WILL BE INSTALLED TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO ENTRANCES DURING THE FIRST 24 HOURS OF CURE TIME.

ACCESS TO BUSINESS AND RESIDENTIAL BUILDING ENTRANCES MAY BE TEMPORARILY IMPACTED DURING THE INSTALLATION OF THE UNDERGROUND CONDUITS WHILE EQUIPMENT IS IN THE AREA FOR ABOUT 1 TO 2 HOURS AND THE AREA RESTORED WITH TEMPORARY STONE AFTER THE CONDUIT IS INSTALLED.

SCHEDULED CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES for the week of September 25 to October 1

Removal of existing pavement should continue west from Artesian to Chicago.

Bike islands and PPC pavement should be poured between Oakley and Artesian. PCC pavement should also be poured in sections between Artesian and Campbell to maintain access to the townhome driveways.

Bus pad at Leavitt may be excavated and installed.

Underground conduit installation will be completed at the ADA sidewalk corners between Artesian and California.

Temporary signals should be installed at the Rockwell and Damen intersections.

Aggregate subbase should be prepared and curb & gutter installed between Rockwell and Washtenaw.

Sidewalk base should be prepared and sidewalks installed between Rockwell and Washtenaw.

Raised crosswalk work should begin between Oakley and Rockwell.

Unit paver installation should be completed at the Western Triangle and 1st lift of CDOT soil mix installed.

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.
- Please 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. The Contractor is currently experiencing theft of equipment and materials.