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Street Construction is Happening in Your Neighborhood in 2021

Wabasha Street Reconstruction Project

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Dear Property Owner:

The City of Saint Paul's Department of Public Works will be reconstructing Wabasha Street between Kellogg Boulevard and Sixth Street (see project map). Construction is scheduled to begin mid-May of 2021 through November of 2021.

What will the street reconstruction project do?

The Wabasha Street Reconstruction Project will include the installation of new concrete sidewalk, ADA-compliant pedestrian ramps at the corners, new curb, new street pavement, and any needed improvements to the sanitary and storm sewer systems. The existing brick paver sidewalks and parking lanes installed in the 1990s will be removed. The brick pavers will not be replaced.

To minimize the impact to property owners and visitors downtown, Public Works will be coordinating any additional construction efforts with local utilities such as Xcel Energy, District Energy, Saint Paul Regional Water Services, and telecom companies where possible.

What do I need to know and do now?

Public Works is beginning the design stage of the project. To support our efforts, please contact our project engineer to share:

1. Any scheduled or potential construction projects for your building or the public right-of-way area that could take place this year or in 2021.
 - E.g. sidewalk or street work.
2. If your property has any known or suspected areaways or vaults that might be located beneath the sidewalk.
 - An areaway is an area of a building that extends into the public right-of-way under the sidewalk. They were often used as coal chutes, utility closets, or storage. It is important to note areaway details during the initial design phase of the project – even if they are not being used today – as they may require special consideration for construction.



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3. Lastly, please share this project information with tenants and businesses to keep them informed on how this reconstruction project may impact them, their clients, and visitors.

How will this project affect me and/or my business?

During the construction work in 2021, the road will be closed to vehicle traffic. Pedestrian access to businesses will be maintained.

How is this project being funded?

The Wabasha Street Reconstruction Project is funded by Municipal State Aid funds and assessments from the abutting property owners. The assessment rates have not yet been set.

Updates

For project updates and details, visit the project website at www.stpaul.gov/construction.

If you have questions or concerns, contact Project Engineer Barb Mundahl at 651-266-6112 or Barbara.mundahl@ci.stpaul.mn.us.

Thank you,



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