



PROJECT UPDATES

August 30, 2018

In accordance with our typical practice, during the summer season we try to limit the amount of construction taking place on public property, in order to minimize the disruption to our residents and visitors, as for many, this time of the year is precious. We also are in the process of preparing and putting into place plans for the next round of capital improvements throughout the City. As these projects move forward through the design, bidding, and construction phases, we will continue to provide you with updates on their progress.

Public Works Garage Maintenance Shop

On August 15, 2017, City Council awarded a contract to Archetto Construction, of Vineland, New Jersey, in the amount of \$450,601.70 for structural steel work and new siding at the Public Works garage maintenance shop. Cameras have been installed for the new security system. This project has been completed.

Fall Utility Reconstruction – various streets

On May 10, 2017, City Council awarded a contract to Perna Finnigan, Inc., of Vineland, New Jersey, in the amount of \$1,247,027.25 for utility reconstruction at the following locations:

- 72nd Street from Landis Avenue to Central Avenue - Utilities & Restoration Completed.
- 81st Street from Landis Avenue to Central Avenue - Utilities & Restoration Completed.
- 62nd Street from Landis Avenue to Pleasure Avenue - Utilities & Restoration Completed.
- 53rd Street from Landis Avenue to the Promenade - Utilities & Restoration Completed.
- 54th Street from Landis Avenue to the Promenade - Utilities & Restoration Completed.
- 55th Street from Landis Avenue to the Promenade - Utilities & Restoration Completed.
- 57th Street from Landis Avenue to the Promenade - Utilities & Restoration Completed.
- 48th Street from Central Avenue to Park Road - Utilities & Restoration Completed.
- 52nd Street from Landis Avenue to the Promenade - Utilities Complete & Restoration Completed.

Design work is underway for reconstruction and paving of the full width of the above streets; and that project will take place in the fall of this year.

Fall Utility Reconstruction – 39th Street

On June 27, 2017, City Council awarded a contract to Perna Finnigan, Inc., of Vineland, New Jersey, in the amount of \$287,782.31 for utility reconstruction on 39th Street from Central Avenue to Kneass Street. The work on this project is completed.

Design work is underway for reconstruction and paving of the full width of the above street; and that project will take place in the fall of this year.

Fall Roadway Reconstruction

On April 10, 2018, City Council awarded a construction contract to South State, Inc., of Bridgeton, New Jersey, in the amount of \$724,332.32 for work on the following streets:

- 79th Street from Central Avenue to Roberts Avenue
- 78th Street from Landis Avenue to Central Avenue
- 78th Street from Central Avenue to Roberts Avenue
- 81st Street from Central Avenue to the Bay End
- 66th Street from Landis Avenue to Central Avenue
- 68th Street from Landis Avenue to Central Avenue
- 71st Street from Landis Avenue to Central Avenue
- 73rd Street from Landis Avenue to Central Avenue
- 76th Street from Landis Avenue to Central Avenue
- Roberts Avenue from 55th Street to 56th Street

A preconstruction meeting was held on April 25, 2018; and most construction will be performed in the fall.

Sea Isle Boulevard

The Cape May County Board of Chosen Freeholders, at their May 13, 2014 meeting, awarded a \$12.7 million contract to South State, Inc. for the Sea Isle Boulevard Improvement project that will raise the roadway by approximately 4.5 feet and otherwise reconstruct Sea Isle Boulevard.

Traffic has now been diverted to the north side of the boulevard. A separate temporary traffic lane has been established to access the marina.

Work to place fill on the south side has been substantially completed, and the project is shut down for the summer season; with work to re-commence in the fall. Traffic will remain on the north side of the causeway until completion of the roadwork. The current schedule is to complete the roadwork for the new causeway prior to the 2019 summer season.

Motorists are advised to be aware of the revised traffic patterns in the construction zone and the reduced speed limit.

Resurfacing of Pleasure Avenue

On March 13, 2018, City Council awarded a contract to Jerry and Sons Excavating, Inc., of Mays Landing, NJ, in the amount of \$261,870 for the resurfacing of Pleasure Avenue from JFK Boulevard to 53rd Street. Of the above amount, \$179,000 will be reimbursed through a grant from the NJDOT. The schedule for the project is pending final approval by NJDOT of all contract documents. A preconstruction meeting took place on April 26, 2018. This work will begin after the summer season.

South Jersey Gas Company Reliability Enhancements

Installation of 2" and 4" yellow plastic natural gas mains will take place along 70th Street between Central Avenue and Landis Avenue, 69th Street through 79th Street (except 76th Street) between Landis Avenue and Pleasure Avenue and on Pleasure Avenue between 69th Street and 79th Street, and 80th Street to 93rd Street. The program's primary function is the accelerated replacement of aging bare steel mains with more durable plastic pipe. All excavations will be restored on a daily basis. South Jersey Gas or its contractors will contact customers to gain access to properties with gas service to complete this work. The road restoration work is expected to be completed this coming fall of 2018. Work will take place Monday through Friday from 7:00 am to 5:00 pm. There is a possibility of some work occurring on Saturdays. If residents have questions or would like more information on this project, please contact South Jersey Gas Cape May Division at 609-465-2900 Ext. 6250 and reference the Sea Isle Project.

Playground and Pavilion at 85th Street and the Beach

This project began over the winter with the design, purchase and installation of a new ADA compliant playground, upgrades to the area including a retaining wall and upgrades to the pavilion. The playground elements were purchased from Ben Shaffer Recreation of Lake Hopatcong, NJ. Green Lane Contractors of Mullica Hill, NJ is contracted to install the playground. The public works department is constructing the retaining wall and completing the pavilion upgrades that include new vinyl railings, posts, and flooring. New picnic tables will be installed along with park benches. The total cost of the improvement is \$53,807.26. The remaining item to be completed is the retaining wall, which will take place in the fall.

Sea Isle City Public Fishing Pier

To be constructed on the bay front at Dealy Field, this project will include a fishing pier, a pier with a covered pavilion, kayak/paddleboard launch facility (including launch facilities for the disabled) and decorative lighting. As of now, there is no bid date; but the City has applied to the Cape May County Open Space Board for grant funding (a presentation of the project was made to the Open Space Board at their August 28 meeting). The City has also scheduled a Pre-Application conference with the NJDEP to be held on September 11. The permitting process is expected to extend into 2019, with final design and construction to follow. As the City proceeds, a more definitive schedule for project completion will be able to be established.

Venicean Road Drainage Project

On August 28, 2018, Council awarded a contract to Garden State General Construction, Inc., of Clermont, NJ, in the amount of \$32,073.15 for road drainage system reconstruction. This project will eliminate a storm sewer, which crosses 4426 Venicean Road and outfalls into Ludlam's Thorofare, and will redirect this system to discharge into Rio Del Isole, one of the interior lagoons. A preconstruction meeting is scheduled for September 11, 2018, at 10:00 am. Work will begin in the fall.

38th Street Drainage Area Storm Water Pump Station

On July 24, 2018, Council awarded a contract to Mathis Construction, of Little Egg Harbor Township, New Jersey, in the amount of \$789,580.00 for the construction of a storm water pump station at 38th Street to the west of Sounds Avenue. Work on this project will begin in the fall.

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