

City of Fitchburg



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FITCHBURG – The Department of Public Works advises residents of the following work that will be done, weather permitting, during the week of May 5, 2025.

Road Construction

Monday – Sunday 12:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

River Street Bridge:

- MassDOT's contractor Northern Construction has implemented a detour on the River Street Bridge. All southbound traffic will follow the West Street detour. Northbound traffic will be maintained.

Newton Place:

- Newton Place from Main Street to Boulder Drive will be closed to traffic.

Monday – Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (expect road closures, traffic delays and/or detours).

Combination Sanitary Sewer/Storm Drain Separation Project:

Parking near the construction zones will not be allowed.

- The following excavation work is anticipated by GVC:
 - Elm Street – New drainage installation; surface restoration: curbing & bituminous sidewalk paving
 - Academy Street – New drainage installation
- Trenchless manhole rehabilitation and trenchless pipe pressure testing & grouting will take place in various locations.

Pipeline Replacement:

- Unitil and its subcontractors Neocon, Path Mechanical and S-Fors will be conducting natural gas pipeline replacement projects on Water Street (from 5th Street to Newton Street), Westminster Hill Road, Kimball Road, Cedar Street, Hazel Street, Shattuck Street, Pratt Road, Phillips Street, Rollstone Street Lincoln Street, Colony Road, and 5th Street.

Main Street Water Main Improvements:

Service interruptions to abutting properties are anticipated within the areas identified.

- JA Polito will be working in the following areas:
 - Valve installations on Monday 5/6 and Tuesday 5/7 at the Main Street/Grove Street intersection
 - Wednesday 5/8 and Thursday 5/9 – service tie-ins to temporary water system between Academy Street and Grove Street
 - Water Main installation on Main Street between Prospect Street and Academy Street
- JA Polito and their subcontractor Dewcon will be working within the following areas on the temporary bypass system including:
 - Main Street between Grove Street & Oliver Street

Route 2A/River Street Paving:

- Weather permitting, Lazaro Paving Corp. will be performing night paving starting at 7 p.m. on Thursday evening.

Electric Ave:

- Lazaro Paving Corp.'s subcontractor ROU will be adjusting castings, and if weather permits, will begin paving by the end of the week.

Mt Elam Road:

- Unitol Gas is funding Lazaro Paving to conduct a single lane mill/fill restoration of the gas patch in the southbound lane of Mt Elam Road off of Electric Ave.

Clarendon Street:

- Lazaro Paving Corp. will continue R&R of the granite curbing as well as placing sections of concrete sidewalk.

Monday – Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Minor traffic impacts:

- Pothole repairs Citywide.
- Stormwater maintenance to prevent flooding from blocked catch basins.
- Repair water gate boxes at various locations throughout the City.
- Various repair of the existing drainage infrastructure(s).
- Asplundh will be working on Alpine Road at the end of the week.

Hydrants:

- Hydrant maintenance City-wide.
- Water gate valve exercising/maintenance in the Main Street area including all side streets.

Street Sweeping:

- Street Sweeping will be completed in Ward 5 and commence in Ward 6. Residents and business owners are asked to sweep sidewalks in front of their homes ahead of their scheduled date. Sand should be placed in wind rows – not in piles – so that the equipment can successfully remove it.

Use [SeeClickFix](#) to report maintenance requests or concerns including potholes, sidewalks, signs/signals, lights, parks, catch basins or manholes.

Please call the DPW Dispatcher at 978-829-1900 with any immediate request including weather-related events (snow, wind, ice, flooding) or sewage backups.