### Surviving and Thriving During Construction

Waverly, Iowa







## It's Coming...





When backhoes and bulldozers are coming to your doorstep...

What can you do?



## **Start Here**

## Focus on Shared Goals

- Complete a quality project in a timely fashion
- Minimize disruptions to businesses
- Retain customers and businesses



- **1.** Logistics and Awareness
- **2.** Parking and Pedestrians
- **3.** Communications
- 4. Marketing & Publicity
- 5. Business & Building Owner Issues and Actions

## 1. Logistics and Awareness



### Scope Includes:

- Approximately \$12.5 million investment
- Road reconstruction
- Underground utilities reconstruction
- New curb, gutter, and sidewalks
- New lighting, street trees, plantings and furnishings





### Stages 1, 2A and 2B

Stages 1, 2A and 2B involve the approaches to the bridge including the 1<sup>st</sup> Street intersections on each side. The area starts in the middle of the block between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Streets East and West and stops at the bridge on each side and does not involve the bridge deck. These stages must be done first and must be done by June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

**Stage 1** involves utility work in the outside lanes and parking lanes. Traffic flows through the center two lanes. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street intersection is open but no left turns through 3<sup>rd</sup> Street.

Stages 2A and 2B involve work in the middle two lanes with the outside lanes being used for traffic. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street intersections are open but no left turns through 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. Third Street is open for left turns.





Communicate plans, schedules, staging, etc. to businesses and the community as decisions are finalized



HIGHWAY 61/MAIN STREET RECONSTRUCTION





### 2. Parking and Pedestrians



- Promote "Good Business" practices and "Customer First" parking policies
- Identify and map
  - Customer parking
  - Employee and resident parking
  - Temporary lots/spaces
  - Contractor parking





- Create and distribute parking map to downtown businesses
- Enhance and maintain parking areas and pedestrian pathways
- Use pedestrian-oriented signage to direct pedestrian flow
  - Encourage business owners to keep storefronts illuminated







## 3. Communications







High-Touch Communications System Components

- Downtown Block Captains
- "Construction Coffees"
- Designated project point person and/or hotline









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## Communications system tools and resources

- Media coverage
- Website, photo album and social media applications
- Text alerts and updates
- Email bulletins & updates
- Block Captains flyers
- Public presentations/updates

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- Standards & Specifications

## TH 61 RECONSTRUCTION (OLD WEST MAIN TO POTTER STREETS)



The City of Red Wing in cooperation with the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) has initiated the Highway 61 (Main Street) Project focused on developing a plan for the reconstruction of State Highway 61 between Old West Main Street and Potter Street in downtown Red Wing. MnDOT awarded the City Municipal Agreement funding to repair the roadway surface of this section of Highway 61 in 2015/2016. The City then obtained additional funding through MnDOT's Corridor Investment Management Strategies program to expand the scope of the pavement reconstruction project to also include improvements to safety, streetscape, pedestrian movements and utilities.

#### About the Project

The US Highway 61/Main Street Project includes the reconstruction of US Highway 61 hetween Old West Main Street and Potter Street in downtown Red Wing. The Project includes replacing utilities, reconstructing the roadway corridor, enhancing multiple methods of travel and incorporating key streetsenping elements. The Project also includes:

- Full pavement reconstruction and utilities replacement
- Readway reconfigured to encourage traffic "calming" and improve safety
- Improved decorative and efficient
- roadway and pedestrian lighting • Improved Americans with
- Disabilities Act (ADA) pedestrian facilities • The project will be constructed May-
- The project will be constructed May-August 2015 and May-August 2016

#### Access During Construction:

The City of Red Wing and its project partners are committed to minimizing the impacts of the US 61/Main Street project on businesses, residents and visitors to Red Wing. Our work with the Contractor will ensure that business and residential accesses are maintained at all times and proper lines of communication are in place to inform all stakeholders of project updates. Access during the project includes:

- Installing temporary business and directional signs
- Installing temporary driveway locations
- Installing temporary ramps where sidewalk has been removed and doing sidewalk construction in phases
- · Using alleys for access and deliveries
- Installing temporary signals at key intersections
- · Maintaining access to parking ramps

#### Main Event Committee

"The Main Event" Committee is a collaborative committee of area businesses, organizations, community and government leaders that are assisting the City of Red Wing to help mitigate the discuptive effects of the Main Street Reconstruction Project by providing constant and effective communication about the project, as well as educational and promotional assistance to the affected businesses.

#### THANK YOU TO OUR PARTNERS!

- City of Red Wing
- Goodhue County
- Jones Family Foundation Live Healthy Red Wing
- Live Healthy Red Wing
   Main Event Committee
- MnDOT
- Red Wing Area Chamber of Commerce
- Red Wing Area Fund
- Red Wing Downlown Main Street
- Red Wing Housing & Redevelopment Authority
- Red Wing Ignite
- Red Wing Ignite
   Red Wing Port Authority
- Red Wing Shoe Foundation
- Red Wing Visitors & Convention
- Bureau Red Wing YMCA
- St. James Hotel
- Uffda Shop

#### **Construction Communication:**

The City of Red Wing Staff, with assistance from Bolton & Menk, will he leading all outreach and communication efforts during construction. Staff will he available to answer questions during construction and will provide updates on upcoming work to affected propertybusiness owners. Construction Staff will be on-site to resolve problems as they arise and available via cell phone or email at any time for additional assistance. In addition, communication about the project includes:

- Weekly public meetings with the Contractor and City of Red Wing Staff (Tuesdays at Noon at City Coancil Chambers)
- City of Red Wing and Main Event Committee will provide local information and business support during construction via emails, updates, websites and newsletters
   Media articles
- Media arbeies
   Anyone interested in receiving periodic emails on the project can send an email request to hwy61 reconstruction@ci.red-wing, mn.us.



#### Downtown is Open for Business!

#### HIGHWAY 61/MAIN STREET RECONSTRUCTION

**Construction Communication** 

#### Construction Team:

CORY BIENFANG - Bolton & Menk Project Engineer Contact: corybi@bolton-menk.com or 507.995.2936

AARON WARFORD ~ Bolton & Menk Project Manager Contact: aaronwa@bolton-menk.com or 651.503.5700

JAY OWENS - Red Wing City Engineer Contact: jay.owens@ci.red-wing.mn.us or 651.764.3336

JOSH HRABE – Bolton & Menk Construction Inspector Contact: joshhr@bolton-menk.com or 612.965.2473 **Our Vision** 

"Establish downtown Red Wing as a premier riverfront destination by creating vibrant gathering places, attractive housing options, thriving commerce, and strong linkages that celebrate the experience and foster sustainability."

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#### MAIN STREET TRAFFIC IMPACTS

Week of 3/14/2016



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Dealing with the reconstruction of highway 61 is challenging - especially for business owners along that route, however, we are grateful for the replacement of this ancient infrastructure.

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between old west and east/west ave until i saw how many layers of street were below the asphalt.

Like · Reply · May 26, 2015 at 11:53am · Edited



Jason Van Campen So do the businesses on Main Street get hit with an assessment like residential streets do?

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Red Wing City Government Great question, Jason. The answer is from our Director of Engineering. They are getting assessed just like every other reconstruction project. They are being assessed for street reconstruction, sewer service replacements, and water service ranlacaman Saa Mora





### Downtown Main Street Red Wing 😁 feeling excited.

Red Wing is open for business! Parking is available, check this video at minute 4:00 for details. If you are a business with questions or concerns on the construction, contact the folks listed at the #MainEvent http://www.red-wing.org/mainevent.html

We can't wait to see this completed. Since they are a full month AHEAD of schedule, we should see the beautiful new streetscape sometime in August!!



### Highway 61 (Main Street) Construction Project – Stage 2

Red Wing City Engineer Jay Owens talks with Tom Hughes about the 2nd stage of the Highway 61 (Main Street) Construction Project.

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## 4. Marketing and Promotion

# What will "fun" look like in Waverly?





### Red Wing is Open For Business!

Hard Hat Thursdays Start May 51 #Downtown #MainEvent







### Develop a theme and/or character for campaign marketing & promo



### **COMING SOON: AN EVEN BETTER DOWNTOWN**







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### REFRESHING DEVELOPMENTS.










to nominate and elect the next mayor of Digtown!











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#### Look who's in the building!















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The Pave It Forward Raffle organized by Saline Main Street and the Saline Area Chamber of Commerce is underway. Shoppers have an opportunity to win \$250 each month in June, July, September and October, \$500 in August, and \$1,000 at the Grand Prize Drawing in December. The Pave It Forward campaign works like this: shoppers collect their receipts from participating businesses and redeem them for raffle tickets at one of three redemption centers –Hartman Insurance Company, Saline Main Street, and the Saline Area Chamber of Commerce.

For every \$10 spent, shoppers will be given one ticket that will be entered into the drawing for the monthly drawings. Receipts must be redeemed for tickets by 5:00 pm on the first Wednesday of each month. Drawings are scheduled on the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM at Leather Bucket Alley on S. Ann Arbor Street in Downtown Saline.































### **Quick-hit Construction Theme Activities, Events & Novelties**

- "Lil Diggers" coloring books and contests, photo opps, etc.
- Social media-driven
  "Digger's Picks" weekly business specials



### **Quick-hit Construction Theme Activities, Events & Novelties**

- "Lil' Diggers" Lunch Bucket Brigade parade
- Touch-a-Truck
- Yard Sale
- Sand sculptures
- Dust-buster car washes











**Action Agenda** 

# 5. Business & Building Owner Issues and Actions



# Building & Business Owners Hints & Tips

- Review insurance policies
- Perform inspection of basement and foundation
- Retain plumber to examine plumbing system in advance
- Elevate stock, equipment, etc. in areas susceptible to seepage



- Identify and protect unique building elements
- Create a pre-construction photo and/or video record of conditions
- Identify and enhance alternate accesses, where practical and appropriate
- Help to maintain (and "Clean Sweep") pedestrian passageways





- Attend project update meetings and stay in the information loop
- Share information with customers & clients
- Support and partner in crossmarketing, cross-promotion and collaborative marketing opportunities
- Tap new markets





## Moving Forward...

- Don't wait!
  - Get involved. Stay involved.
  - Focus on priorities and mutual goals.
  - Plan your work;
    Work your plan.
  - Remember, it's an improvement and investment.

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