



# City of Concord

## Weekly City Manager Newsletter

April 3, 2015

### **DOWNTOWN COMPLETE STREETS PROJECT**

Downtown traffic flowed smoothly this past week - a little too smoothly in fact. Cars have been maintaining their normal speed on North Main Street, which is a bit too fast under current conditions for safety. Motorists are advised to drop their speed to 10 mph or so when driving through the work zone to ensure the safety of workers and pedestrians. Pedestrians are asked to let the flaggers do their jobs and not charge into a crosswalk that is being controlled by a flagger without allowing the flagger to stop traffic.

Underground utility work and storm drain construction will continue next week, primarily on the east side of the street. The traffic flow configuration will vary depending on the nature of the work. There will be some one-lane, alternating north-south traffic control (like we had at times last fall), as well as the one lane in each direction flow that was being maintained this past week. Next week's work will take place in the area near CVS; at Depot Street; and near the Eagle Hotel, Fabulous Looks Boutique and Merrimack County Savings Bank. In preparation for its smooth removal at the appropriate time, a crew will be pre-cutting the existing concrete sidewalk where it joins with building fronts along the east side of North Main Street.

April 16th is the target date for converting the east side of North Main Street, from Centre Street/Loudon Road to Pleasant Street, to the full work zone. At that time, North Main Street traffic flow will convert to one lane southbound. Northbound traffic will re-route to Storrs or State Street. The project's ground breaking ceremony is scheduled for Monday, April 20th, at 10:00 AM, at City Plaza (in front of the arch). As always, please keep in mind that the project schedule is weather dependent.

### **POTHOLE FILLING**

Concord General Services' Highway and Utilities crews have been keeping busy this past month filling potholes. Crews have filled 2,915 potholes so far this season.



### **ARENA CONVERSION**

Watch Concord General Services' new [YouTube video](#) featuring the Everett Arena's conversion process from an ice rink back to concrete for spring shows and events.



### **PROPERTY TAXES**



The last installment payments for 2014 property taxes were due on March 31st. On Friday, April 10th, the Collections Office will be sending out certified letters with a notice of impending lien for any unpaid 2014 property taxes.

### **PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION DEADLINE**

April 15th is the deadline to submit new applications for property tax exemptions and credits. The deadline pertains to veteran credits, elderly exemptions, and blind exemptions. Property owners who are currently receiving these credits and exemptions do not need to requalify unless the Assessing Office has contacted them and requested they do so. Qualifying criteria and forms may be obtained online at [www.concordnh.gov/assessing](http://www.concordnh.gov/assessing) or directly from the Assessing Office.

April 15th is also the deadline for the annual filing of A-9 applications requesting educational, religious, or charitable property tax exemptions. Property owners requesting a charitable exemption must also file an A-12 application and financial data before June 1st.

For more information, call the Assessing Office at 225-8550.

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