



City of Concord

Weekly City Manager Newsletter

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MAIN STREET

On Monday, July 18th, construction will shift to the west side of South Main Street. This marks the final phase of the Main Street Project.

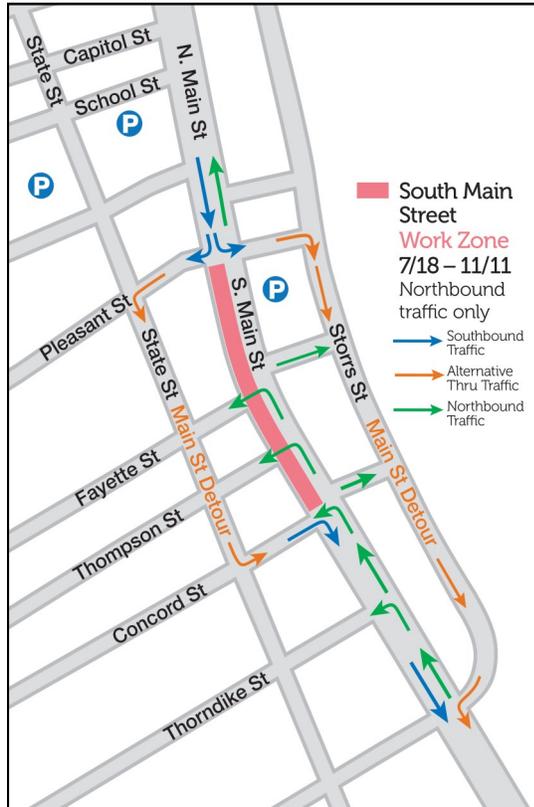
The traffic pattern on South Main Street will change, with the northbound lane fully open through the downtown and the work zone shifting to the south-bound lane, from Pleasant Street to Concord Street. Side streets connecting to and through the work zone will be open with sporadic closures for utility and crosswalk construction. Motorists are urged to be alert when crossing the work area to turn north.

Next week, crews will continue trenching and laying conduit for the underground utility lines. They will also begin to remove curbing and to excavate and install new storm drains in the area from Pitchfork Records to New England Cupcakery. Sidewalks will be open, as will the parking lot to the Concord Food Co-op.

From now until construction ends, there will be free 2-hour parking in the newly rebuilt section of South Main Street. Unless something entirely unforeseen occurs, construction is scheduled to wrap up, and the project will be complete, by November 11th. Check out this week's episode of the [Main Street Minute!](#)

SIDEWALK PAVING

Concord General Services' Highway and Utilities crews have been paving sidewalks in various areas of the city. So far, crews have paved 1,900 feet of sidewalk on Sewalls Falls Road, West Street, and South Spring Street. A new curb was installed on West Street to alleviate a drainage problem and a water gate valve was replaced on South Spring Street as part of the sidewalk repairs. Paving will continue in other areas as needed over the next few weeks.



AIRPORT MAINTENANCE UPGRADES

The General Services Department's Public Properties Division has upgraded the safety lighting in the tie-down area at the Concord Airport to new energy efficient LED lighting. These new fixtures offer more reliability and will require less maintenance, in addition to providing energy savings and greenhouse gas reductions. In addition, bituminous crack filler was applied to the pavement in the tie-down areas as part of regular preventative maintenance. Crack sealing prolongs pavement life and reduces the wear and tear to aircraft that use the airport.

LIVE MUSIC ON THE LAWN

On **Wednesday, July 20th**, at **6:00 PM**, the Concord Public Library will close down Prince Street for Live Music on the Lawn, with a performance by "**Laid to Dust**". Started in late 2011 in Concord, "Laid to Dust" plays roots-style music in the tradition of the masters of bluegrass, folk, country, and good ole' fashioned rock 'n roll. Bring your family, a chair or blanket, and join in the festive block party atmosphere, complete with live music and affordable tasty treats!

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