



Department of Public Works
Engineering Division

Fact and Details Sheet:
ELMSIDE BOULEVARD, SOMMERS AVENUE, AND CENTER AVENUE CONSTRUCTION

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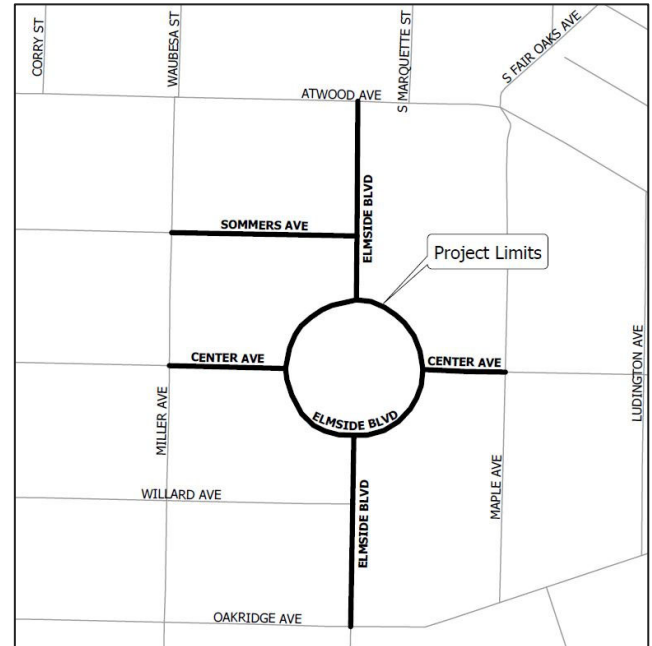
Construction Schedule & Impacts

Tentative Schedule: Work is scheduled to begin the week of July 6, 2026 and completed around end of November 2026.

Traffic Impacts: Evergreen Avenue, Ohio Avenue, and Sommers Avenue will be closed to through traffic within the project limits until the project is complete. Per City's standard specs, residential driveways may be closed for a cumulative of 20 days during the project, primarily when concrete driveway aprons, curb & gutter, and sidewalks are being installed. No parking is allowed within the construction zone during working hours (7AM to 7PM), so when your driveway is not accessible, you will need to park on the adjacent streets outside the project limits (Willard Avenue, Miller Avenue, Maple Avenue, Sommers Avenue (west of Miller Avenue), Center Avenue (west of Miller Avenue), and Center Avenue (east of Maple Avenue)). The contractor will notify impacted residents prior to the driveway access being closed for an extended period, but there will likely be several short-duration closures during utility work and asphalt paving that may not have much advance notice. During these shorter disruptions, the Contractor will work with residents to provide access as quickly as possible. Contact the project manager if you have accessibility concerns and need to request special accommodations.

Temporary no-parking zones are anticipated on select side streets adjacent to the project limits to accommodate the Contractor's equipment and material staging needs during construction.

Project Location Map



Traffic impacts on Atwood Avenue at Elmside Boulevard are anticipated for removing and replacing a portion of the asphalt pavement in the outbound (away from downtown) outside lane from Miller Avenue to S. Marquette Street as well as for connection of the sanitary sewer main, water main, and storm sewer main into existing pipes within Atwood Avenue. Long-term (6-8 weeks) single lane closures on Atwood Avenue in each direction during construction are anticipated. One lane in each direction will be maintained for much of the duration; non-peak flagging operations may be required for portions of the work. Metro transit operations would be maintained.

Construction Sequence: The anticipated sequence of construction activities is as follows:

The Contractor will begin sanitary sewer installation at Oakridge Avenue traveling along the east side of Elmside Boulevard, progressing toward Circle Park and continuing east to Center Avenue and Maple Avenue. Upon completion of this segment, the Contractor will return to Oakridge Avenue and install sanitary sewer along the west side of Elmside Boulevard, proceeding toward Circle Park and then west to Center Avenue and Miller Avenue.

The Contractor will then begin sanitary sewer installation at Atwood Avenue along the east side of Elmside Boulevard, progressing toward Circle Park. Following completion of the east side, the Contractor will return to Atwood Avenue and install sanitary sewer along the west side of Elmside Boulevard, progressing toward Circle Park.

After the sanitary sewer mains and service laterals have been installed, the Contractor will follow a similar sequence for water main and storm sewer construction. Utility installation is anticipated to take approximately three months to be completed.

As storm sewer installation progresses, the Contractor will begin roadway reconstruction activities, including pavement and concrete removal, grading for the proposed roadway profile, placement of gravel base course, and preparation for concrete work. Following placement of the gravel base, the Contractor will install concrete curb and gutter, driveway aprons, and sidewalk.

Once the concrete work is finished, the Contractor will complete final grading and preparation of the gravel base for asphalt paving. The remaining work will include asphalt placement, topsoil placement and seeding, and installation of pavement markings.

Water Shut-offs: An average of two water shut-offs are expected for each property within the project limits. A minimum of 48 hours of notice will be provided prior to the shutoffs. Each shutoff may last up to 8 hours, but typically last about 4 hours. The water will be shutoff when the new water

main is connected to the existing main and when connecting the services to the new main. At the start of construction, the existing main will remain in service until the new main is installed and connected to; emergency shutoffs may occur if the old, brittle main is damaged during construction. If this happens, crews will work to notify affected properties as quickly as possible.

Refuse Collection & Mail Delivery: It will be the contractor's responsibility to allow for refuse collection and mail delivery to continue during construction. Please mark your address on your cart to make sure it is returned if moved. We ask that you place your carts at the street the evening prior to or at the very latest 6:00 a.m. the morning of your scheduled refuse/recycling day.

Landscaping: Existing landscaping plantings, raised planting beds, stone or brick pavers, and wood retaining walls, etc. within the terrace (between curb & sidewalk) will be impacted. If you wish to save any landscaping, it should be removed prior to the start of work in 2026 and reinstalled by you after construction is complete. If left in place, these items will be removed by the contractor. The contractor will not replace or reinstall these items following completion of the project.

Project Details – Proposed Work

Sanitary Sewer: The City will replace the existing sewer main with 8-inch or 10-inch PVC pipe and replace laterals from the main to the property line 8-inch PVC pipe.

Water Main: The City will replace the existing water main and reconnect existing water services to the new main with 8-inch ductile iron pipe.

Storm Sewer: The City will replace and improve the storm sewer system in the street and at intersections.

Street: The City will replace all the pavement, gravel base, curb and gutter, driveway aprons, concrete terrace walks, and spot replace sidewalk as needed along Elmside Boulevard, Center Avenue, and Sommers Avenue.

The proposed street width on Elmside Boulevard along the medians is 20 feet, face of curb to face of curb, the same as the existing width. Parking will be maintained on one side. Around Circle Park, Elmside Boulevard is proposed at 24 feet, reduced from the existing 28 feet, face of curb to face of curb. Parking will continue on one side, and additional terrace space (along the properties within the circle of Elmside Boulevard) will be provided for future tree plantings. Sommers Avenue is proposed at 24 feet, reduced from the existing 26 feet, with parking remaining on one side. Center Avenue is proposed at 26 feet, reduced from the existing 28 feet, with parking remaining on one side.

Driveway Aprons: Driveway aprons constructed with the project will be replaced with concrete. Driveway widths will be replaced per the City of Madison standard details along Elmside Boulevard, Sommers Avenue, and Center Avenue (*driveway aprons assessable*).

Bus Pads: Bus pads will not be installed along Elmside Boulevard, Sommers Avenue, and Center Avenue.

Street Lights: Street lighting on existing MG&E wood poles will remain.

Trees: Terrace (area between the sidewalk & curb), median, and Circle Park trees may be pruned prior to construction to provide required clearance for construction equipment. Efforts are being made in the street design to save as many of the existing trees as possible. There are 5 planned tree removals ahead of construction (401 Elmside Boulevard (1-Maple), 500 Elmside Boulevard (2-Maple), 525 Elmside Boulevard (1-Maple), and (2814 Sommers Avenue (1-Ginkgo)) with this project because of poor condition and these trees are planned to be removed ahead of construction. There are terrace areas within the project limits that have volunteer trees (trees not planted by City Forestry in the right-of-way) that may be removed by City Forestry ahead of construction. If, during the course of construction, it is determined that any additional trees must be removed, adjacent property owners will be notified, prior to removal of the tree. The trees within the project limits that remain may have the roots trimmed during construction.

Tree pruning in advance of the project is required to reduce the risk of damage to the trees during construction. City Forestry will perform the necessary work. For certain species, especially oak and elm trees, the pruning must be completed by June 1st to reduce the chance of disease. If additional trees need to be removed, City Engineering will notify the adjacent property owner prior to removal.

Street trees provide many benefits to our city and are considered an important part of the city's infrastructure. City Forestry will evaluate the terrace for new planting sites and potential replacement sites when the project is complete. There is no additional cost to the adjacent property owner for a tree planting. Street trees are typically planted in the spring of the year following the completion of the construction project. Per Madison General Ordinance 10.10, City Forestry determines tree species and planting locations. Residents cannot choose or plant their own tree in the terrace. For any questions regarding street tree maintenance or planting, please contact the general forestry line at 266-4816.