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**To: Residents near the University Ave. Reconstruction Project**  
**Re: Extension of Work Hours for Construction Activities**

As you're aware, the reconstruction project on University Ave. is underway. Typically, contractors are limited to working between the hours of 7AM to 7PM Monday thru Saturday and 10AM to 7PM on Sundays, and, thus far, the Contractor on University Ave. has been following those requirements. Due to the complexity of the work in certain areas that would have significant impacts to the traveling public, including impacts on access to the hospitals, there will be times when the contractor will need to extend their work hours beyond those standard allowed times to help limit those disruptions.

Construction on University Ave. in 2022 will primarily be focused on the north side of the street (westbound lanes). This includes installation of a 96-inch storm sewer, a sanitary sewer interceptor main, a new bike/pedestrian overpass of University Bay Dr., along with other general utility and street reconstruction work. In order to minimize the duration of closures of intersections (University Bay Dr., Marshall Ct., and Shorewood Blvd.), the Contractor may need to do some work between the hours of 7PM and 7AM through those areas. Additionally, installation of the new overpass structure will likely require work between the hours of 7PM and 7AM to limit the duration of the closure of University Bay Dr.

The work in 2022 also involves replacement of the railroad crossing surfaces of Marshall Ct. and of University Bay Dr. These streets will be closed while the railroad is completing those replacements, but Marshall Ct. and University Bay Dr. will not be closed at the same time. It's expected that work will begin on the Marshall Ct. crossing around August 15, and begin on the University Bay Dr. crossing around August 22. In order to better coordinate with the railroad work, the Contractor may also need to work additional hours, starting as early as August 15, to better align the construction activities and hopefully limit the number of times these intersections need to be closed.

In 2023, work will mostly take place on the southerly side of University Ave. (eastbound lanes), which will include replacement of sanitary sewer, storm sewer, and water mains, along with the street reconstruction work. Similar to the work in 2022, the Contractor may need to work between the hours of 7PM and 7AM in order shorten the duration of closures of the intersections with Hill St., Franklin St. and Farley Ave. The project work in 2023 will also include installation of overhead signs and signals, and also the final surface of asphalt pavement for both sides of University Ave., and these activities may also require work to extend beyond the standard hours in order to minimize the impacts of intersection and travel lane closures on University Ave.

In total, work between the hours of 7PM and 7AM will be limited to no more than 20 days for the remainder of the work in 2022 and no more than 15 days in 2023. Also, for the duration of the project, the Contractor will be allowed to work between 7AM and 10AM on Sundays, when necessary to expedite work and minimize disruptions.

Unfortunately, since the work schedule is so dependent on field conditions, material availability, weather, etc., we're not able to provide specific dates for when this work will occur. When work overnight is anticipated, it will be included in the weekly project update that is posted to the project page and emailed to subscribers. You can check the updates at the URL noted below and also subscribe to receive email updates by clicking the "subscribe" button on the right side of the project page.

Project page URL: [www.cityofmadison.com/engineering/projects/university-avenue](http://www.cityofmadison.com/engineering/projects/university-avenue)

If you have any questions regarding this work or the reconstruction project, please contact the Project Engineer, Jim Wolfe, at 608-266-4099 or [jwolfe@cityofmadison.com](mailto:jwolfe@cityofmadison.com).

Sincerely,



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