

THE CITY OF
SOUTH BELOIT
ILLINOIS



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The City of South Beloit is excited to announce the road work scheduled for the remainder of the summer into fall season. These efforts are largely in part to the support of a 1% Sales Tax Increase for Road Improvements and make tremendous impact.

2026 Street Improvement Program

The City of South Beloit is pleased to announce its 2026 Street Improvement Program. This annual program represents the City's continued investment in maintaining and improving local roadways to provide safe, reliable transportation for residents, businesses, and visitors. Construction is anticipated to begin during the week of August 10th, and is expected to be completed during the week of October 26th.

Funding

This year's program is funded through a combination of:

- Illinois Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) Funds
- Local 1% Sales Tax (Local Transportation Funds)

The City's Local 1% Sales Tax allows a portion of the taxes generated by purchases within the City to be reinvested into local street improvements and infrastructure projects. Rather than relying solely on outside funding, these dollars stay in our community and are used to improve the roads you drive every day. It's one of the most direct ways your everyday purchases contribute to safer streets, smoother roads, and a stronger community for everyone. Every time you shop locally, you're helping build a better community.

Planned Improvements

The 2026 Street Program includes:

- Asphalt milling and resurfacing
- Full-depth pavement reclamation and resurfacing
- Full-depth pavement patching
- Crack sealing
- Pavement striping
- ADA sidewalk ramp improvements
- Curb and gutter replacement

These improvements help extend the service life of City streets, improve ride quality, enhance drainage, and increase safety for motorists, cyclists, and pedestrians.

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Project Locations

The following streets are scheduled for improvements this construction season:

- Washington Street
- Thompson Street
- Wheeler Avenue
- Lathrop Terrace
- Hemenway Place
- Eastern Avenue
- Caswell Street
- Salmon Avenue
- Allen Avenue
- South Park Avenue
- Willowbrook Road
- Dorr Road
- South Bluff Street

The following streets may possibly be added to the scheduled improvements this construction season:

- Illinois Street
- South 8th Street
- Center Street

What Residents Can Expect

Residents living near construction areas should expect:

- Standard working hours: 7:00am-6:00pm (hours may be extended)
- Temporary lane closures
- Reduced traffic speeds
- Short-term driveway access restrictions during paving operations
- Construction equipment and workers throughout the project area

Emergency services, mail delivery, garbage collection, and school transportation will continue throughout construction. Contractors are required to maintain reasonable access to all driveways throughout the duration of construction. All temporary driveway closures are required to be communicated to property owners in advance of the closure taking place.

How You Can Help

Residents are encouraged to:

- Obey all posted construction signs.
- Reduce speed through work zones.
- Watch for workers and equipment.
- Avoid parking on streets scheduled for construction when requested.
- Plan for minor travel delays.
- Relocate and/or mark with marking flags any private appurtenances within 5 feet of the roadway pavement (invisible dog fences, irrigation systems, etc.). The City and contractor will

not be responsible for damaged appurtenances within the ROW that have not been previously permitted by the City.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact the City's engineering consultant (Nathan Haas: nathan.haas@fehrgraham.com) or the City's Streets Department (Steve Haas: 815-389-4448) with any questions or concerns that you may have.

Your patience and cooperation help ensure the safety of construction crews and the traveling public. Thank you all for your continued support of the City of South Beloit!