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News Release

Construction, road closures begin today on South Summit Street

Water line complete: Cornejo to begin traffic control, start closing intersections

ARKANSAS CITY, Kan. (June 26, 2017) — Lane and intersection closures will begin today on South Summit Street as part of the ongoing KLINK resurfacing project, said Public Works Director Eric Broce.

The contractor, Cornejo and Sons LLC, will commence construction work today from the U.S. 77 bypass and West Tyler Avenue south to the Arkansas River bridge.

During this period of construction, through traffic on Summit Street might at times be restricted to one lane. Several avenues intersecting with Summit will be closed and reconstructed with concrete.

Access to local businesses will continue to be maintained throughout the construction period.

The City will post periodic traffic control and detour updates on its website, www.arkansascityks.gov, and Facebook page, www.facebook.com/arkcity, as well as distribute them to local media outlets.

Project history

The City Commission of Arkansas City voted unanimously on April 4 to approve a contract agreement with Cornejo and Sons LLC, of Wichita, for construction of the 2017 South Summit Street KLINK resurfacing project, for an amount not to exceed \$557,398.70.

Some matching funds from the Kansas Department of Transportation, as part of its City Connecting Links program), will be used for this project, as well as funds from the City's Street Improvement Fund, which was funded through a five-year, half-cent street sales tax from April 2009 through March 2014.

During that same April 4 meeting, the commission approved a contract agreement with Nowak Construction, also of Wichita, for the South Summit Street water line replacement project from Pierce to Tyler avenues, for an amount not to exceed \$274,378.75.

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That work was completed last week.

Engineering design for the KLINK project and accompanying water line replacement was provided Professional Engineering Consultants, P.A., for an amount not to exceed \$64,100. This contract was approved Dec. 6, 2016, by the city commissioners.

Part of the project will include wider-than-normal wheelchair ramps at several intersections, to allow for future extension of the 10-foot-wide hike-bike trail south to the Travis Hafner Training Center.

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