



Allegan Downtown Streetscape Project

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Current Progress

Underground excavation can lead to any variety of finds across each week. This week Milbocker found old brick under the roadway, and even a few old utility lines. Work this week once again focused on sanitary sewer construction, with progress made from Brady St into neighboring Mahan Park. The crew is using dual-height trench box to shore their trench and reduce the need for wider excavation as they make their way down the driveway toward the waterfront.

Placement of the new Brady Street Sewer will reroute sanitary flow away from the riverfront and boardwalk along Mahan Park and adjacent property. This will improve access for maintenance, reduce inflow potential and help ensure the quality of our surface waters. These measures are further enhanced through joint wraps and gaskets on the new asphaltic coated manholes that help prevent inflow and infiltration into the sewer system.



Fig 1: Encountering old brick underneath the road



Fig 1: Sanitary work continues into Mahan Park

Upcoming Work

Anticipate work to continue with Sanitary Sewer where the crew will complete the connection to the waterfront and test the new sewer main. The trench along Brady St. will also be reopened to adjust the new sanitary sewer for conflicts encountered underground.

In the coming weeks, new water main will be installed along the entire length of Brady St. from State St. to Hubbard St.

As sewer installation progresses the contractor will continue to backfill the utility trench to ensure safety.

Throughout the project, the contractor plans to leave sidewalks in place as long as possible to maintain access to residences and businesses. When a section of existing sidewalk needs to be removed, the affected property will be coordinated ahead of time, and a temporary walkway will be maintained.