

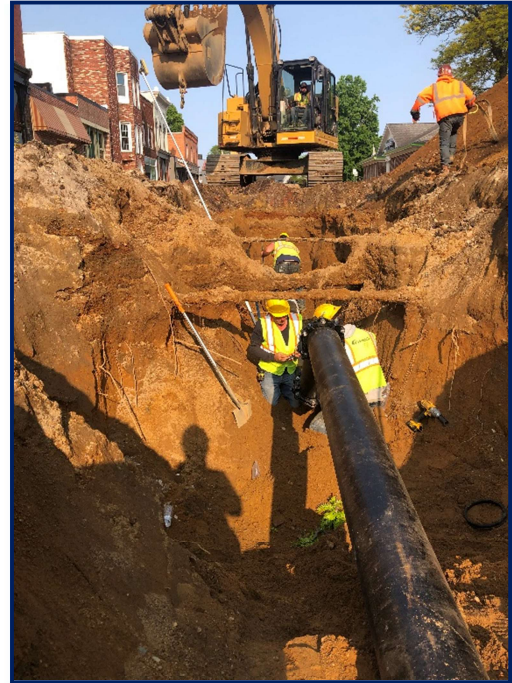
# Allegan Downtown Streetscape Project

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## Current Progress

Many crews are now at work in Downtown Allegan with the acceleration of the project schedule. The new schedule has work for all phases of the project being substantially completed this year! Some landscaping and finishing touches will likely push into spring of 2024, but the goal is to have all underground and road work done before winter 2023 to get downtown back to normal operations without a second year of closures.

To start the week off, a removal crew was mobilized to mill and remove the existing pavement along Hubbard St. At the same time, new sanitary sewer on Hubbard St, east of Locust St was installed. Then began the installation of the new water main along Hubbard St, west of Locust St. Working along Hubbard St, the pipe crews work carefully to avoid existing utilities as they lay the new water main and sanitary sewer. As with Brady St, this water main pipe has been covered with an asphaltic coating and is mortar-lined to help ensure the lifespan of the pipe is that of the new roadway, if not longer. Similarly, water services will also be replaced following pressure testing, disinfection, and bacteria testing of the new main. This new water system downtown will also help ensure that the City of Allegan follows Michigan's Lead & Copper Rule, keeping citizens safer from potential lead line contamination within the city limits.



*Fig 1: Water main installation underneath existing utilities along Hubbard Street*



*Fig 2: Milbocker installing a new fire hydrant on Hubbard Street*

## Upcoming Work

As this work progresses, Brady St. will have its roadbed built up as Milbocker prepares to place curb and gutter, new sidewalk, and other surface elements. Alongside this grading and concrete work, water services will eventually be replaced on Hubbard St once pressure testing, disinfection, and bacteria testing are complete on the new water main section.

As was done with Brady St, once the water main is complete, water service may temporarily be interrupted while Milbocker transfers your service from the old main to the new main. Any affected properties will be coordinated with ahead of time, and a notice will be provided in advance.

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.