CITY OF FORT WAYNE
SHARON TUCKER, MAYOR

RIGHT OF WAY DEPARTMENT
10/21/2026- SWAP MEETING

Traffic Updates: www.TRECtheFort.org (map)

*****Engage Fort Wayne Website: https://engage.cityoffortwayne.org/**

Major City Projects are posted here for public notice and community interaction/engagement. You can look up specific projects related to Public Works. There are links to contact the involved Managers to get answers you need. Note, this does not replace the 311-call center (260-427-8311) for filing complaints or making requests provided through that service.

Project details and start dates are subject to change. If you have further questions regarding specifics, please reach out to the Project Manager or Department assigned.

Major updates are highlighted below

ROW Projects: https://www.cityoffortwayne.in.gov/650/Right-of-Way

- ADA Package (PM – Brad Lewis) https://engage.cityoffortwayne.org/2026-curb-ramp-update-package – Sites are being evaluated.

- Barrett 50/50 Cost Share (PM – Robert Maiorana) Construction started. Accepting applications for 2027.
    - Involves replacing concrete in the right of way (sidewalk, drive approach, curbing, and yard-walks) that is in poor condition. Trees that are impacting any of this will be removed at City's discretion. Homeowner pays for 50% and City pays the other 50%, and tree removal is covered by City.
    - If you are interested in getting on the list for 2027, please fill out a petition on paper or online.
    - **Engage:** https://engage.cityoffortwayne.org/barrett-5050-cost-share-program
    - **ROW:** https://www.cityoffortwayne.in.gov/874/50-50-Sidewalk-Cost-Share

- Miscellaneous Packages (PM – Brad Lewis) –

    *This package involves concrete improvements for sidewalk, curbing, ADA ramps, alley approaches, streets, and more. Neighborhoods and businesses can reach out to see if a 50/50 cost share can be set up to make improvements to the right of way for their properties.

    A new sidewalk was added on Mayflower St in the Broadview Terrace neighborhood.

- Sidewalk Leveling- (PM- Robert Maiorana & Nick Jarrell)-
  - Takes place throughout the City. If your neighborhood would like to pursue leveling for large stretches of sidewalk, please contact us.
  - Leveling was complete on Southampton Ct. in July 2026.

- Trip Hazard Package (PM Robert Maiorana- Active
  - https://engage.cityoffortwayne.org/sidewalk-trip-hazard-elimination
  - **District 4**
    - Bittersweet Lakes – Complete
    - The Shores – Complete
    - Southwood Park
    - Sheffield Woods
  - **District 5**
    - Hoagland Masterson - Complete
    - Woodhurst – Complete July 2026
    - Historic South Wayne – Complete July 2026
    - Five Points

Transportation Engineering Projects

Concrete Neighborhood Project:

- Avalon Place – Active Construction
  - Project will include street reconstruction, miscellaneous sidewalk repairs, curb ramp upgrades, subsurface drainage, and trees will be removed from the park strip.
  - The trees being removed are the ones that are highly recommended by the Parks Department arborist. It is recommended to remove the trees that we cut into the roots within specific proximity to the tree. This is due to the possibility of killing the tree and/or weakening the tree's root system making it susceptible of falling during heavy winds.
  - So far it is moving smoothly, but it started off slow due to multiple rain events. There are some high gas service lines out there which may slow down construction in areas. There is the possibility that Hipskind may skip 10'-15' when pouring back a street if a gas service line is too high and needs to be lowered by NIPSCO. The pavement will get poured back in once NIPSCO is able to lower the service line.
  - Hipskind is currently working on the second half of the final street section.
  - Once this side is poured, crews will begin backfilling along the concrete edges, followed by topsoil placement and seeding across the site.
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- Community Crossing Grant – Westchester & SW Waynedale Neighborhood St Repair

- https://engage.cityoffortwayne.org/community-crossing-westchester-sw-waynedale-neighborhood-st-repair
- Project will include the reconstruction of select streets, sidewalks, ADA ramps, curbs and approaches. As well as subsurface drainage, select tree removal necessary for construction and park strip restoration.

- Blue Creek Concrete Street Repairs: https://engage.cityoffortwayne.org/blue-creek-concrete-street-repairs
- This project will replace the deteriorated concrete streets throughout the neighborhood, restoring the roadway's structural integrity while also improving overall safety, enhancing drainage performance by installing new underdrains, and supporting a more reliable and resilient transportation corridor for residents. Also included will be a minor reconfiguration of the existing concrete island.
- PM Christian Harmeyer
- Construction Fall 2026 to Fall 2027.

Sidewalk Projects:

- Winchester Rd https://engage.cityoffortwayne.org/winchester-road-sidewalk-connection-phase-ii
- Phase II from Shamrock Rd to the existing walk just south of Airport Expressway. North of Airport Expressway, the sidewalk will be constructed along the west side of Winchester Road. South of Airport Expressway, the sidewalk will transition to the east side of the roadway to accommodate existing conditions and maintain continuity within the corridor. The project will also include ADA curb ramps as well as a crossing of Airport Expressway to ensure safe and continuous pedestrian access across the corridor.
- PM Christian Harmeyer

Alleys **Engage:** https://engage.cityoffortwayne.org/2026-alley-improvements

- Growth Ave brick street repairs – from Main St to Morrison St.
    - Growth Ave will be completely shut down for this project. There isn't a start date yet.
- Alley R00724 E-W: Kinsmoor Ave, Nuttman Ave, Beaver Ave, Broadway
- Alley R20548 N-S & Cul-de-Sac: Drury Ln & Pembroke Ln
- Alleys R00723, R00736, R00737, R00742 N-S & E-W: W Packard Ave, Kinsmoor Ave, Beaver Ave, Broadway
- Alley R01385 E-W: Poplar St, W Dewald St, Hoagland Ave, Fairfield Ave

Resurfacing

Engage: https://engage.cityoffortwayne.org/2026-street-resurfacing-projects

- Covington Bluffs/Covington Creek Condominium Association
    - Covington Rd Covington Creek Trl to Getz Rd
- Covington Dells -
    - Hadley Rd – I-69 to City Limits
- Bittersweet Moors
    - Bittersweet Moors Dr – Bittersweet Moors Ct to W Jefferson Blvd
    - Bittersweet Moors Ct – Cul-de-sac to Sweet Briar Dr

  - Snowberry Dr – Sweet Briar Dr to Brigadoon Ct
  - Spirea Ct – Cul-de-sac to Snowberry Dr
- Sycamore Hills
  - W Sycamore Hills Dr – Bridge to Bridge
  - Smugglers Cv – Oak Borough Run to Cul-de-sac
- Oak Borough
  - Oak Borough Run – Covington Rd to Oak Glen Trl
  - Oak Glen Trl – Oak Borough Run to Castle Creek Dr
  - Castle Creek Dr – Oak Glen Trl to Copper Hill Run
  - Hialeah Ln – Oak Borough Run to Greenbriar Dr

Belmont Street Reconstruction and Storm Improvements (Fairfield to Calhoun)

- Currently under construction through summer 2026 into fall 2026. The project involves removing the chip and seal street and replacing it with asphalt and concrete curbs. City utilities is doing stormwater improvements to the same black of Belmont

Road Projects

Paulding Road Improvements **Engage:** https://engage.cityoffortwayne.org/fairfieldandpaulding

- Reconstructing Paulding Rd from Noll Ave (by Bishop Luers) to Fairfield Ave. This will begin Sept 2025 and end in Winter 2026.
  - Road redesign- 3 lanes, one in each direction and a central bi-lateral turn lane
  - Sidewalk improvements on both sides of the road
  - New lighting, landscaping, and public art
  - Traffic signal updates- Protected left turns at Paulding & S Calhoun St
- Construction continues on Fairfield Ave. Work should be complete in November 2026.

Traffic Engineering

Covington Road & Covington Commons/Covington Plaza – Future traffic signal – 2026

Covington Rd Resurfacing – Btwn Hadley & Getz. The lanes will be reconfigured near the intersection of Hadley Road and Woodcroft Lane to accommodate the changes from the Covington Road trail improvements.

Street Lighting Projects https://engage.cityoffortwayne.org/2026-street-lighting-projects

- Belmont St – Fairfield Ave to Calhoun St
- McClellan St – Paulding Rd to Petit Ave

Bridge Construction

Trails

- **Poka-Bache Connector Trail** https://engage.cityoffortwayne.org/poka-bache-connector-trail
  - 2.1-mile phase will consist of a 10-foot wide asphalt trail along Bluffton Road from Ferguson Road to Lower Huntington Road and will include a trailhead and rest area.
- **Illinois Road Trail and Road Improvement** https://engage.cityoffortwayne.org/Illinois-Road-Trail
  - The Illinois Road trail will provide access to Jefferson Pointe and connect to the Towpath Trail, Yarnelle Trail, Getz Road sidewalk, and Ardmore Avenue Trail.
  - Under construction. The anticipated completion date is October 2027.
  - **PM Dan Shaw said they are working on opening all lands on Illinois for the winter season. They are currently designing the land markings and turn lanes for safety and hope to have it implemented in the next 30 days.**
- **Rivergreenway –** relocating the Rivergreenway off Juliette Ave between Hale Ave and Carlton Ave to the west bank of the St. Mary's River. The trail currently shares the road. The trail is in design with land acquisition scheduled for 2027 and construction in 2028.

ROW NOTES:

- Reminder for vegetation - keep trimmed down and not blocking traffic & Right of Way for safety
- Basketball Hoop issues / Signs in the ROW
- Any Right of Way issues. Call 311 or contact the main office at 260-427-6155 or rightofway@cityoffortwayne.org

PERMITS AND REQUESTS THROUGH 311

- **EXC-1,504 ACT-1,788 CON-452 REQ- 1,504**