



Weekly Reader

Public Works & Engineering Department

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Department Updates

Davey Resource Group will be assisting the City in completing a **City-wide tree survey** for the next several weeks. This project is an integral part of the City of Lockport's **comprehensive tree care program**. The data collected will help the City better understand the **composition, structure, and maintenance needs of its urban forest**. This information will improve how we **allocate resources, develop risk management strategies, and promote the ecosystem benefits** the City's trees provide to the local community. **Crews will be in Davey-marked vehicles and attire.**



The **Water Department** would like to remind residents that they can **report water-related issues by submitting a service request online at www.cityoflockport.net or by phone at 815-838-0549, option 8.** City staff routinely meets with residents when a concern is brought to our attention and are happy to help resolve an issue. We continually strive to provide the highest water quality possible through our ongoing **annual hydrant flushing program** – this helps clear out sediment from City infrastructure. Homeowners should also remember to **flush their hot water heater tanks at least once a year.** This is **necessary maintenance for all hot water heaters** as sediment collects in the bottom of the tank and can then be distributed through residents' household pipes.

The **Sewer Department** continues its repairs to the treatment plant to improve operations. The crew **fabricated and installed pipe supports and braces** on the thickened sludge line. The supports and braces firmly hold the pipes in place and reduce vibrations when the equipment is in use. This will ultimately **lengthen the life of the pumps and equipment** by stabilizing the internal components of the equipment and taking the weight off the pipes connecting the pumps to the equipment.

Project Updates

- **16th Street and Madison Street Reconstruction Project** - Construction is officially kicking off on **Monday, April 3!** Water main installation is scheduled to begin on **16th St between Washington St and Madison St and on Madison St between 9th St and 10th St.** Residents will be notified of pending water shutdowns as old main is disconnected and new main is connected.

Other News

Public Works & Engineering will close at 11 a.m. on Friday, April 7, in observance of Good Friday. Electronic recycling will still take place.