



Weekly Reader

Public Works & Engineering Department

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Department Updates

Spring cleaning is upon us! The **City-Wide Branch Pickup Program begins on Monday, May 1**. In order to participate in this program, residents must place their branches at the edge of the parkway, cut ends facing the street, **prior to the start date**. Crews will make **one pass** through the City, which can take up to two weeks to complete. In addition to maintaining parkway trees year-round, the **Street Department** is proud to offer this **biannual service** which allows residents to dispose of tree branches and brush from their private property.



Branch pickup begins May 1!

The **Water Department** spent the week **testing the master water meters** at all well houses for **performance and accuracy**. These master meters report how much water is being pumped, treated, and distributed throughout the City. Therefore, their **accuracy is critical** to the **efficient management and operation** of the City's water system. Regular meter testing is necessary to **regulate any water loss** and **ensure optimal water delivery** to our residents.



Southwest clarifier at the Division St Wastewater Treatment Plant

The **Sewer Department** has been preparing the **southwest clarifier** for its **upcoming maintenance service** by draining it, deep-cleaning the equipment, and applying a fresh coat of protective paint. Once the maintenance service is completed, it will be in **tip-top shape!** **Annual inspections** will then be scheduled to ensure the southwest clarifier remains in **excellent order** for many more years to come.

Project Updates

- **2023 Resurfacing Project** - The bid opening was held on April 20, and **Gallagher Asphalt Corporation** was the apparent lowest responsible bidder. City Council will vote to approve the project award on May 3.
- **16th St & Madison St Reconstruction Project** - New watermain has been installed on 17th St from Madison St to Lawrence Ave, on Lawrence Ave from 17th St to 18th St, and on Madison St from Division St to 12th St. That's just over **2,700 feet of new watermain** installed to date!