



# Downtown Master Utility Project

Water and Sewer Rehabilitation Project Newsletter

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In The Flow

**P**rogress on the Downtown Master Utility Project continues. As with projects of this magnitude, challenges are encountered and overcome every day. The contractor, Gaston Brothers Utilities, LLC has completed installation of the utilities and restoration of the sidewalks and pavements in Phases 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10, 12 A, B & C and 14. Phases 7, 11 and 15 are currently under construction.

Some of the challenges encountered have caused the City to shift the project boundaries of various phase lines within the construction zone. These adjustments have resulted in additional construction time of specific phases and are shown on the phasing schedule on the reverse side of this newsletter. However, the overall project duration remains unchanged. Please note that Phase 7 of construction will close the intersection of Crawford Street and Court Street. City Hall will be open and accessible throughout construction; however, detour signs should be followed to gain entry. In addition, businesses in the area remain open and are accessible to pedestrian traffic at all times.

As the project continues, there may be brief periods when water and sewer service is turned off in order to test new lines or switch your service to the new system. You will be notified in advance when service will be interrupted. You will continue to have pedestrian access to your property throughout construction although there may be brief blockages while work takes place directly in front of your property.

The City will continue to have full-time inspectors on site throughout construction to ensure the work is done efficiently and disruptions are kept to a minimum. Should you have questions or experience a specific problem with the work, let one of our inspectors know. We will continue to update you as the project progresses. Again, we thank you for your patience and understanding. Once completed, this project will greatly improve water and sewer service to the project area. Streets will have brand new pavement. For additional information, please visit us online at the City's website: [www.portsmouthva.gov](http://www.portsmouthva.gov).

#### ~ General Questions about the Project?

Contact Andy Snyder, Draper Aden Associates at (757) 599-9800.

#### ~ Specific Questions/Problems with Work at your Property?

Contact Paul Bagdon, RISE Inc. at (757) 469-9552.

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# Updated Construction Phasing Schedule

Construction Phase	Projected Start Date	Approximate Construction Duration
Phase 1	January 2013	Completed
Phase 2	February 2013	Completed
Phase 3	June 2013	Completed
Phase 4	September 2013	Completed
Phase 5	February 2014	Completed
Phase 6	May 2014	Completed
Phase 7	September 2014	2 Months
Phase 8	March 2015	3 Months
Phase 9 (A through B)	October 2014	5 Months
Phase 10	January 2013	Completed
Phase 11	August 2014	3.5 Months
Phase 12 (A through C)	February 2014	Completed
Phase 13 and 12D	November 2015	3 Months
Phase 14 (A through E)	June 2013	Completed
Phase 15	July 2014	3 Months

