



Downtown Master Utility Project

Water and Sewer Rehabilitation Project Newsletter

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Spring is in the air and a great deal of progress is being made in the Downtown area. The purpose of this newsletter is to provide an update on the status of the Downtown Master Utility Project. The project has entered its second year and work is continuing on schedule. 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, 10 and 14. Phases 6 and 12 are currently under construction.

Please note that Phase 6 of construction will close Columbia Street from Crawford to Court Street to thru traffic. Businesses located along the north side of Columbia Street should be accessed from County Street. The City parking lot across from City Hall will be open, 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 and streets will have brand new pavement. For additional information, please refer to the City's website: www.portsmouthva.gov.

~ General Questions about the Project?

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

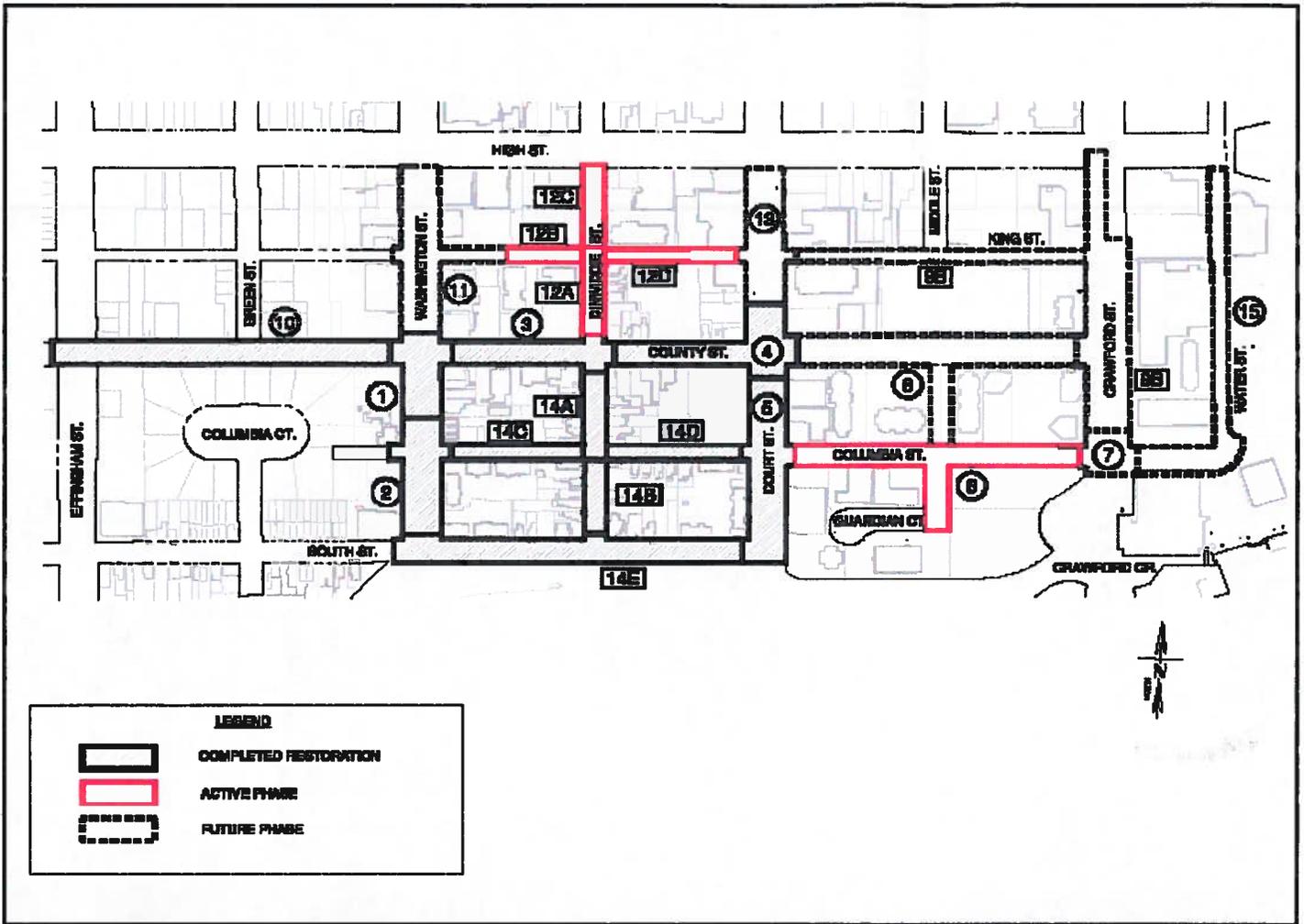
~ Specific Questions/Problems with Work at your Property?

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	April 2014	5 Months
Phase 7	August 2014	1 Month
Phase 8	January 2015	3 Months
Phase 9 (A through B)	September 2014	5 Months
Phase 10	January 2013	Completed
Phase 11	October 2014	3.5 Months
Phase 12 (A through D)	February 2014	6 Months
Phase 13	August 2014	2.5 Months
Phase 14 (A through E)	June 2013	Completed
Phase 15	May 2015	2 Months

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