

FAQ's on the 2018 West 4th and Houston Street Reconstruction Project

1. The 2016 Bond Election included improvements to West 4th and Houston Street Reconstruction Project for \$6 million. The project includes:
 - a. Water and sewer line replacement plus install storm drainage on West 4th (from South Washington Street to South Houston Street) and Houston Street (from West Grove Street to West Fair Street)
 - b. Install curb and gutter on West 4th, Houston and Austin Street
 - c. Repave West 4th Street, Houston Street and Austin Street with asphalt
 - d. Additionally storm drainage repairs to Austin Street from West 4th Street to West Fair Street along with drainage improvements along West Fair Street was added
 - e. Axis Contracting, the contractor has 530 working days (weather permitting) to complete the project, which projected to be November 2019.
2. The first progress meeting was held on Thursday, June 7th at the Kaufman County Library. There will be quarterly progress meetings for the affected citizens.
3. **West 4th Street** - The project began on June 18th barricading West 4th Street from South Washington to South Houston to all through traffic except for persons who live on the street. The West 4th Street improvements include:
 - a. All water and sewer mains will be replaced
 - i. Trenching for the sewer line will be the first step and expected to be completed by the end of August
 - ii. The existing 6 inch water line will be replaced with an 8 inch water line beginning in July
 1. Water is not anticipated to be off more than 2 to 4 hours
 2. Residents will have 48 hours advance notice
 - b. All the service lines from sewer main to the meter (area located within the right-of-way) will be replaced
 - c. New underground storm drainage will be added eliminating the existing bar ditch
 - d. The street will be repaved with asphalt, curb and gutter will be added and all driveway approaches will be repaved from September to November
 - i. The street subgrade was determined to be inadequate to support the pavement, so the dirt will be treated with lime stabilization
 1. During this time sections of the street will be impassable while the lime is mixed and allowed to cure
 - e. Any existing sidewalks will be replaced, no new sidewalks are proposed
 - f. West 4th Street improvements are expected to be totally completed by the end of 2018 and will be reopened to through traffic

4. **South Houston Street** – The plan for Houston Street will be similar to West 4th Street, but will be broken into 2 phases, south and north of 4th Street.
- a. The **south section** will be Phase I of the Houston Street Project
 - i. All water and sewer line mains will be replaced
 - 1. Trenching for the sewer line will be the first step The existing 6 inch water line will be replaced with an 8 inch water line
 - 2. Water is not anticipated to be off more than 2 to 4 hours
 - 3. Residents will have 48 hours advance notice
 - ii. All the service lines from sewer main to the meter (area located within the right-of-way) will be replaced
 - iii. No private lines will be replaced
 - iv. New underground storm drainage will be added
 - v. The street subgrade was determined to be inadequate to support the pavement, so the dirt will be treated with lime stabilization
 - 1. During this time sections of the street will be impassable while the lime is mixed and allowed to cure
 - vi. The street will be repaved with asphalt, curb and gutter will be added and all driveway approaches will be repaved
 - vii. Any existing sidewalks will be replaced, no new sidewalks are proposed
 - b. The **north section** will be Phase II of the Houston Street Project
 - i. All water and sewer line mains that were replaced in recent years will not be replaced
 - 1. The existing 6 inch water line will be replaced with an 8 inch water line
 - 2. Water is not anticipated to be off more than 2 to 4 hours
 - 3. Residents will have 48 hours advance notice
 - ii. All other water and sewer line mains will be replaced
 - 1. Trenching for the sewer line will be the first step from Nash to Barnes
 - iii. All the service lines from sewer main to the meter (area located within the right-of-way) will be replaced
 - iv. No private lines will be replaced
 - v. New underground storm drainage will be added
 - vi. The street subgrade was determined to be inadequate to support the pavement, so the dirt will be treated with lime stabilization
 - 1. During this time sections of the street will be impassable while the lime is mixed and allowed to cure
 - vii. The street will be repaved with asphalt, curb and gutter will be added and all driveway approaches will be repaved
 - viii. Any existing sidewalks will be replaced, no new sidewalks are proposed

5. **West Fair Street** (aka frontage road to Hwy 175) – Drainage improvements to existing bar ditches
6. **Austin Street** (south of West 11th Street to West Fair Street (aka frontage road to Hwy 175))
 - a. Drainage Improvements to the existing bar ditches
 - b. Street will be repaved with asphalt and will conclude the total project
7. **Driveways**
 - a. Residents will be kept in their driveways as much as possible
 - b. Residents will be notified in advance of when the drive approaches will be replaced to give them time to make other arrangements for their vehicles
 - c. When the old approaches are removed and the new ones are put in place, residents will temporarily be unable to access their driveways while the concrete cures
8. **Sidewalks**
 - a. Any existing sidewalks will be replaced, no new sidewalks are proposed
9. **Sprinkler Systems and Feature Landscaping**
 - a. Contractors will ask those residents with sprinkler systems to run them so they can record where the heads are located and that they are in working order
 - b. Residents are highly encouraged to let the contractor know of any underground drains so its condition prior to construction can be recorded
 - c. Anything damaged that was in working order at the time of the recording will be replaced.
10. **Historical Markers/Features**
 - a. Residents are highly encouraged to let the contractor know of any special historical markers/features so they can be recorded in their current location and position
 - b. Historical Markers/Features may be temporarily removed and stored during the construction period but placed back in its original location once construction is completed
11. **Special Needs**
 - a. Please contact Development Services with the property owner's/tenant's name, street address, home phone number, cell phone number and email address so we can share this information with the contractor as soon as possible. Development Services can be contacted by phone at 972-932-2216 or you can email the information at jhenderson@kaufmantx.org or fill out the attached form

Fourth and Houston Street Project Notification

If you would like to be notified about this project, please complete this form and return it to Joy Henderson at Development Services at PO Box 1168, Kaufman, Texas 75142 or email it to jhenderson@kaufmantx.org.

Your Name: _____
Home Phone Number: _____
Cell Phone Number: _____
Email Address: _____

Property Address in proposed area: _____

The City of Kaufman will do our best to keep you updated on this project. Please enter your email address, home/cell phone for Civic Plus recorded messages, or cell phone number for text message so we can add them to the notification list. **Please make sure that you write clearly so we can make sure to get the correct information.**

Please check which form of notification you prefer (you can pick more than one).

Home Phone Number Cell Phone Number Email Address