

City to Start Repairs to the Harmonee Bridge

The City of Wauwatosa is pleased to announce that it has executed a \$1,271,000 contract with the firm of Monoco LLC of Tarpon Springs, Florida to perform necessary structural repairs and repainting of the Harmonee Bridge in the Wauwatosa Village.

Work on the bridge is expected to begin on Monday August 6th, weather permitting, and conclude late this year. Major work elements include a complete sandblasting and repainting of all steel on the bridge, repairs to structural steel and welds inside the beams, replacement of the top rails to meet current codes, replacement of expansion joints, and embankment repairs beneath the bridge.

In addition to this work outlined above, the City and the Village Business Improvement District have been working closely together to implement aesthetic upgrades to the bridge that were recommended as part of the recently approved Strategic Development Plan for the Village. This work involves placing a sign on the bridge that names it to help create an identity, installing a more aesthetically pleasing lighting system that will compliment the street lights in the Village, and mounting pedestrian scaled up lighting beneath the bridge to help make it stand out as a safe place for pedestrians and cyclists.

To accomplish this work according to the project schedule will require some temporary lane closures on the bridge. One lane of through traffic in each direction will be maintained at all times and the contract calls for limiting lane closures to the period from 9:00AM to 3:00PM daily. Some longer lane closures may be necessary in certain phases of the project, but the City will strive to keep these inconveniences to a minimum.

The City appreciates your cooperation during this important project. Should there be any questions you may contact the Project Manager Phil Pyne at 414-479-8930, or Construction Engineer Joe Marks at 414-479-8931.