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23rd Annual Silver Bells in the City

Preparations are underway for the 23rd Annual Silver Bells in the City! This long-standing tradition will take place from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Friday, November 16, 2007 in Downtown Lansing.

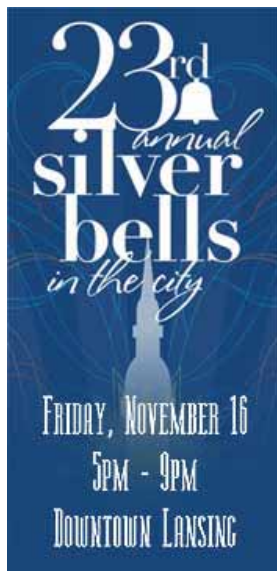
- 6:10 p.m. – Electric light parade on Washington Square
- Following parade – Lighting of Michigan's official Christmas Tree in front of the State Capitol
- Fireworks over the State Capitol following the Tree Lighting
- A live broadcast of the events is available at the Lansing Center.

Silver Bells in the City is free and open to the public. The entire evening is jam-packed with free family-fun events including admission to downtown cultural institutions, horse-drawn wagon rides on Washington Square, more than 20 activity sites, and performances by nearly 50 local arts organizations.

Thanks to the Arts Council of Great Lansing Inc., and many dedicated community volunteers who make this project possible every year. Special thanks to local sponsors for supporting the event, including the Lansing Board of Water & Light, IBEW Local 665, National Electric Contractors Association and Capitol Community Credit Union.

For more information, a schedule of events, and a map of the parade, please visit

www.silverbellsinthecity.org.



CSO Project Construction Updates

Downtown - Kalamazoo and Seymour Streets

Traffic Updates:

- Access to all Washington Square and Kalamazoo Street businesses is being maintained throughout construction, so please continue to patronize these businesses!
- Paving is complete on Seymour Street and is open to traffic.
- Washtenaw Street is open to traffic.
- Every effort will be made to keep one lane on Grand Avenue open during work on the Kalamazoo Street intersection.

Progress Report:

- On Kalamazoo Street, base and level paving is complete, drives have been paved, brickwork is done, concrete work is mostly complete, and sanitary sewer televising is underway.
- Miscellaneous concrete work has also been completed.

023 – Michigan Avenue and Side Streets

Traffic Updates:

- All side streets are paved and open to traffic.

Progress Report:

- Final paving and striping of Michigan Avenue, Pennsylvania Street, Larch Street, and Cedar Street has been completed.
- The manhole on Washtenaw Street was installed and the roadway re-paved.

020 – Shiawassee and Pennsylvania Area

Traffic Updates:

- Shiawassee Street has been final paved and pavement markings have been applied. It now is open to traffic.
- All side streets are open to traffic with the exception of Haag Court and Vine Street.



*Downtown Seymour Street
final pave*



*Larch Street - Final pave
meets existing pavement*



Shiawassee final pavement and markings south of Pennsylvania

Progress Report:

- Base paving is complete on Jerome Street.
- Curb, gutter, and road building are complete on Haag Court.
- On Vine Street, water services are complete, sanitary sewer televising appears positive, curb and gutter are complete, the road has been excavated, and gravel has been placed.
- Haag Court and Vine Street will be base paved by November 14.

013 Northwest – Turner Street and Carrier Street Area

Traffic Updates:

- All streets have been paved and are opened to traffic.

Progress Report:

- Final televising has begun on Paulson Street, W. Howe Street, Felt Street, and Carrier Street.
- Restoration is complete on Terminal Street and Carrier Street.
- Concrete work is finished on Carrier Street at Turner Street.
- The Board of Water and Light has completed its walk-through inspection.
- Undercuts on W. Howe Street are complete and the street repaved.
- Mailboxes have been re-installed.
- Restoration of curb and gutters completed.



Final pave and parking lot for business at Turner and Carrier

018 Southeast – Oakland Avenue/Pennsylvania Avenue Area

Traffic Updates:

- Oakland Avenue is open to traffic.
- Two-way traffic is established on Pennsylvania Avenue near Oakland Avenue.
- All side streets are now open to traffic.



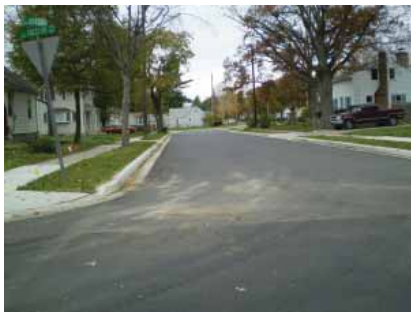
Oakland - Final pave and now open to traffic



Manhole work on Ballard

Progress Report:

- Oakland Avenue is complete and now open to traffic!
- All underground and curb work is complete on Porter Street from Pennsylvania Avenue to Johnson Street.
- Case Street is complete.
- Ballard Street (north) and Farrand Street have been base paved and leveled. Final televising and manhole adjustments will occur before final paving.



Final pave on Jackson Street

013 West - Gier Neighborhood

Traffic Updates:

- All streets are open to traffic.

Progress Report:

- Final paving is complete.
- Manhole inflow shields have been installed.
- The Jackson Street and Turner Street intersection has been striped with pavement markings.

Other Lansing Area Construction Project Updates

Michigan Avenue “Streetscape” Project

All work east of Larch Street is complete except for the installation of the south side rain garden fence, which will begin on November 12 and be completed by November 30. The planting of rain gardens and trees will take place in the spring of 2008.

The snowmelt system has been installed in front of the Lansing Center. The concrete planters, stairs, and sidewalk have been installed. Brickwork will be completed next week and the sidewalk reopened by Silver Bells in the City. The installation of the new planters at the west end of the Lansing Center has dramatically improved in its appearance.

The concrete and brickwork on the south side of the 300 and 400 block of E. Michigan is nearing completion. With the exception of 316 E. Michigan, the work on this street will be completed prior to Silver Bells in the City.



*Rain garden - 600 block
Michigan Avenue*



At 316 E. Michigan, the Board of Water and Light steam vault will need to have its top lowered to install streetscape. This work is expected to be completed by November 30.

In front of the Stadium District (south side of the 500 block of E. Michigan), the City is working with the developer to get the streetscape installed in a timely manner. The developer will be completing the facade work by November 12. The concrete and brickwork for the streetscape project will be completed by Silver Bells in the City.

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are welcomed and encouraged!

If you have any comments or
suggestions, please send them
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the newsletter on to others who
may be interested.

Thank You!

The City of Lansing and Tetra Tech would like to thank everyone for their cooperation during the construction season. We appreciate your understanding as we work towards a cleaner, greener Lansing.