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Work proceeding on south lanes of Capitol Drive

The second stage of construction of Capitol Drive began earlier this month and is proceeding on the eastbound (south) lanes from just west of 84th St. moving east. The project remains on schedule for completion around Thanksgiving, 2012.



Crews first cut and break up old pavement. Concrete is then loaded into trucks as shown at left on Capitol at 74th St., removed and stockpiled for reuse later in the new basecoat.

A grader, shown at right on Capitol at 76th St., follows behind preparing the roadway for the new pavement. Weather permitting, Zignego hopes to start pouring new pavement next week between 85th and 76th Streets followed by the stretch between 76th St. and Appleton Avenue. Crews are also working to complete pavement work in the intersections of 76th St. and Appleton Avenue.



Businesses using directional signage

Signage is proving to be an important tool to direct customers to business access points.



Kami, shown at left with Cecilia Gilbert, Support for Business Program Liaison from the City of Milwaukee Department of Public Works, is benefiting from that signage.

Kami manages the Quick Race gas station on the southwest corner of 76th St. and Capitol and is temporarily dealing with the closing of two driveways on Capitol as well as a lane closure on 76th St.



The addition of signage on both streets has helped reduce confusion and direct customers to the entrance. It seems to be working as most of the pumps were in use last Monday for this visit.

If you are interested in working with the City on general directional signage contact Cecilia Gilbert at (414) 286-3318 during normal business hours. She can also assist if you have developed signage with your business name on it and want help from the city inspectors to install it on barricades or barrels.



Other things to keep in mind

Crews will be off for the Labor Day holiday weekend September 1-3, and Milwaukee Public Schools begin their new school year Tuesday, September 4. Please be patient and cautious while driving through the construction zone. Keep your eye out for kids and stop for school busses.

And don't forget, when you plan your commute, North 65th St. between Melvina St. and Capitol is being repaved and plans are in the works to repave North 61st and 62nd Streets between Capitol and Keefe St. in the near future.

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