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Bridge Replacement Well Under Way

The St. Paul Avenue vertical lift bridge replacement is well under way. The bridge closed on September 3, 2013 and will be completed in mid June, 2014. Several signs were posted in the Historic Third Ward (HTW) and west of the bridge to alert the public of the closure weeks before it occurred, along with detour signs on how to navigate around the area.



“Open for Business” signs were also posted on the east and west side of the St. Paul Avenue Bridge to inform the public that businesses in the Historic Third Ward and west of the HTW are open.

The concrete has been removed from the east and west fixed approach spans, and the lift span (the part of the roadway that rises to let boats pass through) is currently being removed. The contractor, Zenith Tech, has also been working on improvements to the bridge abutments at the east and west ends of the bridge. Upcoming major tasks include preparing the existing fixed span girders for new concrete, and forming and pouring the new concrete approach spans.

Updates will be provided every two months until the weather improves and the completion date nears.

Removal of concrete from west fixed span



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