



# MICHIGAN STREET BRIDGE OVER THE MILWAUKEE RIVER REHABILITATION PROJECT

Start: May 2019  
Completion: Spring 2020

## PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Department of Public Works will conduct a rehabilitation project of the Michigan Street Vertical Lift Bridge over the Milwaukee River. The vertical lift bridge was built in 1978 and serves as one of the main arteries that connect Milwaukee's Downtown and Westown neighborhoods. The rehabilitation project will upgrade, and replace as needed, the existing structural, electrical, hydraulic and mechanical components, the bridge house and the roadway approach.

New traffic barrier railings will be constructed between the sidewalks and the roadway and the pedestrian railings on the outside of the sidewalks will be replaced with new railings. A solid surface deck will be installed on the lift span for a bicycle friendly surface.

## WHAT TO EXPECT DURING CONSTRUCTION

**Traffic:** The Michigan Street Bridge will be closed to all vehicular and pedestrian traffic during construction. Eastbound traffic will be re-routed to East Wisconsin Avenue from North Plankinton Avenue on the west side of the bridge and westbound traffic will be re-routed to East Clybourn Street from North Water Street on the east side of the bridge.

**Driveway Access:** City staff and the contractor will work to minimize the amount of time any driveway access is restricted and will notify property owners 48 hours in advance of any driveway work.

**Pedestrian Access:** Although no pedestrians will be allowed to travel over the bridge during construction, pedestrians will be able to travel to those properties and businesses that abut the bridge during construction, with the least amount of inconvenience. A detour route will guide pedestrians to the two nearest bridges, Wisconsin Avenue and Clybourn Street bridges.

**Riverwalk Access:** The Riverwalk will be closed at the bridge to pedestrians to accommodate construction. Other areas of the Riverwalk will remain open.

**Boat Access:** The Milwaukee River navigation channel will remain open during construction.

**Bus Route:** Please visit [ridemcts.com](http://ridemcts.com) for #57 route details and schedule.

**Parking:** On-street parking is not allowed.

**Construction Hours:** Work is allowed from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

All work is weather dependent and subject to change

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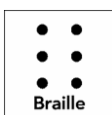
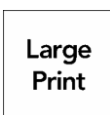
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