

MAIN STREET HIGH SIDE PROJECT UPDATES



Welcome to the Main Street High Side Project Newsletter!

The goal of this newsletter is to keep our community informed about the progress of the Main Street High Side Project. This newsletter will include regular construction updates, answers to frequently asked questions and provide important contacts for those desiring more information.

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What is the High Side Project?

The Main Street High Side Project is a City of Winchester project to make improvements on Main Street between Broadway Street and Lexington Avenue.

The Main Street High Side Project represents a transformative investment in the heart of Downtown Winchester. By revitalizing infrastructure, enhancing pedestrian safety and improving accessibility, this project strengthens the historic charm and economic vitality of the Main Street corridor.

The improvements support local businesses by creating a more inviting and walkable environment, encouraging increased foot traffic and tourism. Additionally, upgraded ramps and sidewalks will contribute to a safer, more attractive public realm for residents and visitors.

NEW PROJECT NOTES

Crews preparing site for upcoming Beer Cheese Festival

Ongoing construction on Main Street won't stand in the way of this year's Beer Cheese Festival.

Crews with The Allen Company have been working diligently this week to move the project forward and clean up the construction site in time for the annual event.

During a biweekly check-in with the City of Winchester and Palmer Engineering, The Allen Company reported that crews would shift into "clean-up mode" Friday, completing tasks to ensure walkways within the construction zone are open and accessible to pedestrians during the festival.

Although the street itself will remain closed to vehicle and foot traffic, festival-goers will be able to access walkways on both the High Side and Low Side, making it easy to explore Downtown Winchester businesses in those areas.

A ramp will be installed on the Lexington Avenue side of the project, and new stairs at the Broadway end are expected to be poured and cured in time for the festival — providing easy access on both ends of the project area.

Crews are also working to ensure all fencing is secure and poses no safety concerns for attendees.

Looking ahead to next week, the corner of Lexington and Main streets will be excavated in preparation for installation of the final retaining wall. Sidewalk work will also continue, with new sidewalks being poured in front of businesses on the High Side, a task expected to take the full week.

The City meets with representatives from The Allen Company and Palmer Engineering on a biweekly basis. Updates will be shared through this newsletter and on the City of Winchester, KY Community Information Facebook page.

Have a question?

Use the button below to access a form to ask questions about the project. Someone will contact you to provide more information.

Need more information?

Do you desire more information or have concerns about the project? Contact City Manager Bruce Manley at bmanley@winchesterky.com.

Are you a downtown business or property owner who desires an in-person meeting to discuss the project? Contact Whitney Leggett, director of strategic communications and downtown development, at wleggett@winchesterky.com.

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