

Michigan (Monroe to Ionia) Reconstruction

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303 MONROE AVE NW
GRAND RAPIDS MI 49503

The City of Grand Rapids will reconstruct Michigan (Monroe to Ionia) this construction season. You are receiving this letter because you are within 350 feet of the project.

Tentative Construction Schedule

April - June 2017

Contact Information

311 or 616-456-3000
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grcity.us/roadconstruction

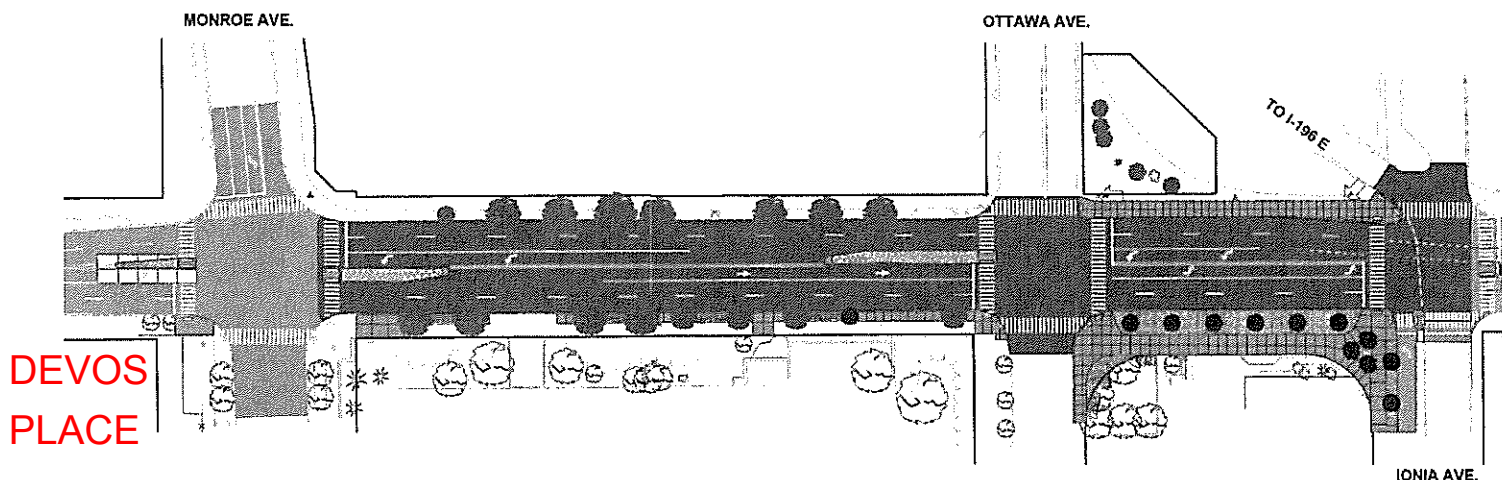
Design

The project will:

- reconstruct the road between Monroe and Ionia.
- remove the westbound lane on the south side of Michigan that connects Ionia and Ottawa.
- straighten the alignment of the travel and turn lanes on Michigan.
- upgrade sidewalks and ramps to be compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act.
- install green infrastructure such as street trees, rain gardens, median islands, and infiltration basins to retain and soak stormwater into the ground to filter pollutants and reduce runoff entering natural bodies of water. Please see the image below.
- create pedestrian islands to lessen the street crossing distance for people walking.

After-Hours Emergency Number

616-456-3249



Driveway Approaches and Sidewalks

- Some sidewalk squares and ramps will be replaced. Pedestrians will be detoured as needed.
- Driveway access will be maintained as best possible; access may be a single gravel lane. The contractor will coordinate with those affected in advance.
- Driveway access may not be available when road work is directly in front of a driveway.

Street Trees

This project will plant new trees in the area vacated by the removal of the westbound lane on the south side of Michigan that connects Ionia and Ottawa.

Access and Detour Route

- For most of the construction, one lane of traffic in each direction will be maintained with a center turn lane.
- The road will be closed to traffic for a long weekend to complete the paving.
 - The westbound detour will utilize Monroe, Lyon, and Division.
 - The eastbound detour will utilize Lafayette, Leonard, and Monroe.
- The eastbound and westbound I-196 exit ramps will be closed for approximately two to three weeks and freeway traffic will be directed to use the College Avenue exits.
- The eastbound I-196 on ramp may be closed for a long weekend. Traffic will be directed to use the College Avenue on ramp.
- The closures are being coordinated with a separate project on Ottawa from Michigan to Hastings. Please visit our website for closure updates and information about the Ottawa project. Changeable message boards will also be used to inform of closures.

Other Items

- Typical construction hours are from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Occasionally, work may be done at night or on Sunday. Work hours are dependent on weather and the contractor's schedule.
- As part of the City's efforts to better manage stormwater, residents are encouraged to participate in a rain barrel workshop hosted by the West Michigan Environmental Action Council. Please visit wmeac.org/rainbarrels or call the Council at 616-451-3051 for more information.

Business Guide

As we work to improve the street, we understand that businesses are sensitive to construction. For this reason, we've created a guide containing tips and tricks for businesses during construction. Please find it at grcity.us/constructionbusinessguide.

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