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SPRING CONSTRUCTION MEANS INCONVENIENCES



A few important City projects will begin construction in March. You will see construction activity on 216th St. between Gruenther Road and Angus St., 204th St. from Glenmore St. to Schram Road, and from Angus St. west of 204th St. Storm sewer and grading work will take place initially at these sites, but as soon as school closes for summer break, various parts of these streets will be closed for reconstruction. Residents who live in these areas should be aware of the construction progress and make plans for alternate routes and possible arrangements to access their property. We plan to have the new roads open by the time school begins in the fall. There will be finishing work taking place after school begins, but generally, the streets should be open at that time. Please watch the City's web site at www.gretnane.org for updates on this construction project.

2018 Gretna Goal Setting Plan

Since 2013, the Mayor, City Council and staff have met annually to review existing goals and update the goals and objectives of the City for the future. This activity is planned several weeks in advance and it takes several hours to accomplish. The annual goal setting activity took place this last January. The Mayor, City Council, and staff worked from a very extensive list of issues and projects. Ultimately, the top priorities included the following.

- Construct a new sewer line extension south of I-80
- Construction of a new Family Aquatic Center
- Complete build-out of the Fields at Gretna
- Voter approval of an additional 1/2 cent sales tax
- Completion of annexation and implement City of the First Class requirements
- Construction of Downtown Revitalization Improvements
- Update the Gretna Comprehensive Plan



The city plans to pursue these activities in the next 3 years.

Planning Award

The City of Gretna is very pleased that our Downtown Revitalization Plan and Design Guidelines Study has been recognized by the Nebraska Chapter of the American Planning Association and has received the Urban Design Award for this year. The City was very fortunate to have a Steering Committee who was engaged throughout the process and consulting firms that kept everyone on task. The public input opportunities were very well attended and added much needed information to the process and final study report.

The award was presented to the City at the Nebraska Annual Planning Conference on March 8th.

The construction of the Downtown Revitalization Improvements is one of the City's goals to be accomplished in the next three years.



Those Pictured:

Matt Roth (MAPA), Jeff Ray (JEO Consulting), Dan Giittinger (Development Services Director for the City of Gretna), Bruce Fountain (President of the APA Chapter in Nebraska)



STORMWATER CONTROL

(MS4)

The City of Gretna received notice this past fall, that starting January 1, 2018, the community is a full participant in the storm water regulations under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System. Gretna will be working with the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality and the other smaller communities surrounding Omaha to comply with the Federal mandate.

While the City of Gretna has been following these storm water regulations as a border community, we are now required to control erosion and sediment to protect the

water quality in our streams and lakes. Erosion control includes wind and water from agriculture land, development, and construction sites. Sediment control includes preventing dirt or pollutants from leaving construction sites. Also included in the regulations is the prevention of mowing grass or leaves into any public street.

If you see a problem or have a questions contact: Gretna Building Department 402-332-3336.




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