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ONE MOBILE: RECONNECTING PEOPLE, WORK AND PLAY **THROUGH COMPLETE STREETS**





PROJECT NEWS

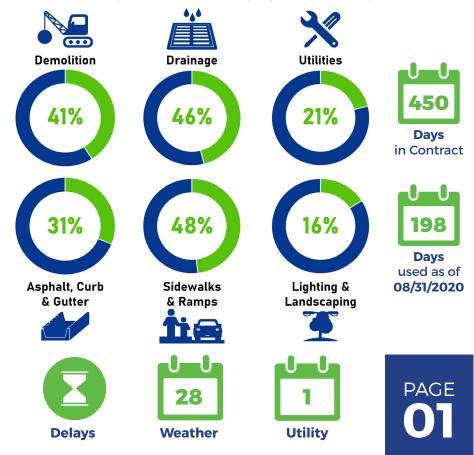
The City of Mobile Broad Street and Roundabout projects had limited damage from Hurricane Sally, allowing crews to continue construction activities.

Crews have completed storm sewer work in the area north of Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue.

The intersection of Broad and St. Anthony Streets has been updated to a 4-way stop. Traffic signals are set to flash red. Drivers should use caution as drivers adjust to the new traffic pattern.



Welcome to the eighth edition of the Mobile Broad Street Improvement Project's **RECONNECTING** newsletter. In this issue, you will find news on what is happening now and what comes next, as well as the importance of landscaping along roadways.



WHAT TO EXPECT

Road work along Broad Street, between Lawrence and State Streets is anticipated to be completed in November 2020.

Construction for the roundabout at Broad Street and Canal Street started Aug. 31. Drivers and pedestrians will need to find alternative routes. <u>Read more about the</u> <u>benefits of roundabouts in our Roundabout</u> <u>Newsletter edition.</u>

The intersection of North Broad Street, Springhill Avenue and St. Louis Street remains closed while crews work to relocate utilities, address drainage and prepare for resurfacing.

PHOTO GALLERY



Crews created access to a business on North Broad Street near the St. Anthony Street.



A new 24-inch water valve is installed below the roadway at Springhill Avenue.



Demolition of existing roadway at South Broad and Canal Streets is underway.



City traffic crews removed signals from the South Broad and Canal Streets for the Roundabout project.

BROAD STREET BENEFITS:

October 2020

LANDSCAPING

The Broad Street Corridor Project strives to bring more green to the City of Mobile - through landscaping.

It creates an attractive, welcoming and cohesive streetscape to stimulate an economically vibrant and active street environment for work and play.



Landscaping along a transportation project does more than spruce up grounds that may

have been affected during demolition or construction. It can also create multiple benefits for all who use it.

Adding grassy areas, plants and trees to a well-designed plan can slow, absorb and clean water that runs off the roadway – reducing soil erosion, flooding and clean water supplies for wildlife. Plus, trees clean the air, produce oxygen and capture airborne particles.

Landscaping can act as a protective barrier. Trees are a natural "air conditioner" by providing 6 to 8 degrees temperature difference in the shade, according to Canopy, a non-profit with a mission to grow urban tree canopies.

Trees and plants along a roadway also help create a safer walking environment by forming visual pathways and providing clear separation between the road and sidewalks.

The City of Mobile understands the importance of trees in urban areas. The city was the first community in Alabama to become a Tree City USA® in 1979.

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