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City of Evanston Public Works Agency

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**Emerson Street Traffic Signals Improvement Project**

**Dodge Avenue, Maple Avenue, Elgin Road, and Elgin Road/Benson Avenue**

February 11, 2020

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## **Project Description**

The City of Evanston is beginning the traffic signals improvement project along the Emerson Street corridor. The project involves traffic signal modernization and fiber interconnection of three signals at Emerson Street/Maple Avenue, Emerson Street/Elgin Road, and Elgin Road/Benson Avenue. It also involves signal modernization of one signal at Emerson Street/Dodge Avenue which will include left turn lanes on Dodge Avenue and left turn signals on all directions. The project includes the replacement of outdated controllers, new mast arm poles, traffic signal equipment, installation of loop detectors, fiber optic interconnect system, LED heads, etc. per IDOT standards and emergency vehicle preemption devices. Sidewalk improvements, pedestrian countdown signals and audible pedestrian signals are also included as part of the project to improve the safety of pedestrians.

## **Project Schedule**

The project is expected to start the **week of February 17, 2020**, weather permitting, and be completed this Summer. During construction, traffic will be maintained on all directions and controlled by flaggers as needed. At areas where there is parking that needs to be removed for construction, NO PARKING signs will be posted 48 hours prior to start of work. The construction activities may create some inconveniences for the abutting businesses and residents, but every effort will be made to minimize these issues. Any irrigation sprinkler system should be identified and marked with a flag by the property owner prior to the start of construction to prevent damages to the private system.

## **Contractor**

The contractor for this improvement project is Hecker and Company, Inc. (250 Industrial Lane, Wheeling, IL 60090). The contractor is contractually responsible for the means and methods of the work.

## **Project Monitoring**

The City has retained Terra Engineering, Ltd., to monitor the project. If you have any questions or concerns during construction, please contact the Resident Engineer, Sam Grimes, at (708) 217-8865. Questions about the project in general should be directed to Rajeev Dahal, Senior Project Manager at 3-1-1 or (847) 448-4311.



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