



City of Evanston

Howard Street Corridor Project – Street & Streetscape Improvements

February 12, 2021

Project Description

The Howard Street Project is scheduled to resume during the first week of March, weather permitting. Construction activities include streetscape, sidewalk, bike lane, street light & traffic signal improvements. The streetscape on north and south side of Howard Street will be similar to the existing streetscape east of Ridge. The brick courses east of Ridge will be reconstructed on concrete base. To minimize disruption, construction activities will be completed in phases as indicated below:

Phase 1: Callan/ Winchester to Ridge – March to May 2021

Phase 2: Ridge to Asbury/ Western – June to July 2021

Phase 3: Asbury/ Western to Target Access Drive/ Sacramento – August to September 2021

Phase 4: Final street paving, Callan to Target Access Drive/ Sacramento – September to October 2021

The final phase of the project will include grinding the street, patching the street base, asphalt paving, pavement markings and tree plantings. These construction activities will be completed on the north (Evanston) side followed by the south (Chicago) side of the street. A modified traffic pattern will be implemented during this phase, shifting all traffic to the south side during construction on the north side (and vice versa) to accommodate the construction activities. During construction, one lane of traffic in each direction will be maintained on Howard Street, and access to the businesses will be maintained at all times. The actual date when construction is planned will be noted on the temporary **“NO PARKING”** signs posted 48 hours prior to the start of the work. The construction activities will create some inconveniences for the abutting businesses and residents, but we will attempt to minimize these issues. Construction zone **“No Parking Any Time”** within the work area of each phase will be in effect for the duration of construction in that section.

Background

The City of Evanston, in coordination with City of Chicago, has undertaken the Howard Street Improvement Project to improve transit operations and pedestrian safety along Howard Street. The project includes roadway resurfacing/rehabilitation, replacement of curb and gutter as needed, installation of new water main (completed in 2020), sewer work and drainage structures, installing new streetscape and roadway lighting elements. New traffic signal installations will occur at the intersections of Howard and Dodge/California and at Howard and Custer/Damen. A project location map is included on the back of this newsletter. The Howard Street Improvement Project is part of the city's continuous program to improve the roadway system throughout the community and is funded by federal and local funds.

Contractor

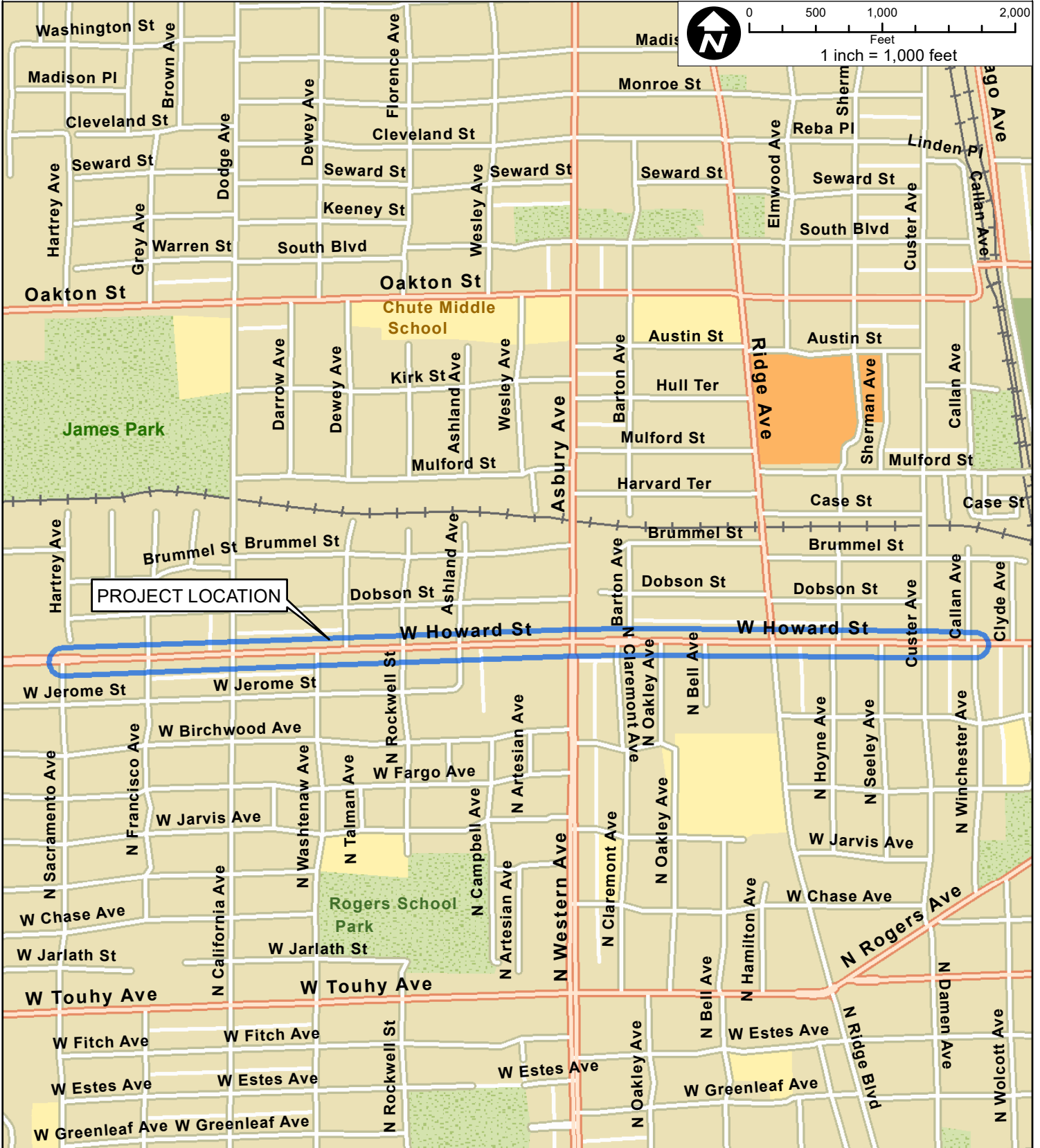
The contractor for this project is ACURA Inc. located at 556 County Line Road, Bensenville, IL 60106.

City Monitoring

The City has retained Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd. to monitor the project. If you have any questions or concerns during construction, please contact the Resident Engineer, **Mike Rodak at (224) 246-0706**. Questions in general about the Howard Street Improvement Project should be directed to **Sat Nagar, P.E., Senior Project Manager at 3-1-1 or (847) 448-4311**.



HOWARD STREET CORRIDOR PROJECT LOCATION MAP



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