

April 12, 2021 Update

Bordentown City – Public Property, Streets, and Water

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Highlights: (1) City was recently informed by the state that it will be awarded a grant for a new electric vehicle charging station (resolution pending tonight to enter into a grant agreement); and (2) Construction for the water improvements on Oliver Street will start this month (week of the 26th).

1. Roadways

- a. Second Street: Contractor was onsite last week to repair a ponding issue, striping will follow next
- b. West Street: Contractor will be repairing the work at the corner of West/Farnsworth.
- c. Oliver Street:
 - i. Water: City had a kickoff with the contractor two weeks ago. Work will start later this month.
 - ii. Road: City will be sharing the design plans this week (construction slated for later this calendar year).
- d. Union Street: City received a \$280K state grant for this road. Survey will start later this spring and community meeting will start this summer (construction slated for 2022).
- e. Brooks Avenue: Originally, the city had intended to repave Brooks Avenue this spring, but we are now exploring the possibility of upgrading the water main too.

2. Projects

- a. Divine Word:
 - i. Thank you to Gina and Jennifer at city hall for a great event on April 3rd.
 - ii. City is finalizing drawings for the new police station and will be sending to the state shortly.
- b. Parks/Recreational Facilities:
 - i. New Parks Committee will be meeting this week.
 1. City will be exploring a new funding opportunity due this spring
 - ii. West Street Park: City will be working with the parks committee and residents to collect community feedback and start design
 - iii. Carslake: City has two pending grant applications to upgrade its building systems. City will also be using bond funds to make exterior improvements to the building in the next few months.
 - iv. Ann Street: City is working with a second engineering firm and awaiting pricing.
 - v. City received notification from the County about grant award in the amount of \$88,900 for new open space at West/Borden. Next steps will be starting survey and design.
- c. Pedestrian safety: We will be repainting our crosswalks this spring.

3. Water Department

- a. Water advisory committee met last month.
- b. City is applying for \$2.7 million from the state I-Bank (low interest loan program) to fund our new meter replacement program, as per our asset management plan.
- c. The City remains committed to providing safe, reliable, lead-free water to its residents, that minimizes the dissolving of lead from residential piping and faucets. We are also continuing the program of free lead testing to any resident who requests it.