

January 10, 2022 Update

Bordentown City – Public Property, Streets, and Water

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December Highlights: (1) Thank you to Mr. Bob Erickson and the entire DPW staff for their great work during the first snow; and (2) City just received excellent news with a new grant award from the state for Oliver Street Park (this new grant will supplement the existing city funds).

1. Roadways
 - a. Maintenance bond phase: Second and West Streets
 - b. Oliver Street: Punchlist is done, waiting for NJDOT inspection and final closeout
 - c. Union Street: (a) Road: City will be sharing initial concepts with the community in February (construction slated for 2022); and (b) Water: Water improvements are out to bid and expected this week. Award is tentatively set for February/March and mobilization will be this spring.
 - d. Crosswalks Repaving: Punchlist items remain (Second/Crosswalks crosswalk was repaved but still needs striping)
 - e. Brooks Ave: Water improvements are out to bid and expected this week. Award is tentatively set for February/March and mobilization will be this spring.
 - f. NJDOT Application: Following the city's asset management plan, city applied for the following in 2023 (Carpenter, Leyden, Myrtle, Borden, and Hopkinson).
 - i. City received confirmation of a \$215K grant award for these roads.
2. Projects
 - a. Divine Word: DPW staff continues with interior renovations for the city admin portion and property maintenance.
 - b. Parks/Recreational Facilities:
 - i. Oliver Street Park: City was notified it will be receiving a state grant (\$50K)
 - ii. West Street Park: DPW will be taking down the existing playground equipment in the next one to two months, in anticipation of the new playground equipment getting installed in this spring.
 - iii. West/Borden City Lot: City hosted a productive community meeting and working on a few concepts that incorporates the residents' feedback. City engineer will have these concepts completed later this month.
 - iv. Ann Street: City's LSRP is developing a remedial strategy
 - c. Pedestrian safety: (i) DPW will be including the annual city sidewalk repairs into the 2022 budget; (ii) County repainted several crosswalks throughout the city and the goal will be to budget new funds in 2022 to continue; and (iii) PSEG installed the new light pole at Farnsworth and Burlington.
 - d. Parking Lots: City is working with our state vendor on scope and budget for electric vehicle charging station (installation in 2022).
3. Budget: Working on our priorities for 2022 (DW landscaping, Farnsworth and Burlington, Vernon, and our water's asset management plan)
4. Water Department
 - a. The city was recently notified about its excellent water sampling results. For the fourth straight monitoring period, the city maintained its compliant status (lowest detection results since 2014 and almost 80% of the total samples were non-detectable).
 - b. The City remains committed to providing safe water to its residents. We are also continuing the program of free lead testing to any resident who requests it.