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Public Works

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COMING THIS MONTH

- The proposed budget for the FY 2013—2014 is currently available for public review at City Hall, with a public hearing date of April 15.
- Earth Day is Monday, April 22nd.
- Friday, April 26th is Arbor Day in Highland.

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Project Updates

BID AWARD

The City Council at their meeting on Monday, April 1, awarded the contract for the US 40 / Hemlock Street Intersection Improvement project to Bruce Concrete Construction, Inc. of Granite City.

Eleven companies submitted bids for this project when the bid opened on March 12th. Bruce was the low bidder, with a bid amount of \$572,960.66. The highest of the bids was \$702,594.20.

FENCE CONSTRUCTION

There was a pre-construction meeting held for the fence

construction at the Street & Alley storage lot on Highland Road.

Shop drawings have been approved and construction has begun. The entire project should be wrapped up in a couple of weeks, weather permitting.

NORTHEAST PERIPHERAL ROUTE

The city limits of Highland expanded with the annexation of 46.96 acres of land that was purchased by the city for the construction of the new roadway from Iberg Road to US 40 at Troxler Avenue.

An easement from CSX

Railway was granted for a bridge to be constructed over the rails as part of the extension project.

At this time, this project is expected to go to bid by mid-summer with construction to begin in the fall.

TROXLER WIDENING

Slowed down by weather last week, this project is back in full swing this week. The widening has begun with about 100' of surface, curb and gutter, and some work on the driveway entrances completed. The contractor has also started installing the structural steel reinforcement for the pavement.



Hydrant Flushing

The Water Distribution division of the Public Works Department is currently flushing hydrants as part of regularly scheduled maintenance.

Crews, beginning in the northern sections of the distribution system, will be opening up the fire hydrants for the purpose of testing the water pressure and to

identify potential problems in the system. The flushing program also moves water through the city's water system at a rapid rate helping to maintain the quality of the water.

While the crews are flushing the hydrants in your neighborhood you may experience water pressure that is lower than normal. Occasionally the water may become discolored. After

the crews have moved out of your area the water pressure should return to normal. If you are experiencing dirty water, allowing your cold water tap to run for a little while should clear the problem. If you still have rusty water after running the cold water for several minutes, please call 654-6823 to report the problem.

Your water is still safe to drink.