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DOWNTOWN STREETScape - WEEKLY UPDATE
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Construction is underway to update the streetscape in downtown Bedford. We are happy to report that J Street is complete with the exception of some finishing touches and construction has begun on I Street between 15th & 16th Streets. The construction on I Street will continue to progress over the next several weeks. Below is a list of activities that we anticipate happening over the next week. A weekly update will be distributed during the remainder of the streetscape construction.

Thursday/Friday, October 13, 2017:

- Two access ramps are being placed on I Street between 15th & 16th Streets
- Mats are being purchased to be placed in the construction area on access ramps and on I street next to the buildings to better identify the path for pedestrian access and to make traversing the area easier
- Signs are being printed today that will be placed at the corners of 15th & I Streets and 16th & I Streets that clearly state that all businesses are open during construction

Beginning Monday, October 16th:

- Work will continue on the corner of 16th & I Streets
- Gravel will start being placed around all of the retaining walls on I Street

Beginning Wednesday, October 18th:

- Concrete will begin to be poured starting at 16th & I Streets and will progress moving north on I Street
- Concrete will be poured in approximately 50 foot sections
- First pours will be in the area closest to businesses to improve pedestrian access as quickly as possible

Wednesdays, October 18th – Friday, October 27th

- About 230 feet from 16th Street to 15th Street will be worked on first
- Estimate 7 – 8 days of construction work to complete the initial concrete pours on I Street
- If the weather is dry it is anticipated that the concrete closest to the downtown buildings will be completely poured by Friday, October 27th
- Additional concrete pours will be needed farther from the buildings and at the lower elevation on I Street later in the construction process

Customer Access:

- Wet concrete needs up to 48 hours to harden. Accordingly it cannot be walked on during that time.
- In spite of wet concrete access to businesses will be maintained at all times. This will be done in several ways including boards and mats over wet concrete or splitting the concrete pours if the entrance has double doors.

Parking:

- We are working to restore parking on I Street as quickly as possible.
- We have contacted Lawrence County Government to inquire if a number of parking spaces along I Street inside the Courthouse Square can be designated as merchant parking during construction.
- We will update you on progress regarding parking each week.

Please remember that construction is dependent upon the weather. Rain or other inclement weather will add time to the projected timeline presented.