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**Locust Street Water and Sewer Pipe Improvement Project**

On behalf of the Springfield Water and Sewer Commission, Baltazar Contractors, Inc. will replace water and sewer pipes within Locust Street, extending into a small portion of Mill Street and Main Street. This work is expected to begin the week of March 20, 2023 and continue through November of 2023. Typical construction hours are Monday through Friday from 7:00AM to 4:00PM.

During construction hours, this section of Locust Street, from Mill Street to Main Street, and Main Street from Locust Street to York Street, will require temporary lane shifts and detours. Street side parking will also be restricted. Access to abutting properties will be maintained. Pedestrian and vehicular traffic will be managed with posted signs and police details.

The water pipes that will be replaced as part of the project date from 1908, and the sewer pipes date from 1873. The [Locust Street Water and Sewer Upgrade Project](#) will modernize the water and wastewater infrastructure in the South End neighborhood and improve service reliability, efficiency, and environmental protection.

The project cost is \$25 million and is being completed as part of the Commission's \$550 [Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Renewal Program](#) and the [Integrated Wastewater Plan](#). Once construction is completed, the sewer pipes within Locust Street will connect to the new York Street Pump Station, currently in the final phase of construction, as part of the \$137 million [York Street Pump Station and Connecticut River Crossing Project](#).

The Commission appreciates the patience of residents, businesses, pedestrians, and drivers while this important work is performed. Please contact the Springfield Water and Sewer Commission at 413-310-3501 with any questions regarding this project.

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