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**April 17, 2025** **Ald. Lamont Westmoreland**

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 **Lisbon Avenue project groundbreaking event set for April 23rd**

The W. Lisbon Ave. reconstruction project groundbreaking will take place at 9 a.m. on **Wednesday, April 23** at **9929 W. Lisbon Ave**., as representatives from the Department of Public Works, other dignitaries and officials, and neighbors will join **Alderman Lamont Westmoreland** at the event. **Media coverage is invited**.

“This collaborative effort between the City of Milwaukee and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) aims to transform this vital corridor, resulting in smoother, safer, more comfortable, and more accessible transportation options for all users. This project is long-awaited and is not just about fixing potholes -- it’s about enhancing the daily lives of those who live, work, and travel along this roadway. We look forward to seeing the fully completed project!” said Alderman Westmoreland.

Utility prep work and tree removal have already begun ahead of groundbreaking, and Lisbon Ave. will be rebuilt in concrete with one travel lane in each direction between N. 100th St. and W. Burleigh. The project includes new sidewalks, protected bike lanes, pedestrian improvements, and single-lane roundabouts at 92nd and 84th streets. Many new trees will be planted, boosting the overall tree count by 40% compared to before the project. Additionally, sustainability features like permeable pavers and bioswales will be included to improve stormwater drainage. The work on this fully redesigned thoroughfare is expected to last two full construction seasons and the project will be built in four main phases.

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**Lisbon Ave. project/ADD ONE**

Phase one will take place from April to July 2025 and includes reconstruction on the westbound side of W. Lisbon Avenue from N. 100th Street to N. 86th Street. Phase two will take place from July to October 2025 and includes reconstruction on the eastbound side of W. Lisbon Avenue from N. 100th Street to N. 86th Street. Phase three will take place from April to July 2026 and includes reconstruction on the westbound side of W. Lisbon Avenue from N. 86th Street to W. Burleigh Street.

Finally, phase four will take place from July to October 2026 and includes the reconstruction on the eastbound side of W. Lisbon Avenue from N. 86th Street to W. Burleigh Street.

During Phase 1 and Phase 3, one lane of traffic will remain open in each direction on W. Lisbon Avenue. In Phase 2 and Phase 4, only one lane of westbound traffic will remain open, while eastbound traffic will be detoured along W. Capitol Drive and W. Appleton Avenue. Some crossing streets may be fully or partially closed to provide the contractor with the necessary space to operate a safe work zone. Sidewalks on W. Lisbon Avenue and the crossing streets will be closed one side at a time to facilitate the construction of new sidewalks, with pedestrian detours clearly marked.

For project updates during construction, including contact information visit: **tinyurl.com/MKEFutureProjects.** This site also provides information on Milwaukee DPW’s Support for Business program, which aims to help businesses thrive during the City’s infrastructure improvements. If you would like to request a bike rack in front of your property, please visit: **tinyurl.com/MKEBikeParking.**

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