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Residents, Business owners and land owners:

The City of Bryan's South College Avenue Reconstruction Phase One Project has experienced a series of delays that have held up our construction progress on the work directly down South College Avenue. You've probably seen our contractors working in the surrounding neighborhoods installing new underground utilities while the main construction on South College Avenue has been halted. While that is progress, it is not progress on the actual roadway of South College Avenue. Please accept our apologies for not reaching out sooner with an update on the project.

Prior to the City's contractor, Larry Young Paving, starting construction on the S. College project both Optimum and Frontier were required to relocate their overhead utilities to underground along the corridor. Those permits were issued by the City and confirmed the correct respective locations of both companies with respect to the future construction plans. Both Frontier and Optimum chose to relocate based on measuring from centerline of proposed plans thinking the existing centerline of roadway was the same as the proposed centerline of roadway. That was not the case, the roadway centerlines are not the same. They did not use surveyors and therefore both relocated their infrastructure in the wrong location such that their new infrastructure was in direct conflict with the large storm sewer boxes in the City's design. This was discovered in August 2024 and both were asked to relocate a second time at their expense in the fall of 2023. They are nearing completion with that relocation operation. That has been the cause of the delay in progress for the last 8 months.

At the February City Council Workshop staff was directed to remove the planned raised medians on the project. A change order is currently being developed with the contractor which should have the contractor working on progressing construction down South College starting again in May 2024. It is expected that the work from Villa Maria to Dellwood could be completed by August 2024 weather dependent and that section of roadway opened to traffic.

Moving forward we will do a better job of communicating with you. Please contact the City of Bryan's Engineering Services at 979-209-5030 with any questions or concerns.

Best Regards,

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Bryan City Engineer