



The City Of Willoughby

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# Ward 4 Newsletter

## WARD 4 WELCOME COMMITTEE

A welcome to the neighborhood committee is forming. If you wish to participate, please contact Bob Carr.

## BUSINESS NEWS

Corner of SOM/Euclid welcomes Verizon Wireless, Ink Spot, FedEx/Kinko's.

Chick-fil-A is under construction on Euclid Avenue with expected opening this Spring.



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## SIDEWALK UPDATE

Working with the Mayor and City Engineer, we have verified availability for Federal Highway funding of sidewalks/bikeways. Further investigation identifies SOM Center road is already on the master plan of NOACA to provide a bikeway connecting the bikeways in Eastlake and Mayfield Village. Feasibility and pricing is underway with a goal of submitting a request for funding.

## STREET AND SEWER PROJECTS

Pending budget approval, Ward 4 projects planned this summer:

SOM Center Sanitary Relief Sewer: Project will increase capacity of the sanitary sewers on SOM to help prevent basement flooding and bypassing sewage to the environment. Sewer will be built down the middle of SOM, starting at Kaiser Court and extending South about 2000 feet past Kaiser.

SOM Center Slope Repair: You may have noticed concrete barriers just South of the railroad bridge. With assistance from NOACA and ODOT, we expect repairs to take place in late summer.

Projects in the City of Willoughby that will significantly impact travel from Ward 4 traveling Ridge Road (Rt. 84) towards Downtown. Suggestion is to avoid this area during construction.

Slope stabilization: Across from Breckenridge will start in July/August and last for 3 or 4 months.

River Street Sanitary Sewer Project: Starting this summer and lasting a full year.

## TRAFFIC CONTROL

Based on feedback from residents, the City has initiated changes to the traffic light at Colonial and Som Center. On a trial basis, this light has been removed from the coordinated traffic control system where it would change upon activation on a 90 to 130 second cycle. This light is now set to flash yellow/red during the hours of 11pm to 6am. From 6am to 7am it changes upon activation and flashing don't walk. We will continue to monitor this particular traffic light with ultimate plans for an updated traffic study along the Route 91 corridor. Please provide feedback and comments on these changes. I would also appreciate comments and feedback on the possibility of removing this traffic light entirely.

## PARKS & RECREATION

Registration for **Swim Passes, Swim Lessons, Pool Parties, Summer Day Camp, Mini Munchkin Camp and all other programs** begins on Monday, March 31 for Willoughby residents. Please bring proof of residency (a current utility bill with your name and address & a photo ID) with you at the time of registration.

Looking for a place to hold that graduation party or family reunion? Why not rent a park pavilion? PAVILIONS are located at Daniels Park (seats 56, 63 and 98), Osborne Park (seats 70) and at the Euclid Ave. Municipal Pool Park (seats 84). All of the park pavilions have electricity, water, grills and seasonal restrooms. Call us at 953-4200 to reserve a pavilion. Reservations are accepted for residents only along with a \$30 non-refundable fee.

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