

# 19<sup>th</sup> & Louisiana Project Update

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The 19<sup>th</sup> & Louisiana project was reopened to traffic the evening of August 4<sup>th</sup> as scheduled! The project features 10" concrete pavement in the 19<sup>th</sup> & Louisiana intersection and on 19<sup>th</sup> St. west to Indiana St. New curb and gutter, sidewalk, traffic signals, and a bus turn out for Lawrence High School were also included in the project.

The Phase 2 Mill and Overlay Project work on 19<sup>th</sup> Street was completed during the same time. This project included a new asphalt overlay with new concrete curb and gutter abutting the intersection project on both the east (Ohio to Massachusetts) and west (Alabama to Naismith). A new dedicated bike lane was marked from Alabama to Naismith.

The 19<sup>th</sup> and Louisiana project was a KDOT Geometric Improvement project, designed by BG Consultants with oversight and inspection from City Staff. From design through construction the project was completed one year ahead of KDOT's project schedule. LRM Industries, the contractor for both the intersection project and the Phase 2 mill and overlay project, should be commended on coordinating the construction and keeping the project on schedule. The wetter than average months of May and June caused some project delays but Freeman Construction, the subcontractor working on the concrete pavement did a tremendous job getting the project back on schedule to reopen the road on time. There is still some finishing touch up work that has occurred or will be occurring after August 4<sup>th</sup>, including: sidewalk pours, grading behind curb, and seeding. Louisiana Street north of the intersection (17<sup>th</sup> St to 19<sup>th</sup> St) will be closed to through traffic for a short time to be milled and overlaid in combination with a raised crosswalk which is being installed at 18<sup>th</sup> & Louisiana St. The following are some pictures of the reopened project.



19<sup>th</sup> and Indiana looking east: Project open to through traffic!



Lawrence High School Parking lot exit to 19<sup>th</sup> Street



19<sup>th</sup> and Louisiana intersection



19<sup>th</sup> & Louisiana intersection (looking west)





Lawrence High School bus turnout off 19<sup>th</sup> St.



Lawrence High School bus lane off 19<sup>th</sup> St.





19<sup>th</sup> & Alabama St. – Mill and overlay section with new curb and gutter and bike lanes (looking west).