

Memorandum

City of Lawrence

Public Works

TO: Chuck Soules
FROM: Mark Thiel
CC: Tom Orzulak, Steve Lashley
Date: 7/14/2011
RE: **Progress on 2011 KLINK Phase 1, 6th & Massachusetts Intersection – City Managers Report 7/19/2011**

The 2011 KLINK project on 6th St. from Massachusetts to Iowa is well underway and phase 1 is now complete. It included the milling and overlay of 6th St. from Massachusetts St. to Kentucky. During this project as part of the 2011 pavement maintenance program we also reconstructed the west bound approach on 6th St. at Massachusetts. This section of roadway was in bad shape and while we had the traffic control established for KLINK this was a good time to lessen the inconvenience to the public.

Both areas were open to traffic Thursday July 14 after two days of paving. This was a major challenge for traffic control and coordination. The city and the contractor were able to work together to establish a paving plan that greatly reduced the impact on motorists. Crews began in the early morning hours over a two day period. Sunflower Paving, RD Johnson, C-Hawwk, and the City Street Division all expedited this project by providing the appropriate levels of staff and understanding the need to get this project completed as quickly as possible.

Public Works, the Public Information Office along with several media outlet also worked together to inform the public as much as possible. We would like to thank the public for their cooperation and patience during this phase of the project.

While the intersection at 6th St. and Massachusetts St. is complete, there is more work to come. The KLINK project continues mill and overlay on 6th St. west to Iowa and with turn lanes being constructed at 6th St. and Michigan St. and Maine St.. Additionally, KDOT will be working on the Kansas River bridges in the next few weeks reducing the lane to one lane in each direction. Also Tennessee will be milled on the July 18 and closed to all traffic July 19 for one day for overlay. Our downtown concrete rehabilitation project is nearing completion. It encompassed repairing deteriorated concrete in the downtown area between New Hampshire and Vermont and 6th St. South Park St.

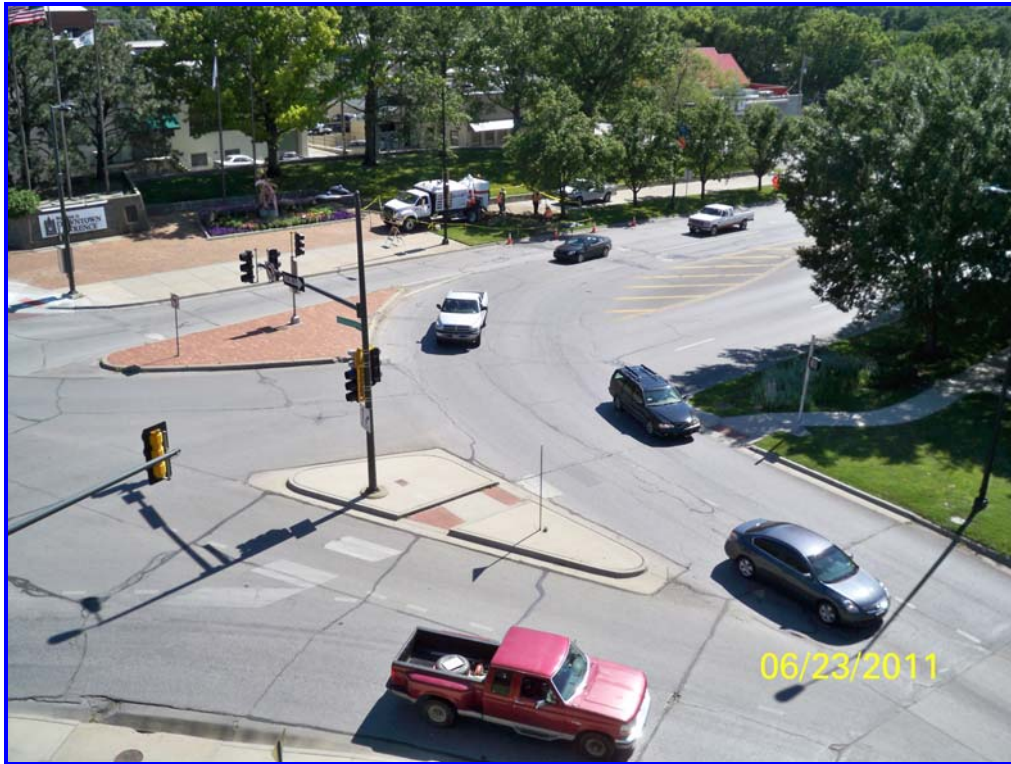
Attached are before and after photos



6th & Massachusetts before – looking south



6th & Massachusetts after – looking south



6th & Massachusetts before – looking SW



6th & Massachusetts after – looking SW



6th St. – looking East



6th St. concrete repairs to the approach at Massachusetts St.



Downtown Concrete Rehabilitation Curb Repair - During



Downtown Concrete Rehabilitation - Before



Downtown Concrete Rehabilitation - After



Downtown Concrete Rehabilitation - After