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### *Airport Drive and Falcon Road Roadway Reconstruction Project*

On Monday, May 30, 2016 Airport Drive will be closed from Falcon Road to South Sixth Street for Railroad Crossing Replacement. The railroad crossing replacement project will consist of reconstructing the bumpy & uneven crossing, which will result in a smooth & level surface while traveling over the railroad tracks. A detour route will be posted for drivers traveling in the area. Drivers will be required to utilize Samuelson Rd just south of Airport Drive until the railroad crossing is complete. Please note that there will also be final restoration and landscaping being done along Airport Drive between South Sixth Street and IL 251 (11<sup>th</sup> Street) in conjunction with the railroad closure. It is anticipated that all of Airport Drive will be opened on Friday, July 1, 2016 for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend.

The Airport Drive reconstruction Project includes all roadway from Kishwaukee Street to Illinois 251 (11<sup>th</sup> Street). This reconstruction project consisted of pavement removal, excavation, concrete pavement, curb and gutter, median, landscaping, storm sewer installation, street lighting, traffic signal modernization, erosion control and new concrete pavement. Some notable improvements to the project is the newly constructed roundabout at the intersection of Kishwaukee Street and Airport Drive, rail road crossing reconstruction and straightening out the road way east of the rail road crossing.

Kishwaukee Street, Falcon Road and the majority of Airport Drive is complete and open to all traffic. The City of Rockford thanks all drivers and pedestrians for their continuous patience during the final segments of this massive reconstruction project.

Questions regarding this project should be directed to Austin Crull in the Public Works Department at (779)-348-7610. Thank you for your consideration.