

# Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE July 15, 2022

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT **J.B. Jackson Street Improvement Project Update**

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide an update related to the J.B. Jackson Improvement Project.

**Project Group:** Street Reconstruction Group 12-637

**Limits:** JB Jackson Jr. Blvd. from Grand Ave. (Al Lipscomb Way) to MLK Jr. Blvd.

**Project Number:** PB12S437

**Project Phase:** Construction

**Prime Contractor:** Texas Standard Construction Ltd

In April 2021, the City of Dallas received a letter from its contractor, Texas Standard Construction (TSC), indicating that due to the recent shortage in concrete, they were not able to complete the paving on J.B. Jackson from Al Lipscomb Way to MLK Blvd. As indicated in the TSC letter, work on J.B. Jackson stopped.

Between May 2021 and July 2021, Public Works worked with the City Attorney's Office (CAO) on a path forward following the work stoppage. During this time, the City received an email from Congresswoman Eddie Johnson's office requesting a briefing from the City Manager on the status of the project. The meeting was held on August 12, 2021 with attendance from Congresswoman Johnson, Mayor Eric Johnson, City Manager Broadnax, key stakeholders, and representatives from Public Works and Dallas Water Utilities (DWU).

During the August 12<sup>th</sup> meeting, the City advised the attendees that Public Works had decided to utilize its resurfacing contractor to complete permanent and temporary paving of J.B. Jackson that was put on hold by TSC. It was also decided that DWU would take over the boring of utility lines under DART railroad tracks to expedite the completion date.

In August 2021, the City's resurfacing contractor started placing concrete pavement from South of Park Row Ave. to MLK Jr. Blvd., where underground utility work was complete, and placed temporary asphalt from AL Lipscomb Way to Park Row Ave., where underground utilities were pending; the permanent and temporary paving work was completed on September 22, 2021.

Between October 2021 and January 2022, TSC acquired the necessary materials to complete the remaining utility work, paving from Al Lipscomb to Park Row, and paving JB Jackson to R.B. Cullum. TSC resumed work in February 2022 and all remaining work is estimated to be completed in August 2022.

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For your reference, the attached map demonstrates 'In Service' streets that are open to traffic during construction, but no lanes are closed; and 'Work in Progress' streets where there are substantial items to be completed and has an impact on traveling public.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Jennifer Nicewander, P.E., Assistant Director for the Department of Public Works at [jennifer.nicewander@dallas.gov](mailto:jennifer.nicewander@dallas.gov).

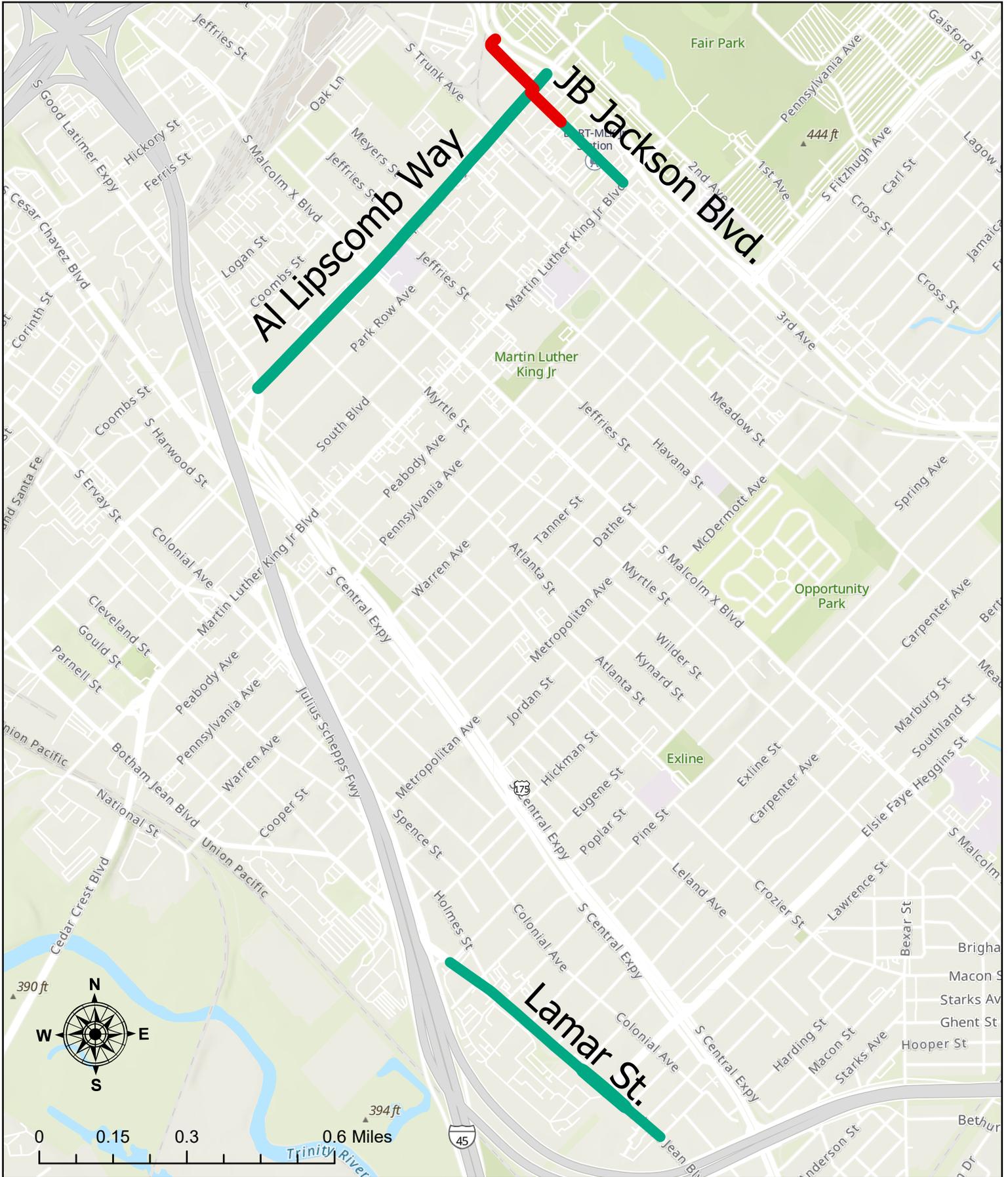


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# Reconstruction Projects, City of Dallas



## Project Group 12-637

-  In Service Project (open to traffic)
-  Work in progress (ongoing work, may have lane closures)



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