

New Britain's approximately 160 miles of City streets are one of the City's most important and most valuable assets. Maintaining these 160 miles of City streets is one of the Public Works Department's most important responsibilities. Programs like our annual paving program, trench repair program, crack sealing program, and pothole repairs all serve to help protect our City Streets, and we are always looking for ways to improve our operations.

### 2017 Pavement Rehabilitation Program

Mayor Erin Stewart and the New Britain Public Works Department announce the start of the 2017 Pavement Rehabilitation Program. Work will be performed by contractors retained by the City and will begin in August.

Please note the following guidelines during paving operations:

Roadwork will normally be done between 7 am - 5 pm, Monday - Friday

No parking signs will be posted prior to the start of road work.

Keep the roadway clear of parked vehicles while paving is in progress.

Limited access will be allowed during road paving.

Check with the paving crew

If you must leave the property while paving is underway

If you are away and find the roadway blocked when returning

We are looking forward to 2017 being one of our most successful pavement rehabilitation programs to date. The Department of Public Works will make every attempt to limit impacts on the traveling public for the duration of the project and we appreciate your patience while this work is on-going.

### Annual Paving Program

The City's Annual Paving Program follows a Pavement Management approach to repairing and maintaining City Streets. Adopting this approach was made possible by the funding of the multi-year

\$17.5 million dollar Road Bond in 2006 which adequately funded the investment that must be made annually to get and then keep the City's streets in good condition.

Now with the funding in place, the City's Annual Paving Program involves repairing, repaving and reconstructing between 12 and 18 miles of City streets each year. This commitment will continue until all of the City's Streets are in acceptable condition. Then, by following the Pavement Management approach, focus will be placed on ensuring that once roads are repaired, they stay in good condition for as long as possible.

### Pavement Management

The Pavement Management approach involves the following:

Prioritizing the City's Streets that need repair in terms of usage and condition

Establishing the appropriate repair for each City Street (pavement overlay, pavement mill and overlay, full depth reclamation, or full depth reconstruction)

Performing the appropriate repair for each City Street to get the street in good condition.

Performing routine maintenance (crack sealing, spot repairs) to keep the repaired streets in good condition.

Over time, following a Pavement Management approach to maintaining City Streets lessens the investment required to keep roads in good condition as it costs significantly less to keep a road in good condition by doing routine maintenance, than it does to do minimal or no annual maintenance and let the condition of a road deteriorate to the point that major repair work is required.