

## Main Street Right Lane Closure Extension

**In an effort to minimize the impacts from the Main Street Improvements project once business gets back to normal in Newark, DelDOT, the City, and A-Del Construction have been reviewing various scenarios to advance the construction work while students are off-campus and business operations are limited.**

**Starting on Monday, March 30, business operations are limited.** A-Del will extend the current Main Street right lane closure so that the lane will be closed from Washington Street to S. College Avenue

- Driveways and entrances will remain open (there may be short periods of time where flagging operations are needed or alternate access used. Advance notification will be provided.)
- On-street parking within the work zone will be prohibited. Parking across the street (south side of Main Street) will be allowed for delivery and curb-side pick-up. Please note that there is currently free parking in the City's municipal lots throughout the Main Street corridor.

Extending the lane closure allows the contractor to complete prep work for the final overlay (adjusting manholes, gas and water valves, drainage inlets, and placing asphalt levelling course) in the previously completed phases while the roadway reconstruction is being performed in Phase 6. Once the crew is finished on the east end of the project, the lane closure will be extended from South College Ave. down to South Main Street.

The goal is to have all of the adjustment and levelling work in Phases 4, 7, and 9 (the full length of the right lane) completed around the same time as the Phase 6 reconstruction work so that the final overlay can begin in the closed lane right after Phase 6 is done.

The final overlay for the right lane will be done during daytime hours (originally scheduled for night time). There are temperature requirements for asphalt placement, so allowing the overlay to occur during the day means the paving operation can start earlier in the year because of warmer daytime temperatures.

All of the above will occur as long as there are no additional restrictions put in place by the Governor that affect construction activities. Because the current situation is still fluid, we have not made a determination as to how we will phase the Main Street left lane completion. Details will be provided for that phase at a later date.