

Resident Information Bulletin

Melas-Meadows Pedestrian Bridge

Village of Mount Prospect
Public Works Department
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INTRODUCTION

The Village of Mount Prospect, in cooperation with the Mt Prospect Park District, would like to inform you of the start of construction of the Melas-Meadows Pedestrian Bridge. This long-awaited project is finally coming to fruition and is anticipated to begin next month. The bridge will provide safe access for pedestrians and bicyclists to parks, schools, and many other destinations.

Work will include construction of piers, ramps and staircases at the northeast corner of Melas Park and the southwest corner of Meadows Park. The 206' long bridge deck will span both the Union Pacific railroad tracks and Northwest Highway (US 14). Work will also include sidewalk, lighting, fencing and landscaping at the end of the project.

The Village applied for and received state and federal grant funds from multiple competitive programs totaling over \$10.1 million, covering 88% of the cost of construction and construction engineering. The remaining \$1.4 million will be locally funded.

CONSTRUCTION INFORMATION

The Village has awarded a construction contract to Dunnet Bay Construction. Their work will be monitored, inspected and overseen by a Village engaged construction engineering consultant, Ciorba Group. Pre-construction work by ComEd and Verizon will soon take place along Northwest Highway. Bridge construction will begin in August and is expected to be completed in fall of 2027.

The contractor will stage operations along the parking lane on Northwest Highway and in Meadows Park when working on the north side of the tracks. The contractor will stage operations at the northeast corner of Melas Park when working on the south side of the tracks. Kenilworth Avenue will have parking restricted to one side of the street, similar to the 4th of July festival, to allow for delivery of materials and equipment. The contractor will not access the job site via Melas Park Drive and the path. The Melas Park path will remain open during construction except for the northeast section. Pedestrian detour signs will be in place during the closure.

PROJECT INFORMATION

Please visit the Village web site at www.mountprospect.org for updated information throughout the project. The project web page is found under Departments, Public Works, Village Infrastructure Projects, Construction Projects, Pedestrian Improvement Projects, Melas-Meadows Pedestrian Bridge. You can also use the QR code below.

You can also sign up to receive regular updates via email. The project web page includes the opportunity to provide us your email address. We will then send you an E-newsletter periodically throughout the project.

If you have additional questions during construction, feel free to contact the Public Works Department by email at publicworksdept@mountprospect.org or by phone at (847) 870-5640.

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