

The background is a faded, artistic rendering of a town street scene. It features a wide road with a crosswalk, sidewalks with pedestrians, trees, and buildings. A large, illuminated archway spans the street, with the word 'MANSFIELD' written across its top. Streetlights and a pedestrian crossing sign are visible on the left side of the road.

# MAIN STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Public Meeting

April 10, 2025 | 4:30 – 6:00 PM



# WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

**Mayor Jodie Perry**

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# WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

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CEO, Downtown Mansfield, Inc.

**Brent Rossman**

Communications Specialist, Downtown Mansfield, Inc.

# AGENDA

1. Welcome from Mayor Jodie Perry
2. Introductions
3. Construction Details
4. Project Overview & Timeline
5. Communications Plan & Community Support
6. Open Q&A Session
7. Closing Remarks & Next Steps

# CONSTRUCTION DETAILS

- **Phased Construction:** We'll focus one section at a time before moving on to the next area to minimize disruption.
- **Main Street Will Stay Open:** We plan to keep at least one lane open whenever possible. Mulberry should be used for through-traffic.
- **Advance Notice of Closures:** If a lane or road closure is necessary, we'll give you a heads-up. Closures will be limited to the active work zone.
- **Businesses Stay Accessible:** You'll still be able to reach your favorite downtown shops and restaurants on foot throughout the project.
- **Utilities Stay On:** Essential services like power and water are expected to remain on during construction.

# A BRIEF HISTORY OF DOWNTOWN

**1808** Mansfield is founded. Central Park is a hub for community.

**1846-63** Road and railroad connections create a population boom. Main Street develops as the major commercial center.

**1910s-40s** Downtown experiences another boom, with 6 large retail stores, 5 hotels, several banks, grocers, insurers, hardware stores, and many small shops developing downtown.

**1959** Park Ave. cuts through Central Park to be designated U.S. 30.

**1969** Richland Mall opens.

**1970s-80s** Mansfield, like many small towns, experiences a loss of manufacturing and an economic downturn. Many downtown buildings and infrastructure begin to fall into disrepair.

*Source: Mansfield Historic Preservation Plan 2015,  
Historic Preservation Commission of Mansfield*



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# A BRIEF HISTORY OF DOWNTOWN

**1991** Carrousel Park opens, providing an anchor for downtown restoration and redevelopment.

**2003** Conversations first begin about a major project to revitalize Main Street.

**2018** 15 local citizens write the “Mansfield Rising” plan, which includes the groundwork for the Main Street Improvement Plan.

**2022** Mansfield secures \$7.3 M federal Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grant.

**2025** Construction begins on the Main Street Improvement Project.

**October 31, 2026:** Projected completion date for Main Street Improvement Project.

# PROJECT OVERVIEW

- **PURPOSE**

- Improve access to local businesses and boost economic development.
- Create a safe, pedestrian friendly environment.
- Beautify downtown.
- Highlight and celebrate the history and culture of Mansfield.

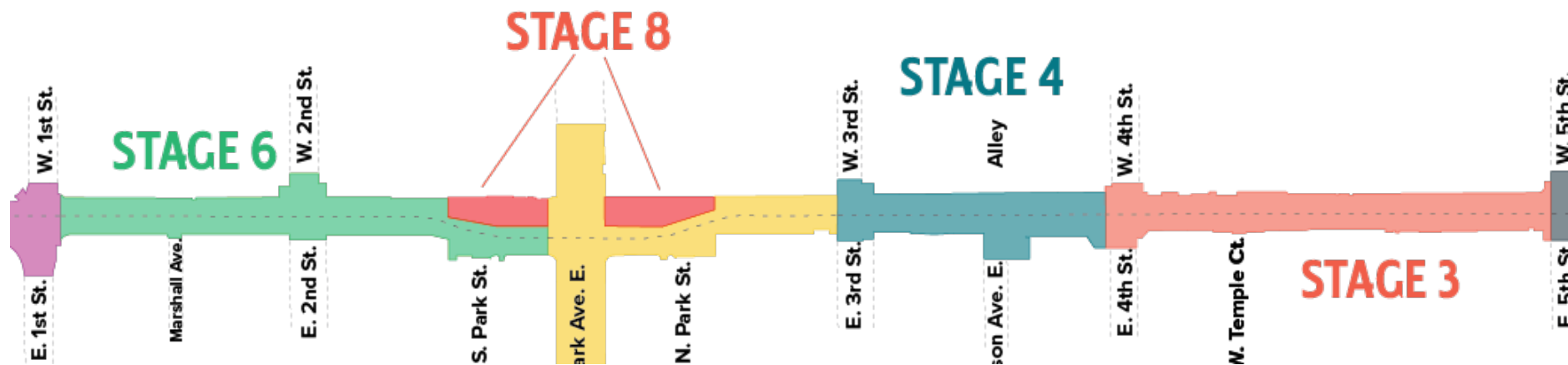
- **KEY FACTS**

- \$19.3 million total from 14 sources
  - 82% non-local funding
- From 6<sup>th</sup> Street to 1<sup>st</sup> Street
- 20-month timeline
  - Construction began on February 24, 2025
  - Project completion date is October 31, 2026.



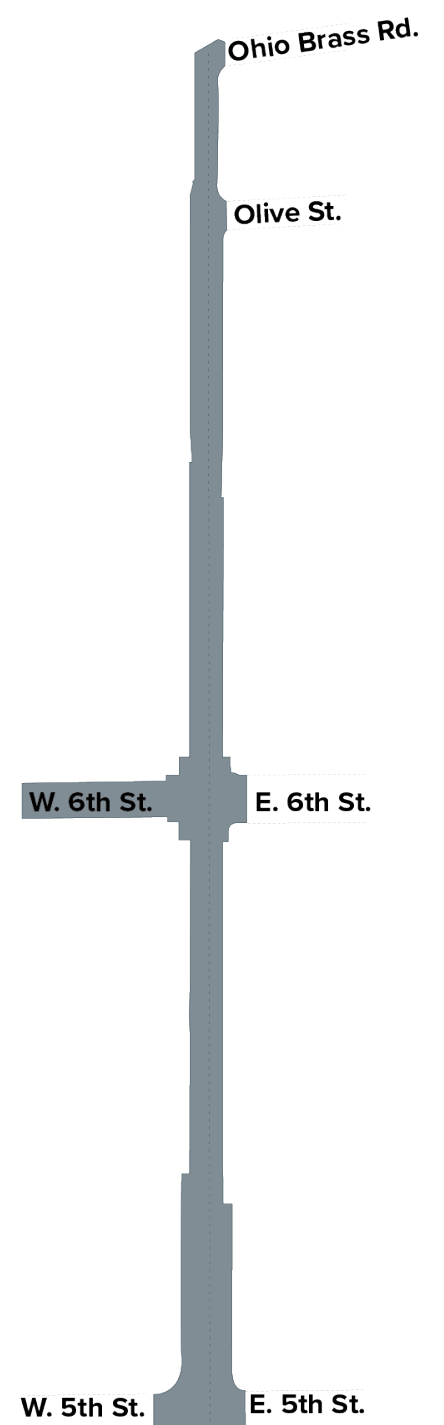
# STAGE 1: Water Main (5th to 1st)

- **Duration:** 90 Days
- **Description:** Installation of Water Main, hydrants, and service connections.
- **Traffic Impact:** Lane Closures & Intersection/full block closures at night.
- **Updates:**
  - West lane of Main closed due to water main trench
  - Limited on-street parking still available. NO time-limit enforcement along Main Street or on 3rd & 4th between Diamond & Walnut.
  - Temporary water outages at night.



# STAGE 2: 6<sup>th</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup>

- **Duration:** 30 days
- **Description:** New sidewalks and lighting.
- **Traffic Impact:** Lane closures within active work area



# STAGE 3

- **Duration:** 75 days
- **Description:** New sidewalks, lighting, brick crosswalks at Main and 5th and mid-block, brick and concrete intersection at 4<sup>th</sup> and Main.
- **Traffic Impact:** Lane closures within the active work area, keeping at least one lane open to traffic except during road closures:
  - Mid-Summer 2025 for 30 days: Road closure for brick crosswalk at 5<sup>th</sup> St.
  - Mid-Summer 2025 for 30 days: Road closure for 4<sup>th</sup> Street intersection.
  - Mid-late-Summer for 60 days: Road closure for mid-block brick crosswalk at Temple Court.

W. 5th St.

E. 5th St.

W. Temple Ct.

W. 4th St.

E. 4th St.



# STAGE 4

- **Duration:** 60 days
- **Description:** New sidewalks, lighting, mid-block brick crosswalk, brick and concrete intersection at Main and 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- **Traffic Impact:** Lane closures within the active work area, keeping at least one lane open to traffic except during road closures:
  - Early Fall 2025 for 30 days: Road closure for 3<sup>rd</sup> Street intersection.
  - Early-mid-Fall 2025 for 50 days: Road closure for mid-block brick crosswalk at Dickson.

W. 4th St.

E. 4th St.

Alley

Dickson Ave.

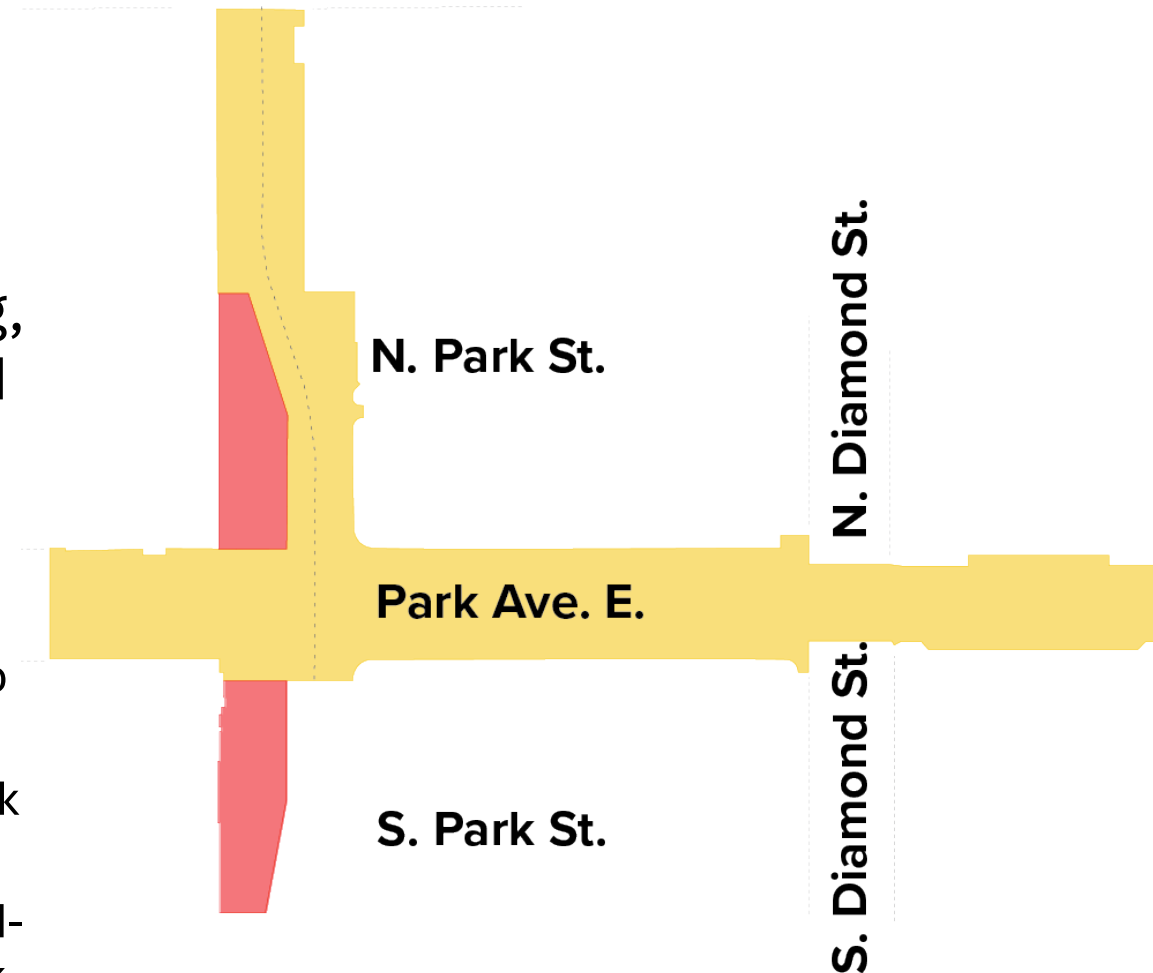
W. 3rd St.

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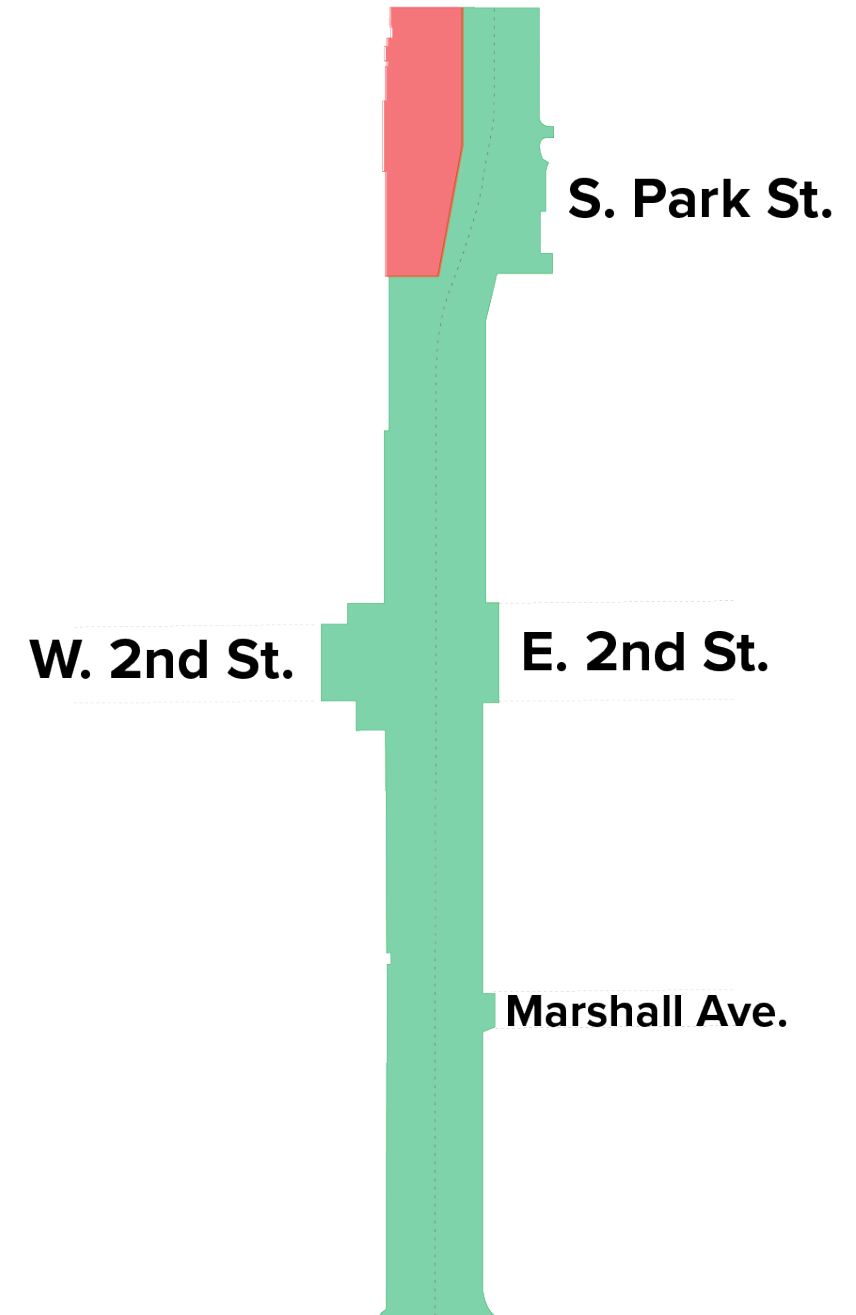
- **Duration:** 60 days
- **Description:** New sidewalks, lighting, brick crosswalks north of N. Park and on Park Ave. between Main and Diamond.
- **Traffic Impact:** Lane closures within the active work area, keeping at least one lane open to traffic except during road closures:
  - Spring 2026 for 45 days: Road closure for Park Ave intersection.
  - Spring 2026 for 60 days: Road closure for mid-block brick crosswalk just north of North Park Street.
  - Spring 2026 for 40 days: Road closure for brick crosswalk on Park Ave between Main and Diamond.





# STAGE 6

- **Duration:** 60 days
- **Description:** New sidewalks, lighting, brick crosswalk south of S. Park St., overhead signing.
- **Traffic Impact:** Lane closures within the active work area, keeping at least one lane open to traffic except during road closures:
  - Summer 2026 for 50 days: Road closure for brick crosswalk just south of South Park Street.





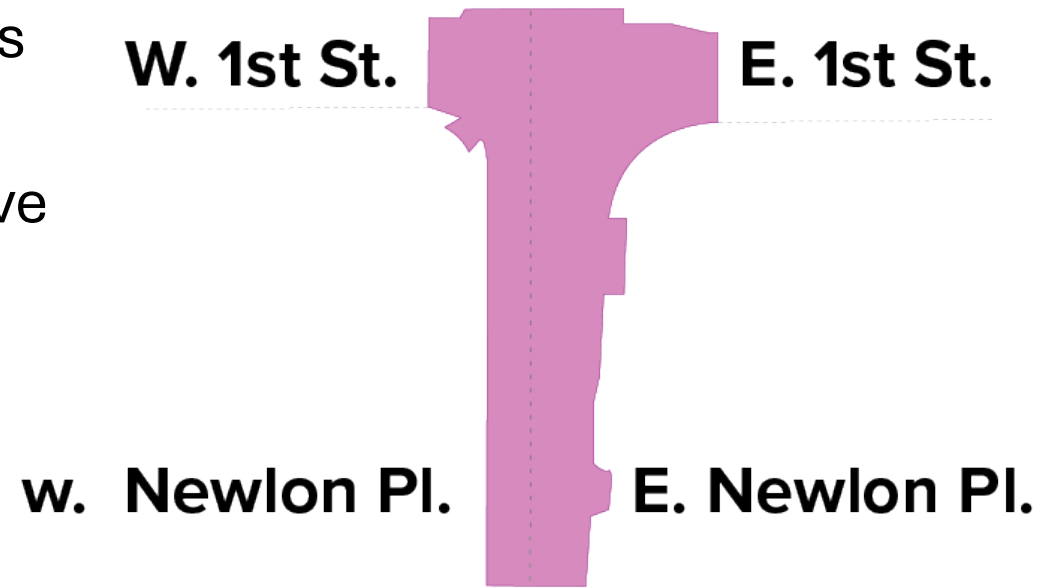
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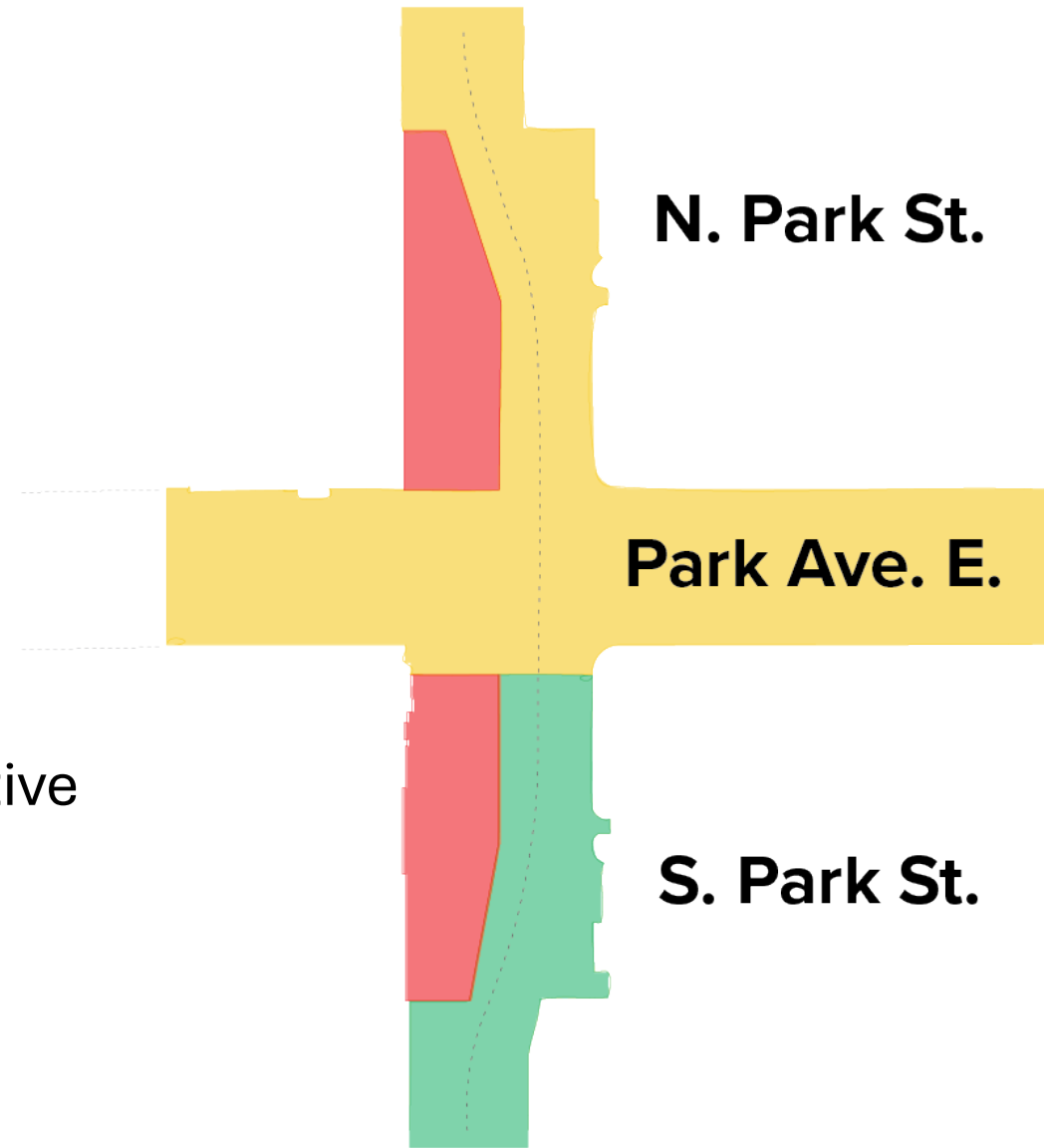
# STAGE 7

- **Duration:** 30 days
- **Description:** Widen street, new sidewalks and lighting.
- **Traffic Impact:** Lane closures within active work area.



# STAGE 8

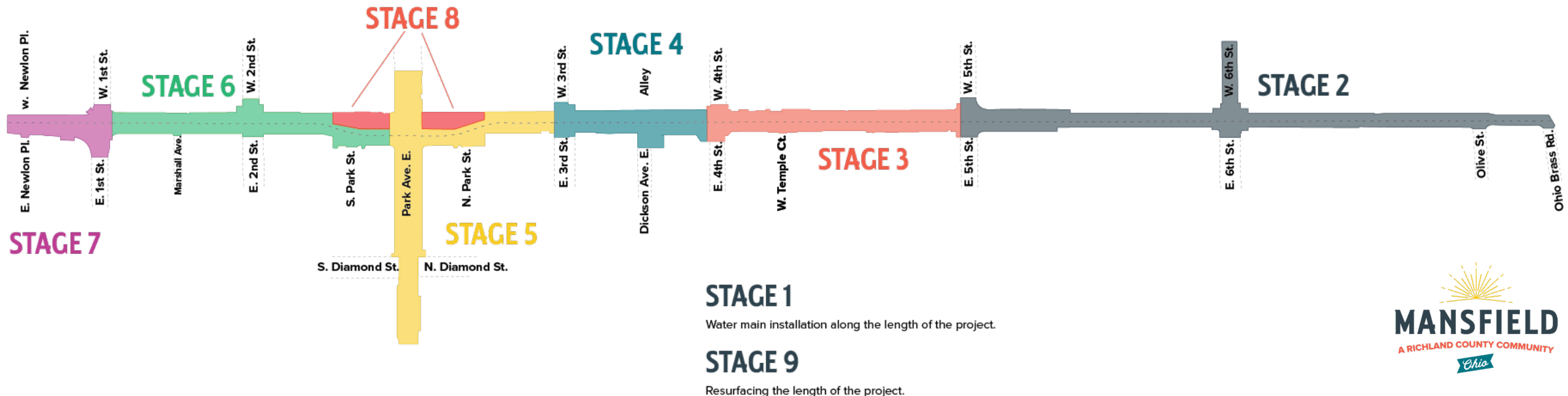
- **Duration:** 90 days
- **Description:** Construct plaza areas, including:
  - Fountain rebuild
  - Northern and Southern arches
  - Hardscape, walls, furnishings.
- **Traffic Impact:** Lane closures within active work area.





# STAGE 9: Resurfacing (6th to 1st)

- **Duration:** 30 Days
- **Description:** Resurfacing of entire project road surface and final markings and striping. Install final landscape and architectural features.
- **Traffic Impact:** Lane closures within active work area.
- **End of Project:** October 31, 2026

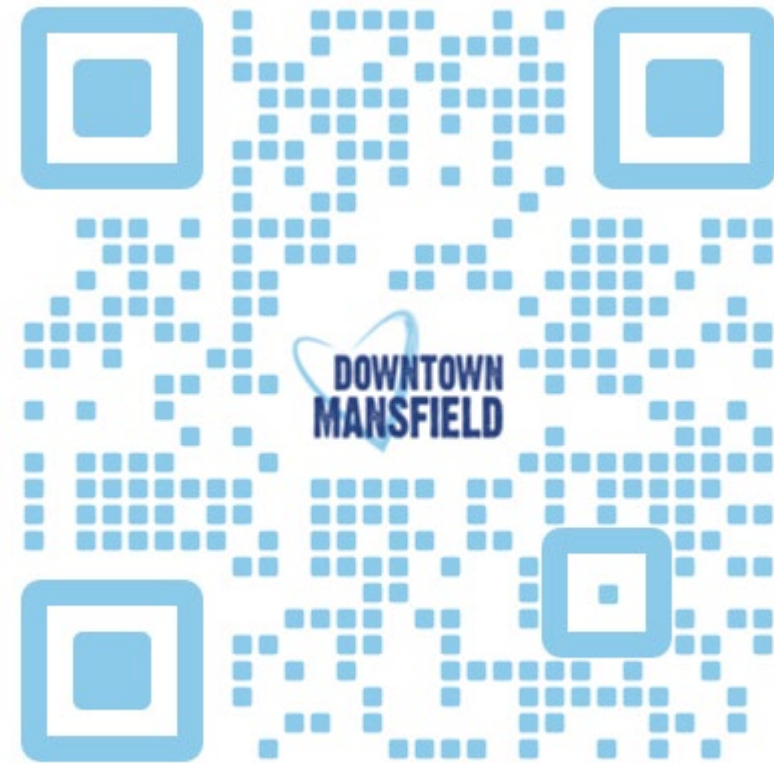


# COMMUNICATIONS & COMMUNITY SUPPORT

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# QUESTIONS?