

# Railroad Avenue and Third Street Improvements

## Construction Update

Week of March 22-26

- Beginning Monday, March 22 West Ave. will be one lane from Monday through Thursday next week.
- The project team will continue work on 3rd Ave and West Avenue for installation of the new waterline.
- Please follow detour signs and traffic control. As a reminder, preferred detours are West Avenue and Whiteriver Avenue. When entering or leaving the detour and going back to Railroad Avenue please use Centennial Parkway or 5th Street signalized intersections. Second St and 4th St. do not have traffic signals and may result in longer wait times.
- Business access is open just be sure to follow the designated pedestrian access as it is delineated in the work zone. Downtown parking and detours are shown in the map attached. This map and updates can be accessed at <https://www.rifleco.org/Construction>.

Due to failing drainage, accessibility issues and failing asphalt, the downtown area of Rifle is in need of rehabilitation. The final downtown design for Railroad Avenue and Third Street has added parking at the Rifle House DDA lot and the Post Office. Grading was adjusted to allow temporary outdoor dining where permitted and smaller more dispersed landscaping was used to add landscaping without sacrificing parking.

- Parking in front of restaurants can be used as dining/parklet/event space, but is parking when not being used which allows for seasonal dining and changes in business
- To eliminate water ponding at curbs, drainage slopes to road where reachable by snow plows
- Eliminating curbs make streets accessible along the entire block
- Smaller landscape areas on the south side allow for trees along the entire street without losing parking
- Current parking counts remain the same but only 5 spots are lost when outdoor dining is setup (currently the outdoor dining takes up 14 when all patios are setup)



For questions about the project you may text or call the project hotline # 970-987-7293. Information can also be found at <https://www.rifleco.org/Construction>. Follow us on Facebook and Twitter.