



BUSINESSCONNECT

"Creating an Environment for Investment"

Troy Roads Rock

The City of Troy, in cooperation with the Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC), is embarking on a \$10.5M road repair for 2014. This plan will address severe pothole damage caused by this year's harsh winter and, generally poor conditions of major County roads in Troy. For information, map, and construction schedule on the 2014 Troy-RCOC Concrete Pavement Repair plan, please visit TroyRoadsRock.com. The key funding components of the plan are \$5M from the City's General Fund Balance; approx. \$2.3M from the RCOC, \$1.9M in federal transportation funds and \$1M in State Road funds. The program includes comprehensive concrete pavement replacement work on: Long Lake Road, Rochester to I-75; John R, Long Lake to Maple Road; Long Lake, I-75 to Northfield Pkwy; Big Beaver, Adams to Civic Center; Big Beaver, Rochester to Dequindre; Crooks, Wattles to Square Lake; Dequindre, Big Beaver to 14 Mile Road. During the road construction, building owners or tenants are allowed one temporary 36 square-foot sign as long as you apply for a FREE Sign Permit. Ground banners and flags will qualify. Download a Sign Permit at TroyRoadsRock.com. For more information on the temporary sign permit, please contact Paul Evans at evanspm@troymi.gov or

Working For You

Fire Safety Recommendations for Troy Businesses

The Troy Fire Department's Fire Prevention Division is responsible for ensuring fire and life safety in Troy. To accomplish this, the TFD conducts fire inspections and provides fire safety education programs for all age groups.

The TFD philosophy is, "A proactive approach to fire prevention principles and practices helps to reduce the risk of fire in the community." To achieve this philosophy, the fire code and local fire prevention ordinance requirements are enforced.

The current adopted fire code is the 2009 International Fire Code. The local fire prevention ordinance is [Troy City Code, Chapter 93, Fire Prevention](#).

To ensure safety, the Troy Fire Department recommends:

- Before beginning any construction or renovation in your current facility, or before relocating to a new facility, consult with the fire department to inquire if any permits will be needed.
- Obtain all required permits before the work begins.
- Hire qualified and reputable contractors.
- Schedule realistic timelines to allow for appropriate plan submittals and reviews; inspections and tests; and the potential for any unexpected delays.
- Periodically inspect your own property for potential fire and life safety hazards such as excessive storage; blocked or narrowed exits; unapproved locking mechanisms; etc.
- Develop and practice a fire escape plan with employees at work, and family members at home.

Plans and permit applications are submitted to the Fire Department through Troy's Building Department, SAFEbuilt, at Troy City Hall. [Permit applications](#) are on the City website.

Before any work requiring a permit can begin, the plans must be reviewed and approved, and a permit must be issued by the fire department.

Inspections will be conducted by the fire department during construction and

248.524.3359.

Troy Hotels Open for Business

Did you know that Troy has 12 great **hotels** to meet all of your business visitor needs? These places to stay range from large convention hotels to smaller extended stay accommodations. "Check-in" to Troy's outstanding hotels:

Troy Participates in One Stop Ready Program

The City of Troy has been invited to participate in the 2014 Oakland County One Stop Ready Program – a community focused economic development program built upon self-evaluation, information sharing, and outstanding customer service. In 2014, Troy will be one of seven communities participating in the program. The OSR Program enables communities to share best practices and information on planning, development and building processes. The purpose is to help participating communities capitalize on their strengths and refine their economic development processes in order to advance each community's ability to attract, retain and expand investment.

Participation in the program involves attending the OSR Academy which includes four sessions focused on best practices and information sharing. These sessions are open to interested staff, elected and appointed local officials. Sessions are scheduled to

renovation, and fire protection systems will be tested to ensure proper operation. Before the fire department can issue a final approval, all concerns must be adequately addressed.

The Fire Department also reviews building evacuation plans to offer comments and suggestions as necessary.

Further information about these and other fire safety related items may be obtained by contacting the Troy Fire Department at 248.524.3419, Monday through Friday between 8 am and 4:30 pm.

Business Spotlights

New Business Growth



Molina - Molina Healthcare is a FORTUNE 500, multi-state health care organization that will be making a significant investment in Troy. Molina has purchased the formerly vacant, 195,447 square foot office building located at 880 W. Long Lake Road in the North Troy Corporate Park area. Molina currently has 312 employees in Troy, but this new facility will add approximately 337 new employees in the next three years.

Mahindra North American Technical Center - Mahindra will be expanding its Troy presence as its moves into 1055 W. Square Lake Road. The former Hi-Lex Building had been vacant for several years. The 30,000 square foot facility will house an engineering and automotive design technology center. Approximately 50 employees will occupy the building initially with 100 employees expected by the end of 2014. A ribbon cutting ceremony took place on May 9th with Governor Snyder and Mahindra & Mahindra Ltd. Chairman Anand Mahindra.



Modern Dental Laboratory USA – Modern Dental is the world's largest producer of dental prosthetics and associated products from traditional dental restorations, to high precision custom made implant supported structures. Its new U.S. Headquarters and Digital Production Center will be located at 500 Stephenson Highway. Approximately 100 employees are expected to eventually work at the facility.

LHP Software - LHP Software, an Indiana-based engineering services company, is continuing its expansion in the Detroit automotive market. Since opening its first Troy office in January 2012 at 50 W. Big Beaver Road, LHP has grown to more than 20 employees based there and has recently added a second Troy location at 2468 Industrial Row that will serve as its technical and training center for the region. The second location is a partnership with Specialized Vehicles, Inc. The new facility is expected to add about 20 new employees.

take place on June 25, July 23, September 24 and October 29.

Why Troy?

“We believe a strong community embraces diversity, promotes innovation, and encourages collaboration.

We strive to lead by example within the region.

We do this because we want everyone to choose Troy as their community for life.

We believe in doing government the best.”



AET Integration – **AET Integration** is a technology firm specializing in research, development, engineering, testing of materials, welding/joining, and forming. The company has relocated its facility from Wixom to a 22,500 square foot building at **1775 Crooks Rd.** AET employs 18 professionals.

Field & Stream - Oakland Mall announced that **Field & Stream**, a specialty retail concept carrying the best brands to meet the evolving needs of hunters, anglers and outdoorsmen will open a new store on the exterior ring road of the mall on the former Circuit City site. The Oakland Mall store is expected to open in March 2015. At the 50,000 square foot Field & Stream store, customers will find a complete assortment of gear from the best names in the business. The store will be home to several departments, including hunting, paddling, fishing, camping and a gun and archery shop.

For more business updates, check the Summer [Troy Today](#).

Troy's economic development strategy emphasizes partnerships in order to provide existing and prospective businesses with the resources necessary to locate in Troy and grow. The City works closely with partners like Automation Alley, Walsh College, Troy Chamber, Oakland County's Economic Development Office, and the Michigan Economic Development Corporation. Through these and other partners, the City is able to address business needs by providing the information, infrastructure and connectivity necessary for business growth. Please contact Troy Economic Development Specialist Glenn Lapin at 248.524.3314 or by e-mail at g.lapin@troymi.gov for business assistance.