

TRAFFIC ADVISORY

February 1, 2022

To: Local Media Representatives

From: KUB Communications & External Relations

Re: Traffic Advisory – Lane/Road Closures for Utility Work [All closures are weather permitting]

(Downtown Knoxville—Immediate) Clinch Avenue, Market Street, and Journal Place Intermittent Closures [Daily, February 1-7] – KUB crews will close sections of the following streets in the downtown area over the next several days as repair work is performed on the underground electric system: Clinch Avenue (between S. Gay Street and Walnut Street), Market Street (between W. Church Avenue and Clinch Avenue), and Journal Place (between State Street and S. Gay Street). Road closures will be implemented on an intermittent basis and limited to the immediate area where crews are working. All streets will not be affected at the same time. Additionally, curbside parking will be closed along the northbound lane of S. Gay Street between Journal Place and Union Avenue. The adjacent sidewalk will also be closed. All lanes of traffic will remain open on S. Gay Street. Appropriate signage and flaggers will be on site to assist with traffic control. Follow-up advisories will be issued as necessary.

(Bearden) Kingston Pike Lane Closures [Effective Immediately] – KUB crews have closed two westbound lanes on the section of Kingston Pike between S. Northshore Drive and Old Weisgarber Road for water main repairs. Westbound traffic flow has been shifted to the center turn lane on this section of Kingston Pike. Both eastbound lanes of traffic remain open. The westbound lane closures are expected to remain in effect through 8 p.m. Tuesday evening. Appropriate signage has been set up on site to assist with traffic control. Follow-up advisories will be issued as necessary.

Some listed closures may extend beyond the scheduled times depending on the conditions encountered during excavation and construction. Appropriate traffic control measures will be in place at each location to assist motorists traveling in these areas. Due to the ongoing presence of workers and equipment, motorists are advised to use caution and expect temporary delays in these areas. More information on this and other KUB construction projects can be found at www.kub.org.

Tennessee's **Move Over Law** requires motorists approaching a utility vehicle with flashing lights to move over if safe to do so, creating an empty lane buffer. When changing lanes is not possible, motorists must reduce speed.

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