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CITY AND SODO BUSINESSES TO CELEBRATE COMPLETION OF SECOND AVENUE

Second Avenue is open to traffic! Join Spokane Mayor Mary Verner and Spokane SoDo businesses at a celebration on Saturday, Sept. 24. The Second Avenue end of construction celebration will begin at 10 a.m. at Sun People Dry Goods, 32 W. Second Ave. After the ribbon cutting, participants are encouraged to peruse the businesses and check out festivities and specials that will continue until 7 p.m.

Work on Second Avenue--a more than \$4 million project spanning two years--began in June 2010 and wrapped up last week. The project reconstructed the street from Arthur Street to the Sunset Highway, replaced water and sewer mains, and upgraded traffic signals. The work was funded by the 10-Year Street Bond, City of Spokane Water and Wastewater Departments, and safety funds.

“We are pleased to join with the businesses along Second Avenue in welcoming citizens to a renovated street that will serve our community well into the future,” says Mayor Verner. “This group of businesses, in particular, did a great job of attracting customers to this area even when construction activity was intense. I want to congratulate them on their efforts.”

Other Street Bond projects already completed this year include:

- Hatch Road from 57th Avenue to Perry Street/43rd Avenue;
- Grand Boulevard from 29th Avenue to High Drive;
- Post Street from Maxwell to Cleveland avenues;
- Mission Avenue from Hamilton to Greene streets; and
- Several Local Improvement Districts (LIDs) that paved dirt streets in the City.

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Within the next month, projects to rehabilitate Nevada Street from Broad to Decatur avenues; and Bridgeport Avenue from Division to Crestline streets and surrounding streets will be complete.

“We want to thank Spokane citizens and businesses for their patience during this summer's construction season,” says Mayor Verner. “We are pleased to announce the great results of this year's work.”

For more information on the 10-Year Street Bond Program, visit www.spokanestreets.org.

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