



# City of Mishawaka

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Mayor Dave Wood, City of Mishawaka, announces the opening, ribbon cutting and naming of the recently completed landscaped parkway connecting Capital Avenue (SR331) at Milepost 83 of the Indiana Toll Road with Fir Road on Thursday April 16, 2015 at 3:00PM. The ceremony will take place at the east end of the parkway at the corner of Capital Avenue and the parkway entrance. This Roadway will serve as a new gateway into the north side of Mishawaka which was made possible by the donation of over eleven (11) acres of right of way for the construction of the new 4,000 foot long parkway.

The Parkway project included construction of a four lane concrete roadway between Fir Road and Capital Avenue (SR 331). The project also included installation of sanitary sewer, water main, and new storm sewer, which included the construction of two separate drainage basins to handle storm water runoff. Conduits for Metronet were installed to enable the installation of their fiber optic network as development occurs. Integral concrete curb was installed along the length of the project, and along the landscaped irrigated center medians. Ornamental street lighting was installed along both sides for the entire length of the project. The project was constructed by C&E Construction from Elkhart, Indiana at a cost of approximately \$3.5 million from Tax Incremental Funds.

### Fir Road Widening

A companion project that included improvement and widening of a 1,600 ft. long section of Fir Road, north of Cleveland Road, consisted of widening the existing asphalt pavement to four lanes, with a dedicated center left turn lane at the new intersection of Fir Road and the Parkway, including a new traffic signal. Included also was the construction of concrete curb and gutter, storm sewer, including a new drainage system to accommodate drainage of the expanded intersection and water main along the east side of Fir Road to serve the new Parkway. This project was constructed by R & R Construction of Mishawaka, Indiana at a cost of \$1,075,000 with Tax Incremental Funds.

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