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BRIDGE OVER MARKET STREET CONSTRUCTION TO RESUME

According to reports from the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT), work on the N. Charles Seivers Blvd. (Rt. 61) bridge over Market Street is set to get back underway soon. Before the project ran into snags, original plans estimated that the construction and repairs would be finished in May of this year. Now reports say an amended construction plan has been approved and the contractor will be returning within the next two weeks to begin work. The new contract extends through July 31, 2021.

The bridge overhangs on both sides (sidewalks and parapet walls) will be completely removed and then re-built. This is time consuming and labor-intensive work, as the bridge deck steel rebar must be exposed by jack-hammering the concrete from around it, so the new overhang rebar may be properly attached. This work will, most likely require a new traffic plan, and only one lane in each direction across the bridge will be open throughout the project.