

North Street wins technical innovation award

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The Southwest Branch of the American Public Works Association (APWA) recently presented the Village with a Technical Innovation award for its North Street Reconstruction Project.

The APWA cited the project's use of permeable interlocking paver stones as a major factor in its decision to select North Street as the award recipient. The interlocking paver stones help to capture almost 60,000 gallons of water at the front-end of any storm, which prevents runoff within the North Street right of way.

Construction on North Street was completed in 2019 and was funded by the Village and in part by a \$200,000 Green Infrastructure Grant from the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago. Work included reconstruction and beautification, including new paver stones and crosswalks that resemble piano keys.

In addition to Public Works Director Kevin Workowski and his team, the North Street Project included Robinson Engineering, Austin-Tyler Construction and LPS Pavement Company.