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## Road Watch Update

### April 23 – April 29, 2020

#### Evans Avenue Neighborhood Utility Improvements

Starting Monday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, the City of Fort Myers will replace sanitary sewer, water mains and install storm drainage on Evans Avenue from Providence Street south to Dr. Ella Piper Way. The project also includes some new sidewalk, replacing disturbed sidewalk on both sides of Evans Avenue and roadway resurfacing. **The project is expected to be completed in early 2021.**

The following roads will be closed to through traffic:

- **Evans Avenue closed from Providence Street to Second Street.** Local residential and business traffic only.
- **Michigan Avenue closed at Evans Avenue.** Residents will be directed to Cranford Avenue for access.
- **Avalon Place closed at Evans Avenue.** Residents and businesses will be directed to First Street for access.

Through motorists should follow posted detour signs. Residents and businesses may need to access their property from a different direction. Some sidewalks may be closed during the project. Drivers, pedestrians and bicyclists should use caution and be aware of construction equipment and vehicles entering/exiting streets in the project area. This schedule is subject to change due to inclement weather and unforeseen underground conditions. For more project information, contact the City's public information consultant, Cella Molnar & Associates, Inc. at 239-337-1071 or via e-mail to [thayden@cella.cc](mailto:thayden@cella.cc).

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#### Thompson Street Sewer Work

City crews will be working on sewer services at Thompson Street and Sutton Street starting Monday, April 27<sup>th</sup> through Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup>. Thompson Street between Hough street and Evans Avenue will be closed to all but local traffic. Through traffic will be detoured north to Fourth Street. This schedule is subject to change due to inclement weather and unforeseen underground conditions. Please watch for flaggers and detour signage.

### **West Drive Speed Hump Installation**

Starting April 20, 2020, Denco Construction Inc. in conjunction with Neubert Construction Services Inc. will be installing two new speed humps on West Drive. The first hump will be between Newport Court and Merrimack Court and the second hump will be between Kensington Court and Jamestown Court. **West Drive will be closed to through traffic between Bowling Green Drive and South Drive from April 20 to May 1, 2020.** Only local residents will have access. Traffic will be detoured around West Drive via Deleon Street.

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### **FPL Line Work**

FPL will be working on replacing transformers and power lines and changing old poles to new poles on Monday, **March 30<sup>th</sup> thru Friday April 24, 2020.** The hours they will be working in the area of Second St. from Fowler to Seaboard will be 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily. Motorists will experience intermittent lane closures as needed for lift trucks. Please be aware and watch signs and flaggers while they are on site.

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### **Hotel Indigo Re-roof Project**

Main St. between **Monroe St. and Broadway Avenue** will experience intermittent road closures starting **February 17 thru April 30, 2020.** Target Roofing will be working on reroofing the Hotel Indigo and will need to use a crane to transport materials to and from the roof. Please expect the roads closed (most of the time) from 6:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. while the crane is in operation. The sidewalks will remain blocked off for pedestrian safety.

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### **Virginia Avenue Road Closure at City Walk**

Virginia Ave. will be closed **January 21 thru April 30, 2020** between McGregor Blvd. and West First St. by Brooks and Freund, LLC. The purpose of this closure is to tie in the sewer line from the large manhole located in the middle of the road.

Brooks and Freund will also have intermittent lane closures of West First St. between Altamont and Virginia Ave. for the next 3 months starting March 9, 2020. They will also be bringing the construction fence north of the property closing the sidewalk along the north side of their property for safety reason. They will be using a crane to put up the walls on this side of the property.

Local Traffic **only** will be able to access their driveways from either McGregor Blvd. or West First St.

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### **North Entrance to South Plaza/Colonial Boulevard - Canal Bridge Replacement**

Crews will be removing and replacing the canal bridge at the north entrance to South Plaza, located on the south side of Colonial Boulevard between Tilton Court and US 41 (Cleveland Avenue). Colonial Boulevard north entrance driveway to South Plaza will be closed during construction. Driveway access to Baer's Furniture will be maintained. Motorists should access South Plaza from (US 41/S) Cleveland Avenue. **The expected completion date is April 2020.**

For project information, please contact Cella Molnar & Associates by calling 239-337-1071 or email [thayden@cella.cc](mailto:thayden@cella.cc).

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### **Cleveland Grove Utility Improvement Project**

This project is to replace sanitary sewer and water main, install storm drainage improvements and regrade swales on Turner Street, Patrick Avenue and Kentucky Avenue. The project also includes new sidewalks on the west side of Turner Street, the north side of Patrick Avenue, the east side of Kentucky Avenue and roadway resurfacing.

Crews are working in and near the roadways. Drivers, pedestrians and bicyclists should use caution and be aware of construction equipment and vehicles entering / exiting streets in the project area. Flaggers will be onsite during normal work hours to assist motorists through the construction zone. This schedule is subject to change due to inclement weather and unforeseen underground conditions. **The project is expected to be completed in spring 2020.**

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### **Hanson Street Extension, Phase II from Veronica S. Shoemaker Boulevard to Ortiz Avenue**

The second phase of the Hanson Street Extension from west of Veronica S. Shoemaker Boulevard to Ortiz Avenue includes building new roadway, installing new sanitary sewer force main and potable and reclaim water mains as well as six-foot sidewalks, seven-foot bike lanes, and two roundabouts. One roundabout will be located at Hanson Street and Veronica S. Shoemaker Boulevard intersection and the other will be located at Hanson Street Extension and Ortiz Avenue intersection. This project is anticipated to be completed at the end of 2020.

Motorists can expect Veronica S. Shoemaker Boulevard northbound lane to be reduced to one lane during a pole installation.

### **HANSON STREET EAST OF VERONICA S. SHOEMAKER BOULEVARD REMAINS CLOSED TO THROUGH TRAFFIC.**

- Businesses between Veronica S. Shoemaker Boulevard and Van Buren Street are accessible.
- Closure will remain in place during daytime and night time/overnight hours.

**ORTIZ AVENUE NORTH OF VINCE SMITH DRIVE** – Motorists should expect trucks entering and exiting roadway.

This schedule is subject to change due to inclement weather and unforeseen underground conditions. Motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists should use extreme caution.

For further questions, please contact Cella Molnar & Associates by calling 239-337-1071 or email [thayden@cella.cc](mailto:thayden@cella.cc).

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### **Wastewater Interconnect Project – Phase III, Part IV Coronado Road**

This project is from South to Central Advanced Wastewater Treatment Plants. Phase III of the project replaces underground sewer pipe along Coronado Road from Cortez Boulevard to US-41, Nelson Street from Coronado Road to Braman Avenue, east on Braman Avenue to Grand Avenue, and north on Grand Avenue to Hanson Street.

**Coronado Road from Sunset Road to US-41/Cleveland Avenue is intermittently closed to through traffic.** Through traffic to follow detour signs. Local traffic will be accommodated. Motorists can expect delays.

Some sidewalks may be closed during the project. Crews are working in and near the roadway. Drivers, pedestrians and bicyclists should use caution and be aware of construction equipment and vehicles entering/exiting streets in the project area. This schedule is subject to change due to inclement weather and unforeseen underground conditions. Phase III of this project is expected to be completed in spring 2020.

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**FDOT Pedestrian Safety Construction Project on US 41 from Winkler Avenue to SR 82/Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard** entails installing and relocating utilities and constructing medians on US 41/Cleveland Avenue from Winkler Avenue to SR 82.

- **Motorists should expect Hanson Street closed on the east side of US 41/Cleveland Avenue.**
- **Motorists should expect a new traffic pattern from Coronado Road to south of Linhart Avenue. A new traffic delineator restricts all left turns in this area.**
- **Motorists should expect intermittent northbound and southbound lane closures and detours on US 41/Cleveland Avenue during daytime and nighttime/overnight hours Monday through Friday throughout the duration of the project, weather permitting.**
- **Motorists should expect side road closures from Winkler Avenue to Victoria Avenue throughout the duration of the project.**

Additional work includes: Installing drainage structures, pedestrian signals, upgrading signals and lighting, and resurfacing existing highway. The project will be constructed in three segments. Each segment will have the majority of construction completed prior to moving to the next segment. Construction will begin on the first segment from Winkler Avenue to Carrell Road. Crews will work on the west side of the road initially and when that work is completed, they will shift to the east side of Cleveland Avenue/US 41. The expected project completion date is the end of spring 2022. For additional information, contact the Public Information Consultant for the project, Kris Cella, at 239-337-1071 or kcella@cella.cc. The Contractor is Ajax Industries of Florida, LLC.

### **Edwards Drive from Monroe Street to Hendry Street**

The City of Fort Myers, in conjunction with Mainsail, is constructing a **12-Story Garage and Hotel** to the east of Harborside Event Center and reconstructing Edwards Drive. Construction and delivery activities requires the closure of Edwards Drive between Monroe Street and Hendry Street and the closure of northbound Monroe Street north of Bay Street to through traffic during construction. **Please use First Street as an alternative route.**

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**Palomino Lane – Fort Myers:** Lee County DOT will be performing ditch maintenance along the west of Palomino Lane starting April 27, 2020 through May 15, 2020. Motorists should use caution in the area as flaggers will be on hand and will provide MOT (maintenance of traffic). For further information, please call Gary Slusar at 239-533-9400.

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### **I-75 at Daniels Parkway - Mile Marker 131**

Construction project: Crews will be installing a parking detection system in the northbound and southbound rest area parking areas. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway. Estimated completion date is end of spring 2020. The contractor is Florida Safety Contractors, Inc.

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### **SR 865/Six Mile Cypress Parkway from Penzance Boulevard to Daniels Parkway:**

Maintenance permit project: Motorists should expect southbound lane closures during daytime hours, while crews install pole lines, weather permitting. Motorists should expect slow moving traffic and possible delays. Flaggers will maintain both directions of traffic. Motorist should use caution as crews work in the roadway.

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**SR 884/Colonial Boulevard from US 41 to Winkler Avenue:** Construction project: Crews will be installing lighting at the following intersections: US 41, Evans Avenue, Metro Parkway, McGregor Baptist Church, Veronica S. Shoemaker Boulevard, and Winkler Avenue. **Work will occur during nighttime/overnight hours from 8 p.m. to 7 a.m.** Motorist should expect delays and use caution while traveling in this area. Estimated project completion is late spring 2020. The contractor is Traffic Control Devices, Inc.

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**SR 739/Business 41 from the Edison Bridge to south of West North Shore Ave:** Maintenance contract project: Motorists should expect northbound and southbound lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. while crews repair asphalt, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work on the roadway.

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**SR 82 from Arcadia Street to Shawnee Road: Maintenance contract project:** Motorists should expect intermittent northbound and southbound lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 4 a.m., while crews inspect the road, weather permitting. Motorist should use caution as crews work in the roadway.

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## Special Events

**None scheduled for this dateline.**