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Road Watch Update

January 21, 2021 thru January 27, 2021

Cranford Avenue Repaving

The City of Fort Myers Public Works Department will have Ajax Paving working on Cranford Avenue from Second Street south to Dr Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard. On Monday January 25th, Ajax will be milling Cranford Street and then on Tuesday January 26th, Ajax will be overlaying the asphalt.

Linhart, Magnolia, Holly Utility Rehabilitation Project

The City of Fort Myers is scheduled to replace water mains and sanitary sewer pipe and install some storm drainage on the following roadways:

- Linhart Avenue (Cortez Boulevard to US 41)
- Magnolia Street
- Holly Road
- McCann Street
- Maple Avenue
- Sunset Road (Linhart Avenue to Hanson Street)
- Sanders Street
- Nelson Street (Linhart Avenue to Hanson Street)
- Hanson Street (just east of Holly Road to Sunset Road and Nelson Street to US 41)

The project also includes new sidewalk on side streets and will replace sidewalk disturbed by the construction. The project is expected to be completed in early 2022.

Linhart Avenue

Crews are expected to continue work on Linhart Avenue beginning at Cortez Boulevard and work east toward U.S. 41. Linhart Avenue from Cortez Boulevard to Sunset Road will be closed to through traffic. Through motorists should follow posted detour signs. Local traffic will be accommodated.

Residents and businesses may need to access your 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 may be 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 info@fortmyersutilities.com.

Crag Street Watermain Improvements

The City of Fort Myers is installing a waterline along Crag Street between Palm Avenue and the west end of roadway. Crag Street in this vicinity is down to one lane. Motorists are to use caution. This schedule is subject to change due to inclement weather and unforeseen underground conditions.

Silver Hills – West First Street Sidewalk Closure

The sidewalk on the north side of West First Street between Altamont Avenue and Virginia Avenue will be closed beginning Monday, January 18, 2021. This sidewalk will be closed for the next two months to allow FPL work and other utilities to be completed. Please look for detour signage to lead you around the sidewalk closure.

Hanson Street Sidewalk and Drainage

Contractors for the City of Fort Myers are installing drainage improvements and sidewalk on the north side of Hanson Street from U.S. 41 east to Montclair Avenue. The project is expected to be complete in early 2021.

Calvin Boulevard Closed to Through Traffic

Monday, January 25 and Tuesday, January 26 from 7:00 A.M. to 5:30 P.M. motorists can expect Calvin Boulevard closed to through traffic from Linhart Avenue to Hanson Street. To access Calvin Boulevard motorists may use the following:

- Hanson Street
 - Eastbound turn north Grand Avenue; east on Linhart Avenue to Calvin Avenue
 - Westbound turn north on Broadway Avenue; west on Linhart Avenue to Calvin Avenue

Grand Avenue Closed to Through Traffic

Wednesday, January 27 and Thursday, January 28 from 7:00 A.M. to 5:30 P.M. motorists can expect Grand Avenue closed to through traffic from Waltman Street to Hanson Street. To access Grand Avenue motorists may use the following detour:

- Hanson Street east or west bound turn north on Calvin Boulevard; west on Linhart Avenue to Grand Avenue.

Motorists, pedestrians, and bicyclists should use caution and be aware of construction equipment and vehicles working 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.

Old Metro Parkway (SR 739) from Warehouse Road to Hanson Street - Traffic Flow Change

Beginning **Monday October 5, Old Metro Parkway will be a One-Lane SOUTHBOUND** road only for the duration of construction.

The City of Fort Myers in conjunction with the Florida Department of Transportation will rebuild Old Metro Parkway from Hanson Street to just south of Warehouse Road. Contractors for the project will also mill and resurface Hanson Street from the railroad tracks to just east of Old Metro Parkway. Seminole Gulf Railway plans to rehabilitate the railroad tracks on Hanson Street and on Old Metro Parkway during this work to minimize disruptions to area businesses. Crews are expected to work during daytime hours from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday. Some Saturday work may be required. The project is expected to be complete in early 2021.

- Motorists will access Old Metro Parkway only from Hanson Street and all internal traffic will be directed south on Old Metro Parkway to Metro Parkway.
- The week of January 25, 2021, motorists should prepare for a lane shift as crews transfer traffic to the rebuilt lane.

Motorists on Metro Parkway wanting to access Old Metro Parkway will be detoured as follows:

- **Metro Parkway northbound traffic** will follow the detour beginning at the Old Metro Parkway/Metro Parkway intersection north onto Evans Avenue; east (right) on Hanson Street; then south (right) on Old Metro Parkway.
- **Metro Parkway southbound traffic** will follow the detour beginning at the Old Metro Parkway/Metro Parkway intersection then south on Metro Parkway; east (left) on Winkler Avenue; north (left) on Veronica S. Shoemaker Boulevard; west (left) on Hanson Street; then south (left) on Old Metro Parkway.

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

For more project information, visit www.OldMetroRebuild.com or contact the City's public information consultant, Cella Molnar & Associates, Inc. at 239-337-1071 or via email to info@OldMetroRebuild.com.

Bay Street Utility Relocation Project

The City of Fort Myers is relocating the electric and cable lines from the overhead poles to underground on Bay Street from Hendry Street to just west of Dean Street.

Bay Street Intermittent Closures from Dean Street to Lee Street

Motorists should expect intermittent closures to vehicular traffic from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Bay Street from Dean Street to Lee Street.

Sidewalks will remain open during street closure. Motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists should expect delays and use extreme caution.

Evans Avenue Neighborhood Utility Improvements

The City of Fort Myers is replacing 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.**

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.

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 substantially complete.

ORTIZ AVENUE from Bruce Herd Lane (Eastwood Golf Course entrance) north one mile - Motorists may experience intermittent lane closures while crews work on punch list repairs.

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.

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 west side of US 41/Cleveland Avenue.**

- **Motorists should expect Hanson Street as a Right-in/Right-out only travel pattern on the east side of US 41/Cleveland Avenue.**
- **Motorists should expect Linhart Avenue closed on the west side of US 41/Cleveland Avenue.**
- **Motorists should expect side road closures from Winkler Avenue to Victoria Ave throughout the duration of the project.**
- **Motorists should expect intermittent northbound and southbound lane closures and detours on US 41/Cleveland Avenue during daytime and night time/overnight hours Monday through Friday throughout the duration of the project, weather permitting.**

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.

I-75 at Colonial Boulevard: Construction project: Crews begin construction on the I-75 at Colonial Boulevard Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI) Project. Other improvements along Colonial Boulevard include a Continuous Flow Intersection (CFI) at the intersection of Six Mile Cypress Parkway/Ortiz Avenue and a Superstreet intersection at the Colonial Boulevard/Forum Boulevard intersection. I-75 will also be widened to provide an auxiliary lane in each direction from Colonial Boulevard to SR 82/Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard. The off-ramps at Colonial Boulevard DDI and the northbound off-ramp at SR 82 will have emergency stopping sites. **Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures on I-75 and the on and off ramps at Colonial Boulevard and SR 82 (Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard) through the duration of the construction.** Drivers should exercise caution and be aware of construction vehicles entering and exiting the roadway through the duration of the project. The expected completion date is mid-2024. The contractor is Ajax Paving Industries of Florida.

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.

SR 739/Metro Parkway from Winkler Avenue to Arc Way: Maintenance permit project: Motorists should expect intermittent outside southbound lane closures during

nighttime/overnight hours from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. while crews install utilities, weather permitting. Motorists should expect slow moving traffic and possible delays. Motorist should use caution as crews work in the roadway.

SR 739/Metro Parkway over Ten Mile Canal: Maintenance contract project: Motorists should expect the outside northbound lane closed during nighttime/overnight hours from 8:30 p.m. Monday, January 25 to 5 a.m. Tuesday, January 26 while crews perform maintenance on the bridge, weather permitting. Motorist should use caution as crews work in the roadway.

SR 80/Palm Beach Boulevard from Riverside Drive to US 41: Maintenance permit project: Motorists should expect intermittent westbound lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. while crews replace power poles, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution and expect delays.

State Roadways (US 41, SR 31, SR 78, SR 80, SR 82, SR 739, SR 865 and SR 867): Maintenance contract project: Crews are sweeping curb and gutter on state roadways and bridges. Motorists should expect lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m., weather permitting. Motorists should expect slow moving traffic and possible delays.

State Roadways (US 41, SR 31, SR 78, SR 80, SR 82, SR 739, SR 865, and SR 867): Maintenance contract project: Crews are restriping the state roadways and bridges. Motorists should expect lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m., weather permitting. Motorists should expect slow moving traffic and possible delays.

Special Events

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January 21, 2021

Weekly Farmers' Market is located on **Broadway between Main Street and Second Street (south)**. It will be held every **Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** The roads will close at 6:30 a.m. for set up and remain closed until 2:00 p.m. for teardown. **Please watch for detour signs to take you around road closures.**

January 22-23, 2021

Millennial Brewing Company will host Fair Food Street Fest on Friday and Saturday January 22 and 23rd from 4:00 pm to 11:00 pm. Royal Palm will be closed from Second St to Thompson St. starting on Friday, January 22nd at 12:00 pm until Saturday night at 11:00 pm. **Please watch for detour signs to take you around road closures.**

January 23, 2021

Calderone Wedding -Calderone Wedding Ceremony will be held Saturday, January 23rd at the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. First St. in front of the Sidney & Berne Davis Center between Jackson and Lee St. will be closed from 1:00 p.m. to set up the chairs for the ceremony until 7:00 p.m. for teardown. **Please watch for detour signs to take you around road closures.**

January 28, 2021

Weekly Farmers' Market is located on **Broadway between Main Street and Second Street (south)**. It will be held every **Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** The roads will close at 6:30 a.m. for set up and remain closed until 2:00 p.m. for teardown. **Please watch for detour signs to take you around road closures.**