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## **Road Watch Update**

### **February 25 – March 3, 2021**

#### **City of Fort Myers Sidewalk Repair at Solomon Boulevard and Carrell Road**

We are replacing damaged sections of the sidewalk on Broadway between Carrell Rd. and Solomon Blvd. Road traffic will not be interrupted except for trucks entering the roadway. The work will February 22, 2021 and will continue through March 5, 2021. During the project, the contractor will be repairing the sidewalk on one side of the road and detouring foot traffic to the other side.

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#### **Broadway Ave. Sidewalk Replacement**

Denco Construction will be replacing damaged sidewalk on the west side of Broadway Ave. starting after Starbucks heading to the south to the Arcade entrance. The sidewalk will be closed from Monday, February 22, 2021 through Wednesday, February 24, 2021. Proper detours for pedestrians for the sidewalk closure will be up. Work should start at 7:00 a.m.

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#### **Hanson Street Sidewalk Project**

Contractors for the City of Fort Myers are scheduled to install 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.

Motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists should use caution and be aware of construction equipment and vehicles working 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 [thayden@cella.cc](mailto:thayden@cella.cc).

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## **Hanson 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 Nelson Street 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 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 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](mailto:info@fortmyersutilities.com).

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

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.

**Old Metro Parkway will remain a one-lane SOUTHBOUND road only for the duration of construction.**

- 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.

**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](http://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](mailto:info@OldMetroRebuild.com).

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### **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.

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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 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](mailto:kcella@cella.cc). The Contractor is Ajax Industries of Florida, LLC.

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**I-75 at Colonial Boulevard:** Construction project: Crews begin construction on 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.**
- **Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures on 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.

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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 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.

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**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 curbs and gutters 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.

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## Special Events

February 2021

### February 26, 2021

Millennial Brewing Company will host the **Asian Food Street Fest** on Friday the 26th from 5:00 pm to 10:00 pm. Royal Palm will be closed from Second Street south to Thompson Street from Friday at 12:00 pm until Saturday 11:00pm. **Please watch for detour signs to take you around road closures.**

### February 27, 2021

**Sapp Wedding** -Sapp Wedding Ceremony will be held Saturday, February 27th 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.**

### March 4, 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.**

### March 5, 2021

**Art Walk** - River District Alliance will present their monthly Art Walk event on Friday, March 5, 2021 from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. The following roads will be closed from 4:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. First Street will be closed from Broadway Ave. east to Lee St. The side roads of Dean St. from First to Bay St., Hendry from Main St. to Bay St. and Jackson St. from Main St. to Bay St. will also be closed. **Please watch for detour signs to lead you around the roads.**

### March 6, 2021

Millennial Brewing Company will host **A Silent Auction and Block Party** on Saturday, March 6, 2021 from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Royal Palm will be closed from Second Street south to Thompson Street from Saturday at 2:30 pm until 8:30pm. **Please watch for detour signs to take you around road closures.**