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Road Watch Update May 14 – May 20, 2020

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.**

The following roads will be closed to through traffic. Through motorists should follow posted detour signs.

- **Evans Avenue closed from Providence Street to Dr. Ella Piper Way.** Local residential and business traffic only.
- **Providence Street closed from Rhode Island Avenue to First Street.** Residents and businesses will be directed to Cranford Avenue and Rhode Island Avenue for access.
- **Avalon Place closed at Evans Avenue.** Residents and businesses will be directed to First Street for access.
- **The following roads on the east side of Evans Avenue will be closed at Evans Avenue.** Residents and businesses will be directed to Cranford Avenue for access.
 - **Michigan Avenue**
 - **Guava Street**
 - **Dr. Ella Piper Way**

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.

FPL Line Work

FPL will be working on replacing transformers and power lines and changing old poles to new poles on Monday, **March 30th thru May 30, 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.

Hotel Indigo Re-roof Project

Main St. between **Monroe St. and Broadway Avenue** will experience intermittent road closures starting **February 17 thru May 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.

Virginia Avenue Road Closure at City Walk

Virginia Ave. will be closed **January 21 thru June 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.

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.**

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.
- Crews are working in and near the 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.

Wastewater Interconnect Project – Phase III, Part IV Coronado Road

This project continues work to replace underground sewer mains connecting to the Central Advanced Wastewater Treatment Plant. 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 summer 2020.

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 Halgrim Avenue to Katherine Street.**
- **From Coronado Road to Katherine Street a new traffic delineator restricts all left turns.**
- **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.**
- **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.**

Traffic Signal Maintenance:

May 20, 2020 - On Wednesday, May 20, 2020, Lee County DOT will be replacing overhead equipment at the intersection of Main Street and Monroe Street, Fort Myers. The work will be done from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Motorists are encouraged to use extra caution, as the traffic signal will be dark. The Fort Myers Police Department will assist in traffic control.

May 18 to May 22, 2020 - Lane closures will occur periodically from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. as Lee County DOT Traffic crews perform signal maintenance at the following locations:

- Evans Ave. and Hanson St.

For further information, please call Efrain Cruz at 239-533-9500.

Striping Maintenance: Lee County DOT will be performing a moving operation with traffic delays on **5-14-20 through 5-20-20** between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (weather permitting) on the following roadways:

- Treeline Avenue – Pelican Preserve Blvd to Colonial Blvd

For further information, please call Randy Hart at 239-533-9500.

Ortiz Avenue: A contractor will begin milling and paving Ortiz Avenue at the intersection of Colonial Boulevard beginning Wednesday, May 13th through Thursday, May 14th, 2020 from 7:00 p.m. to 4:30 a.m. Motorists should use caution, as there will be lane closures and uneven pavement in this area. Please be aware of signage in this area. Weather may affect start times and dates. For further information, please contact Dirk Danley 239-533-9305.

RPM Replacement Project (raised pavement markers) - Contractors for Lee County will be performing a moving operation with traffic delays (*weather permitting*) beginning **Monday, May 11, 2020 between** the hours of **7 p.m. to 6 a.m.** on the following roadways:

- Daniels Parkway – SR 82 to US 41
- Six Mile Cypress Parkway – Metro Parkway to Colonial Boulevard

Completion of the project is expected by July 1, 2020 weather permitting.
For further questions, please contact Dan Vasiloff at 239-533-9500.

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.

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 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.

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.

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.

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.

Special Events

None scheduled for this dateline.