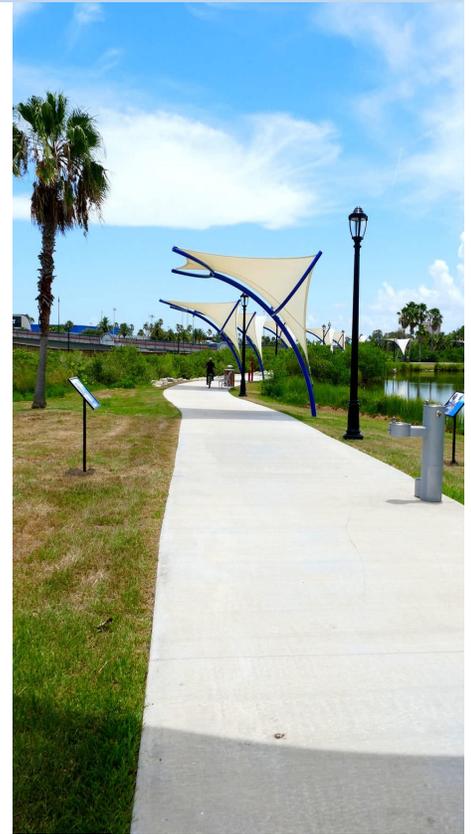




City Manager's Update



Half-Cent Sales Tax Update

Last month, there were nine informational meetings in Daytona Beach to educate residents about the May 21 mail-in ballot. Additional meetings with local neighborhood groups have been scheduled.

- ◆ Ballots will be mailed out beginning today, and completed ballots can be dropped off at Daytona Beach's City Hall from May 2 through May 20. Someone from the Supervisor of Elections Office will retrieve ballots daily.
- ◆ There will be a voter rally at 6 p.m. **Monday, May 6**, at the Allen Chapel AME, 580 George Engram Blvd.

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First Step Shelter construction on schedule to be completed by late September

The concrete panels for the tilt walls and roof joists have been installed and roof decking has begun. The interior electrical and air-conditioning work has also started. The site work including drainage, asphalt, paving and landscaping for the area is about 70 percent complete.



Reconstruction of Dr. MLK Blvd.

Staff continues to move forward with plans to reconstruct Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard from Orange Avenue to International Speedway Boulevard.

An agenda item to award the construction to SanPik, Inc., for \$2,679,068 will be on the May 15 City Commission agenda. The project, which is expected to take eight months, will reconstruct the heavily-traveled road including narrowing the lane widths from 12-feet down to an 11-foot minimum, curb and gutter improvements, widening the sidewalks to eight-feet on both sides, relocating power poles to the back side of the sidewalks, and improvements to existing potable water distribution main and sanitary sewer collection system. The south end of the project will blend in with the current aesthetics of Orange Avenue.



UPDATE: City Island Rec Center

An agenda item will be presented to the City Commission on Wednesday, May 15, recommending TLC Engineering for Architecture, out of Cocoa, Florida, to provide a structural assessment and cost estimate for the rehabilitation of City Island Recreation Center on Orange Avenue.

TLC Engineering was one of two respondents to an RFP to provide a structural integrity and building code compliance evaluation of the nearly 100-year-old facility. Their report will provide an analysis of the economic feasibility for remediating the structure.

Founded in 1955, TLC has provided engineering solutions for over 200 projects in Daytona Beach and more than 600 projects throughout the state.



Community Cleanups Started, More Planned

The City of Daytona Beach has started a series of organized community cleanups in neighborhoods throughout the city. Saturday morning city staff and volunteers cleaned up areas in Zone 4 with Commissioner Gilliland. The next dates and locations of the community cleanups are:

Zone 2 – Commissioner Delgado – Saturday, May 11

Cleanup boundary area: Madison Ave. (south), Congress Ave. (north), Beach Street (east), Ridgewood Avenue (west)

Zone 3 – Commissioner May – Saturday, May 18

Cleanup boundary area: Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune Boulevard (south), George W. Engram Boulevard (north), Lincoln Street (east), Rose Avenue (west)

Zone 6 – Commissioner Reed – Saturday May 25

Cleanup boundary area: Oak Street (south), Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune Boulevard (north), Lincoln Street (east), Keech Street (west)

Zone 5 – Commissioner Henry – Saturday, June 1

Cleanup boundary area: Mason Avenue (south), Peachtree Avenue (north), Redwood Street (east), Hollywood Avenue (west)

Zone 1 – Commissioner Trager – Saturday, June 8

Cleanup boundary area: Bellevue Avenue (south), South Street (north), Nova Road (east), Owasso Street (west)

Cleanup hours are from 9 a.m. to noon. Residents in the areas are invited to join city staff to pick up litter and dispose of unwanted items during the cleanups. Trash bags, supplies and gloves will be provided. The city's waste hauler will provide curbside pickup of bulk items including appliances, car parts, mattresses, furniture, carpeting, etc., with a limit of five cubic yards per property. Five cubic yards is approximately 4'x4'x8' or roughly the size of a pickup truck load. For more information about the community cleanups, please call 386-671-8752.





Brown & Brown Insurance Flag-Raising Ceremony on Tuesday, April 30, 2019

Brown & Brown Insurance Celebrates Construction Start on Headquarters

Sunny and in the 70s, Tuesday morning was a picture perfect morning to celebrate the future of the city’s downtown area. Hundreds of people gathered for Brown & Brown’s “flag-raising ceremony” for their new \$40 million headquarters located on the 10-acre site at the corner of North Beach Street and Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune Blvd.

Expected to be completed by the end of 2020, the 225,000-square-foot headquarters will be home to a workforce of at least 600 employees. Barton Malow is the contractor for the 11-story structure.

Brown & Brown Insurance, with 291 locations, is the sixth largest insurance brokerage in the country.



Mayor Derrick Henry provides a welcome from the city.



Supervisor of Elections on Daytona Radio May 8



Volusia County’s Supervisor of Elections Lisa Lewis will be the featured guest at noon **Wednesday, May 8**, on Joy 106.3 for the city’s weekly radio show hosted by Dr. L. Ronald Durham.

During the one-hour show, she will provide voting information for the Half-Cent Sales Tax initiative including an ExpressVote option. This paper ballot alternative allows for voting on an ATM-like touch-screen. Voters are able to listen to the choices with headphones and make selections on a keypad or select a choice on a large print screen.

The ExpressVote option will be available from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, May 11 at Daytona Beach Regional Library. It is also available in the DeLand Supervisor of Elections office during regular office hours from May 2 until May 20. For further information, please call (386) 736-5930.

Jimmy Ann Drive Update

The much-needed reconstruction of Jimmy Ann Drive, from Mason Avenue to LPGA Boulevard, is 95% complete.

Contractors have completed the road reconstruction and are now correcting minor pavement deficiencies, replacing damaged sidewalks, cleaning up the work area and finishing the final striping. The \$845,096.90 project was awarded to Asphalt Paving Systems, Inc. Public Works anticipate the project to be 100% complete in two weeks.



Author to Portray Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune

Author and motivational speaker Dr. Ersula Knox-Odom will portray Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune during a one-woman play at 2 p.m. **Monday, May 13**, at the Daytona Beach Regional Library, 105 E. Magnolia Ave.



In costume and in character, Knox-Odom will portray Bethune in 1954 and share fascinating stories of her extraordinary contributions to democracy. After Bethune “leaves,” Knox-Odom will answer questions regarding her research.

Knox-Odom has written more than 100 articles that have illuminated the lives of historically important persons.

Bethune (1875-1955) was an American educator, stateswoman, philanthropist, humanitarian and civil rights activist best known for founding Bethune-Cookman University. She served as a New Deal government official, founded President Franklin Roosevelt’s Black Cabinet, and served as president of the National Association of Colored Women and the National Council of Negro Women.



The free program is part of the Volusia County Public Library system’s Florida Humanities Speaker Series, which is honoring indomitable women who helped shape the Sunshine State.

Reservations are not required. For more information, call the library at 386-257-6036, option 4.

Segments of Sweetheart Trail set to be built

Improvements continue to be made to the city’s Sweetheart Trail. On the May 1 City Commission agenda, there is an item to award construction to P&S Paving Inc., to build the trail **on Beach Street from Wilder Blvd to Shady Place** for \$1,127,888.97. This segment is expected to take eight months to build.



A Notice-to-Proceed is expected to be issued soon to construct the trail on **Sickler Drive from Chez Paul Restaurant to the northern city limits**. The work will also be completed by P&S Paving, Inc., at a cost of \$122,104.10, and will take about two months to complete.

The design to stripe the trail across the **Ballogh Road Bridge between Anita Avenue and Root Street** and update the sidewalk curb ramps for ADA compliance is complete, and the plans and bid documents are currently going through the final Florida Department of Transportation review. Once this work begins, staff anticipates it to take two months to complete.

On two additional segments of the trail to be built, the designs are complete and the bid documents are being developed. The two segments are along **Beach Street from Bellevue Avenue to Marina Point**, and from **Marina Point to Orange Avenue**. Staff anticipates it will take about four months to construct each of these segments of the trail.

Fallen Officer Ceremony—May 9, 4 p.m.

The Daytona Beach Police Department will participate in National Police Week by hosting a ceremony to honor fallen officers at **4 p.m. Thursday, May 9**, at their headquarters located at 129 Valor Blvd. The public is invited to attend to show their support for the families of our officers who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our department and city.

