



City Manager's Update

Southern section of Sweetheart Trail is under construction

South Beach Street at Wilder Blvd. is closed

Work continues to complete the city's Sweetheart Trail. Every section of this 12-foot wide, concrete, multi-use trail that travels near the city's picturesque riverfront is either constructed, under construction or out-to-bid. All sections are anticipated to be complete in 2021.

Currently under construction is the southern end of the trail on South Beach St. and Wilder Blvd. This \$1.2 million portion includes constructing of a 12-foot wide concrete multi-use trail, upgrading the stormwater system, narrowing Beach Street to make room for the trail, adding curbs and gutters, repaving South Beach Street and installing a streetlight system. Work is being completed in three phases.

The first phase affects the stretch of Beach Street from the Wilder Blvd. and Palmetto Avenue intersection to the north entrance of the Tzadik Apartment complex. The roadway remains closed in this area until underground utilities are installed. The second phase will affect the stretch of Beach Street from the Tzadik Apartment's north entrance to just south of the Holiday Care Center. The third phase will affect the stretch of Beach Street from the Holiday Care Center to Shady Place. All three phases for this section of the Sweetheart Trail are expected to be complete in March 2020.



Aesthetic improvements to A1A and ISB intersection started

Landscaping improvements at the entrance to the World's Most Famous Beach have begun. The area affected are the northwest and southwest corners of Atlantic Avenue and East International Speedway Boulevard.

Big Value Garden Center of Daytona Beach was awarded the \$89,616 contract to make the landscaping improvements at the July 17 City Commission meeting. Officials estimate the improvements will be completed by the end of September.



Historic pipe found during MLK Streetscape road construction

Crews discovered a reinforced concrete cylinder reuse pipe that could be almost 100 years old when they began work to unearth the piping system that will be replaced at the intersection of Magnolia Avenue and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. (MLK). Officials believe this piping is part of a raw water main that brought water from the city's well fields west of town to the old water treatment plant at Marion Street.

The pipe is unusual and not typically used in today's underground utility construction industry. Cutting the pipe out of the way and coupling it with the new 24" PVC reuse pipe has been an exercise in engineering creativity and brute strength. Removing the pipe through the intersection will take about two weeks.

Relocation of the reuse pipe is required to accommodate the installation of a new sanitary manhole at Magnolia Street and MLK. Manholes at MLK and Foote Street were moved in a redesign of the streetscape after a public meeting in May at the Dickerson Center where residents requested that the manholes be removed from the travel lanes and shifted into the parking areas. All businesses along MLK are accessible to pedestrians.



Improving neighborhoods one property at a time

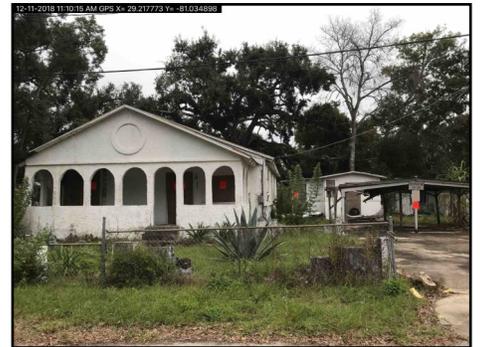
Thanks to changes made about two years ago to strengthen the city's ability to cause the improvement or removal of deteriorated structures through the condemnation process, efforts continue to improve neighborhoods and property values. To date, there have been more than 100 properties identified for demolition, and more than 54 structures removed from properties with almost half of them being removed voluntarily by the property owners.

This year's TRIM notices also included lien amounts for Daytona Beach properties that have active liens for demolition costs of condemned structures. In total, there are 21 properties for a combined amount of nearly \$410,000. Demolitions took place from January 2018 to June 2019. Lien amounts, which range from \$4,374 to \$126,024, placed on TRIM notices are for reimbursement of actual demolition costs and all affected parties have been properly noticed in accordance with statutory requirements.

Property owners who pay only their property taxes and don't pay the lien added to their bill will be treated like anyone who doesn't pay their full property tax bill. The end result could be a loss of the property through a tax certificate sale.

Property Appraiser Larry Bartlett will attend the city's commission meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 4, to address questions regarding the lien procedures.

Pictured at right: Before and after pictures of 465 Pleasant Street, which is in Zone 3. The structure was demolished voluntarily by its owner.



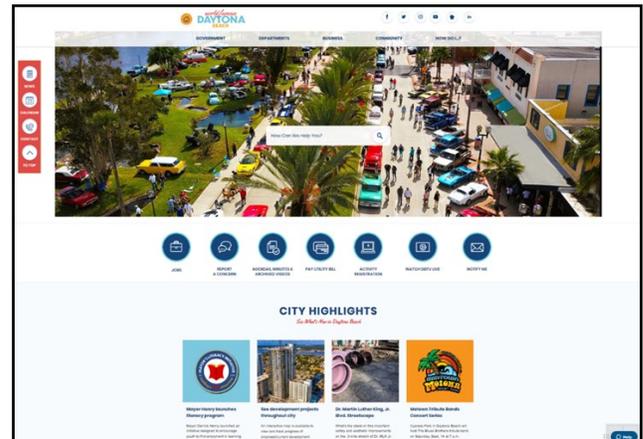
City's digital presence gets a facelift with newly redesigned website

Users of www.codb.us will find a newly redesigned city website when they visit us online beginning next week. The new website will be accessible beginning Thursday, Aug. 29, and features a modern look while providing an enhanced user-friendly experience through easy-to-use navigation and functionality.

The launch culminates months of work by city staff with CivicPlus, a municipal government website provider with thousands of local government clients in all 50 states. Analytics were reviewed to identify frequent searches and popular webpages to make the most sought-after information easier to locate.

Key features of the new website include:

- a modernized, clean appearance
- improved global navigation
- designed to meet more stringent standards for accessibility under the Americans with Disabilities Act
- optimized design allows citizens to easily navigate contents from mobile devices like smartphones and tablets



- custom built pages for Police and Fire departments with unique navigation
- easy-to-access graphic “buttons” for services and popular pages
- a “Notify Me” function to register for notifications when events, meetings, agendas, job postings and emergency alerts are published.

Pipe replacement gets underway at water treatment plant

The city is continuing to improve its infrastructure and has started a construction project to replace a portion of a 45-year old pipe installed in an unventilated tunnel at the Brennan Water Treatment Plant off LPGA Blvd. This pipe is the first one in the network of pipes that delivers potable water throughout the city. The work will be completed in five phases and includes filling the tunnel with concrete to protect the existing pipe, constructing a new 36” discharge pipe eight feet above the tunnel, and then tying in the new pipe with the existing underground pipe, which will take the pipe that is in the tunnel out of service. The project cost is \$1.5 million and is estimated to take six months.



Riverfront Day Docks are ready for boaters

Boaters now have easy access to dozens of businesses in the core of Daytona Beach’s downtown with the completion of 18 new public boat slips. The recently completed Riverfront Day Docks are on the west side of the Halifax River and just north of the International Speedway Blvd. bridge. The floating concrete dock facility contains 18 boat slips. Eight of the slips are approximately 12 feet wide by 18 feet long, and 10 are approximately 15 feet wide by 30 feet long. The city partnered with the Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND) to cover the cost of the \$595,069 project.



Protecting our feathered friends

A specialized platform was recently installed at Jackie Robinson Ballpark to entice a nesting pair of ospreys currently residing inside the ballpark. With the platform, officials hope to provide a safer environment for the ospreys during ball games and fireworks shows. The new location was selected because it's in close proximity to the osprey's existing nest, provides a safe distance from the after-game fireworks and has an unobstructed view of the Halifax River.



Going vertical at Brown & Brown HQ

Teams from Fabco Metal Products and Barton Malow have erected the very first steel column in the new Brown and Brown Insurance headquarters on Beach Street. Officials estimate that more than 1,000 tons of 98% recycled steel sourced from Indiana will be used in the project. Located less than seven miles from the Beach Street site, Fabco was tasked with sourcing and fabricating the various pieces needed for the building. The vertical installation of steel will be done in four sequences to allow other project work to take place simultaneously with the erection of steel. Steel installation is expected to be completed by December 2019.



City offers youth afterschool programs

The city offers a variety of youth activities after school at all of its community centers. Programs range from afterschool care to gymnastics, tutoring and music lessons. For schedules and information, visit www.codb.us and click on Leisure Services or call (386) 671-8337.

