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City Manager's Update



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Florida COVID-19 #s

Positive cases: 1,989,024
 Hospitalizations: 82,786
 Deaths: 32,504
 Daily positivity rate: 5.57%
 People vaccinated: 6,838,725

Volusia County COVID-19 #s

Positive cases: 36,190
 Hospitalizations: 1,868
 Deaths: 695
 Daily positivity rate: 7.65%
 People vaccinated: 111,492

Questions?

For updates about the vaccine and distribution, call the county's hotline at (866) 345-0345 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday or visit www.volusia.org/coronavirus.

Public invited to Saturday's Candidate Forum

Four finalists for city manager position will meet with the public

Staff from multiple city departments have been preparing for Saturday's candidate forum that begins at 9 a.m. in the Midtown Community Center. More than 80 people have pre-registered to attend and a few people are planning to participate virtually.

The forum will also be broadcast on DBTV and the city's website for those who cannot attend. In addition, videos of all of the finalists speaking to the public will be archived and posted online at www.codb.us/CityManagerSearch.

The public is encouraged to register in advance; however, registration is not required.

The public has also been invited to ask questions in advance and more than 100 questions have been submitted.

The candidate forum has been advertised in several media outlets to maximize reach to as many residents and stakeholders as possible. This week, 30-second announcements have aired on local radio stations during their morning and evening drive times, as well as during the city's own radio program, Daytona Beach Radio, hosted by Dr. L. Ronald Durham. Print ads are featured in the *Daytona Times* and the *Daytona Beach News-Journal* and digital marketing was purchased on the *News-Journal's* website.

Citizens can view candidates' resumes and register online at www.codb.us/CityManagerSearch or by calling (386) 671-8018.



City seeks public input for new city manager

Candidate Forum

Saturday
 March 20, 2021 | 9 a.m.

Midtown Cultural & Educational Center
 925 George W Engram Blvd, Daytona Beach

REGISTER NOW

Candidate Forum

Meet the new city manager finalists



Deric Feacher



Caryn Gardner-Young



Terrence R. Moore



Terry K. Suggs

Champions Drive improvements underway

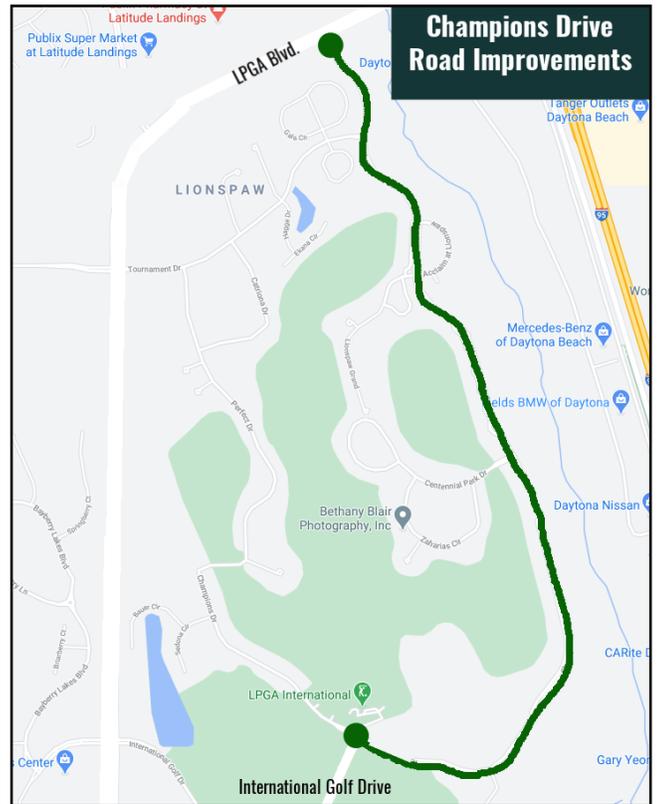
Road improvements started this week on the 2.5-mile stretch of Champions Drive from LPGA Boulevard to International Golf Drive. The \$750,000 project, using contractor P&S Paving, is scheduled to be finished by this summer.

Highlights of the improvements include:

- Sections of damaged sidewalks, affected by roots of adjacent oak trees, will be fixed before milling and resurfacing the roadway.
- Crews will start at LPGA Boulevard and work their way to the LPGA Clubhouse on International Golf Drive.
- Existing brick pavers will be replaced with durable stamped concrete.
- Champions Drive will remain accessible; however, traffic may be limited to one lane at times. Flaggers will direct traffic.

A public meeting is planned for 6 p.m. **Thursday, March 18**, at Fire Station #7, where residents can ask questions and get more details about the improvements. Citizens can also sign up to receive project updates at communications@codb.us.

For more information, visit www.codb.us/ChampionsDrive.



Damaged sidewalks replaced.



Pavers replaced with durable stamped concrete.



Neighborhood roads improved

A roadway rehabilitation of Willis Avenue between Welch Drive and Seneca Street is 80% complete. Work began about a week ago and thanks to good weather, progress has been made quickly. Once the roadway is improved, crews will move to Seneca Street between Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune Boulevard and Dunn Avenue to also make improvements.

Both roadways are being improved by a full-depth reclamation process, which is a quicker type of road construction as the old pavement and base material are pulverized, treated with a stabilizing agent and re-applied to the road. The roadway is then re-surfaced with an overlay of new asphalt.



Longtime city employee with a heart for helping others and saves stranger

A longtime city employee is being praised as a hero for saving a stranger's life after he found a 57-year-old man unresponsive and slumped over his steering wheel on Mason Avenue. Utilities worker Theodore "Ted" Wolfe didn't expect to use his recent CPR training provided by the city so quickly, but his impeccable timing and Good Samaritan spirit kicked in when he saw the helpless man had already turned blue.

While other panicked motorists were shouting that the driver was dead, Ted quickly got out of his car and sprang into action. At the same time, Tammy Leggett, a registered nurse who works in Halifax Medical Center's emergency room, drove up to the scene. Together they began to administer CPR – Ted started chest compressions while the Tammy worked on the man's breathing. They were able to administer CPR and get the suspected overdose victim breathing again before Volusia County EVAC arrived and took over.

The man, later identified as Kevin McFeaters, was transported to Halifax Medical Center for further evaluation. He was placed into protective custody under the Marchman Act, a state statute created to compel a suspected substance abuser to seek treatment.

For his life-saving efforts, Ted was recognized by the American Heart Association as a HeartSaver Hero.



City efforts ensure vulnerable residents can get COVID-19 vaccine

A one-day COVID-19 vaccine event was held today at the Windsor Apartments that was coordinated by city staff, the health department and county emergency management. More than 100 facility residents age 60 and older, and residents with certified health conditions age 18 and older, received the single dose Johnson & Johnson vaccine.

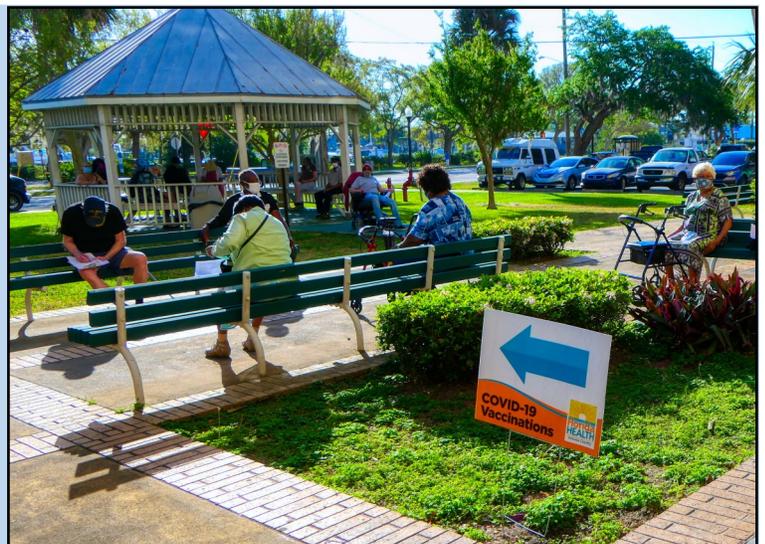
Today was also the day that 260 citizens returned to the Midtown Cultural & Educational Center to receive their second dose of the Moderna vaccine. The city will continue working with community partners to facilitate vaccine distribution.

Florida Medicaid has established a process to provide transportation to citizens to receive the vaccine at no cost. Citizens with Medicaid can schedule a vaccine appointment and then let their Medicaid plan know they need a ride to the appointment.



Theodore "Ted" Wolfe, a Daytona Beach resident and city employee for more than 30 years, recently saved a stranger's life by administering CPR.

The city offered CPR training to about 100 employees last month as part of its proactive monthly safety training program. Using guidelines established by the American Safety and Health Institute, the city's Safety Officer Kirk Bullock and Alpha Omega, a vendor specializing in safety instruction and OSHA compliance, provided the life-saving course work. Six, two-hour sessions of CPR instruction were offered over two days in the Midtown Community Center's gym. After completing the course work, attendees were certified in the use of AED defibrillation equipment and administering CPR to adults, children and infants.

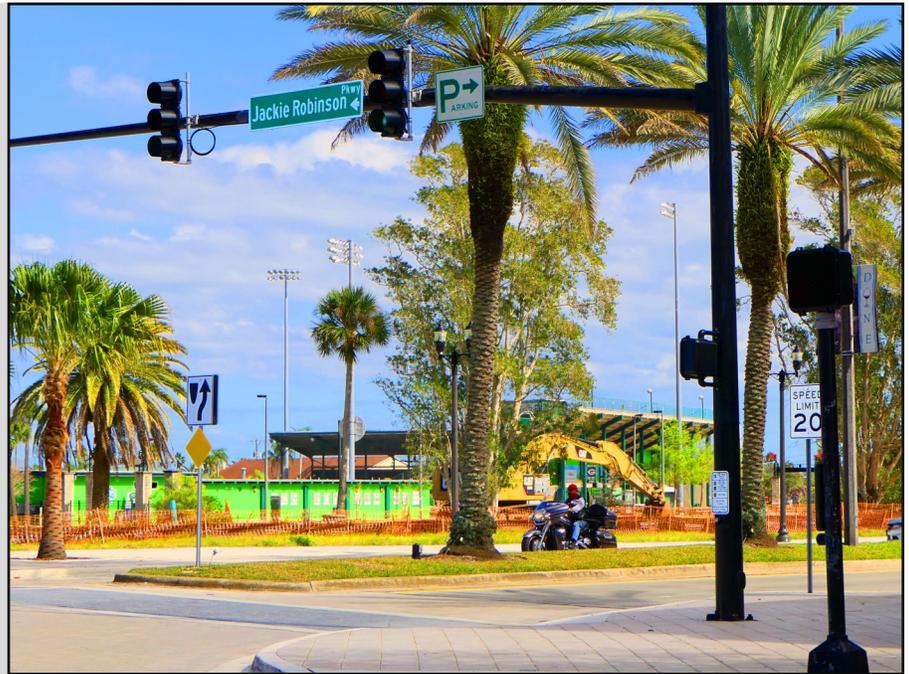


Individuals eligible to receive the vaccine may visit www.myvaccine.fl.gov to find a location distributing the vaccine and to schedule an appointment. Citizens not enrolled in a plan, can get more information and/or enroll by calling the Medicaid helpline at (877) 254-1055.

City honors Jackie Robinson with renaming of parkway

City Island Parkway has been renamed to Jackie Robinson Parkway to honor the late sports hero who broke the color barrier at the Daytona Beach ballpark March 17, 1946. At that time, Robinson played for the Montreal Royals and became the first African American man to play Major League Baseball during a spring training game between the Royals and the Brooklyn Dodgers at Jackie Robinson Ballpark, which is adjacent to the roadway and also named after the sports legend.

The renamed parkway runs between Magnolia and Orange avenues. A date to celebrate the renaming of the parkway will be announced at a later date.



The city's new marine boat is being outfitted to patrol the Halifax River, possibly as early as next week. The 24-foot Everglades watercraft will be shared by the Police Department and the Permits & Licensing division for marine emergencies, law enforcement and building code enforcement.



A new Dollar General store is under construction on 3.8 acres on the northeast corner of Mason Avenue and N. Clyde Morris Boulevard. Alabama-based Fulcrum Construction Group was issued the building permit in mid-January for the 10,600 square-foot building with an estimated value of \$1.3 million. They are hiring for the new location. Information can be found at careers.dollargeneral.com.

Enjoy events in Downtown Daytona Beach

St. Patrick's Day celebration
5 to 10 p.m. Wednesday, March 17

Beer & Bacon Walk
1 to 6 p.m. Saturday, March 27

Wine & Cheese Walk
1 to 6 p.m. Saturday, April 17

Cinco de Mayo Celebration
5 to 10 p.m. Wednesday, May 5



Details and tickets available at www.RiverfrontShopsOfDaytona.com