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City Manager's Update



Citywide road resurfacing program fully funded

Regular maintenance prevents further decline and improves property values

In the new fiscal year's budget, there is \$4,450,000 dedicated to maintaining, rehabilitating and repaving neighborhood streets. The city's popular repaving program is in its fourth year and to date, more than 106 lane miles of residential streets have been resurfaced.

About 22 lane miles of roads – throughout all commission zones – are proposed to be completed before next fall. Most selected streets will undergo routine repaving; however, some require a more intensive rehabilitation process because the roadway's base has deteriorated to the point where it has lost its structural integrity.

Staff is currently determining the phasing of the upcoming work, and a schedule will be released as soon as it is available. A list of streets scheduled for resurfacing is on the city's website at www.CODB.us/RoadRepaving.

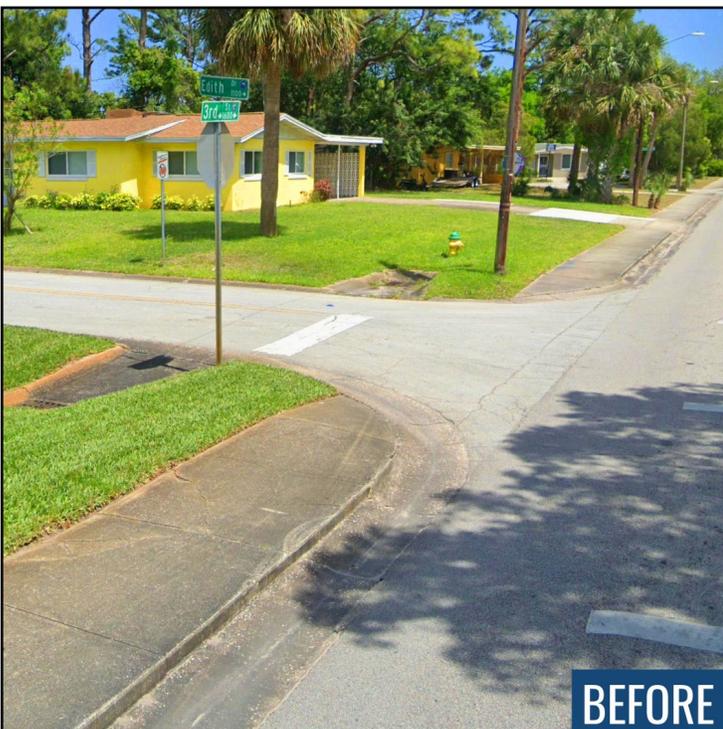
In addition to streets being improved, parking lots at Daisy Stocking Park, Daytona Beach Golf Club and the Public Works' facility on Bellevue Avenue are scheduled for pavement overlays to ensure public safety and accessibility.

Street survey starting soon
Starting this month, staff will evaluate the condition of all city streets using the Pavement Surface & Rating (PASER) system, which gives roads a rating from one to 10 (one is the worst and 10 is the best). The last time streets were rated was in 2020.



The condition of the roads selected in this year's work plan are rated between a 4 and 5, with some, which need more extensive work, as a 2 and 3.

Rating	Condition	Maintenance Category
1-3	Poor	Reconstruction
4-5	Fair	Resurfacing
6-10	Good	Routine Maintenance



Staff help small business owners navigate city permitting process

The City of Daytona Beach understands how important small businesses are to the health and vitality of its local economy. To help guide prospective business owners through the necessary steps, the city has two dedicated staff members to serve as liaisons during the process of opening a business.

“Small businesses are the cornerstone of a thriving marketplace,” said City Manager Deric C. Feacher. “Opening one shouldn’t be difficult. Dedicated staff are on hand to work directly with entrepreneurs to quickly resolve questions or challenges.”

Project Manager Kimberly Flaherty and Economic and Strategic Opportunities Director Jeff Brown can help prospective business owners navigate the city’s zoning and permitting processes, licensing requirements and regulatory issues.

Flaherty, who has been with the city since 2017, is certified as a code enforcement officer, zoning inspector, permit technician, property maintenance and housing

inspector, fire safety inspector and fire plans examiner.

With more than 30-years’ experience working for local governments, Brown has been with the City of Daytona Beach for more than a year. He has significant experience with attracting transformative projects, creating affordable housing, coordinating FEMA projects and managing infrastructure projects.



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New murals inspire and transform Midtown area through art

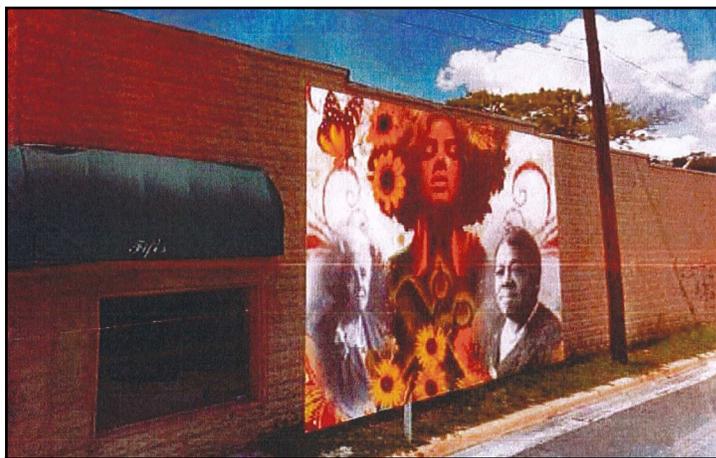
A striking new mural was unveiled last month on the east side facade of Midtown Café Daytona, which is on the northwest corner of Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune Boulevard and Walnut Street. The vibrant, custom designed artwork, titled “Inspire” and sponsored by the city, pays homage to Daytona Beach’s rich heritage by showcasing vignettes of four icons of the Midtown community – Charles W. Cherry Sr., founder of the Daytona Times; James Huger Sr., who was the first Black Daytona Beach city commissioner and

first Black Volusia County councilman; Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune, founder of Bethune-Cookman University; and Yvonne Scarlett-Golden, the city’s first Black mayor. The colorful mural was designed and produced by Ormond Beach artist Perego, who is well known for his murals and live performances throughout Volusia County.

Another large mural depicting Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune, titled “Beauty and Brains,” by local artist Shyriaka Morris of The Peace Project Inc., is scheduled to be painted on the side of the business at 400 Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune Blvd. The project, which is also sponsored by the city, is expected to begin next month.



This “Inspire” mural on Midtown Café Daytona was unveiled in September. Midtown Café Daytona is on the corner of Walnut Street and Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune Boulevard.



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IN THE WORKS



City Hall Bathrooms (completed): City Hall bathrooms on the second floor were renovated to two single-stall restrooms for ADA accessibility. The restrooms are now open to the public.

Daisy Stocking Park (in progress): Renovations to Daisy Stocking Park are ongoing with all 11 footers for the shade structure installed and support posts for the three pavilions under construction. Work on the shade structure along with electrical improvements and lighting is ongoing. Handicap ramps and the forming of an interpretive display to include important dates and facts about Daisy Stocking are upcoming for the \$2.3 million project.



Daytona Stadium Locker Rooms (in progress): A 40'x9' shipping container is being customized into a referees' locker room for Daytona Stadium. The expanded locker room unit will be fully insulated and air-conditioned with two dressing rooms and an open room. Since it is a portable unit, it can also be moved to other locations in the city.



ISB Bridge Walkover (upcoming): Construction is set to begin this month to repair the damaged multiuse wooden trail that runs under the International Speedway Boulevard bridge. Renovations include repairs to 24 piles that were damaged from last year's storms as well as new railings and three new trail lights. Once finished, this walkway will connect the north end of the Riverfront Esplanade to City Island.



Nova Canal (in progress): Last week, rain sensors in the central part of the city registered 12.8 inches of rainfall. Prior to the rain event, FDOT's subcontractor cleared some vegetation and debris from areas along the Nova Canal. This week, crews are continuing to clear the canal and apply herbicide treatments. Water levels of the state-owned canal reached a high of 49.9 inches Sunday, but stayed within its banks. By Monday morning, the water depth had receded to 40.9 inches. Normal depth is 15 inches. FDOT plans to advertise for a contract, early next year, which will include the cleaning, reshaping, clearing, grubbing and herbicide application of various outfall ditches including the Nova Canal.



Go Wildcats! Homecoming parade and traffic details

Students, alumni and supporters of Bethune-Cookman University will celebrate homecoming activities Saturday, Oct. 14, starting with a parade at 9 a.m. and culminating when the B-CU Wildcats host the Tigers of Texas Southern University in a SWAC conference game at Daytona Stadium at 3 p.m.



Parade Details

Beginning at 9 a.m. from the rear of the Daytona Mall, parade participants will travel east on Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune Blvd. to the practice field on B-CU's campus. The following intersections will be closed to all traffic during the parade: Nova Road/MMB, Lincoln Street/MMB and Dr. MLK Blvd. and detours will be in place.

Football Game Details

Inbound traffic is expected to begin immediately following the parade and be heavy from about noon to 3 p.m. Once the parking lots at Daytona Stadium are full, traffic will be redirected to Father Lopez Catholic High School.

Pedestrian crosswalks will be in place. One-way traffic patterns will NOT be in effect on LPGA Blvd.

Daytona Beach Police Department will provide traffic control on West International Speedway Blvd. and LPGA Blvd. after the game, which kicks off at 3 p.m.

Residents in LPGA Boulevard neighborhoods should expect significant delays in the area. People are strongly encouraged to use alternative routes to avoid traffic.

DOWNTOWN DAYTONA Nights
MAGNOLIA AVENUE
DOWNTOWN DAYTONA BEACH
FIRST FRIDAYS

FOOD TRUCKS & FIRE TRUCKS
MUSIC, ARTS & CRAFTS VENDORS
Fire Extinguisher Training, Blood Pressure Checks, Arts & Crafts Table, Giveaways

OCT. 6
5:00 - 9:00 PM

FREE EVENT
FAMILY FRIENDLY

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Biktoberfest planned for Oct. 19-22

Motorcycle enthusiasts will be rolling into town later this month for the Southeast's best motorcycle rally, Biktoberfest. Most of the event traffic will be centered in Daytona Beach, particularly around Main Street, Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune Boulevard and Daytona International Speedway. Motorists should pay close attention to bikers while traveling the roadways. Safety tips include:



- Double check traffic at intersections before turning or pulling out.
- Always check blind spots before changing lanes.
- Leave at least a four-second distance between your car and a motorcycle in front of you.
- When passing a motorcycle, give a full lane to the motorcycle. Do not share lanes!
- Individual motorcycles may blend into a larger group and may be closer than you think.
- Avoid distractions such as talking on your cell phone, texting, eating or changing radio stations.

For more information, visit www.Biktoberfest.org.

South Side GRAND OPENING
OCTOBER 6TH 5-8 PM
RIVERFRONT ESPLANADE

Sponsored by Mayor Derrick L. Henry & the City of Daytona Beach

BOOK GIVEAWAY AND FAMILY FUN DAY

10 AM - 2 PM
SATURDAY, OCT. 7
DICKERSON RECREATION COMPLEX
308 S. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. BLVD.
DAYTONA BEACH

- 20,000+ books available for families and educators
- Books are for K through 12th grade students
- Up to 10 free books per child
- Educators and school staff may choose up to 50 books per classroom
- Family activities including DJ, facepainting, hot dogs, Italian ice, bouncy house