

CITY MANAGER'S UPDATE

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DAYTONA BEACH LAUNCHES SIXTH YEAR OF CITYWIDE ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAM TO IMPROVE SAFETY AND MOBILITY

The City of Daytona Beach is entering the sixth year of its Citywide Road Resurfacing and Restoration Program. To date, this initiative has repaved nearly 168 lane miles, greatly improving travel safety and roadway durability across the city.

This year's \$4.88 million program is set to resurface 22 lane miles of roadway.

To view a list of the proposed streets, visit DaytonaBeach.gov/RoadRepaving.

Since its inception, the program has improved nearly 34.4% of the city's road network through milling and resurfacing and 1.8% through full-depth reclamation. Additionally, 188 sidewalk ramps have been upgraded for ADA compliance. This year's efforts continue to build on this foundation to enhance mobility and ensure safe, well-maintained infrastructure.

Key highlights of this year's ambitious program:

- **RECENT SURVEY USED TO SELECT STREETS:** Last year, a citywide evaluation of road conditions was completed and used to determine the segments of streets included in this year's selection of roads. This survey will be used for the next 3-5 years to prioritize the maintenance schedule and ensure cost-effective use of resources. The survey also included sidewalks and pavement markings.
- **MILLING AND RESURFACING:** The city plans to resurface 22 lane miles of roadway, addressing maintenance concerns.
- **COORDINATION WITH UTILITIES:** The program will work alongside planned utility improvements to minimize disruptions and maximize efficiency.

This year's program will launch in early 2026. Residents in the work areas will be notified of the pending work via doorhangers.





WATER METER REPLACEMENT PROJECT ON TRACK FOR MARCH COMPLETION

The city's multi-year project to replace more than 13,000 residential water meters – nearly half of all meters in Daytona Beach – continues to move forward on schedule.

So far, VEPO Metering, the contractor hired by the city, has replaced 3,227 meters. Crews currently average about a dozen staff members in the field and are expected to ramp up to 15 to 20 installers around the new year. At that staffing level, VEPO anticipates completing 150 to 200 meter replacements per day, which keeps the project on track for completion around March.

The new meters feature advanced technology that provides more precise readings and detailed consumption data. Because older meters often underreported usage, some customers may see an increase in their water bill once their meter is replaced. This does not mean water rates have changed, but reflects a more accurate measurement of actual water use.

In addition to meter replacements, VEPO has completed 641 lead service inspections, which is helping the city strengthen its lead and copper compliance program and better protect public health.

WHAT RESIDENTS CAN EXPECT:

- Residents will receive a door hanger at least 72 hours before their meter is replaced.
- Installers will not need to enter your home at any time.
- Water service will be temporarily interrupted for about 30 minutes to 1 hour during installation.
- After work is complete, service will resume immediately, and a door hanger will be left confirming the meter replacement.
- VEPO installers wear branded shirts, use vehicles with company magnets and carry identification badges. They are not authorized to enter your home.
- Typical work hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information and a list of frequently asked questions, visit DaytonaBeach.gov/MeterReplacement.



NEW DOG-FRIENDLY BEACH NOW OPEN IN DAYTONA BEACH

A 1.7-mile stretch of Daytona Beach between Williams Avenue and Seabreeze Boulevard is now open to leashed dogs during daylight hours. The area offers six vehicle ramps, nearly 300 off-beach parking spaces and two pedestrian walkovers. Dogs must be leashed, owners must clean up after their pets and wildlife areas are off-limits.

Residents and visitors are encouraged to enjoy the beach and help keep it safe and clean for all.

IN THE WORKS



100% COMPLETE

HALIFAX HARBOR MARINA FISHING PIER REPAIR

Project Status: 100% Complete **Project Value:** \$124,956.86

Repairs to the Halifax Harbor Marina fishing pier are complete. Crews rebuilt the damaged 50-foot section, installed a new handrail, fish-cleaning station and channel markers. The pier has reopened to the public.

A final walk-through was conducted on Nov. 5, and the project was officially closed out on Nov. 11.



UPCOMING

LIFT STATION #7 | SOUTH KEECH STREET

Project Value: \$1,315,658 | \$1,015,000 funded by FDEP grant.

A project kick-off meeting is scheduled Dec. 15 with the contractor who will replace Lift Station No. 7, located on South Keech Street, a low-lying area near the Nova Canal. The station was severely flooded during Hurricanes Ian and Milton, submerging motors and other components. The city secured an FDEP Hurricane Recovery Grant to replace and flood-proof the facility. The new design will elevate all critical equipment and the top of the wetwell 2 feet above the 100-year flood elevation.



100% COMPLETE

BOOKLAND BRIDGE RECONSTRUCTION

Project Status: 100% Complete **Project Value:** \$276,090

The Bookland Bridge, connecting City Island to the Riverfront Esplanade, has reached final completion. The project included repairs to approximately 164 linear feet of wooden boardwalk damaged during Hurricane Milton. About 116 feet of the boardwalk lifted during the storm surge and has been reset to the designed elevation, while 48 feet of severely damaged walkway was reconstructed and tied into the existing structure.

All work complies with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards.



2026 MAYOR'S FITNESS CHALLENGE REGISTRATION OPEN!

Kick off Daytona Beach's sesquicentennial year with the 2026 Mayor's Fitness Challenge! Applications opened this week for the 10-week journey toward better health from Jan. 8 to March 12, with classes every Tuesday and Thursday featuring line dancing, strength training, walk/run sessions, yoga and more.

Thanks to our 2026 sponsors: gold sponsors AdventHealth Daytona Beach and Florida Health Care Plans, and silver sponsors Brown & Brown, Halifax Health and Oxygen Yoga & Fitness Downtown Daytona. All event details can be found at DaytonaBeach.gov/FitnessChallenge.



WOMEN'S TENNIS OPEN

Dec. 1-5 (FREE Admission)
Dec. 6-7 (\$10 Tickets)

Florida Tennis Center
1 Deuce Court



FREE TO ATTEND YOUTH FUN DAY

Dec. 6 at 9 a.m.

Florida Tennis Center
1 Deuce Court

Sponsored by: FPL and the Florida Tennis Center Foundation

DASHING THROUGH DAYTONA

CHILDREN'S PARTY

FREE TO ATTEND CHILDREN'S PARTY

Dec. 12 from 6 to 8 p.m.
City Island Park

Sponsored by: Friends of the Daytona Beach Regional Library, Realty One Group Evolve and Brown & Brown.

DASHING THROUGH DAYTONA

CHRISTMAS PARADE

FREE TO ATTEND CHRISTMAS PARADE

Dec. 13 at 6 p.m.
Beach Street

Sponsored by: Friends of the Daytona Beach Regional Library, Realty One Group Evolve and Brown & Brown.



FREE TO ATTEND HOLIDAY MIDTOWN SUNDAYZ

Dec. 14 from 3 to 8 p.m.

Daisy Stocking Park
555 Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune Blvd.



FREE TO ATTEND HOLIDAY PET PARADE

Dec. 17 at 6 p.m.
Riverfront Esplanade
179 S. Beach St.