

Second manhole in process as MLK Streetscape continues

Updates:

The first sanitary sewer manhole for the project has been installed, and another manhole is in the process of being installed at the MLK and Eldorado Street intersection. As officials had anticipated, this area has some of the oldest infrastructure in the city. As the work has progressed crews have uncovered more outdated infrastructure including sanitary sewer connections serving multiple properties. Current city standards dictate that new sanitary laterals serve only one property. When multiple sanitary sewer connections are connected to more than one property, if one owner has an obstruction in their sanitary connection it can affect all of the other properties that are associated with that sanitary sewer lateral. The city's current standard helps to alleviate these types of issues. Project officials will also be contacting property owners to gain their permission to access their properties if the sanitary sewer connection to the structure lies outside of the MLK right of way. The city will work with the owners to provide a plumber to hook up each lateral that is on private property to the new sanitary sewer lateral at the right of way line. This issue will not affect all property owners, only those whose structures do not abut the right of way. Officials anticipate the obsolete infrastructure to extend the project timeline to at least June 2020. Last week Florida Power & Light installed new power poles on MLK, and is currently working to switch the power from the old poles to the new poles.

All businesses along MLK are accessible to pedestrians. Pedestrians should not walk through the work area. If walking around the work site perimeter, pedestrians are urged to use caution. Local traffic is permitted from Orange Avenue north to the work zone and from International Speedway Blvd. south to the work zone. All through traffic is being routed around the area via Orange Avenue, Segrave Street, Lockhart Street and International Speedway Blvd.

Project Overview:

The \$2.6 million project will completely reconstruct the road's surface, update underground utilities, widen sidewalks, install decorative lighting features and landscaping and add on-street parking on the east side of the roadway.

Have questions about this project? Please call (386) 671-8618.

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