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**Cleveland Avenue (US 41) Pedestrian Safety Project** from Winkler Avenue to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard (State Road 82) Lee County





# Join us for a Preconstruction **Public Information Meeting**

4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. "open house" Time:

Tuesday, December 4, 2018 Date:

Location: Araba Shrine Temple 2010 Hanson Street Fort Myers, FL 33901

FDOT solicits public participation without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. People who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or who require translation services (free of charge) should contact Cynthia Sykes, District One Title VI Coordinator, at (863) 519-2287, or e-mail at Cynthia.Sykes@dot.state.fl.us.

## If you have questions about the project, please contact:

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#### **About the Project**

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is working to improve safety on Cleveland Avenue (US 41) in the downtown area. FDOT has obtained funding to build the safety improvements outlined in the City of Fort Myers Master Plan and these safety improvements are scheduled to begin construction in early December 2018.

The contractor will relocate and install new utilities, medians, drainage structures, pedestrian signals, upgrade signals and lighting, and resurface existing roadway. Preliminary construction activities include placing project signs and installing erosion control. Utility work will require some utility shut-offs, and the project team will notify residents and business owners in advance about scheduled disruptions in service. Message signs and roadwork advisories to media will alert drivers about planned changes to traffic.

Single lane closures are permitted anytime. Double lane closures are only allowed from 8:30 p.m. to 6 a.m. Double lane closures within 500 feet of intersections are only allowed from 11:30 p.m. to 6 a.m.

### **Fast Facts**

**Construction Start Date:** December 2018

Estimated Completion: End of spring 2022

Project Cost: \$19 million

**Contractor:** Ajax Paving Industries of Florida



### November 2018



### **Construction Segments**

This job is a challenging and complex project. FDOT asks the public to be partners in safety and to use caution traveling through the work zone. Multiple segments and phases of construction are required to build and improve Cleveland Avenue are required.

The project will be constructed in three segments. Each segment will have the majority of construction completed prior to moving to the next segment. Construction will begin on Segment A from Winkler Avenue to Carrell Road. Crews will work on the west side of the road initially and when that work is complete, they will shift to the east side of Cleveland Avenue. This segment may take over a year to construct.

When Segment A is complete, crews will move to Segment B from Carrell Road to Linhart Avenue and repeat the same construction phasing. This segment may take over a year to complete.

Then Segment C is constructed from Linhart Avenue to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard (SR 82). This segment may take over a year to complete.

The final phase of this project is the construction of the medians in the center of Cleveland Avenue then roadway resurfacing. The final pavement markings will be installed after the road is resurfaced.





**Cleveland Avenue Construction Segments** 



Waterline Construction

Crews will install new water main and water shut-offs are expected as part of this City of Fort Myers project. Every effort will be made to keep this time to a minimum. Immediately following the water shut-off, you will be required to boil your water until bacteriological tests have been taken and cleared. This boil water period usually lasts approximately three to five days. You will receive written notice of planned water shut-offs via a flyer. You will receive another flyer once the boil water notice has been rescinded and the water is safe to drink. Residents and businesses along and near the project should also plan for unexpected water shut-offs. You may want to keep bottled water on hand to use in case of an emergency waterline break.

The construction team is coordinating with emergency and municipal services, LeeTran and Lee County School Transportation. During construction, the contractor will maintain public services such as mail delivery, garbage/recycle and bus services. Police/Fire and Emergency Medical Services (EMS) will be notified of road closures and water shut-offs. If there is someone in your home or at your business that requires special needs transportation services, please contact the public information consultant for the project at 239-337-1071.

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## Traffic & HAWK Signals

FDOT will upgrade the majority of the existing traffic signals to steel mast arms and add two new signals at Linhart Avenue and Stella Street. The project also includes retrofitting light poles with LED lighting and some drainage reconstruction is included. Driveways and curb ramps will be replaced where practical to bring the corridor into compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards.

FDOT will construct a raised median and six mid-block crossings with overhead mounted pedestrian signals. The signals are called High-Intensity Activated crossWalK beacons (HAWK) or pedestrian hybrid beacons. These signals will be located at the following locations:

- Just south of Maravilla Lane
- Just north of Ricardo Avenue
- At Coronado Road
- Midway between Hanson Street/ Linhart Avenue
- Just north of Lafayette Street