

**Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA)** 

## NEWSLETTER

#### July 2023

#### **Progress Continues for CRA Segment 3**

- The City's contractor continues work on Segment 3, which runs from the intersection of State Road 79 (Arnold Road) and Panama City Beach Parkway south to Front Beach Road, also including Front Beach Road from Cabana Cay Boulevard east to Lullwater Drive. Work on this segment is over 50% complete.
- On the east side of Arnold Road from the new roundabout to PCB Parkway, the Contractor is relocating utilities and grading earthwork for the future northbound travel lanes.
- The Contractor is also continuing to improve the north side of Front Beach Road between the roundabout and Lullwater Drive, installing storm drainage, sanitary sewer, and new water mains.



Jogger enjoying a beautiful morning on new sidewalks built to improve pedestrian safety by the roundabout on July 31, 2023.



Utility coordination continues to be a challenge; propane tanks were found that had to be removed in the right of way by the Holiday Inn in mid-July.



Contractor crew undergrounding utilities July 28, 2023.

#### Moving Forward on Segment 4.1

- Segment 4.1 includes the section of Front Beach Road from Lullwater Drive, where Segment 3 ends, to Hills Road and includes Powell Adams Road. This project will consist of roadway improvements such as updated stormwater retention and medians, along with improving pedestrian safety with new lighting and sidewalks.
- Pending approval from the Florida Division of Emergency Management (FDEM,) we anticipate advertising for bids on this project within the summer.
- Upon successful FDEM approval and bid process, construction is anticipated to start late fall 2023.

#### Alf Coleman Road Project

- Roadway improvements along the project limits on Alf Coleman Road, from Panama City Beach Parkway south to Hutchison Boulevard, include reconstructing and resurfacing the existing roadway while adding sidewalks and new lighting on the west side of the road.
- This CRA project will address flooding issues along Alf Coleman Road by raising the road elevation and providing additional roadway drainage.
- Pending approval by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA,) work is expected to start summer 2023.



Looking west on Front Beach Road between Hills Road and Powell Adams Road, July 31, 2023.



Looking south on Alf Coleman Road towards White Sands Apartments, July 25, 2023.



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#### Updates on CRA Segments 4.2 and 4.3

- Segment 4.2 runs along Front Beach Road from east of Hills Road, where Segment 4.1 ends, to west of Lantana Street. The City utility design is underway, and 90% plans are being finalized.
- Segment 4.3 runs along Front Beach Road from State Road 392A (Hutchison Boulevard) to west of Richard Jackson Boulevard. The City utility design is underway, and 90% plans are being finalized.

### Parking and Mobility Study Survey

- The goal of the Parking and Mobility Study is to provide the City of Panama City Beach updated recommendations regarding parking-associated transit options that will best serve its residents, visitors and businesses.
- The goals of the study, which includes this survey, are to implement parking and transit recommendations of the Panama City Beach CRA Plan specific to centralized parking facilities.
- This survey will be open to the public until September 15, 2023.
- Complete the survey at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NH7CJDV or scan the QR code to the right with your mobile device.

#### Sharing the Roadway: Motor Vehicles & Bicyclists

- Shared lane markings, or "sharrows," are optional pavement markings used to indicate a shared environment for bicycles and motor vehicles. This means both bicycles and motor vehicles have equal rights to that marked lane or roadway.
- You'll notice this symbol on many roads here in PCB, especially on SR 79/South Arnold Road.
- Panama City Beach also has many dedicated transit/bicycle only lanes along Front Beach Road, intended for bicycle and transit patrons only.





Sharrow markings in the roadways southbound on Arnold Road, outside of PCB City Offices.

#### **Recent Events**

- Thank you to all who came out to Coffee with the Contractor and our Alf Coleman Road Project Public Meeting this past month!
- Interested in event updates? Email Donna Montgomery at dmontgomery@corradino.com and request to be opted-into emails about the CRA and all events.



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