

Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA)

NEWSLETTER

September 2023

Alf Coleman Road Project

- We are excited for this work to begin the first week of October 2023, and appreciate your patience as we realize it had previously been unexpectedly delayed. However, thankfully, due to this revised start-date, both planned road closures will occur outside of peak tourist season on the beach (May to September).
- Due to this work consisting of repaving, elevating the road for improved stormwater drainage, installing sidewalks and lighting, etc., Alf Coleman Road will be completely closed to all traffic - vehicle, pedestrian, cyclist, etc. - for 120 cumulative days between the north side of Cabana Boulevard and the south side of the north Lowe's Home Improvement stores' entrance starting on Tuesday, October 3, 2023. Full access to all businesses and residences will be maintained during this work.
- Through traffic will be detoured at Hutchison Boulevard and Panama City Beach Parkway to either Richard Jackson Boulevard or Clara Avenue. Local traffic can access neighborhoods on Alf Coleman Road from the south as far as Cabana Boulevard, and from the north as far as the north Lowe's entrance.

Looking north on Alf Coleman Road toward U.S. 98.

- These closures will start on October 3, 2023 for 24 hours per day, for 120 cumulative days.
- Following this 120-day closure, the public can expect occasional night and Saturday work, on top of work during regular hours: daily, from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.. Additionally, one lane may be closed at a time throughout various working days with workers present to fully flag and direct traffic as needed.
- Anticipated completion of this project is summer 2024.
- Be sure to like the Panama City Beach Government Facebook page for timely project updates that coincide with those shared through the CRA emailing list: https://www.facebook.com/CityOfPanamaCityBeach/
 - Email Donna Montgomery at dmontgomery@corradino.com to be added to the emailing list.

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 near 60% complete.
- The Crew installed utility conduits and a 12-inch PVC water main at the EXXON gas station on South Arnold Road. The driveway to the EXXON gas station has since been restored.
- Overhead Florida Power and Light (FPL) power distribution lines have been temporarily relocated in order to eliminate conflict with the sheet piling installation at the box culvert from Lullwater Lake. This installation is expected to begin after telecommunications facilities are moved, in late fall 2023.
- 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.



Contractor is performing open site excavation in order to install a new water main on South Arnold Road.





Crew is installing a new water main at Holiday Inn on Front Beach Road.



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Moving Forward on Segments 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3

- Segment 4.1 includes the section of Front Beach Road from Lullwater Drive, where Segment 3 ends, to east of Hills Road and includes Powell Adams Road.
 - 100% plans have been completed.
- Segment 4.2 includes the section of 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.
- Both 4.1 and 4.2 segments will be authorized for construction as one combined project. Upon receipt and approval of bids, construction is anticipated to start in fall 2024.
- Segment 4.3 includes the section of 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. Due to the extensive right of way acquisition process, the project is projected to go to bid in late 2024.
- All of these projects will consist of roadway improvements such as updated stormwater retention and medians, along with improving pedestrian safety with new lighting and sidewalks.



On Front Beach Road looking east toward Diego's Burrito Factory in Segment 4.1.

On Front Beach Road in Bid-A-Wee Beach area looking east toward Casa Loma in Segment 4.2.



On Front Beach Road looking west toward Clara Avenue in Segment 4.3.



Parking and Mobility Study Survey - Next Steps

- The Parking and Mobility Study Survey, conducted by Corradino on behalf of the City of Panama City Beach, closed earlier this month.
- Results are being reviewed and analyzed to be shared with the City soon. The Parking and Mobility Study Committee will convene in October or November to review this data, and that meeting will be publicly advertised once scheduled.

Chat with the Contractor about Current CRA Projects

- We invite you to come and chat with the Contractors and Engineers playing a role in **Alf Coleman Road** and **Segment 3**CRA work. This is a casual event, with no formal presentation graphic boards with information about these two current projects under construction will be displayed.
- Date: Thursday, October 19, 2023
- Time: 7:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m.
- Location: Lyndell Conference Center, smaller conference room (423 Lyndell Lane, Panama City Beach, FL, 32407)

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