

What to expect during construction

The City's goal is to maintain two-way traffic on McGregor Boulevard when possible; however, even with two lanes open, motorists will experience periodic delays. Commuters that use McGregor Boulevard and do not have a destination along the corridor should choose alternate routes during the project as delays could be substantial. Many construction activities will require lane closures and flagging operations on McGregor Boulevard. During some activities, vehicles will be detoured to side streets. Motorists that must use McGregor Boulevard should plan extra travel time. Pedestrians should also expect sidewalk detours.

Storm drainage pipe crossings

The contractor will need to install storm drainage pipes, some up to 30 inches in diameter and five to six feet deep, in multiple locations across McGregor Boulevard. Lane closures and flagging operations will be required on McGregor Boulevard during these pipe crossings. The contractor will also need to cross some side streets with storm drainage pipe which will require residents to use alternate routes to reach their properties. When crossing dead-end side streets, the contractor will maintain one lane for access. Flaggers will be on-hand to assist residents.



Example of existing storm drain pipe crossing to be improved.

Progression of work

The City's contractor, Wright Construction Group, will work weekdays during daytime hours, beginning around 7 a.m. Some night work and Saturday work will be necessary. Crews will begin by removing the existing landscape islands and some Royal Palms along the corridor to accommodate through traffic during construction. Lane closures and flagging operations will be required to complete this work. Royal Palms that are removed will be relocated to the City's nursery. Landscape islands will be rebuilt and Royal Palms replanted near the completion of this project.

Initially, crews will work on McGregor Boulevard in the sections where there are currently three lanes. This allows the contractor to close one lane to work, yet maintain two-way traffic during the heavier seasonal vehicle volumes. These three-lane areas are as follows:

- Colonial Boulevard to San Roberto Circle
- Gasparilla Drive to Alcazar Avenue
- South of Meadow Park Lane to Shadow Lane
- Linhart Avenue to Cordova Avenue

The contractor expects to first begin underground work in two locations; just north of Meadow Park Lane and near the Fort Myers Country Club. Work will progress north from each location. Once work is completed in the three-lane sections, crews will begin work on the two-lane sections. Final paving on McGregor Boulevard from Colonial Boulevard to Poinciana Avenue will occur near completion of the project in fall 2018.

The progression of work provided in this newsletter is for informational purposes only. The work schedule is subject to change due to unforeseen underground conditions, traffic conditions, and inclement weather.




Local Resident/Business? What you need to know



Detours will be required for motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists during the project.

Access will be maintained to local McGregor Boulevard adjacent properties, though you may experience some delays when work is occurring directly in front of your residence or business. The construction team will notify you prior to working in front of your driveway to provide time to move your vehicle(s) if needed. The construction team is coordinating with emergency and municipal services, and Lee County School Transportation. Mailboxes on McGregor Boulevard may be temporarily relocated as work progresses and will be accessible to the postal carrier and local residents.

While water shut-offs are not planned for this project, residents and businesses along and near the corridor should plan for unexpected water shut-offs. You may want to keep bottled water on hand to use in case of an emergency water line break.

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Work begins in March 2017 to replace storm drainage on McGregor Boulevard from Colonial Boulevard to Poinciana Avenue. In addition to replacing the existing pipes, the project will resurface the roadway, replace sidewalk where disturbed by pipe replacement, replace some signage, and update crosswalks with new striping and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accommodations. The final product will not change the "look" of McGregor Boulevard as it is today. The project is anticipated to be completed in fall 2018.

For additional information, please contact the City's public information consultant for the project:
Jennifer Dorning, Cella Molnar & Assoc., Inc.

239-337-1071, JDorning@cella.cc

Visit the project website at:

www.ImproveMcGregor.com

If there is someone in your home or at your business that requires special needs transportation services, please contact the City's Public Information Consultant for the project at 239-337-1071 or via email to jdorning@cella.cc.



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Stay connected, stay informed

Get updated project information by visiting the project website at www.ImproveMcGregor.com. This site will be updated regularly with current construction information, detours and work areas. We urge you to visit our Contact Us page to sign up to receive detour information and construction updates via email. For questions or concerns during construction, please contact the City's Public Information Consultant, Cella Molnar & Associates, Inc. via phone at (239) 337-1071, toll-free at (877) 496-1076 or via email to jdorning@cella.cc.

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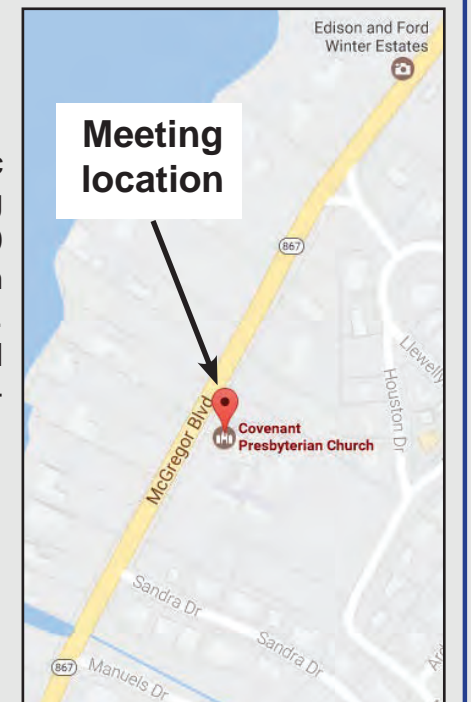
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Preconstruction Public Meeting

The City invites the public to attend a preconstruction public information meeting to learn details about the work. The meeting will be held in an "open house" format (attend anytime) from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 21, 2017 at Covenant Presbyterian Church, Building A, at 2439 McGregor Boulevard in Fort Myers. Project plans will be on display for the public to view. City staff and the project team will be available for the public to speak with one-on-one.

Date: Tuesday, March 21, 2017
Time: 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.
Place: Covenant Presbyterian Church
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2439 McGregor Boulevard
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Preconstruction Public Meeting details inside!

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