



Memorandum

Memorandum No: 21-076

Date: August 30, 2021

To: Honorable Mayor and Commissioners

From: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

Re: Henry E. Kinney Tunnel Construction Update #2

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) recently conducted public outreach meetings in advance of their construction efforts including in-person and virtual public meetings. FDOT plans to attend the September 9, 2021 City Commission Conference meeting to provide a brief presentation and respond to any Commission questions or concerns.

However, FDOT has indicated that construction actions will take place before the September 9th City Commission Conference meeting. Starting on September 7th, FDOT will be implementing a Maintenance of Traffic Plan as follows:

Traffic Impacts:

- US-1 in each direction, from SE 5th Court to SE 2nd Street, will have the outside lanes closed beginning 7 a.m., Tuesday, September 7th through 7 a.m., Monday, November 8th for wall demolition activities and construction of end bents for the proposed tunnel extension.
- SE 6th Avenue in each direction, from Las Olas Blvd to SE 2nd Street, will be closed to traffic beginning 7 a.m., Tuesday, September 7th through 7 a.m., Monday, November 8th for wall demolition activities and construction of end bents for the proposed tunnel extension:
 - Motorists traveling westbound on Las Olas Boulevard wishing to access SE 6th Avenue northbound will be detoured via SE 4th Avenue.
 - Motorists traveling eastbound wishing to access SE 6th Avenue northbound will be detoured via SE 8th Avenue.
 - Motorists traveling southbound on US-1 wishing to access SE 6th Avenue southbound will be detoured via SE 5th Avenue.

- Westbound Las Olas Boulevard, from just west of 8th Avenue to just west of southbound 6th Avenue, will have the outside lane closed to traffic beginning 7 a.m., Tuesday, September 7th through 7 a.m., Monday, November 8th for demolition operations of the north tunnel exit.

Pedestrian Impacts:

- The pedestrian sidewalk along US-1 in each direction, from SE 6th Street to Las Olas Boulevard, will be closed beginning 7 a.m., Tuesday, September 7th through 7 a.m., Monday, November 8th for end bent and tunnel top operations. Pedestrians will be detoured via SE 3rd Avenue.
- The Pedestrian sidewalk on southbound SE 6th Avenue, from Las Olas Boulevard to SE 2nd Street, will be closed beginning 7 a.m., Tuesday, September 7th through 7 a.m., Monday, November 8th for end bent and tunnel top operations. Pedestrians will be detoured via SE 3rd Avenue.
- The pedestrian crosswalk on Las Olas Boulevard in front of the Henry E. Kinney Tunnel, from southbound SE 6th Avenue to northbound SE 6th Avenue, will be closed beginning 7 a.m., Tuesday, September 7th through 7 a.m., Monday, November 8th for demolition operations. Pedestrians will be detoured via the south sidewalk on Las Olas Boulevard.

Staff will work with Strategic Communications and FDOT stakeholders to ensure the public is informed about project progress. For further information, please contact Ben Rogers, Director of Transportation and Mobility, at brogers@fortlauderdale.gov.

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