

# Old Germantown Road Bicycle & Pedestrian Improvements Project

## From Park Access Road to South Congress Avenue CONSTRUCTION TO BEGIN MAY 5, 2025

#### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ) - CONSTRUCTION PHASE

A pre-construction public meeting was held on April 9, 2025, at the Swinton Operations Center to review the project scope and introduce the construction team. Feedback provided by attendees was documented with follow-up addressed below in a FAQ format. The City of Delray Beach and project team have met with the contractor, All County Paving, to review the plans and collaborate on ways to adjust and harmonize work items to minimize impacts on the community.

Please note, the first contract day for this project is May 5, 2025. However, the first few weeks the contractor is expected to be prepping the project site, performing surveys, and mobilizing equipment and materials.

#### 1) Why are travel lanes being narrowed to 10 feet?

 Travel lane width reduction is a traffic calming technique proven to reduce vehicular speeds.

#### 2) Will the shared-use pathway be 12 feet wide for the entire length of the project?

The project team is working with the contractor to minimize the pathway width where possible; however, 10 feet is the minimum width allowed per design standards.

#### 3) Can the shared-use pathway have markings to delineate pedestrians from cyclists?

 This is being considered and may be implemented after the pathway construction is fully complete.

### 4) Why did the project timeframe increase from 18 months to 24 months? Why is the project starting in 2025?

■ The extra time is due to the addition of sidewalks on SW 22<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, which will connect to recently constructed sidewalks further to the south.

#### 5) Can decorative crosswalks be added?

The City is reviewing the best option to provide decorative crosswalks.

#### 6) Will work occur on both sides of SW 22<sup>nd</sup> Avenue?

 Sidewalks will be installed on both sides of SW 22<sup>nd</sup> Avenue and will connect to recently constructed sidewalks further to the south.

#### 7) Will curbs be added along the entire roadway corridor?

 Curbs are only being added in select locations where necessary and several locations along the north side of Old Germantown Road to create landscaped areas with trees.

#### 8) There are dips in the roadway by the Fire Station, will they be improved?

The dips will be corrected when the roadway is repaved.



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#### 9) Where will the staging area be for project materials? Will it be secured?

- The contractor will be permitted to use a vacant City-owned lot along Old Germantown Road, which is directly across from Whispering Oaks Lane. This staging area will be fenced, lined with wind screening, locked when not in use, and kept in a clean and professional condition at all times.
- The contractor will only stage materials within the roadway Right-of-Way if it will be installed within five (5) business days. (example: drainage pipes)

#### 10) Will drainage be improved, and will the roadway be leveled out?

 Drainage improvements are included in the project and will include swales, exfiltration trenches and raising of the intersection between Old Germantown Road and SW 22<sup>nd</sup> Avenue. Additionally, when the road is repaved it will raise slightly for a smoother, level surface.

#### 11) Does all existing landscaping need to be removed within the project Right-of-Way?

- The contractor has been advised to only remove existing landscaping required to perform work operations, including grading and harmonization.
- Any landscaping that is invasive to the environment is also required to be removed.

#### 12) Is any landscaping being added to improve shade on the north side of the roadway?

Landscaping is being added for shade and to improve the overall aesthetics.

#### 13) Will work begin on the north side first?

It is anticipated that work will begin on SW 22<sup>nd</sup> Avenue and along the western portion of the project to allow for a separate Utilities project to finish prior to moving this project further west.

### 14) What are the permitted lane closures, and will the entire project roadway be under construction all at once?

- The City's noise ordinance allows construction work and lane closures Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. (must have City pre-approval). No work will occur on Sundays or on City-established holidays.
- Work will be done in phases to minimize impacts.

#### 15) Where can I find progress photos and updates?

- Project updates and progress photos will be posted to the project website, including drone footage. https://www.germantownroadimprovements.com/
- Status updates will also be shared with the project email notification list. Please contact the Community Outreach Specialist, Meredith Cruz, to be added to this list. (contact info below)

#### 16) Who can I contact for more information during this project?

 Please contact the Community Outreach Specialist, Meredith Cruz, or the project team directly for more information. R.J. Behar is providing construction oversight and field inspection, with inspectors onsite daily when the contractor is working. (contact info below)



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#### 17) How bright is the new lighting, and will it have an effect on bordering properties?

The new lighting is decorative and will be directed towards the roadway and pathway.

#### **CONTACTS & WEBSITE**

Questions during construction can be directed to the Community Outreach Specialist:

Meredith Cruz, mcruz@cruz-pr.com or 561-589-9584

Construction, inspection and engineering oversight is being provided by R.J. Behar & Company, Inc.

Nestor Santana, P.E., nsantana@rjbehar.com or 787-538-8415

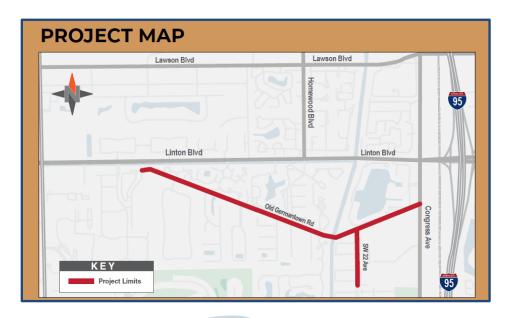
Construction updates will be posted to the existing project webpage:

https://www.germantownroadimprovements.com/

**BACKGROUND:** The mobility improvements for Old Germantown Road were in the design phase from 2022-2024, with design public meetings held on March 8, 2023, and October 19, 2023. Once the construction plans were finalized and the contractor was given a Notice To Proceed, a preconstruction public meeting was held on April 9, 2025.

**SCOPE OF WORK:** Pavement rehabilitation, traffic calming, drainage, shared-use paths, sidewalks, decorative lighting and landscaping installation.

**CONTRACTOR:** M&M Asphalt Maintenance, Inc., DBA All County Paving



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