



Rio Vista - December 2021

City of Fort Lauderdale’s Transportation and Mobility Department has created a summary of neighbor requests, major current projects and neighborhood organizations’ initiatives that are actively addressed during the month. The report will be sent to the neighborhood organizations on a monthly basis to continue to provide updates as needed.

Neighborhood Association Initiatives:

Traffic Studies for Speed Humps:

- SE 11 Court between Cordova and Federal Hwy.
Referenced **Q-Alert 651985**
- Cordova Rd between SE 7 St. and SE 9 St.
Referenced **Q-Alert 663479**
 - At this time, the department continues to wait on Broward County Traffic Engineering Division to complete all studies and provide the results.
 - Broward County Traffic Engineering Division communicated that staff will begin to release speed/volume results very soon.

Rio Vista Pavement Markings Striping:

- Upon completion of the existing work in Rio Vista, the Road Services Team will schedule a timeline for the pavement markings to be refurbished.
- SE 9th Ave near SE 12th St.
 - The Rio Vista Civic Association requested that pavement markings with the words ‘Do Not Enter’ be added at the one-way exit of SE 9th Ave near SE 12th St. This request has been shared with the Public Works Road Services Team. Once a timeline is provided, TAM will communicate that to the Association.
Referenced **Q-Alert 836718**

Sidewalk Connections:

- Sidewalk ramp connections throughout the Rio Vista community will be implemented pending future funding availability. The sidewalk ramp connections will allow pedestrian and bicyclist access between sidewalks on different sides of neighborhood blocks.



Transportation Q-Alerts:

Transportation Q-Alerts are requests that pertain specifically to the safety and enhancement for traffic related issues. The City’s Q-Alert process allows neighbors to enter a request for consideration for new traffic calming, repairs and/or replacements for existing City property that may have created a safety hazard, or to initiate a preventative measure.

Closed/Completed Q-Alert:

- The department received a report for a down Children At Play sign near Virginia Young Park.
 - A request was created and presented to the Road Services Team to review.
 - Road Services Team conducted a site check and replaced the sign.
Referenced **Q-Alert 835362**

New/Pending Q-Alert Requests:

- The department received a neighbor request for a No Left Turn sign for Miami Rd at SE 12 St., near Starbucks.
 - Project Manager and District Planner are reviewing the possibilities and will share their recommendations soon.
Referenced **Q-Alert 861602**
- During a site visit, staff observed a down Speed Limit sign in the vicinity of 611 Ponce De Leon Dr.
 - A request was created and presented to Broward County for their review and assistance.
Referenced **Q-Alert 862415**



Additional Stop Signs Traffic Study:

- SE 7 St. and SE 11 Ave
 - Broward County Traffic Engineering conducted two traffic studies for an all-way stop control at the SE 7th St and SE 11th Ave intersection in May 2019 and June 2021. The traffic studies were conducted in accordance with engineering standards identified in the Federal Highway Administration’s Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD). Per MUTCD guidelines, an all-way stop control is used to facilitate the flow of vehicles through an intersection where the volume on either street is significant and approximately equal. The MUTCD states that the total vehicular volume entering the intersection from all approaches must be at least 500 vehicles per hour (VPH) for any eight hours of an average day with minor-street traffic comprising 40 percent or more of the total approach volumes. Another justification for the installation of AWSC may be a crash problem as evidenced by the occurrence of five or more crashes within a consecutive 12-month period, where the crashes are of the types that are susceptible to correction by AWSC. Unfortunately, the vehicular volume criteria was not met in either study and there were no reported crashes at the intersection. Transportation and Mobility Staff also requested an additional crash study in the spring of 2020 and there were no crashes reported. Broward County therefore does not recommend the installation of an all-way stop control. Broward County directed the City to remove the temporary all-way stop controls at the SE 7th St and SE 11th Ave intersection and also the SE 8th St and SE 11th Ave intersection which were installed during the sewer repairs, as there is no active construction resulting in unusual traffic at these intersections. At SE 7th St and SE 11th Ave, the eastbound and westbound Stop Signs were removed. At SE 8th St and SE 11th Ave, the northbound and southbound Stop Signs were removed. Rio Vista Civic Association has communicated that they are likely going to ask the County to defer from the regular process and add a Stop sign at an intersection of ongoing concern in the neighborhood.

Referenced **Q-Alert 457600**



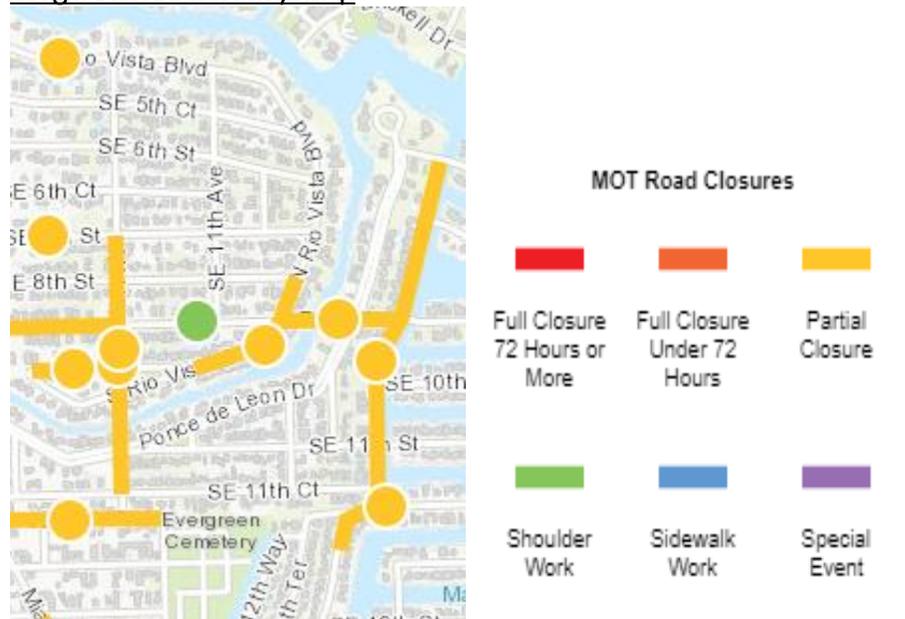
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- SE 11th Court and Cordova Road 3- Way Stop
 - Results from Broward County Traffic Engineering Division’s traffic study and crash analysis show that an all-way stop control is not warranted. Transportation and Mobility continues to look for ways to address the transportation safety concerns at the Cordova Road and SE 11th Court/SE 12th St area.
- Referenced **Q-Alert 669826**

Neighborhood Construction Impacts:

Below is a list of current projects in your neighborhood that may cause impacts to the transportation network. These impacts refer to any level of work that is in the City’s right-of-way that may impact access to a road or sidewalk. For questions regarding projects in your neighborhood, please contact the listed project manager for the corresponding project.

Neighborhood Vicinity Map



Project: Mastec OBO FPL – Replace/Install Utility Poles

Project Type: Private Contractor Closures

Vicinity: Intermittent partial lane closures on SE 9 St between Ponce de Leon Dr and SW 4 Ave. Flagmen will be present to maintain two-way traffic and assist pedestrians where detours are not feasible.

Dates of Project: 8/16/2021 – 3/3/2022

Emergency Contact: Richard Acosta 305.345.2246



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Project: Mastec OBO FPL – Replace/Install Utility Poles

Project Type: Private Contractor Closures

Vicinity: Intermittent partial lane closures on S Rio Vista Blvd between SE 9 St and SE 8 St.

Flagmen will be present to maintain two-way traffic.

Dates of Project: 8/16/2021 – 3/3/2022

Emergency Contact: Richard Acosta 305.345.2246

Project: Mastec OBO FPL – Replace/Install Utility Poles

Project Type: Private Contractor Closures

Vicinity: Intermittent partial lane and sidewalk closures on SE 9 Ave between SE 7 St and SE 11

Ct. Flagmen will be present to maintain two-way traffic. Pedestrian should follow all posted detours to SE 6 Ter, S Rio Vista Blvd, and S Federal Hwy.

Dates of Project: 12/20/2021 – 3/3/2022

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Major Projects:

Cordova Road and SE 15th Street

- The design drawings for the Cordova Road and SE 15th St intersection, which include a raised intersection with accessible ramps, crosswalks and a missing sidewalk connection, have been completed. Transportation & Mobility staff are meeting with the Harbordale and Lauderdale Harbours Associations in the coming weeks to review the final design drawings. As soon as an estimated project schedule is developed, more information will be shared with the Rio Vista Civic Association.

Rio Vista: Community Investment Plan (CIP) for SE 6th Ave. from SE 5th St. to Rio Vista Blvd.

- The project will improve safety for all users along SE 6th Avenue around the Henry Kinney Tunnel. It will include a raised crosswalk just north of SE 6th Street, a speed hump just north of SE 5th Street, and a raised intersection at SE 6th Avenue and Rio Vista Boulevard. The objectives of this project are to improve pedestrian, bicyclist and vehicular safety. **Fiscal Year 2025 funding**

Rio Vista: Community Investment Plan (CIP) for Cordova Road & SE 12th St

- A request to improve the traffic safety and pedestrian crossings at Cordova Road & SE 12th St was requested during this year’s budget build process for FY26. At this point, the project is not recommended.



GENERAL INFORMATION:

For additional information, including the submission of a new request, or status of an existing request, feel free to visit the listed resources below. Please note you can also call in to present a request. City staff will respond to the call, create a request based on the need and route to the corresponding department for immediate action.

- **Henry E. Kinney Tunnel Improvements and Pedestrian Plaza**
 - Construction of the Henry E. Kinney Tunnel and Pedestrian Plaza began on September 7, 2021 and is estimated to be completed in late 2023. This FDOT-led project will include rehabilitations to the structural, mechanical, electrical, architectural and life-safety components of the Tunnel, as well as the extension of the tunnel to accommodate a pedestrian plaza which will include new fountains, seating facilities, redesigned brick pavers and landscaping. Traffic will be shifted during construction both within the Tunnel and on Las Olas Blvd. Expect travel delays.

- **Andrews Avenue Bridge** – Broward County will be making repairs to the Andrews Avenue bridge including pressure washing, concrete spall repairs, concrete painting, pavement resurfacing and metal deck welding. Work began on October 18, 2021 and is expected to be completed February 15, 2022. There will be some single lane closures during off-peak hours, but one lane will remain open in each direction.

- **Broward Commuter Rail**-FDOT kicked off a Project Development & Environment Study (PD&E) Study on future commuter rail service along the Florida East Coast (FEC) Railway from Aventura in Miami-Dade County to Deerfield Beach in Broward County. The study will look at both station locations and possible changes to the FEC bridge over the New River in downtown Fort Lauderdale. For more information, please visit the project website here: www.browardcommuterrailstudy.com
 - A public workshop on the New River Crossing was held on Thursday, November 18th at 6 pm, where the project team shared information on the proposed options for the New River Crossing. Presentations from that workshop can be found here: <https://www.fdot.gov/projects/broward-commuter-rail/documents-and-publications>



City Resources/Communications:

- [Traffic Advisories | City of Fort Lauderdale, FL](#)
- [Lauderserv: Fort Lauderdale 24-Hour Customer Service | City of Fort Lauderdale, FL](#)
- [LauderStreet \(fortlauderdale.gov\)](#)
- [LauderBuild | City of Fort Lauderdale, FL](#)
- [LauderWorks \(fortlauderdale.gov\)](#)
- <https://www.fortlauderdale.gov/departments/transportation-and-mobility>
- <https://www.fortlauderdale.gov/departments/public-works/engineering>
- 24-Hour Customer Service: 954.828.8000