

City Commission Approves Street Resurfacing Projects for 2018

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PLANT CITY, FL - By the end of this year, getting around Plant City will be a little smoother for drivers.

While improving and maintaining the city's thoroughfares and infrastructure has always been a priority for Commissioners and city staff, recent actions by the City Commission made it a top priority and set in motion a plan to significantly improve Plant City's roads and related infrastructure.

To implement their plan, the City Commission adopted a 1 mill tax increase in September 2017, all the proceeds from which will all be applied to the resurfacing and repair of Plant City's streets. Couple that with \$2.2 million from the City's Street Fund and a matching \$2 million grant from Hillsborough County, and the City will have approximately \$6.1 million to repave streets in 2018.



The 2018 Street Resurfacing Program is one of the largest street repaving projects in the history of Plant City. In addition to the 14 repaving projects currently in progress from last year, the City will undertake an additional 32 projects in 2018. When complete, the City will have paved nearly 24 miles of streets.

The City of Plant City isn't the only government entity investing in Plant City's roads in 2018. The Florida Department of Transportation is currently repaving, or has plans to repave, State Road 574, West Reynolds Street, Thonotosassa Road, Sam Allen Road, and Alexander Street. The repaving of Alexander Street -- which was transferred to FDOT in 2017 -- is particularly important. Its completion will represent a significant improvement to one of Plant City's major north-south arteries, which extends from Interstate 4 south to James L. Redman Parkway. The Alexander Street paving project is currently in the design stage and is expected to go to bid in June 2018. Repaving is tentatively scheduled to begin in August or September of this year. In addition to the work being performed by FDOT, Hillsborough County is also repaving Johnson Road and Rice Road.

Each of the City's 32 projects for 2018, one of which involves repairs to associated utilities, were identified through a process which included an evaluation of traffic volumes, surface conditions, structural conditions and the condition of the underlying utilities. Once streets were identified for resurfacing, they were prioritized based on their overall impact to the public, such as the volume of traffic and how that specific location aides in the movement of people, goods, and services throughout the City.

The City's Engineering Department expects to begin geotechnical and survey work in February. After which, the street projects will be advertised for bid and awarded to a private contractor. On the

current timeline, resurfacing work will occur between June and September, with all 32 projects being completed by September 30, 2018.

The City’s website will be updated with a tentative schedule for each selected road, as well as the information of the private contractor who will be performing the work. Homeowners who live on one of the selected streets are also encouraged to subscribe to the City’s “Notify Me” program for



text and/or email updates. Before resurfacing begins, the City will pass out door hangers in the affected areas indicating that work is about to start. The door hanger will include phone numbers for the contractor and City of Plant City staff. Residents are encouraged to use this contact information for special needs. City inspectors will also be overseeing the resurfacing project at each location.

Below is a list of current and future projects:

Current Projects

The City currently has 14 Street Resurfacing Program projects with associated utility repairs that were either completed or are still in progress from the 2016-2017 fiscal year. Those projects are:

Completed

Project Location	Project Cost	Length of Project (miles)
Forest Club Drive & Forest Run	\$ 69,003 (Final)	0.7
Pine Club Drive	\$ 123,102 (Final)	0.6
Pine Club Court & Oak Club Court	\$ 20,449	0.1
East Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.	\$ 119,906 (Final)	1.0
South Lake Street	\$ 41,574 (Final)	0.3
South Woodrow Wilson Street	\$ 131,347 (Final)	0.5
North Mobley Street	\$ 49,248 (Final)	0.6
North Illinois Street	\$ 16,564	0.1
West Washington Street	\$ 4,947	0.04

In-Progress

Project Location	Project Cost (estimate)	Length of Project (miles)	Est. Completion Date
W. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.	\$231,964	1.0	May 2018
North Franklin Street	\$102,784	0.9	May 2018
West Grant Street	\$193,000	1.0	May 2018
Walter Drive	\$ 51,300	0.4	May 2018
North Shannon Avenue	\$109,866	1.0	May 2018

In addition to the City's current completed and in-progress resurfacing projects, Hillsborough County and the State of Florida also have active resurfacing projects within the City of Plant City. Those projects include:

Other Government Entity In-Progress Projects

Project Location	Government Entity
Sam Allen Road	FDOT
Thonotosassa Road	FDOT
West Reynolds Street	FDOT
State Road 574	FDOT
South Alexander Street	FDOT
Johnson Road	Hillsborough County
Rice Road	Hillsborough County

2017-2018 Resurfacing Projects

The City has selected 32 roadway projects for the 2018 Street Resurfacing Program. One of those projects (North Woodrow Wilson Street) includes associated utility repairs. The roadways selected for repaving in 2018 are:

Project Location	Project Cost	Length of Project (miles)
Timberlane Drive	\$1,611,071	2.9
Sammonds Road	\$91,465	0.25
Sydney Road	\$479,825	1.97
East Alabama Street	\$172,136	1.05
East Cherry Street	\$144,976	0.48
Mike Sansone Boulevard	\$85,497	0.52
National Guard Drive	\$72,544	0.34
Goldfinch Drive	\$42,991	0.19
Hitchcock Street	\$221,316	0.25
East Alexander Street	\$768,659	1.36
Griffin Boulevard	\$249,853	0.72
Drane Street Northwest	\$251,581	0.55
South Hunter Street	\$13,688	0.09

Project Location	Project Cost	Length of Project (miles)
Amberjack Boulevard	\$128,019	0.44
North Dort Street	\$54,798	0.3
Carey Street	\$35,493	0.24
North Davis Street	\$13,655	0.09
North Pearl Street	\$15,317	0.1
West Granfield Avenue	\$11,810	0.08
North Franklin Street	\$28,254	0.17
Sioux Street	\$14,209	0.1
West McLendon Street	\$14,554	0.1
West Risk Street	\$51,512	0.36
Howard Street	\$48,513	0.23
North Daniels Street	\$27,906	0.19
West Herring Street	\$19,061	0.15
North Walker Street	\$6,608	0.04
North Thomas Street	\$117,388	0.38
West Damon Street	\$13,909	0.05
Chipman Street	\$13,585	0.09
North Wheeler Street	\$269,159	1.07
North Woodrow Wilson Street	\$160,118	0.8

This list of roadway projects was approved by the City Commission on February 12, 2018.

For more information on the City's Street Resurfacing Program, please visit www.plantcitygov.com or contact the City Engineering Department.