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### **Construction to Begin Next Week on Operational and Pedestrian Improvements at Atlantic Boulevard and 3<sup>rd</sup> Street**

**JACKSONVILLE, Fla.** – Construction is scheduled to begin Jan. 3, 2022 on operational and safety improvements at the intersection of Atlantic Boulevard (State Road 10) and 3<sup>rd</sup> Street (State Road A1A) in Atlantic Beach and pedestrian improvements at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Street/Bay Street and 3<sup>rd</sup> Street/15<sup>th</sup> Avenue N. intersections in Jacksonville Beach.

Planned improvements at the intersection of Atlantic Boulevard and 3<sup>rd</sup> Street include:

- Lengthening the existing raised median on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street to eliminate the southbound 3rd Street to eastbound Lemon Street left turn movement.
- Making the inside two lanes of northbound 3<sup>rd</sup> Street left turn only, with the option to turn right or proceed straight through the intersection from the outside lane.
- Adding a raised lane divider to southbound 3<sup>rd</sup> Street to provide a crosswalk refuge point for pedestrians crossing 3rd Street.
- Widening the right turn from eastbound Atlantic Boulevard to southbound 3rd Street to prevent vehicles pulling trailers from encroaching on the sidewalk/pedestrian landing.
- Milling, resurfacing and restriping approximately 900 feet of pavement through the intersection.
- Installing new pedestrian lighting at the northeast, southeast and southwest corners of the intersection.

Additional pedestrian improvements include:

- Installing Pedestrian Hybrid Beacons on 3rd Street on the south side of Bay Street and on 3rd Street on the south side of 15th Avenue N.
- Milling, resurfacing and restriping approximately 60 to 120 feet of pavement at each location.
- Providing crosswalk refuge points for pedestrians in the medians and bulb outs at crosswalks to prevent vehicles from parking in crosswalks.

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- Installing additional lighting and drainage.

FDOT selected American Lighting and Signalization, Inc. to complete the \$1.9 million improvements by summer 2022, weather and unforeseen circumstances permitting. Lane closures for construction activities on the Atlantic Boulevard and 3<sup>rd</sup> Street intersection improvements will be restricted to 10 p.m. through 8 a.m. daily. Single lane closures will be permitted at all times for the pedestrian improvements at 3<sup>rd</sup> Street/Bay Street and 3<sup>rd</sup> Street/15<sup>th</sup> Avenue N.

Safe travels during the holidays will help ensure a happy holiday for you and your loved ones. Be sure to buckle up, don't drive distracted, and designate a sober driver.

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