

MIAMI BEACH RISING ABOVE

West Avenue Neighborhood Enhancements

November 2020 Update

Project Overview and Benefits

The West Avenue Neighborhood Enhancements Project is crucial to ensuring your neighborhood stays dry and remains a walkable, active community for many years to come. These critical upgrades include underground infrastructure updates such as a new water main, sanitary sewer improvements, installation of a storm water treatment system and raising the elevation of the roadway to minimize street flooding.



What's Happening

Several important items, which are described below, were passed at the October 28 City Commission meeting that will help resume work on the project.

If you missed the meeting, you can view it [here](#).

Storm Water Treatment System

Based on overwhelming feedback from residents, the City Commission approved Option 3A for the location of the West Avenue storm water treatment system. This location removes the pump, pipes, enclosure and electrical cabinets from the Lincoln Road street end. The below and above-ground components will be constructed within the parking lot (P24) on West Avenue next to the Post Office (1671 West Avenue). The pipes and outfall where water will be discharged will be located at the Collins Canal seawall at 17 Street just north of West Avenue. The team has started redesigning the storm water drainage plans to account for this change.

Harmonization

The City Commission also approved the project's harmonization policy, which provides staff the ability to begin custom harmonization discussions with each property. To kick-off this process, the team will be sending proposed harmonization plans to each of the properties in the project area. This will be an ongoing effort with the goal of meeting with each and every property owner before the project commences. During the November 18 Commission Meeting, staff will provide an update on the feedback received thus far by the community.

What to Expect

Starting this week, individual harmonization plans are being sent via email to properties. In addition, you may also receive a phone call or a door-to-door visit from a city representative. Property owners, property managers and condominium association board members may also be contacted to ensure the appropriate person is reached for each property. To best achieve this goal, we ask that you please also reach out to us via [email](#) or at the phone number listed below to provide your property's best contact information so that we can stay connected.

Thank you in advance for participating in this very important neighborhood project.

Who to Contact

Should you have any project questions or to provide your contact information, please contact Lauren Firtel at LaurenFirtel@miamibeachfl.gov or at **305.986.6403**.

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