



Building a Brighter Future Together

It's hard to look around Clearwater without seeing redevelopment or new construction. Much of what is being done by the City of Clearwater is helping to change the face of our community. Residents, businesses and visitors are asked to be patient during this time of change. Projects are at various stages of completion and are proof that we are truly partners in building a brighter future together.



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Main Library

Construction continues on the 90,000-square-foot Main Library located on the bluff overlooking Clearwater Harbor. Installation of the structure's distinctive roof and expansive western facade of multi-story glass nears completion as the exterior painting continues. Handrails are being installed along the dramatic grand stairway in the four-story atrium, and drywall installation progresses on all floors. The new library, designed by world-renowned architect Robert A.M. Stern, will include a local history center, café, computer lab, teen room, gallery space, expanded reading areas and a children's library with a special story-time room.



Clearwater's new Community Sports Complex will be open for the 2004 spring training season.

Community Sports Complex

The foundation is set, structural steel has been erected, the field drainage system is in place and installation of the playing field is underway on the new Community Sports Complex. The Complex, which will accommodate approximately 8,000 fans, will serve as the spring training home of the Philadelphia Phillies and many local youth and adult baseball activities. Amenities include an expanded food court area, a grass seating area, suites, and a children's play area. The new complex is on U.S. Highway 19 just north of Drew Street. It will open for the 2004 spring training season.

Clearwater Fire & Rescue Gets New Stations and Equipment

Clearwater Fire & Rescue's new Clearwater Mall Fire Station, which is two-thirds complete, replaces a 30-year-old station and provides accommodations for a co-ed firefighting force. Also, ground was recently broken on the Northwest Fire Station, which, when completed, will bring quicker response times to a growing section of our community. Both stations use the same design and architecture for cost savings. The Clearwater Mall Station will house a fire engine, heavy rescue, an EMS rescue, and a marine support unit. A new aerial truck and a new engine were recently purchased, along with a new facility to maintain all of the department's vehicles. Altogether, these commitments total more than \$5.6 million toward replacing or improving the facilities and equipment used by firefighters daily.

north Martin Luther King Avenue corridor. Currently under construction is the \$3.2 million Harbor Oaks segment that serves the Harbor Oaks neighborhood plus the redeveloped Sunshine Mall property and various City parks on south Martin Luther King Avenue.

Construction is beginning on the \$3.9 million Drew and Union reclaimed water segments. They will serve facilities on the north side of Drew Street between U.S. 19 and McMullen Booth Road, portions of the Park Place development, and residential properties from Lake Chautauqua to Sunset Point Road between U.S. 19 North and McMullen Booth Road.



The next segment currently in design is the Seville and Sunset project for Clearwater Mall, other properties south of the mall along the east side of U.S. 19 and the Old Clearwater Bay neighborhood. Estimated completion is 2005 at an estimated cost of \$2.4 million.

The Del Oro neighborhood is the next segment to be designed with completion in 2006 at an estimated cost of \$2.6 million. When all of these phases are complete, approximately 35 percent of the City's customers will be served. Remaining areas of the City will be added in 15 more segments, by the year 2020.

Memorial Causeway Bridge

The new Memorial Causeway Bridge is approximately seventy percent complete. Much of the work on the western approach is finished and the eastern approach is now visible from the bluff. The new high-span structure will be a safer and more efficient connection between the beach and downtown. Travel lanes will open in spring 2004. For bridge updates, call the hotline at (727) 562-4549 or tune in to C-VIEW TV 15, Clearwater's 24-hour information station.



Miles of pipe are being laid to provide reclaimed water service to Clearwater residents.

Reclaimed Water

During the past few years, Clearwater neighborhoods started receiving reclaimed water service. The first phase, completed in 2001, provides service to Island Estates, some segments of North Clearwater Beach, and South Clearwater Beach.

Recently completed is a \$1 million project providing reclaimed water to customers fronting the