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TOP STORY



Town Plans Major Improvements To Lake Shore Drive

Taking proactive steps to control flooding from sea level rise and king tides

Twenty feet by the year 2060!

That is how much experts predict the sea level will rise.

It is also one of the reasons the Town is moving forward with a redesign of Lake Shore Drive. But it's not the only reason. The Town is also improving the stretch from Castlewood Drive to the Marina in anticipation of future development interest.

The plan includes the addition of bike and jog paths, a sidewalk, and parallel parking along the west side of the road.

In response to flooding, the Town is looking to build a detention basin along the north side of Kelsey Park. The basin will direct flood waters off the roadway and back into the Intracoastal.

A consultant hired by the Town is working on engineering plans for the basin as well as the roadway improvements. Public meetings are planned for February to unveil the latest plans. If approved by the Town Commission, construction could begin by 2020.

Other Town News

Town Expands the Power of Public Art



There is no question that turning empty walls into beautiful public canvases improves an area. That is why the Town Commission has expanded the area where public murals can be created.

Previously murals were only allowed in the Park Avenue downtown area. Now murals can be created anywhere inside the Town's Community Redevelopment Agency area.

Experts say murals make urban areas more welcoming and walkable by creating a greater sense of community. Several South Florida cities and towns have embraced the idea of using public art and murals to create more inviting public spaces.

The change is in response to resident requests to expand the area where murals are permitted. Of course, you just can't pick up a paint brush and go crazy. All murals require approval from the Town.



Let's Do Some Trash Talking!

Looking for the 4-1-1 on your trash and debris? Look no further! Here's a refresher on what is collected and when:

Mondays: Garbage cans and vegetation (stacked yard waste according to the 4/50 rule: no pieces longer than 4 feet or heavier than 50 pounds).

Wednesdays: Recycling. Paper products in yellow bin and plastic/cans in blue bins. Cardboard must be flattened and no larger than 3 feet by 3 feet, and placed next to yellow bin. **Thursdays:** Garbage cans and bulk trash (appliances, carpeting, white goods, furniture, wood, etc.). What?! Not enough trash talk for you? OK, Here's some more!

- * Put everything out before 7:30am on collection day. You can put it out after 4:00pm the day before.
- * If pickup day falls on a Town holiday, it'll be picked up the following workday.

Want even more information? Check out the full story at bit.ly/LakeParkInsider

January marks historic Lake Park milestone



This January marks 100 years since Harry Kelsey first stepped foot in what is today Lake Park.

Harry Seymour Kelsey of Boston, MA, the 40-year old president of Waldorf Systems, Inc. founded Kelsey City as a resort mecca and winter playground.

During Kelsey's first trip to Florida to recuperate from pneumonia in January, 1919, he started purchasing ocean front, lakefront and in-land acreage in the Palm Beach County area. He chose his favorite spot on Lake Worth to start Kelsey City, the first zoned municipality south of Washington, DC. In 1939, Kelsey City was renamed Lake Park.

Welcome to the first "Behind the Scenes."

Many have visited the official 'Town website and Human Resources Department web page and read the description of what this department does. But some still come away with the question – What does the Human Resources Department really do?

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