



Downtown Water Pipeline Replacement Project

Project Overview

The City of Tampa is continuing to invest in neighborhoods through an important pipeline improvement program, collectively known as the Utility Capital Improvement Projects (UCAP). One of these projects is approximately six miles of 12-inch diameter pipeline that will improve delivery of drinking water throughout Downtown Tampa.

Downtown Tampa has aging water pipelines, some as old as 100 years or more. The area has experienced water service interruptions and low water pressures due to the deteriorating pipelines. This project will improve water pressure, service reliability and fire protection in the Downtown area.

The water utility rate increase approved in 2007 allows the City to make this service improvement.

What to Expect During the Project

- ◆ Design is in complete.
- ◆ Construction began in October 2009 and is scheduled to be complete quarter 4 2010.
- ◆ Residents and businesses will receive notification in advance of construction and updates to the construction schedule will be posted on the project website - www.tampa-ucap.com.
- ◆ Maintaining access to businesses, residential buildings and other properties is a top priority.
- ◆ Every effort to avoid traffic disruptions during significant events will be made.
- ◆ Construction crews will take every precaution to protect valuable personal property, including hardscapes and landscaping.
- ◆ Restoring streets is a priority. Streets will be restored to their original or better condition. Brick streets will be restored to brick streets. Repaving of asphalt streets will be determined on a street by street basis and based on a number of criteria, including the number of lanes impacted, original road condition, traffic volume, size of the replacement pipeline and whether the street is residential or commercial.
- ◆ A project inspector, wearing a blue hard hat and blue vest, will be stationed in the project area during construction to address concerns and answer questions.

There are a number of ways to stay up-to-date on the Downtown Water Pipeline Replacement Project:

- ◆ Access the dedicated UCAP program website www.tampa-ucap.com and click on Projects, then select Downtown Water Pipeline Replacement Project
- ◆ Call the project hotline (813) 777-9222
- ◆ Talk to the project inspector stationed in the area during the construction phase.