***PROJECT UPDATES:*** *October 31, 2024*

**New Community Center**

Following an asbestos removal process, Sea Isle City's former public-school building at 4501 Park Road was demolished in the spring of 2023. During the summer of 2023, surcharge soil was placed on the property as part of Phase 1 Site Preparations for the future Community Center. Then, after a four-month review process of our construction documents by the New Jersey State Comptroller's Office, the project went out to bid; and on February 27, 2024, City Council awarded a contract in the amount of $21,093,000 to Ernest Bock & Sons, of Philadelphia, for the construction of the Community Center.

On March 5, 2024, a pre-construction meeting took place, attended by numerous representatives from Bock & Sons, as well as Architect Henry Hengchua, the Project Managers, Mayor Desiderio, the City's Business Administrator, and several other City officials. In April 2024, Bock & Sons began to mobilize equipment on the site. Since then, an electric service pole was installed, test pilings were driven, and unwanted vegetation and debris were removed. Also, storm water drainage pipes were installed, underground utility work took place around the perimeter of the building, and the installation of more than 520 foundation pilings was completed.

Installation of the building's first floor structural support system has been completed, and the garage's concrete flooring (under the building) has been poured. Utility installation continues, and the building's cement block elevator shaft and stairwells have emerged. Block work continues around the perimeter of the building, and prep-work is underway for plumbing and electrical services. The building's steel framing is expected to be delivered in November.

This project is on schedule.

Construction is expected to be completed in the autumn of 2025.

**PLEASE NOTE:** The contractor has closed the sidewalks adjacent to the construction site along 45th and 46th Streets, however the sidewalks along Park Road and Central Avenue are open to pedestrians.

The photos below of the Community Center construction site were taken on October 30, from 56th Street (top photo) and Park Road…





## County Drainage Construction on 55th Street (Landis Avenue to Roberts Avenue

Beginning on approximately November 6, 2024, the County will begin work on the outfall upgrades along 55th Street. This work involves the construction of a new 36-inch outfall pipe that will take runoff from the Landis Avenue watershed and discharge into the meadow at the street-end. The existing city drainage system will remain in place but will be upgraded in size at Roberts Avenue. Both parallel systems will discharge into a new valve chamber that will be constructed at the street-end. Check valves will prevent tidewater from backing up into the system. The installation of piles (to support the new precast concrete value chamber) will begin first. The County and its contractor will make every effort to advise residents concerning access limitations in advance.

## Roadway Reconstruction - various streets

On August 13, 2025, City Council awarded a contract in the amount of $656,129.00 to Think Pavers, of Mr. Royal, NJ, for the reconstruction of:

- 38th Street (Landis Avenue to Central Avenue)
- 58th Street (Landis Avenue to Central Avenue)
- 59th Street (Central Avenue to Sounds Avenue)
- Sounds Avenue (59th Street to the Dealy Field Kayak Launch & Hockey Court)

A preconstruction meeting took place on September 11, 2024. Work on this project will begin soon.

## 75th Street Bulkhead

On June 11, 2024, City Council awarded a contract in the amount of $281,050 to R. A. Walters & Sons, Inc., of Cape May Court House, NJ, for the replacement of the bulkhead at 75th Street and the bay. Work on this project is underway. The photos below of the 75th Street bulkhead were taken on October 30…






**Storm Sewer Repair – 324 45th Place**

On March 26, 2024, City Council awarded a contract in the amount of $66,010 to Think Pavers, of Mt. Royal, NJ, for the repair and replacement of the storm sewer, which by an easement runs through the above referenced property. A preconstruction video was completed; and work on this project has been completed.

**ADA Ramps to the Promenade**

On January 23, 2024, City Council awarded a contract in the amount of $298,500 to R. A. Walters, of Cape May Court House, NJ, for the construction of ADA-compliant ramps leading to the Promenade at the 51st Street and 53rd Street street-ends. A preconstruction meeting took place on February 12, 2024. Both ramps are completed and open to the public.

**Water Main Replacement – 31st Street**

On January 23, 2023, City Council awarded a contract in the amount of $186,660.20 to Mathis Construction, of Little Egg Harbor Township, NJ, for water main replacement and service renewals on 31st Street (Landis Avenue to Central Avenue). A preconstruction meeting took place on February 14, 2024. The replacement of the water main has been completed.

**Roadway Reconstruction – 46th Place**

On September 12, 2023, City Council awarded a contract in the amount of $215,636.00 to Think Pavers and Hardscape, of Mt. Royal, NJ, for the reconstruction of 46th Place. A preconstruction meeting took place on November 14, 2023. The concrete and storm sewer work has been completed, and all paving has been completed.

**Asbestos Sanitary Sewer Replacement and Water Line Work**

On March 14, 2023, City Council awarded a contract in the amount of $457,737.25 to Perna Finnigan, Inc., of Vineland, NJ, for the following work:

- Asbestos Cement Sanitary Sewer replacement on 40th Street (Central Avenue to Landis Avenue).
- Water Services as needed on 40th Street (Landis Avenue to Central Avenue).
- Water Main replacement on Central Avenue (40th Street to West Jersey Avenue).

A pre-construction meeting took place on March 15, 2023. The water main replacement has been completed on Central Avenue. The Sanitary Sewer replacement on 40th Street has been completed, and the contractor has connected the properties on the street. An add-on to this project addressed improvements to the sanitary sewer on Cini Street (36th Street to 38th Street) and in the vicinity of VFW Post 1963, which has been completed. Most of the ditches involved with this project have been asphalted. The water main tie-in and trench paving have been completed.

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