



## MATANZAS LOOP ROAD GROUNDBREAKING

MAY 14, 2026 | MAYOR MIKE NORRIS

Good morning everyone,

Thank you all for being here today as we take an important step forward for Palm Coast.

Today's groundbreaking is about more than building a road. It's about planning for the future of our city and making sure we stay ahead of growth instead of reacting to it later.

The Matanzas Loop Road will improve connectivity on the west side of Palm Coast and eventually tie into larger regional transportation projects that are being planned between Jacksonville and Orlando. That future connection could create major opportunities for our community, improve traffic movement, and help support economic growth throughout the region.

But with opportunity also comes responsibility.

As Palm Coast continues to grow, we have to make sure growth happens the right way. Our residents want smart planning, protected neighborhoods, safe roads, and infrastructure that keeps up with development. I want our community to know that we hear those concerns loud and clear.

This City Council is committed to making sure development is carefully planned and responsibly managed. We are not going to allow unchecked growth or a free-for-all approach. Every decision must be made with the long-term best interest of Palm Coast residents in mind.

That means balancing growth with quality of life.

It means making sure roads, utilities, public safety, and infrastructure are part of the conversation from the very beginning.

And it means continuing to listen to our residents as these projects move forward.

Projects like this do not happen overnight, and they certainly do not happen without teamwork and persistence.

Today is an exciting milestone, and I believe it represents positive momentum for Palm Coast. But we will continue moving forward carefully, thoughtfully, and responsibly as we shape the future of this community together.

Thank you all for being here today, and thank you for continuing to stay engaged in the future of Palm Coast.

Let's break ground.