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CITY HOSTS TELECOM PARKWAY GROUND BREAKING

TEMPLE TERRACE, FL. – (10/10/14) – The City will celebrate the start of construction on the long-awaited Telecom Parkway Extension with a special Groundbreaking Ceremony on Friday, Oct. 17, 2014.

The event will start at 9 a.m. at the intersection of Arbor Island Boulevard and Telecom Parkway in Telecom Park, located off Fletcher Avenue in Temple Terrace. Mayor Frank Chillura, state Sen. Tom Lee, state Rep. Dan Raulerson, Hillsborough County Commissioner Al Higginbotham, members of the Temple Terrace City Council and other dignitaries and guests will be in attendance.

Telecom Park is one of Tampa Bay's top corporate business parks and one of Temple Terrace's key economic activity centers. Officials say the \$1.8 million Telecom Parkway Extension to Morris Bridge Road will provide greater access to the 326-acre office park, while providing many additional benefits.

The extension will improve overall traffic circulation, alleviate traffic congestion on Fletcher Avenue, and shave nearly two minutes off Fire Station No. 2's emergency response time in the northeastern part of the City.

The project also will support the community's Multimodal Transportation District designation by incorporating bicycle lanes, sidewalks and a multiuse trail. And, it will help spur development and economic growth in the area.

The Telecom Parkway Extension was made possible through federal, state and local grants, officials said. The City extends thanks to Attorney General Pam Bondi, Sen. Lee and everyone in the Hillsborough County Legislative Delegation who helped secure state funding for this important project.

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