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MEDIA ALERT

Winter Park celebrates completion of Phase 1 of the Park Avenue Refresh project

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WHEN: Tuesday, October 13

TIME: 8:30 a.m.

WHERE: Corner of Garfield and Park avenues, Downtown Winter Park

WINTER PARK, FL (October 12, 2026) On Tuesday, October 13, at 8:30 a.m., the City of Winter Park, project team and community partners will be celebrating the completion of Phase 1 of the [Park Avenue Refresh Project](#). The event will be held at the corner of Garfield and Park avenues in downtown Winter Park – the southern boundary of Phase 1 improvements.

Phase 1 of this infrastructure, safety and hardscape improvement project, funded by the Community Redevelopment Agency, officially began January 20, 2026, and included:

- Installation of underground conduit for new electrical, low voltage, fiber and irrigation lines.
- Repair of broken sidewalks, curbs, and raised planter boxes.
- Treatments at intersections for pedestrian, guest and vehicular safety and ADA compliance.
- New dark sky streetlights equipped with integrated smart hubs, smart technology, banner arms & hanging baskets.
- Seasonal landscaping & additional live oaks.
- Decorative planter pots & safety bollards.
- New trash & recycling receptacles.

As promised, before the busy holiday season, we have finished fluffing our feathers for Phase 1, something beautiful is here. Phase 2 (Garfield to New England avenues) is expected to begin January 2027. Phase 3 (New England to Fairbanks avenues) is expected to begin in 2028.

[Access Phase 1 before and after photos.](#) # # #

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