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**CITY OF PORT ORANGE TO TEST AND EVALUATE CITY STREETS
WITH DATA COLLECTION SERVICE FIRM**

First Pavement Testing of its Kind in History of the City

Port Orange, FL...The Public Works Department within the City of Port Orange has begun the automated condition testing and evaluation of approximately 312 miles of the City's public streets. The testing is the first of its kind in the history of the City of Port Orange and for the Public Works Department.

Public Works is working with IMS Infrastructure Management Services, a pavement distress data collection firm that has progressively developed new automated pavement data collection technologies together with real-world software applications to become a recognized international leader in the field of pavement management and right of way asset management since its inception in 1985.

The condition data from the test will be loaded into a street pavement module of the recently acquired Work and Asset Management System and used to plan and carry out a proactive and robust preventive maintenance of the City's street network. The data will also be used to establish an annual street resurfacing and rehabilitation program, which will be available on the City's website.

IMS has a fleet of automated data collection vehicles to perform pavement surface distress surveys, multi-camera video logging and can create a right of way asset inventory. "The use of the test data will be transformative, as it would allow our Department to move from less efficient paving based on the street age to more efficient paving based on the actual street condition," says Branford N. Adumuah, Public Works Director. "The new approach will also significantly reduce cost and provide visibility and transparency to our residents with respect to when their streets are paved."

The testing will take between 10-14 days to complete.

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