

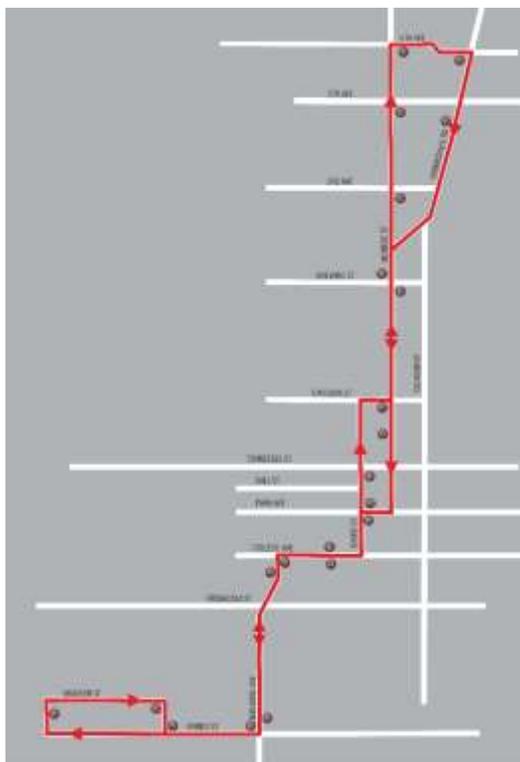


Over the past two years, Tallahassee's downtown, from Midtown to Lafayette Street to the Gaines Street District, has been undergoing a renaissance.

College Town! College Town, an exciting new venue, has recently opened in the Gaines District at the corner of Woodward Ave. and Madison St. Over 600 full-time and part-time jobs were



created, proof of how public investment can stimulate economic development and job growth in our community. The revitalization of the Gaines Street area is transforming Tallahassee into a community where citizens can live, work and play without traveling very far. Come on down to check out the new shops and restaurants in College Town and all along Gaines St. the next time you're in the area.



And.... Catch the Rhythm! With all the new activity in town, folks are out and about. Several business groups, in concert with the Downtown Improvement Authority, came to the Commission with a request for help to move people around the area and between destinations—they wanted a trolley that circulated in a loop. Now, the new Rhythm Route is up and running on Friday and Saturday evenings from 5 PM to 3 AM through

October 2013

Upcoming Events

October 19, Cash for Trash, 2727 Municipal Way, 8AM-2PM

October 23, Regular City Commission Meeting—City Hall, 4 PM

October 28, Noise Ordinance Public Meeting, Los Robles Woman's Club, 6-8 PM

October 29, Mayor's Summit on Race, Culture and Human Relations, Turnbull Conference Center, 8AM-5PM

November 20, City Commission Target Issue Workshop, City Hall, 3:30 PM

November 26, Regular City Commission Meeting—City Hall, 4 PM

Downtown, Midtown and the Gaines St. area! This new route connects Midtown at Sixth Avenue with Downtown and the campuses. You can hop on and off along the way to experience a wide range of dining, entertainment and shopping options. The service appeals to all ages, from families attending downtown festivals to people who just want to go to dinner after work. The route not only offers an added level of safety, but builds a sense of community through a shared experience that is fun and exciting.

New Electric Bus Fleet

Recently, StarMetro unveiled our new electric bus charging station at C.K. Steele Plaza, and now five electric buses have been added to the fleet! The addition of the charging station and buses were made possible through a Federal Transit Administration grant awarded to StarMetro in 2010. These new buses charge within 10 minutes at the station, while passengers unload and board the bus.



Public Works Director Receives National Award

American City & County Magazine has named the City of Tallahassee's very own Public Works Director, Gabriel Menendez, the Public Works Leader of the Year! Gabe was in competition with individuals from communities across the United States and was awarded this honor for his creative and innovative work on Gaines Street and FAMU Way, among other projects. The magazine was specifically interested in the way he strives to involve local residents, businesses and the universities to create outstanding road projects. He was featured and recognized on the cover of the most recent edition of the magazine. Congratulations to Gabe Menendez!

Warmly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Nancy Miller'.

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Did You Know?

- The City is in the process of drafting a Noise Ordinance. A public meeting on this topic is set for Monday, October 28th from 6-8 PM at the Woman's Club in Los Robles. Find out more information or provide input online at: <http://www.talgov.com/growth/growth-noise-ordinance.aspx>
- The City's biannual Cash for Trash event is Saturday October 19th from 8 AM until 2 PM at 2727 Municipal Way (just off West Pensacola Street near the Messer Field softball complex). For more information, please visit the City's website at [Talgov.com/YOU](http://www.talgov.com/you) or call Your Own Utilities at 891-4YOU (4968).



- Looking for a new pet? Visit the Animal Services Center's online kennel: <http://www.talgov.com/animals/OnlineKennel.aspx> You might just find a new friend! (And don't forget to spay or neuter your pets, please.)