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Look for flashing signal lights at the intersection of Johnson Avenue and Gardens Boulevard starting Wednesday, April 23. The signal lights will be set to flashing for 90 days, in anticipation of the eventual removal of the signal.

According to Laura Melton, director of engineering services for the City, traffic studies performed and reviewed by consultants “indicate that this signal can be removed without significant impact on levels of service at this intersection. Studies indicate that approximately 21 seconds of green time can be added to the flow of traffic on Hwy. 174 once the signal retiming is completed to account for the removal of the Johnson/Gardens signal. The impact of that additional cycle time is significant for the tens of thousands of vehicles travelling on Hwy. 174 daily.”

Traffic on Gardens Boulevard will have a flashing yellow light, and will be able to proceed with caution through the intersection. Traffic on Johnson will have a flashing red light and will stop before proceeding through the intersection. However, re-striping and new signage will be put in place to allow the right turn from Johnson onto Gardens to proceed after yielding to Gardens traffic.

The City will have signs and striping in place at that intersection prior to April 23.