



TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT DECEMBER 2015

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS / INITIATIVES / ENHANCEMENTS

1. See Click Fix -- Report attached.

PLANNING, ZONING AND DEVELOPMENT

2. Ten Year Water Supply Plan

The Town is required to update its Ten Year Water Supply Plan including identifying any alternate water supply sources and analyzing/updating data from our current supplier. Funds for this project are included in the FY 14/15 Budget. Work Authorization No. 89 – Ten Year Water Supply Plan has been executed with CGA in the amount of \$7,466.92. This was unanimously recommended for approval to the Town Commission by the Planning and Zoning Board at their March 26, 2015 meeting. The Town Commission approved this item until May 12, 2015, on first reading and transmitted it to the State of Florida for review and comment. Comments have been addressed and this item is scheduled on December 8, 2015 for second reading.

3. Development Applications

- a) 8851 Harding Avenue – A site plan application for a 23 unit development has been submitted to the Town. Staff held a Development Review Meeting with the applicant in January 2015. A resubmittal addressing Staff comments has not been received.
- b) 8800 Collins Avenue – A site plan application for a 25 unit development has been submitted to the Town. Staff held a Development Review Meeting with the applicant in March and June and a Development Impact Committee was held on July 22, 2015. Approximately 25 conditions were presented to the applicant and the project was reviewed and approved with conditions at the August 27, 2015 Planning and Zoning Board hearing. This application is schedule for the December 8, 2015 Commission meeting.
- c) 9415-9421 Harding Avenue – A site plan application for a 145 square foot addition at the rear of the building abutting the alley has been submitted. Staff reviewed the application with the applicant and a Development Impact Committee meeting was held June 23, 2015. The applicant has indicated that they may no longer wish to proceed and has asked to stop any further reviews as this time.
- d) 9133-9149 Collins Avenue – A site plan application for the Surf Club II has been received and a Development Review meeting was held on September 4, 2015. The applicant received Staff comments and will be required to resubmit revisions prior to scheduling of future meetings. The plans include

restoring a 16 dwelling unit historic building (the Seaway Villas) and adding a 34 unit, 12 story building immediately north of the Surf Club I.

4. Alleyway Improvements

Staff has observed overflowing trash containers throughout the alleys in the business district and is considering providing multiple banks of dumpsters in enclosures for the businesses. However, there is limited space, which may be due to illegal additions or parking that was never permitted. In order to start the conversation with the business district on upgrades to the alleys with dumpster enclosures, Staff will send out a letter to the property owners notifying them that violations have been observed in the alley and if their property is in violation, they can come in an pull permits within 30 days of the letter without penalty. After 30 days, the Town will do a sweep of the alley and determine outstanding violations and proceed with code enforcement mechanisms. This will be the first step to improving the conditions within the alleys.

TOWN DEPARTMENTS

Code Compliance

5. Code Compliance Cases Settled

Code compliance cases settled via settlement agreements after compliance was attained: Since March of 2012 approximately \$205,697.00 has been collected (or settled with monthly payment plans) for Code Compliance violation related civil penalties, after mitigation or negotiated settlement.

The following is a summary by Fiscal Year:

FY 11/12: 8 cases settled for a total of \$16,875

FY 12/13: 9 cases settled for a total of \$15,750

FY 13/14: 6 cases settled for a total of \$67,293

FY 14/15: 26 cases settled for a total of \$86,869, and a pending settlement for \$40,000

FY 15/16: 13 cases have submitted payments totaling \$18,910.00 (November 1- November 20, 2015)

Parks and Recreation

6. New Programs

The Parks and Recreation Department in conjunction with GM sports will run its first annual youth tennis tournament. Participants currently registered in the youth tennis program will have an opportunity to demonstrate their skills tournament style. The tournament will be held December 6, 2015 at the Surfside Tennis Center. The tournament will be held for participants 7 and older.

The Parks and Recreation Department implemented a competitive soccer team in the age group 8 and under. This team has competed in the Sunny Isles competitive league and on December 5, 2015 will compete in the leagues Championship Game.

Police Department

7. Sand Project Update

With the change to the sand project making the site a construction site, officers working the detail should make sure to keep the work area secure at all times during their details. Orange fencing and signs have been placed throughout the site which includes the north half of the beach (92-96) at this time. The fencing completely closes in the perimeter of the construction site. The beach chairs from the hotel and condos have been removed from the beach. Officers may refer to Florida Statute 810.09(2)(d)1 regarding trespassing on a construction site if needed. Civilians are not allowed into the work area at any time for safety and security reasons. The on duty patrol supervisor monitors the operation and off duty officers, and update the command staff.

Friday evening Officers will make sure the beach entries are opened for the weekend and Monday morning Officers will ensure the site is closed off before the project resumes.

State Statute 810.09(2)(d)1 reads:

(d) The offender commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s.775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084, if the property trespassed is a construction site that is:

1. Greater than 1 acre in area and is legally posted and identified in substantially the following manner: "this area is a designated construction site, and anyone who trespasses on this property commits a felony."

Our purpose is to keep people safe and not to arrest. Beachgoers will be warned to stay out of the construction area.

8. Police Department Re-Accreditation Dates Changed to January 20, 21, and 22

The Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation, Inc. (CFA) was established by charter on December 13, 1994 and incorporated on February 9, 1995. It is an independent, tax-exempt, not-for-profit corporation designated as the accrediting body for Florida law enforcement agencies, corrections agencies, pretrial, and Inspectors General Offices. The Commission's purpose is to establish a program for accreditation that can be achieved by all Florida law enforcement agencies.

The Accreditation Assessment Team of the CFA is an independent reviewing authority that determines if a law enforcement agency has met specific requirements and prescribed standards. To be accredited the agency must be in compliance with hundreds of standards established by the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation. These standards address all facets of the agency including administration, internal affairs operations, investigations, patrol, personnel, training, traffic, response to resistance, support services functions and more. Many of the over 260 current standards are critical to life, health and safety issues. The Certificate of Accreditation is awarded for a three year period.

The Surfside Police Department applied to participate in the CFA Accreditation process in 2009. The department passed the rigorous process and received initial accreditation status. Every three years CFA Accredited law enforcement agencies must again go through the accreditation process, called re-accreditation, to ensure that they are maintaining the highest standards of professionalism. The Surfside Police Department went through the re-accreditation process in 2012 and successfully passed.

On January 20, 21, and 22, 2016 the Surfside Police Department will begin its second re-accreditation process with The Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation. A team of assessors from the CFA will arrive at the Surfside Police Department to conduct the on-site inspection, interviews, and necessary file reviews as part of the department's re-accreditation process.

The Surfside Police Department has proudly attained and maintains accredited status demonstrating to the community that the agency is committed to the highest standards of professional law enforcement service.

9. Police Events

- The Hanukah Parade is December 6th at 3:30pm. Sgt. Alberto is responsible for the action plan and staffing with SPD, Bal Harbour PD and Bay Harbor Islands PD.
- The Young Israel Chanukah Candle Lighting ceremony is on December 6th at 4:00 p.m. Sgt. Alberto will represent the Police Department.
- Steering Committee Meeting on December 10th at 10:00 a.m. at the HIDTA Building in Doral. Chief Allen will attend.
- The Police Department will host a Mobile Department of Motor Vehicles event for residents to apply for and renew their driver's licenses on December 17th from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the training room.
- The monthly Bike with the Chief will be December 16th, 2015 at Town Hall; Coffee with the Cops will be December 18th, 2015 at Starbucks.
- The Police Department's annual Toy Drive and Holiday Party is December 18th at 3:00 p.m. in the Commission Chambers.

PROJECTS PROGRESS UPDATES

10. Information Technology and TV Broadcasts

IT has configured the point-to-point connection between the Community Center and Town Hall to enable faster file transfers and server access. AVI is in progress of upgrading the cameras, speakers, and broadcast system before the end of the year. IT will be replacing the battery backup in the Community Center server room and will also be updating the RecTrac software. IT is waiting on an updated quote for the surveillance camera in the parking lot. IT will be completing the migration to the new fileshare the first week in December. IT will be ordering equipment and software for the mechanics department. IT is working with the Police Department to transition from CopLink to LINX. IT is also obtaining quotes for Microsoft Project Standard 2016 software.

11. Town-Owned Seawall Repair

All onsite work is completed for the first group of seawalls. CGA was successful in obtaining FIND grant money for the second group of seawalls and is awaiting Town direction and allocation of matching funds.

12. Traffic Circle

The speed table on Byron is complete. Flashing warning lights have been installed onto the bulb out curbs to make them more visible to drivers driving down Byron Avenue. These lights will help drivers avoid hitting the curbs when they make their turn onto Byron going north. All of the markings on the roadway are complete as well.

Respectfully submitted:

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