

Volusia County Government Activities May 21 – 27, 2022

AVIATION & ECONOMIC RESOURCES

Daytona Beach International Airport

Air Service, Marketing, Customer Experience: Joanne Magley and Mihai Smighelschi will provide general information on airport activities and operations at the Daytona Beach Area Association of Realtors meeting on June 1. For more information, contact Joanne Magley at jmagley@flydab.org.

Operations: Staff will be supporting military aircraft on the ground, including the A10 Warthog and Huey helicopters. The aircraft are part of the flyovers for the Heroes Honor Festival May 27-28. For more information, contact Joanne Magley at jmagley@flydab.org.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Community Assistance: Community Assistance will hold a public meeting to discuss the development of the FY 2022/23 Consolidated One-Year Action Plan at 3:30 p.m. on June 13 in the TCK Training Room, DeLand. The meeting is part of the planning process prior to creating an action plan that will summarize the activities planned for the year to address community needs with Community Development Block Grant, Home Investment Partnerships Program and Emergency Solutions Grant funding. Residents and agencies are encouraged to attend the public meeting in person or virtually to participate in discussions regarding the development of the plan. To request additional information, contact Carmen Hall, Community Assistance Director, at chall@volusia.org.

Votran: Votran will be operating on holiday schedule on May 30 for Memorial Day. Fixed Route and Votran Gold will be operating reduced service. Votran operators, staff and our paratransit subcontractor partners have distributed more than 720,000 face masks.

COUNTY MANAGER'S OFFICE

Community Information: Staff completed work on creating a recruiting landing web page for the Emergency Medical Services Division, with the page going live on May 27:

<https://www.volusia.org/services/public-protection/emergency-medical-services/join-our-team/>

Staff also is continuing to assist the Corrections Division with a recruiting campaign. Additionally, staff is helping to coordinate upcoming ribbon-cutting events, including a ceremony at 10 a.m. on June 17, to mark completion of the Gabordy Canal and 10th Street widening projects and an upcoming ceremony for the Edwin S. Peck Sr. Park during the month of June, with the exact date and time to be determined. Staff also will be coordinating a video shoot pertaining to the scheduled artificial reef deployment on June 18 that will take place 2.75 miles offshore of Lighthouse Point Park. For more information, contact Kevin Captain at kcaptain@volusia.org.

GROWTH & RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Environmental Management: As of May 25, there were a total of 169 sea turtle nests on County managed beaches. This is an above average amount of nests, only 25 days into the season. A rare Kemps Ridley nest was laid on May 25 in Ormond-by-the-Sea. The Marine Mammal Stranding Team rescued a mother and calf manatee pair from a residential canal in Edgewater after a Manatee Watch volunteer reported the injured mother to Manatee Protection Plan staff and FWC. Both mom and calf were rescued and are in care at SeaWorld Orlando. For more information, contact Ginger Adair at gadair@volusia.org.

OCEAN CENTER

Events: The Atlantic Coast Classic moves into the building on June 1 to begin setup for the functional fitness competition taking place June 3-5. The event utilizes the arena, ballroom and exhibit hall and is expected to bring in 4,000 attendees over three days, generating 1,000 room nights. The Tourist Development Council will meet on June 3 in meeting room 103. For more information, contact Tim Riddle at triddle@volusia.org.

PUBLIC PROTECTION

Beach Safety: Beach Safety Week kicked off on May 23, with beach safety tips and information posted on social media all week. Director Ethridge and Deputy Chief Malphurs filmed with Volusia Today on May 27 in reference to Memorial Day. Beach Safety is conducting its annual agency photo and a mass swimming drill on May 28 with all full and part-time personnel. For more information, contact Division Director Andy Ethridge, (386) 239-6414.



Emergency Medical Administration: The transition of EMS medical direction is underway to ensure there is no interruption in service. Transition activities include, but are not limited to, a formal declaration of change in medical direction; authorization of pre-hospital standing orders and treatment protocols, including trauma transport protocols; executing authorizations for purchase of medical devices and medications under Dr. Gershen; acquiring registrations for Dr. Gershen under the United States Drug Enforcement Administration for all providers; and terminating authorizations to purchase medical devices and medications under Dr. Springer. For more information, contact Division Director Mark Wolcott, (386) 561-8087.

Emergency Medical Services: EMS hosted paramedic and EMT interviews this week. For more information, contact Division Director Michael Colman, (386) 236-3511.

PUBLIC WORKS

Coastal: Staff coordinated the installation of a new entrance gate at Smyrna Dunes Park, similar to the new beach gate design. For more information, contact Jessica Fentress at (386) 248-8072, ext. 20356.



Engineering & Construction: Construction and Engineering continues to forge ahead with several roadway projects. Howland Boulevard roadway and curb construction is ongoing, with pond sodding activities also taking place. The 10th Street widening project is coming to a close with the installation of a lift station for the Utilities Commission. Finally, the Orange Camp Road widening project continues with road and roundabout construction, along with Duke Energy street light installation. For more information, contact Tadd Kasbeer at (386) 736-5967, ext. 15846.

Mosquito Control: Mosquito Control is preparing a schedule of events for the upcoming National Mosquito Control Awareness Week in June. These community events will be located throughout the East Volusia Mosquito Control District and will provide residents with an opportunity to learn about mosquito biology, reduction of mosquito habitats in their yard and mosquito bite prevention tips. Event details will be posted on our website and social media pages. For more information, contact Marcus McDonough at (386) 424-2920, ext. 20272.



Road & Bridge:

In honor of National Public Works Week from May 15-21, we extend our appreciation for the accomplishments that our fellow public works professionals contribute to the public health, quality of life and well-being of Volusia County residents and visitors. For more information, contact Lori Koontz at (386) 822-6422, ext. 20455.

Solid Waste:

There will be no change to garbage, recycling, bulk waste or yard trash collection schedules for residents of unincorporated Volusia County on Memorial Day, May 30. If your normal collection day is May 31, please place items at the curb by 6 a.m. for normal collection. The Tomoka Farms Road Landfill and West Volusia Transfer Station will be open regular hours of operation. FCC Environmental Services held a community bulky item cleanup in the northwest quadrant of the county on May 21. More than 29 tons of household bulky items were collected and disposed of properly. For more information, contact Regina Montgomery at (386) 947-2952, ext. 21347.

Traffic Engineering:

At last month's River to Sea TPO Technical Coordinating Committee meeting, with the intent of improving city-county/developer coordination, Traffic Engineering staff provided city representatives with updated informational handouts to provide to developers seeking driveway connections to County thoroughfare roadways in their respective cities. For more information, contact Jon Cheney at (386) 736-5968, ext. 12709.

Water Resources and Utilities:

Scheduled replacement of membranes at the Spruce Creek water treatment plant has been completed. The Spruce Creek facility uses reverse osmosis technology to treat raw water to safe drinking water standards for community businesses and more than 4,000 residents. For more information, contact Mike Ulrich at (386) 943-7027, ext. 12724.

