

Volusia County Government Activities June 13- 19, 2020

Aviation and Economic Resources

Daytona Beach International Airport

Administration & Properties: The airport has received two draws against the \$21 million FAA CARES Act Grant, with \$2,238,528.

Facilities & Maintenance: The Taxiway November project has entered a new phase of construction, which should be completed by the end of July. The ground maintenance team has been working on additional landscaping for the cell phone / observation lot. Staff have been busy installing new location signage at the taxiways in preparation for the upcoming FAA inspection in October.

Marketing & Customer Experience: Staff launched the airport's Ready To Fly initiative June 9, which combines enhanced safety practices such as deep cleaning and disinfection, social distancing, sanitizer stations and public messaging. The initiative was publicized through a news release and social media and included in previously purchased billboard and digital advertising space. Staff facilitated interviews with television stations 9 and 13, newspapers including Daytona Beach News Journal and DeLand Beacon. The story also aired on numerous radio stations. Staff facilitated interviews with the Daytona Beach News Journal on the promotion of Karen Feaster to Airport Director. That story was also promoted on the airport's social media pages including Facebook (2.5K reached 6/16-6/18) and Linked In (4,105 impressions 6/16-6/18). For more information, contact Joanne Magley at 386-248-8030 ext: 18309 or jmagley@volusia.org.

Community Services

Agriculture Extension (AG Center)

Extension Services received a \$2,000 grant from the Florida Friendly Landscaping Program to add additional educational signage to the demonstration and teaching gardens located at the agricultural center. Our faculty team will host a virtual program for citizens interested in keeping chickens and producing eggs for their family on June 24 at 6:00 pm. Citizens can call us at 386-822-5778 or contact Brad Burbaugh at bburbaugh@volusia.org for more information or to register for the program.

Community Assistance

Grant funds are currently available for FY 2020-21 programs in Volusia County that serve children and the community. Non-profit agencies with programs in the following categories may be eligible to apply for funding through the Request for Statement of Qualifications (RSQ) process: services for persons with disabilities, services for seniors, youth development services (kindergarten through high school graduation), basic needs services, and family support services. More information on the RSQ service categories and solicitations can be found here:

https://vcservices.vcgov.org/solicitation_list/?t=do_search&bid_status=O&d=ASC.

Non-profit agencies with unique programs that do not fit within these service categories may be eligible to apply through the Contingency Funding application process. More information on the Contingency Funding process can be found here: <https://www.volusia.org/services/community-services/community-assistance/applications.stml>. The Children and Families Advisory Board (CFAB) will review and score applications and make funding recommendations for both funding sources.

Votran

Votran welcomes Bobbie King, Community Services Operation Manager as she joins us temporarily to assist with the transition to First Transit. She will be riding buses and taking a tour of Votran facilities and transfer locations east, west and southeast on Friday. Votran received delivery of seven new Fixed Route buses. These will be replacing old buses in the fleet. For more information, contact Edie Biro at 386-756-7496.

County Manager's Office

Community Information

Staff continue to communicate, coordinate and collaborate on activities and information related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Staff coordinated a panel discussion with area physician leaders to discuss the health matters germane to the pandemic. The production coordination team continue to upgrade and test new audio-visual changes for County Council meetings in the chambers. The division's interim director was confirmed by the County Council on June 16. For more information, contact Kevin Captain at kcaptain@volusia.org.

Finance

Information Technology

IT presented the final version of the Lyonia Story map to Environmental Management:

<https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/ae5b9ccb3b7945bbab0168a862f15b41> This story map shows the history and rich diversity of the Lyonia Preserve in Deltona. For more information, contact Kevin Bengé at kbenge@volusia.org or Brian Whiting at bwhiting@volusia.org.

Ocean Center

Ocean Center Director Don Poor will be retiring June 26 after 11 years in the position. Tim Riddle is taking over the director position and was confirmed by the County Council on June 16. For more information, contact Tim Riddle at 386-254-4500 ext: 24514 or triddle@volusia.org.



Public Protection

Animal Services

Animal Services will deliver presentations one day each week at the Halifax Humane Society summer camp. This yearly camp, which began June 2 will run through August 6 and is designed for children ages 6-12, offering opportunities to learn firsthand experience about shelter life as well as more information about dogs, cats, bunnies, birds, marine life and more. Animal Services will teach responsible pet ownership and familiarize the children with the role Animal services has in the community. For more information call Mark Swanson at 386-740-5120.

Public Works

Coastal

The Coastal Division installed new beach ramp gates at the Minerva Road ramp in Daytona Beach Shores and children's picnic tables at the riverside playground in Bethune Beach Park. The Coastal Division also collaborated with the Corrections Division on landscape improvements at the Hiles Blvd off-beach parking lot in New Smyrna Beach and coastal trades workers installed composite handrail caps on the Amsden Road off-Beach parking lot ADA walkover in Ormond Beach. For more information, contact Terri Propst at (386) 248-8072, ext. 20337.

Mosquito Control

Mosquito Control is experiencing an increase in customer service requests due to the container mosquitoes *Aedes albopictus* & *Aedes aegypti* (see photo). The Division is encouraging residents to take a walk around their homes to look for anything that holds a small amount of water such as the saucers under potted plants, yard ornaments including bird baths, clogged gutters, and kid's toys. Dumping the water in these items at least once a week will break the mosquito life cycle. For more information, contact Suzanne Bartlett, (386) 424-2920, ext. 20272.

Road & Bridge

At the request of the Coastal Division, Road & Bridge crews repaired eroded areas on the 5th Ave beach ramp in New Smyrna Beach and to the Oceanview Ave beach parking area in Ponce Inlet. For more information, contact Benjamin Bartlett at (386) 822-6422, ext. 20470.

Solid Waste

The household hazardous waste center addition project at the Tomoka Farms Road Landfill is underway. The addition will house the paint and household chemical exchange area. The foundation is complete and construction of the steel building is set to begin this week. For more information, contact Solid Waste Director Regina Montgomery at (386) 947-2952, ext. 21347.



Traffic Engineering

The pandemic has reduced the number of vehicles traveling within Volusia County and increased concerns about speeding in residential neighborhoods. Staff is working with the Sheriff's Office to provide time(s) of day when most of the excessive speeding occurs for the Sheriff's Office to be efficient in selective speed enforcement. For more information, contact Jon Cheney at (386) 736-5968, ext. 12709.

Water Resources and Utilities

Utilities operations and engineering staff met with Orange City planning and utilities staff to assess service area needs in anticipation of future business and population growth. The County provides wastewater treatment and distributes reclaimed water to the city utility for its customers. An efficient wastewater collection and treatment system is key to sustainable population growth, economic development, and protection of the area's natural resources. For more information, contact Mike Ulrich at (386) 943-7027, ext. 12724.