

Volusia County Government Activities November 19 – 25, 2022

AVIATION & ECONOMIC RESOURCES

Economic Development: The sale of the final county-owned DeLand Crossings Industrial Park property, Lot 6, closed on Nov. 21. For more information, contact Joanne Magley at jmagley@volusia.org.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Library Services: The Library Services Division was selected to participate in the Northeast Florida Library Information Networks Continuity of Operations Planning (COOP) project. Library staff will be able to work with nationally known library consultant Jamie LaRue to develop a plan for the Library Services Division. The purpose of creating a COOP for the Library Services Division is to establish and put in writing the procedures and guidance to ensure that essential functions for the library continue if manufactured, natural or technological emergencies disrupt normal operations. The project will begin with an in-person workshop in Orange Park and continue virtually. For more information, contact Lucinda Colee at LLColee@volusia.org.

Veterans Services: An all-veterans Stand Down event was conducted from Nov. 18 at the Volusia County Health Department, 1845 Holsonback Drive, Daytona Beach. Thirty-two local groups attended the event, each offering different resources for the veterans. Resources and services at the event included assistance with VA benefits, employment information, homelessness, haircuts, chiropractic care, food, clothing, blankets, toiletries, jackets, legal assistance, vaccinations, backpacks filled with useful items and sleeping bags. Everyone at the event was treated to free pizza provided by Giuseppe's Pizza. There were more than 150 veterans that came to the Stand Down, and nearly all received assistance or service at the event. Fifty veterans received a box of food donated by VFW 3282. There were \$1,500.00 in \$25.00 gift cards distributed. For more information, contact Bob Watson at RBWatson@volusia.org.

COUNTY MANAGERS OFFICE

Community Information: Staff produced social media posts and news releases regarding current and upcoming events and ongoing hurricane recovery efforts. Staff is assisting with coordinating the emergency coastal permitting event to be held on Dec. 1, cross promoting the Ocean Center's Light Up Volusia event, and working with the FUTURES Foundation for Volusia County Schools regarding their upcoming visit with Volusia County Government. For more information, contact Kevin Captain at kcaptain@volusia.org.

OCEAN CENTER

Events: Sports54 hosted a two-day women's college basketball tournament in the arena on Nov. 25 and 26, with an estimated 1,000 attendees and 800 total room nights. Florida Association for Media in Education moves into the ballroom, exhibit hall and

meeting rooms on Nov. 28 and 29 for their 2022 conference, which will be held from Nov. 30 through Dec. 2. This private event is estimated to have 600 attendees and generate 679 total room nights. The Ocean Center will host the 12th annual Light up Volusia from 3-6 p.m. on Dec. 3, on the east plaza of the convention center. The public is invited to kick off the holiday season with this holiday event, complete with the tree lighting. The free event will feature kid-friendly activities, snacks, and an opportunity for photos with Santa, as well as live music by The Love Band. The evening will culminate with the traditional lighting of the Ocean Center's holiday tree, which will have over 2,300 lights, 1,200 ornaments and a 6-foot-tall snowburst adorning the top. The event is free to the public. Vehicles that bring an unwrapped children's toy for donation will receive free parking in the Ocean Center lots or parking garage; parking is available for \$10 for those who do not donate a toy. The East Coast Cheer and Dance Championships take place on Dec. 3 and will utilize the arena, ballroom and meeting rooms. Up to 5,000 attendees are expected. Slammedenuff will host a car show in the exhibit hall on Dec. 3 and expects 1,100 attendees. The event is open to the public. Tickets for the event are \$30 and available for purchase at <https://www.slammedenuff.com/tickets.html>. For more information, contact Tim Riddle at triddle@volusia.org.

PUBLIC PROTECTION

Emergency Management: The Division continues to support the affected areas through the Disaster Recovery Center and provide resources to those areas of need for Hurricanes Ian and Nicole. Emergency Management continues to support beach recovery efforts in collaboration with other divisions. For more information, contact James Judge at (386) 254-1500.

Fire Rescue: VCFR met with all agencies on Nov. 22 to discuss training parameters for the four countywide ISO training events planned for 2023. For more information, contact Interim Fire Chief Joe King at (386) 736-5940 ext. 12909.

PUBLIC WORKS

Coastal: Staff continues to repair and reopen assets damaged by Hurricane Nicole. This includes assessing the extent of new damages, removing debris, repairing and/or replacing stair treads and stringers, adding extensions and x-bracing to pilings for structural support, as well as replacing any damaged top caps and/or side rails and aluminum railing. The coastal staff has coordinated with contractors to remove damaged segments of the Inlet Harbor Rd walkover in Ponce Inlet and is continuing to coordinate the removal of other damaged segments at repairable walkovers throughout the county. This is part of the division's ongoing effort to regain public beach access at our beachfront parks and off-beach parking lots. Recent openings post-Hurricane Nicole include:

- *Ormond Beach* – Tom Renick Park and Granada Blvd. restrooms
- *Daytona Beach* – University Blvd. off-beach parking and Sun Splash Park parking, south stairs and restrooms

- *Ponce Inlet* – Beach St. approach, Inlet Harbor Rd. off-beach parking/walkover, Toronita Park parking and restrooms and Winter Haven Park- parking and restrooms, but no beach access
- *New Smyrna Beach* – Beachway Ave., Crawford Rd. and Flagler Ave. beach approaches, Hiles Blvd.- parking and restrooms, Mary McLeod Bethune- westside parking and restrooms, 10th Ave., Pompano Ave., Mullet Ave., Dolphin Ave. and 20th Ave. walkovers.

A total of 128 coastal assets remains closed. For more information, contact Jessica Fentress at (386) 248-8072, ext. 20356.

Mosquito Control: Mosquito Control continues responding to widespread rainfall from Hurricane Nicole by conducting countywide surveillance to monitor mosquito larval and adult populations. Field inspectors are larviciding areas of standing water to prevent larval mosquitoes from emerging into biting adults. Volusia County remains under a Department of Health-issued mosquito-borne illness alert, and residents should use EPA-approved repellents to prevent mosquito bites outdoors. The division is tentatively planning to conduct fixed-wing adulticide operations beginning the night of Nov. 29 and will continue nightly, weather permitting, until completed. Treatment areas are posted on the online webmap, which can be viewed on our website at: volusia.org/mosquito. For more information, contact Marcus McDonough at (386) 424-2920, ext. 20272.

Road and Bridge: Crews responded to a multitude of service requests after Hurricane Nicole. Signs and barricades were placed to alert motorists of flooded roadways. Crews also removed eroded beach sand from the Bethune Beach area road. Fallen trees were also removed from the right-of-way, and a response was provided to residents with flooding concerns. For more information, contact Lori Koontz at (386) 822-6422, ext. 20455.

Solid Waste: FCC Environmental Services will conduct a scheduled community bulky item cleanup in the southwest quadrant of the unincorporated county on Dec. 10. The company will collect up to four bulk items from unincorporated residential households. Residents in this area will receive notice of this service on Dec. 1. For more information, contact Regina Montgomery at (386) 947-2952, ext. 21347.

Traffic Engineering: Staff is currently reviewing the Traffic Impact Analysis for the Avalon Park Daytona development located along the south side of SR 40, west of Tymber Creek Road and approximately 1.25 miles east of Airport Road in the City of Daytona Beach. This two-phase development comprises 200,000 square feet of retail/commercial space, 611 multi-family low-rise dwelling units, 350 multi-family mid-rise dwelling units and 2,289 single-family homes. For more information, contact Jay Williams at (386) 736-5968, ext. 12139.

Water Resources and Utilities: Utilities staff finalized the terms and conditions of a master utility services agreement with Edgewater Waterfront Park, LLC., for the Tamarack subdivision, located in Edgewater and the County's southeast utility service area. The agreement provides water and wastewater services for up to 165 residential

lots. Consideration of the agreement is scheduled for the Dec. 6 County Council meeting. For additional information, contact Mike Ulrich at (386) 943-7027, ext. 12724.