

Volusia County Government Activities  
May 16 – 22, 2020

**Aviation and Economic Resources**

***Economic Development***

Staff continue to be heavily involved in the processing of the small business grant for the COVID-19 pandemic. For more information, contact Joanne Magley at 386-248-8030 ext: 18309 or [jmagley@volusia.org](mailto:jmagley@volusia.org).

**Community Services**

***Votran***

Votran will be running a holiday schedule on May 25 for Memorial Day. Holiday Schedules can be found online at [votran.org](http://votran.org) or onboard the bus. Fares on Fixed Route are still waived to encourage rear door boarding and enable distancing from the operators. Gold Service and Flex fares are also waived. For more information, contact Edie Biro at 386-756-7496.

**County Manager's Office**

***Community Information***

Staff continue with COVID-19 activities with press briefings, panel discussions, social media communications, news releases, graphics and video projects. Staff are processing a special Spanish-speaking COVID-19 panel that was prerecorded this week. The video will be made available on the County's YouTube in the coming week. Also, this week's panel discussion discussed emergency medical care and included key physicians from AdventHealth, Halifax Health and Volusia County. The production coordinators are adding small but new updates for the audio-visual processes for inside the County County Chambers. For more information, contact Kevin Captain at [kcaptain@volusia.org](mailto:kcaptain@volusia.org).

**Finance**

***Information Technology***

Information Technology has completed the development of an electronic First Appearances report to collect, summarize, and organize case information from a variety of sources. This report is generated daily, and will help prepare the First Appearance judges, reduce printing, eliminate the need for physical delivery, and support the Virtual First Appearances program. Continues to volunteer approximately one hour per day to collect and update for the GISCorps online map of COVID-19 testing sites. County staff have taken responsibility for a 10-county area spanning central Florida. For more information, contact Kevin Bengé at [kbenge@volusia.org](mailto:kbenge@volusia.org) or Brian Whiting at [bwhiting@volusia.org](mailto:bwhiting@volusia.org).

**Growth and Resource Management**

***Environmental Management***

The Marine Science Center and the Lyonia Environmental Center are making plans to offer summer camps starting in June. Both facilities will limit the number of participants and follow social distancing and cleanliness guidelines. For more information, contact Clay Ervin at [cervin@volusia.org](mailto:cervin@volusia.org).

**Ocean Center**

***Events***

The end of last week the arena was used by Halifax Urban Ministries to package groceries that were distributed to people in need in Volusia County. Volunteers packed over 600 bags of food for the hungry, homeless and at-risk families they serve. This weekend the Ocean Center arena will be used for the first time since COVID-19. The Hot Tub & Swim Spa Expo will be here May 22-25. This event is free and open to the public. Masks must be worn in order to attend. All social distancing guidelines will be followed by staff and attendees. For more information, contact Tim Riddle at 386-254-4500 ext: 24514 or [triddle@volusia.org](mailto:triddle@volusia.org).

**Public Protection**

***Animal Services***

The City of Pierson and the City of Deltona have signed the interlocal agreement with Volusia county Animals Services for supplemental operational assistance and voluntary cooperation for animal control services. [For more information, contact Mark Swanson at 386-740-5120](#)

**Public Works**

***Coastal***

The Coastal Division installed 1,500 parking post markers on the beach at 25' intervals to facilitate social distancing. Additionally, all county off-beach parking access were fully opened including Lighthouse Point and Smyrna Dunes inlet



parks. Repair of the North Shore Park seawall has also been completed. The division continues to work closely with beach maintenance, concession, ramp toll and port-a-let contractors as full beach driving access is carefully phased in. For more information, contact Terri Propst at (386) 248-8072, ext. 20337.

**Engineering & Construction**

The Williamson Boulevard widening project is underway. Clearing and grubbing operations are currently taking place, along with pond excavations and utility relocations. For more information, contact Tadd Kasbeer at 386-736-5967, ext. 15846.

**Mosquito Control**

Mosquito Control has successfully completed the pre-buy inspection for the County Council approved helicopter purchase. The helicopter is scheduled to be delivered the week of June 1 and equipment has been ordered to begin outfitting for mosquito spraying upon arrival. For more Mosquito Control information, contact Suzanne Bartlett, (386) 424-2920, ext. 20272.

**Road & Bridge**

The Public Works Northeast Services Facility project is progressing well. Building foundations have been placed and the on-site retention pond has been constructed. For more information, contact Benjamin Bartlett at (386) 822-6422, ext. 20470.



**Solid Waste**

The Tomoka Farms Road Landfill and the West Volusia Transfer Station offers free year round disposal for residential household hazardous waste disposal, such as old paint, pool chemicals, pesticides and other household chemicals. During the safer at home order, the facilities have experienced a 62% increase in Volusia County residents utilizing the service. For more information, contact Regina Montgomery at (386) 947-2952, ext. 21347.

**Traffic Engineering**

The US 17-92 @ Dirksen Dr (DeBary) traffic signal modification is nearing completion. The overhead work is complete and Road & Bridge will conduct the required restriping to close out the project. For more information, contact Jon Cheney at (386) 736-5968, ext. 12709.