



CITY OF PALMETTO
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PALMETTO, FL 34220

Numbers to Know

Department of
Public Works
723-4580

Public Works Director
Code Enforcement
Fleet Maintenance
Planning Development
Project Management
Building/Permitting
Sewer, Water, Reclaim
Signs and Markings
Solid Waste
Stormwater & Ditches
Road & Bridge

City Hall
723-4570

Mayor's Office
City Clerk
Finance Department
Facilities & Events
Utility Billing

CRA Director - 723-4988
Building/Permitting -721-2166
Police Department - 723-4587
Treatment Plant - 723-6106

Commission Meeting Dates

All meetings are held in the
Commission Chambers
Meetings start at 7:00 P.M.

April 3rd & April 17th
May 1st & May 15th
June 5th & June 19th

The public is encouraged to
attend.

Commissioners

Tamara Cornwell—At Large
Jonathan Davis—At Large
Harold Smith—Ward I
Tambra Varnadore—Ward II
Brian Williams—Ward III

City News In Brief

Second Quarter

April 2017

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From the Mayor of Palmetto



Dear Friends and Neighbors,

As we look forward to summer and vacation planning, it is important to remember that June 1 is the official start of hurricane season which runs through November. Please utilize any of the many resources available if you have questions about storm preparedness. Pay particular attention to [flood zones and evacuation routes](#) posted on Manatee County's website.

If there is an active hurricane, the County's home page at www.mymanatee.org will become the Emergency Management page and will keep you posted throughout the event. For tips on how to prepare for a hurricane, click on the link [Disaster Planning Guide](#) on the County's web page, or visit City Hall or a local Man-

atee County Library for a free copy of the guide.

Also, be sure to mark your calendar to attend Palmetto's Fourth of July celebration, sponsored by our very own Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA). It is a fabulous family event. There will be materials and staff available on site to provide information about our CRA, its goals, projects, and incentives, as well as maps of the area.

The Oak Ridge Boys Quartet, our main entertainment act, has been inducted into both the Gospel Music Hall of Fame and the Country Music Hall of Fame. A few of their ever popular hits are "Elvira", "Gonna Take A Mighty River", "American Made", and "You're The One." Additional activities will be planned earlier in the day, and fireworks to finish the event.

Palmetto is pleased to welcome our new City Planner, Karla Owens to our team. She will be working with other city staff to update our Comprehensive Plan and land use regulations, and grow our historic downtown with its small town charm while enhancing its potential as an attractive, vibrant destination spot for our community.

Periodically, I write about current events or projects in the City of Palmetto. Please visit my blog on the website at www.palmettofl.org for updates. Go to Government, Mayor and [Mayor's Memos](#). At any time, you may direct your questions or concerns to mayor@palmettofl.org.

In closing, please remember to shop local and support our community businesses.

Shirley Groover Bryant
Mayor

From City Hall

STAY CONNECTED. As many of you get ready to head back up north for the summer, we wish you safe travels during your trip home. Throughout the upcoming months, you can stay connected to the activities and events going on in your

second home, here in Palmetto. Visit our website at www.palmettofl.org to find out the latest City information. The City News in Brief newsletter is published every quarter, and is available online. Other news and announcements continue to be

posted throughout the year. Please remember you can also manage your utility bill online at our website. Again, travel safely, and we look forward to seeing you later this year.

Jim Freeman
City Clerk

City of Palmetto Movie in the Park

Providing entertainment for Palmetto families to enjoy year round, the City of Palmetto shows a free movie the first Friday of every month.

Movie in the Park - where more than 3,000 current and classic movies are at our disposal.

There is no better place to be this year than Sutton Park. Grab a picnic basket and a blanket and enjoy the show. You bring the snacks, we'll bring the stars!



For more information about Movie in the Park, contact the Facilities and Events Specialist at 941-723-4570

Remember!
Free popcorn and sodas before the movie starts

Sponsored by
Waste Management

Movie starts at dusk



From the Public Works Department

Helpful Information about Single Stream Recycling



What is Single Stream Recycling?

Single Stream Recycling is part of the City's solid waste collection service provided by Waste Management of Florida, Inc. for curbside, residential, multifamily, condominium, and commercial customers.

What goes in the single stream recycling cart?

All recycling items can be placed in this one cart. Drain all liquids, rinse containers and remove the lids/tops. Do NOT bag or wrap recyclable items or line the interior of the cart prior to placing it curbside. Do NOT place yard waste, food waste and other non-recyclables, hazardous waste materials or construction debris in this container.

- Clean glass bottles and jars** – please do not break your jars, bottles, plates, glasses or light bulbs. Remember, mirrors are NOT recyclable, due to the special coating on the back.
- Paper** – mail, envelopes, newspaper, magazines, catalogs, phone books, paper boxes, cereal boxes, gift wrap.
- Paper Food Containers** – empty and clean paper cups, cartons, frozen food boxes.
- Metal Cans and Containers** – empty and clean aluminum, steel and tin cans and containers, aerosol cans are okay if empty.

From the Palmetto Police Department

We have experienced an increase in auto burglaries in the City, especially in areas east of 8th Avenue West. There are some very simple things that we can all do in order to prevent auto burglaries. First and foremost, take the time to lock your vehicle. The majority of our car burglaries are crimes of opportunity, which happen with unlocked vehicles. Do not leave valuables in plain sight within your vehicle. If possible, please remember to take your valuables, including purses, backpacks, and laptops with you when your car is unattended, or lock them in your trunk. It is never a good idea to leave unattended firearms in a motor vehicle. Also, please do not leave spare keys, house keys, or vehicle fobs inside your vehicle. This year we have investigated two auto theft cases where the owner left their vehicle unlocked, with the spare key in the console. Thank you for your attention and cooperation. Together, we can reduce auto burglaries in the City of Palmetto.

For our winter residents who are preparing to head home, we wish you a safe journey. Before you go, here are a few tips to keep your home a little safer during your absence.

- Make sure your newspaper and mail deliveries are stopped. If you have someone picking up your mail, ask them to do so daily, so your mail does not build up in your mailbox and newspapers do not collect outside. Old newspapers and items left piled in the mailbox give the appearance that your home is unoccupied.
- Consider purchasing timers for interior and exterior lights for your residence. The timers will turn lights on at night and off at dawn, giving the appearance that someone is home.
- Please do not leave items outside in plain sight, even if they are chained or secured. This is especially true of bicycles left in carports.
- It is always a good idea to have a friend or neighbor who is a year-long resident check your home regularly while you are away.
- Lastly, wherever you are, **if you see something, say something.** We want to help.

Chief Scott Tyler
Palmetto Police