



CITY OF PALMETTO
PO BOX 1209
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
Toilet Rebate - 417-2890
Treatment Plant - 723-6106

**Commission
Meeting Dates**

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

**April 1st & April 15th
May 6th & 20th
June 3rd & 17th**

The public is encouraged to
attend.

Commissioners

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

City News In Brief

Second Quarter

April 2019

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From the Mayor



As we look forward to summer and vacation planning, it is important to remember that June is the official start of hurricane season which runs through November. Effective preparations need to start well in advance of any emergency; **that time is now.** If there is an active hurricane, the County's home page at www.mymanatee.org becomes the Emergency Management page and will keep you posted throughout an 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 Manatee County Library for a free copy of the guide.

Vehicles and/or other large items blocking the sidewalks create hazardous situations for our children and disabled members of our community, when they are forced into the streets to go around them. The City is requesting your cooperation in keeping our sidewalks clear so that all users are safe. It is not only the courteous thing to do, it is the law. Thank you for

your understanding.

Periodically, I write on current events or projects in the City of Palmetto. Please visit my blog on the City's website at www.palmettofl.org for updates. Go to Government, Mayor and [Mayor's Memos](#). 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 the Public Works Department

Sub-System 4 Neighborhood Revitalization and Infrastructure Project:

We are pleased to announce the commencement of this important project. The project consists of underground utility improvements including potable water, reclaimed water, roads, curbs, sidewalks and fire hydrants, and is bounded by 10th Street to the south, 10th Avenue to the east, 13th Avenue to the west, and 17th Street to the north within the City limits. After all the dust settles, this project will certainly improve the water related issues and road

way systems for the residents and visitors of our City.

Hydrant Park Improvement Project:

Hydrant Park is currently undergoing a complete renovation including new playground equipment, new swing set, new benches, water fountains, fire hydrant trash cans, new light poles, new sidewalks and a new sprinkler system. The purpose of this project is to improve the quality of life for young children.

These projects are being funded by a Community Development Block Grant and

the Half Cent Sales Tax respectively.

Hurricane Season:

It is now time to trim and remove dead wood from your trees in preparation for Hurricane Season. Remove unwanted items from your property so they do not become projectiles in high winds. Remember, to avoid additional garbage charges, prepare your limbs and yard trash by bundling 4 feet or less and no more than 50 lbs. Bag or place small trimmings and leaves in containers.

Moe Rayan
Deputy Director

City of Palmetto Movie in the Park

Providing entertainment for Palmetto families to enjoy year around, the City of Palmetto shows a movie, free of charge, on 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 season than Sutton Park. Grab a picnic basket and a blanket and enjoy the show. You bring the snacks, we'll bring the stars, thanks to our sponsors.



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

Remember!
Popcorn and sodas provided before the movie starts

Sponsored by
Waste Management

Movie starts at dusk



From City Hall

The City of Palmetto has contracted with OnSolve to license its CodeRED high-speed notification solution. The CodeRED system provides City officials the ability to quickly deliver messages to targeted areas or the entire city.

This system is only as good as the telephone number database supporting them. One of the reasons the CodeRED system was selected is it gives individuals and businesses the ability to add their own phone numbers directly into the system's database, this is an extremely important feature.

No one should automatically assume his or her phone number is included and we urge all individuals and businesses to log onto the city website,

www.palmettofl.org and look for the link to the "CodeRED Community Notification Enrollment" page. Those without Internet access may call **City Hall, Monday through Friday, (8AM-5PM)** to supply their information over the phone. Required information includes first and last name, street address (physical address, no P.O. boxes), city, state, zip code, and primary phone number, additional phone numbers can be entered as well.

All businesses should register, as well as all individuals who have unlisted phone numbers, who have changed their phone number or address within the past year, and those who use a cellular phone or VoIP phone as their primary number. CodeRED allows geograph-

ically based delivery, which means street addresses are required to ensure emergency notification calls are received by the proper individuals in a given situation. The system works for cell phones too, but we need to have an associated street address to provide relevant messages.

CodeRED gives those who want to be included an easy and secure method for inputting information. The data collected will only be used for emergency notification purposes. At time of enrollment, you can also determine if you want to be notified of other non-emergency events in the City. Please direct questions to City Hall at **941-723-4570**.

Jim Freeman
City Clerk

From the Police Department



Do you wonder what to do with unwanted prescriptions, ointments, or vitamins? The Palmetto Police Department has the answer and it is not merely flushing your pills down the drain. The Police Department has a prescription drop box specifically for the public to drop off unused or expired medicines and pharmaceuticals.

The box is located at 1112 10th Street West, in the lobby of the police station and is available 24/7 because the Police Department is always open.

Here are some tips for using the box:

1. If your prescription container has personal information on the label, please peel it off before placing the container in the box.
2. Pill bottles and boxes can be dropped right in the drop box.
3. We do not accept needles or liquids.
4. You do not need to see an officer. Merely drop your items in the box.

Our prescription drop box came to us through a partnership with Drug Free Manatee. The items that you leave in the box will be properly destroyed at an approved disposal site. This will keep them out of our water supply and our landfills, where they can actually do harm to the environment. The drop box program also prevents children and unauthorized persons from taking old prescriptions or pills out of your medicine cabinet.

Please stay safe, and as always, **if you see something say something!**

Scott Tyler
Chief of Police