

CITY OF PALMETTO
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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.

**October 1st and 15th
November 5th and 26th
December 3rd and 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

Fourth Quarter

October 2018

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From the Mayor



Dear Friends,
A couple of special events are coming to the City of Palmetto in November. The first opportunity is called an "Open Street," to be held on November 10th from 9:00am to 2:00pm on 10th Avenue West. It is really a party in the streets where people of all ages and capabilities can take back the street for non-motorized use! We want you to come learn about the "Complete

Streets" project that is coming to our community, learn about different ways to get around besides a car, and just plain have fun! Parking will be located off 7th Street West near Sutton Park. Bring your questions about what 10th Avenue could look like in a few years, as well as about the existing and planned trails in our city. There will be food trucks, fitness demonstrations, a bicycle rodeo, art exhibits, and tons to learn! This is a free event for all to enjoy!

The very next day, November 11 is Veterans Day. Palmetto is again the host city for the Manatee County Veterans Council official ceremony at 11 am at Sutton Park with a parade and festivities to follow. Join us as we honor those who have sacrificed so much for our freedoms.

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

Shirley Groover Bryant
Mayor

From City Hall

Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Program

The Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Program is now available to City residents, in conjunction with the Manatee County PACE program. The PACE Program provides financing for property owners to make qualifying improvements to their businesses or homes. Improvements may be made in the form of energy efficiency, renewable energy, and/or wind resistance. Property owners voluntarily opt into a non-ad valorem assessment program to finance these improvements. Repayments of the improvements are paid annually through the property tax bill. The value of the improvement and the obligation to repay the annual assessment lies within the property, so if the property changes ownership the obligation stays with the property.

The following are PACE Providers approved by Manatee County:

[Florida Green Finance Authority](#)
[Florida Resiliency and Energy District/Renovate America](#)
[Florida PACE Funding Agency](#) through the following programs:
[AllianceNRG Program](#) (residential) - (855) 509-9922
[Counterpointe SRE](#) (commercial) - (855) 431-4400
[Green Corridor](#)

If you have additional question you can visit the www.mymanatee.org / Government/ County Programs/ PACE or www.floridapace.gov for more information.

Jim Freeman, City Clerk

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

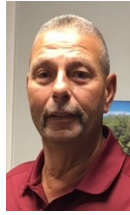
Remember!
Popcorn and sodas provided before the movie starts

Sponsored by
Waste Management

Movie starts at dusk



From the Public Works Department



Mohammed "Moe" Rayan. Moe was the Director of Public Works in Penn Hill, Pennsylvania at the beginning of his career, and for the last 10 years he has been the Town Manager. He brings a wealth of information and job experience to Palmetto. He and his wife Jody have been visiting this area for a number of years and own a house in Bradenton. They are looking forward to moving to a home in Palmetto soon.

Please, if you run into Moe, help us welcome him to our great city.

As you know, this is Hurricane season and we always need to be prepared. So far, it has been a slow season for this area, but we are in the peak of the season. If we are advised of a storm, remember that all loose items could potentially become projectiles, and should be moved inside your home, garage or shed. Please do not put your garbage, yard waste, recycling or other items near the street if we are under a hurricane warning, because there will not be any waste services provided until the

warnings have been removed. Now is a good time to trim your shrubs and trees, if you have not already done so.

Speaking of waste ... remember that the blue can is for **RECYCLING ONLY AND NO OTHER TYPE OF WASTE IS ALLOWED.** If garbage or trash is in the can, it may not be emptied. The recycling container should be placed within three feet of the street, with the handles toward the house. Please do not place the cans near mailboxes, power poles or on the meter boxes. Thank you.

Allen Tusing, Director

From the Police Department

There is an old saying that goes something like this: "If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is." Your police department is investigating an ever-increasing number of fraud complaints that truly reflect this old adage. These few principles may help you from becoming a fraud victim. First, if a person or a company contacts you with an offer, especially a person or a company that you have

never done business with, be very cautious. Another big red flag is when an individual or business contacts you with an offer that requires you to send them money. This is almost certainly a scam. A third potential problem develops when buying anything online. Make sure that you do your due diligence by checking out the item and the seller. Avoid buying items that you have no opportunity

to inspect. Certainly avoid sending any money to the seller unless you are very comfortable that the item is as represented and that the seller can be trusted.

If you have any questions about an offer that you receive, contact the Palmetto Police Department at 941-723-4587. We are here to help. As always, if you see something, say something.

Chief Scott Tyler

From the CRA

Recently the Palmetto Community Redevelopment Agency Board approved the contract for purchase of the Slick's Garage Property in order to add more public parking to our historic downtown. The City plans to demolish the dilapidated structures, develop a mid-term parking layout, landscape and light the site. Located strategically in the center of downtown, this site should be useful immediately. Eventually, when the 10th Avenue Project is completed, the CRA plans to create a parking structure in the middle of the property with 4th and 5th Streets and 10th Avenue frontage buildings for private redevelopment. The new frontage buildings may be designed to reincarnate historic downtown buildings that have been demolished from Palmetto's hay-day in the 1920's. In other Redevelopment news, Palmetto CRA won a state-wide planning award from the Florida Redevelopment Association for its Community Sustainable Partnership Program (CSPP) with the University of South Florida and Jeff Burton, Palmetto's CRA Director has been named the FRA's treasurer for 2019.

Jeff Burton, Director