

City of St. Augustine Beach Seal

City of St. Augustine Beach July Newsletter



POSSESSION OR USE OF FIREWORKS IS ILLEGAL

Possession or use of fireworks that explode or leave the ground in St. Augustine Beach is illegal, per City Ordinance #06-10. Those found using or possessing fireworks may be cited and fireworks will be confiscated.

Discharged fireworks affect sea turtles, fish, and other coastal wildlife resulting in death for some. In addition, the debris from fireworks generates garbage, both on the beach and filtering into water.

Should you witness illegal firework activity, or sea turtle harassment, please call the St. Augustine Beach Police Department at (904) 471-3600 or the St. Johns County Sheriff's Office at (904) 824-8304.



Garbage Truck

City Office Schedule & Trash Collection Update

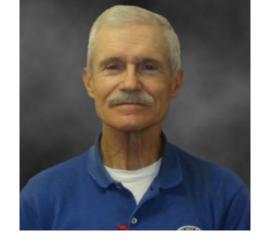
• There will be no trash collection on Friday, July 3rd in observance of the July 4th Holiday. The Friday route will be collected on Monday, July 6. All other collection days remain the same.



Entrance to St. Augustine Beach City Hall

City Hall Update

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Max Royle, City Manager

SOLID WASTE

Not at all a "glam" (for glamorous) topic. Not one that will get its own weekly Netflix or HBO series. What drama can there be in trash, garbage, waste, whatever it's called, unless one is a "sanitation consultant" like Tony Soprano? Garbage at the curb one morning, gone by afternoon. But to where? And by whom and at what cost? Does it all happen magically? How much do our residents know about the intricacies of the one of the City's most basic and essential services?

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St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners Encourages Businesses to Require Masks

The St. Johns Board of County Commissioners strongly encourages local businesses to mandate that employees and customers wear masks while inside their establishments in order to further prevent the spread of COVID-19.

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Commission Meeting Notice Monday, July 6, 2020, 6:00 p.m. St. Augustine Beach City Hall 2200 A1A South St. Augustine Beach, FL 32080

Due to COVID-19 concerns, there will be limited indoor seating available for the public in the Commission room and an adjacent meeting room.

The public is encouraged to watch the meeting live on the City's YouTube page.

Questions can be emailed to <u>braddatz@cityofsab.org</u> and should be submitted no later than 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday July 1, 2020.

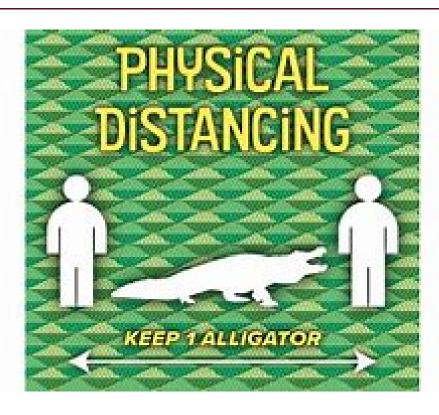
Special Commission Meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 7, 2020, 6:00 p.m.

This is a public hearing concerning the City's proposal to levy a non-ad valorem assessment to pay part of the costs for collection and disposal of solid waste, and for the collection of recyclables. Questions can be emailed to braddatz@cityofsab.org and should be submitted no later than 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday July 1, 2020.

Planning & Zoning Board Meeting Notice Tuesday, July 21, 2020 6:00 P.M.

Sustainability and Environmental Planning
Advisory Committee Meeting
CANCELLED FOR JULY

NO Municipal Code Enforcement Board Meeting in July



For more information on COVID-19:

- St. Johns County Citizen's Information Hotline: 904-824-5550
- St. Johns County Department of Health: 904-209-3250
- Florida Department of Health COVID-19 Call Center:
 - 1-866-779-6121
 - COVID-19@flhealth.gov

CDC COVID-19 Dashboard: www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html

FL Dept. of Health Dashboard: <u>floridahealthcovid19.gov</u>

St. Johns County Updates: www.co.st-johns.fl.us/coronavirus/index.aspx
St. Johns County Closures: www.co.st-johns.fl.us/coronavirus/closures.aspx



Sign Up for Alert St. Johns Emergency Notification System to Receive Updates during Hurricane Season

With June marking the beginning of the 2020 hurricane season, St. Johns County is encouraging all residents to sign up for Alert St. Johns, a new emergency notification system that provides critical information during emergency situations. The Alert St. Johns system enables St. Johns

County, the St. Johns County Sheriff's Office, the City of St. Augustine, and the City of St. Augustine Beach to quickly inform residents regarding a variety of situations, including severe weather, unexpected road closures, water advisories, missing persons, evacuations of buildings or neighborhoods, and incidents that may threaten public safety. Residents can sign up at

www.sjcemergencymanagement.com. Those who sign up can choose to receive notifications via a phone call to their home, business, or mobile phone, by email, or text message. The Alert St. Johns system has replaced the Code Red notification system, so it is imperative that residents sign up for these critical notifications. For more information regarding Alert St. Johns, please call 904.824.5550.

JUNE 2020, declared PRIDE month in the City of St. Augustine Beach

On June 9th, 2020, the City of St Augustine Beach held a Special Commission Meeting at City Hall.

The meeting was to consider a proclamation brought forth by the Women's March Alliance of North Florida. The proclamation stated in part, to declare June 2020 as PRIDE MONTH in the City of St. Augustine Beach.

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Wednesday Pier Farmers Market Resumes July 1

The Wednesday Pier Farmers Market at the St. Johns County Ocean

and Fishing Pier parking lot, 350 A1A Beach Blvd., will resume modified operations from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Wednesdays, beginning July 1. In accordance with recommended CDC guidelines, the following protocols will be in place:

- *Vendors are required to wear face-covering masks.
- *Traffic will flow one way through the event site.
- *Ten feet of space will be between each vendor site.
- *Each vendor site will be marked to indicate six feet of space between vendor and patron.
- *No onsite food consumption will be permitted. All purchased foods must be taken offsite.

*Vendors will include farms, hot foods and food trucks, grocery and prepared foods, personal protection and care items, and arts and crafts. For more information regarding the Wednesday Pier Farmers Market, please visit www.wednesdaypierfarmersmarket.com or email staugpiermarket@gmail.com.



SCAM ALERT: A person who was looking to rent a beach house on Craigslist was scammed recently when they learned that while the property was real, it was NOT up for rent!

These scammers are taking legitimate rental properties or real estate listings and are posting them as available on various e-commerce sites, then take your money and run! Many times, a scammer will cut and paste an entire ad from one site to another, so it can be very hard to tell what is legitimate or not.

Your best way to make sure you aren't being scammed out of the best rental for your beach vacation is to do a little extra research. The Florida State Attorney Ashley Moody offers this advice:

- Search for a reputable rental website that offers protection in the event of fraud or offers payment transfer options
- Find websites that offer a payment portal, where money is held in escrow until the renter arrives at the property with keys in hand.
- Do not rely solely on email to contact the owner, and be wary of foreign telephone numbers
- Investigate the property and, if possible, visit the property before signing a contract or sending payment.
- Ask for additional photos. A legitimate owner or property manager can likely produce these with little difficulty, while a scammer is unlikely to have access to additional photos
- Pay for a rental with a credit card, via PayPal, or through a payment transfer option on the rental listing website, which makes it easier to

dispute a fraudulent charge.

If you have a property that you rent out, take some time to search for it online ensure your property information has not been stolen. If you located a listing flag it with the listed website and notify your local law enforcement and the Federal Trade Commission at www.ftccomplaintassistant.gov



RESCUE TRAIN SWEPT OFF THE TRACKS BY THE 1935 LABOR DAY HURRICANE

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The hurricane washed this eleven car special train off the track soon after reaching the stricken area. The train was trying to rescue 683 World War I veterans in a rehabilitation camp, of which around 250 died as a result of the hurricane. The veterans, a remnant of the Bonus Army that marched on Washington, were employed for highway construction in the federal work relief project.

Photographed in Florida Keys on September 5, 1935. Found on floridamemory.com

Please remember it is hurricane season and they are predicting a number of named storms. Get your emergency supplies and follow St. Johns County Emergency evacuation instructions.

Beverly Raddatz, MMC, City Clerk

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