



Hollywood

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From the Desk of the City Manager

This week I joined our elected officials and City staff for a Groundbreaking Ceremony to celebrate the start of construction on two new deep injection wells at the Southern Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant in Hollywood. Construction of these additional wells will allow us to finally end the practice of discharging treated effluent through the ocean outfall. The City is mandated by Florida Statute to eliminate the use of the ocean outfall by 2025. We are on schedule now to meet and most likely beat that deadline. Construction of the wells is expected to take approximately 2 years as the drill bores down more than 3,000 feet below the surface of the ground. An additional monitoring well will also be bored at a depth of 1,000 feet. Upon the completion of the design and permitting process, construction of the pumping station will also begin.

After the official groundbreaking, City leaders got an up-close look at some of the check valves slated for installation along A1A. The City has purchased 6 check valves to complement the 19 valves the Florida Department of Transportation has purchased for installation along the Intracoastal Waterway. The check valves are an additional tool being installed to help mitigate flooding on the barrier island.

City Commission Approves New Hollywood Police Headquarters Design Services Consultant

The March 2019, voters approved funding of a General Obligation Bond in the amount of \$165 million. Funds would be used to pay for a multitude of improvement projects, including replacing the current Police Headquarters building on Hollywood Boulevard with a new, green-certified facility. As previously mentioned, at last week's City Commission meeting, the Architectural Engineering Design Services contract was awarded to O'Donnell Dannwolf and Partners Architects, Inc (ODP), in an amount not to exceed \$3,936,500. ODP is an award-winning architecture and design firm based in the City of Hollywood.



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Design services will include environmental services to address any existing contamination at the onset of the project, construction documents, permitting, architectural/engineering services during construction, and law enforcement project design. Design services will be provided for the new headquarters, parking garage and entry road with associated site utilities/landscaping/irrigation and adjacent turn lanes.

The new Police Headquarters is envisioned to be constructed on City property immediately south of the current location and be about two to three stories high with approximately 120,000 square feet of space. Project plans also call for a multi-level parking garage for approximately 350-450 vehicles, and a high first floor bay for large vehicle storage. All key police functions will be incorporated into the new facilities including training and gun range, property and evidence, quartermaster, patrol, holding cells, detective units, recruitment, administration and public information. More to come as this exciting project gets underway.

Montella Park Update

The new bathroom building at Montella Park has been ready for use for almost one month, however it is not open to the public. The facility cannot open until the City receives a Certificate of Occupancy (CO) from the Broward County School Board Building Division. The School Board has their own permitting procedures and requirements that are somewhat different from ours. I am told that all permitting requirements have been satisfied and the CO paperwork is being processed. I expect the facility to be open to the public soon; be sure to monitor the City's website calendar for an upcoming event to celebrate with the community.



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Broward League of Cities

Broward League of Cities President, Dan Stermer, sent a letter to Governor DeSantis on Wednesday regarding his recent comments on the short-term rentals legislation. On behalf of the 31 municipalities in Broward County, President Stermer thanked the Governor for publically expressing his serious concerns about the legislative effort to preempt short-term rentals to the state. His letter went on to express how concerning the idea of preemption is and that local officials should be able to determine how these short-term rentals are handled within their own city. Staff and our lobbyist will continue to advocate and monitor developments from the legislative session which is schedule to end on March 13, 2020.

Community Development Block Grants

Ten applications for the Fiscal Year 2021 Community Development Block Grants Program have been received from various non-profit organizations throughout our City. Application review is now underway by the Community Development Division and once vetted, members of the Community Development Advisory Board will review the applicant presentations. The board will then present their recommendations for funding to City Commission during a joint workshop scheduled for April 21st.

Community Development Demonstration Block Walk

This past Saturday, the Community Development team held the first of several Demonstration Block walks. The first walk took place on Shenandoah Street in District 1 where nine property owners expressed an interest in participating in the program. Mayor Josh Levy, Vice Mayor Kevin Biederman, District 1 Commissioner Caryl Shuham, and City staff walked door-to door on Shenandoah to speak one-on-one with residents about the program and to encourage their participation in the Neighborhood Pride Program (NPP). Demonstration Blocks are intended to highlight the benefits of the NPP within a specific area within each Commission District. The next Demonstration Block walk will be held in District 3 on March 7th.



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Volunteers Needed

I am always impressed by the candidate who step forward each year to volunteer their time to serve on a City Board or Committee. The Office of the City Clerk is currently accepting applications for vacant or expiring positions that exist on the following:

- Affordable Housing Advisory Committee
- African American Advisory Council
- Artwork Selection Committee
- Civil Service Board
- Community Development Advisory Board
- Education Advisory Committee
- Emerald Hills Safety Enhancement District Board
- Employees' Retirement Plan
- Firefighters' Pension Board
- Historic Preservation Board
- Hollywood Housing Authority
- Marine Advisory Board
- Neighborhood Watch Advisory Board
- Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Advisory Board
- Planning and Development Board
- Police Officer's Pension Board
- Sustainability Advisory Committee
- Young Circle ArtsPark Advisory Board

Appointments will be made on May 27th at 3:30 p.m. by the City Commission. To be considered for any appointment, applicants must comply with specific requirements for each board/committee. I encourage all interested parties to apply on line at the City's website <http://www.hollywoodfl.org/index.aspx?nid=155>



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Turtle Nesting Season

Turtle nesting season begins on Sunday, March 1st. I mention this as thousands of sea turtles will be coming ashore in South Florida to nest. It is critical that residents, businesses and visitors do their part to ensure a safe and successful nesting season. Visitors to Hollywood Beach should avoid disturbing nesting turtles, active nests and our natural sand dunes. Residents and businesses are required to reduce their lights or shield fixtures to avoid impacting the turtles. Artificial lights deter adult females from nesting on the shore and baby turtles can easily become confused by the lights and crawl inland to storm drains and parking lots. As a green sustainable City, I encourage all to do what they can throughout the entire season ending on October 31st.

Talented 10th Poetry Slam

Congratulations are in order for the newest winners of the Annual Talented 10th Poetry Slam Spoken Word Competition. Area high school poets gathered at City Hall on Tuesday evening to perform on the topic "African Americans and the Vote." My thanks to all who participated and congratulations to our winners.

- 1st: Ifeanyi Uwadio, winner of an iPad Mini
- 2nd: Laurie Lauriston, winner of a Samsung Tablet
- 3rd: Amaya Hamilton, winner of a Kindle Tablet

The Voice of the Caribbean, Mikey Mike from radio station WZOP, 92.7 FM, was broadcasting live all evening from the slam. It was a great opportunity for the poets to reach a larger audience to share their experience and craft. Thank you to the Liberia Economic and Social Development, and AT&T Pioneers for generously donating the prizes, to the members of the African American Advisory Council, the Office of Communications, Marketing and Economic Development, and to Anthony Grisby and his Community Development team for their hard work hosting another successful event.



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Condolences

Finally, I would like to offer my heartfelt condolences to the family and friends Wilton Manors Mayor Justin Flippen. Mayor Flippen passed away on Tuesday evening leaving the community he loved heartbroken. My thoughts and prayers are with Mayor Flippen's family and the residents of the City of Wilton Manors.



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Office of Communications, Marketing and Economic Development ROI

This week, Economic Development staff met with two businesses located within one of Hollywood's Opportunity Zones. After touring their facilities and learning more about their business operations, staff was asked to help with staffing and marketing needs. Available economic incentives and workforce resources, as well as market research and data, were provided.

Economic Development staff participated in two Greater Hollywood Chamber of Commerce (GHCC) events this week. The CIRCLE of Women Industry Luncheon was held at Memorial Regional Hospital South on Monday. Guest speaker Lisa Merkle, co-founder of Box Greens, Miami's first hydroponic incubator, educated attendees on the future of urban farming and food production, as well as how to meet the food needs of a growing population in a sustainable and healthy way.

On Wednesday, staff participated in the GHCC's Education Committee meeting at McArthur High School. Guest speaker Idelma Quintana, Chief of Staff to Broward County Commissioner Beam Furr, stressed the importance of the 2020 U.S. Census and its potential financial impact on our schools, communities and local economy. Broward County has missed out on almost \$211 million in funding over the past decade due to underreporting during the last census. CMED continues to support outreach efforts to communicate the importance of participation in the Census using all messaging platforms across the city.



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South Florida Design Park (SFDP) hosted their Winter Market on Thursday. Each interior design showroom offered attendees their own experiences, including product presentations, guest speakers and book signings. The event concluded with the International Furnishings & Design Association (IFDA) Awards Ceremony and SFDP Cocktail Party. In addition to attending the event, staff also coordinated shuttle transportation for event attendees. Centrally located in Hollywood, SFDP is adjacent to I-95, offering designers and architects a wide array of high quality textiles, furnishings, lighting, carpets and kitchen & bath options, where hundreds of exclusive lines are represented.

Economic Development staff participated in an International Economic Development Council webinar on Thursday. Staff learned about different stages and types of businesses, their unique challenges and opportunities, and how to successfully support entrepreneurship in our community. Microenterprises, main street businesses, second stage companies, and innovation-led businesses were also discussed.

Economic Development staff provided information on the CPIP program to four businesses, attended a pre-application meeting with a business at 2310 N. Federal Highway and processed one application for reimbursement. Staff also provided site selection assistance for prospective business owners planning to locate in the city of Hollywood.

Communications staff provided website training and made multiple updates to the City's website. Staff compiled information to include in [these two notifications](#) listing upcoming events, important news and meetings that were emailed to more than 25,000 Notifyme subscribers.

Graphic designers created promotional materials and graphics for St. Patrick's Day Parade & Festival, Hollywood Beach Sweep, Water Quality Report, Talented 10th Poetry Slam, Volunteer Reception and other upcoming events.



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Video Production staff broadcast the City Commission Workshop on City Property Condition Assessment and Redevelopment Options. Staff recorded video and took photos of the 4th Annual Talented 10th Poetry Slam Competition, the 9th Annual Hollywood Sustainability Advisory Committee Environmental Education Forum and the Community Development Block Demonstration - District 1. Production staff is also worked on a video for the Hollywood Youth Ambassadors.

Communications staff also hosted a Groundbreaking Ceremony this week to celebrate the construction of two new deep injection wells at the Southern Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant. Staff served as the event MC and documented the event through photos and video. A highlight video from the event will be posted to the City's YouTube Channel in the coming days

Office of Human Resources Learning

Last week, HR continued its annual mandatory Anti-Harassment training for City managers and supervisors. In addition, we offered a *Teambuilding for Excellence* class to promote collaboration and teamwork within Departments. This week, we began our four week *Supervision in Government* series. This interactive supervisory training experience involve hands-on application and job aids to reinforce the skills back at the work site. The material incorporate City policies, procedures and best practices. In addition to developing skills, this series provides our employees with an excellent opportunity to collaborate and build inter-departmental connections with other City supervisors.

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Risk Management processed five (5) liability claims, and two (2) new workers' compensation claims. Relation Insurance (the City's TPA for Workers' Compensation and Liability), advised of receipt of one (1) recovery check for damages to City property in the amount of \$4,525.00. We reviewed six (6) reports of possible damage to City property - four (4) were no repair/no recovery, two (2) were not city property, therefore, there was no recovery. We conducted a safety class on the use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) at Public Utilities with 24 attendees. Workers Compensation reinsurance recovery of \$48,711. We replaced an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) battery at Public Utilities Taft Street employee breakroom. Twenty five (26) certificates of insurance were reviewed for risk management compliance for individuals or firms that perform work on behalf of the City. Attended City Commission meeting and answered questions about insurance requirements for the design of the new Police Station. Facilitated and observed an air quality inspection at Public Works garage. Performed a root-cause analysis of claims during 2019 and 2020. Attended Budget Informational meeting. Updated the City's Safety Manual.

Payroll

Processed 50 Assignment Changes/Promotions/Certification PA Forms. Processed four (4) Termination PA Forms and Payouts. Processed three (3) DROP/PRB Payouts, Processed 415 Payroll Adjustments, Processed nine (9) New Hire Payroll/Salary Data. Processed and Submitted Payroll for Pay Date 02/28/2020. Working with 29 Service Desk Requests with AST Manage Services Team. Working with COH Report Writer on 21 Interface Issues/34 Report Issues. Working with ADP on Amended Q4 Details due to W-2 updates.

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We currently have 12 new hires and 6 promotions pending final approvals. 10 candidates have been cleared for hire/promotion and are pending start dates. We have a total of 37 open job postings and 126 open requisitions that we are working on. Interviews were conducted for Environmental Inspector in Public Utilities. New job postings for Administrative Assistant II and Driver Engineer also went live this week.

Administration

Human Resources has been preparing for our upcoming Labor Negotiations with AFSCME General, Professional and Supervisory Bargaining units with our first meeting being held Thursday, February 27. We also are finalizing the timeline to conduct a dependent audit of all members on the City's Self Insured Health Plan which will kick-off in March.

Office of the City Clerk***Early Voting***

Early voting for the Presidential Preference Primary Election begins on Saturday, March 7, 2020 and will continue through Sunday, March 15, 2020 at the Hollywood City Hall Library (2600 Hollywood Blvd.) Voters may cast their ballots from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., daily.

There will be reserved spaces marked "Early Voting Parking Only", in front of the old library (parallel to the east bound exit from City Hall), in the northwest quadrant and at the south entrance to City Hall during the early voting time period.

The 2020 Presidential Preference Primary Election will take place on Tuesday, March 17, 2020. For additional information, please contact Patricia Cerny, City Clerk, Office of the City Clerk, at 954-921-3211.



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Financial Services Department

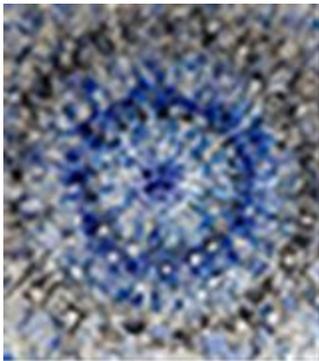
Our accounting staff, in collaboration with external auditors and various City departments, continue to work on the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and audit requests. Accounting staff also finalized the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA) which is a supplemental schedule to the financial statements that is required for compliance with the Federal Requirements/Uniform Guidance. The Treasury and Accounting divisions continue to collaborate with Hollywood Fire Rescue to update the fire and rescue assessment studies, which inform the fees proposed for the upcoming FY 2021 budget.



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**ArtsPark at Young Circle Gallery at One Young Circle
Now through March 5**



The Exhibit, Valentina Bilbao ART is a Universe of Love, Peace, Music and Light, will take place from January 30th to March 5th. To the public visiting the ArtsPark Gallery, the Artworks in walls 1 and 2 communicate her creative message that begins with LOVE. In wall 3, she celebrates the beginning of ALL, the creation of the Universe with Fire as a positive illuminating LIGHT and a Sweet birth of LIFE. In wall 4, the exhibit centers with three meaningful Artworks for humankind. In wall 5, the RED color is significant of true passion as positive active Energy and uplifting light. In walls 6 and 7, Valentina Bilbao decodes music to transform it as color. For her, music is the element from which all is born, the Artwork on itself, expressed in a different way. In walls 8a and 8b, a diverse color distinguishes each Artwork that in the years have acquired new dimensions or styles. The circular form in her work suggests cosmic creation, expansion, birth and movement, also depicted by waves moving horizontal or vertically.

The artist is also exhibiting nine artworks at the prestigious Art Ovation Hotel in Sarasota, Florida, until April, 2020. Valentina Bilbao has created a New Renaissance that will leave an influential statement for her time and generations to come. Her discourse is about betterment, always aware for novel themes and concepts. Her relationship with nature is evident in the blue of the sky and waters, or in the green of the landscapes. Gallery is open to the public Monday - Thursday 3:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Admission is free.



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**ArtsPark at Young Circle Gallery at One Young Circle
Exhibit held through April 2nd**

Drop Savers Water Conservation Gallery Show 2020! This exhibit is made up of conservation posters by local 6-12 grade students. Students create engaging and beautiful images and messages to encourage water conservation and emphasize the importance of water. Exhibition pieces are selected from hundreds of teacher-submitted works. Exhibit will be held through April 2nd.

Gallery is open to the public Mon- Thurs 3:30pm -9pm. Admission FREE.

**Hollywood Hot Glass
Ongoing**

Hollywood Hot Glass is one of the largest interactive glass studios on the East Coast featuring the Hot Glass Class. Our experienced glass artisans make learning the basics a fun and engaging process. Come take part in our Hot Glass Class, experience and see firsthand what it's like to be a glass blower for a day. We also specialize in private lessons, field trips, corporate events, birthday parties, and much more. We are open Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from 2:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. at ArtsPark. For additional information visits us at www.hollywoodhotglass.com or contact us at 954.732.7231.

**Hollywood Metal Studio
Ongoing**

Hollywood Metal Studio is one of the few metal studios in Miami. Ana Esther Soued spearheaded the start-up and development of the studio at the Arts Park 8 years ago. She designs and creates unique one-of-a-kind custom jewelry, utilitarian and decorative pieces in silver, gold, precious and semi-precious stones. Esther teaches metal works in its finest expression on a one-to-one basis and in group classes to adults and young professionals. Her classes are fun and dynamic, and she encourages and guides her students in their own process of discovering their creativity and potential as artists. For additional information, please contact us at 305.450.5125. Website: anaestherdesigns.com.

**WEEK OF FEBRUARY 24 – MARCH 1, 2020****CURRENT – (continued)****Jen Clay Textile & Animation Artist Studio
Ongoing**

Jen Clay is a local Broward artist and with a MFA and BFA in sculpture. She works to create textiles through fabric manipulation and rug making techniques. Her practice includes creating stop motion animations and sews costumes for installations and video works. Feel free to come by for demonstrations in Claymation and rug making and see what projects she is working on. In 2015 her short film, Schools, was accepted into Visionaria in Milan, Italy. Clay was voted "Best Emerging Artist" for 2016 by the New Times of Broward and Palm Beach. In 2016 Clay's Outdoor Projection Series was awarded a Knight Challenge Award for two years of programming. Upcoming projects include Dual Roles at Hollywood Art and Culture Center for June 2018 and an interactive installation at Young at Art Museum in November 2018. Studio Open hours are Monday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday 5pm to 10pm.

**Plastics School
Sunday, March 1**

Join Oceana and a panel of experts for an informative presentation and discussion about single-use plastics. This will include training on how to reduce single-use plastics in your community. This hour long presentation and training will be held from 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. during the Sierra Club's Earth Day Festival at Ann Kolb Nature Center -751 Sheridan Street, Hollywood. The festival is from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., and there will be free parking, giveaways, nature walks, exhibits, free kayaking, food trucks, music, and more. For additional information about this "Plastics School," please contact Cat Uden CUden@oceana.org.



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**Dream Car Classic
Sunday, March 1**

The monthly Downtown Hollywood Dream Car Classic takes place along Hollywood Boulevard between 19th and 20th Avenues from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. The Dream Car Classic features dozens of classic cars, trucks and other one-of-a-kind vehicles on display. Attendance is free. There is a \$20.00 charge for those who wish to have their vehicles on display.

To pre-register for the Dream Car Classic, email Joe Bevelacqua at jbevsvr@msn.com and include your vehicle's make and model. Vehicles also will be registered the morning of the show as space permits. Participation is limited to 85 vehicles with awards for the Top 30 vehicles and the People's Choice Award. For additional information on the Dream Car Classic, please contact us at 954.825.1027.

**WEEK OF FEBRUARY 24 – MARCH 1, 2020****UPCOMING****Food Trucks at ArtsPark
Monday, March 2**

Bring a blanket or a beach chair and a hearty appetite to the Food Trucks at ArtsPark. Monday evening from 5:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Select from over 20 different food trucks. Admission is free. Menu prices vary. Visit <http://burgerbeast.com/arts-park/> for this week's truck line-up.

**ArtsPark Movie Night
Friday, March 6**

Alice in Wonderland (PG). **8:00pm-10:00pm**. See a free family friendly flick every Friday. Lawn seating. Bring a blanket or beach chair. FREE admission.

**Hollywood ArtsPark Experience: Marco Benevento
Saturday, March 7**

Dubbed "one of the most talented keys players of our time" by CBS Radio, Benevento has released six critically acclaimed solo albums over the last decade, performed everywhere from Carnegie Hall and Newport Jazz to Lollapalooza and Bonnaroo, and worked in the studio and on the road with a long list of musical innovators from the world of jazz, funk and groove. Concert starts at **7:00pm-11:00pm**. Lawn seating. Bring a beach chair or blanket. For more information visit <https://www.rhythmfoundation.com/events/marco-benevento-2/>

**6th Annual Mayors' Chess Challenge
Saturday, March 7**

Join Mayors, elected officials and community leaders throughout the Broward County for free and friendly meet ups in support of scholastic chess! Players of all ages and skill levels are welcome at Fred Lippman Shuffleboard Building 309 North 21st Avenue. For additional information please contact Sunrise Leisure Services Department at 954.747.4600.