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City Manager's Update



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Youth interns learn job skills in city's summer camps

Four local youth worked in the city's summer camps in June as part of the CATALYST Global Youth Initiatives Ambassador Work Readiness pilot program. The student interns worked from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. four-to-five days per week under a supervisor with the goal of

gaining experience to be more prepared for employment. According to Susan Bashans, who supervised intern Amali Brown, the program is a great help to the city and introduces students to the responsibilities of working.



Solace Curinton, age 15, Midtown Cultural and Educational Center



Amali Brown (orange shirt), age 16, Schnebly Recreation Center

Solace attends Atlantic High School and is in the Teaching, Education and Learning Academy. She is going into tenth grade and enjoys working with kids. Her supervisor said it was an amazing experience having her work in the summer camp.

As the oldest of six siblings, Amali enjoys working with youth. She is homeschooled and also attends Daytona State College where she is two classes shy of earning an associate degree. She wants to specialize in teaching sign language.

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Fela Brown, age 15, Sunnyland Recreation Center

Fela is Amali Brown's younger brother and said he enjoys being around kids. He is going into tenth grade, is homeschooled and also attends Daytona State College. He wants to follow in his parents' footsteps, who own Kale Café, and be a business entrepreneur. Fela's supervisor said he was very engaged with the kids, took initiative and helped the kids with their basketball and other sports skills.



Nigel Allen, age 15, Yvonne Scarlett-Golden Cultural and Educational Center

Nigel plays football for Mainland High School, is going into tenth grade and said he had a great time working with the kids. He grew up in the afterschool program at YSG and also participated in karate and acting classes there. He said he felt like the experience would give him an opportunity to give back to his community. His supervisor said he was a big help in the summer camp, was always on time and took a lot of initiative.

Community rallies in support of Officer Jason Raynor

Officer Jason Raynor remains in critical condition at Halifax Health Medical Center with his family by his side. A GoFundMe account has been established for the officer and his family, raising more than \$350,000.

There have also been several community fundraisers for the fallen officer.



In addition, the Police Department has sold about 300 double-sided yard signs that read "Daytona Strong" and "Raynor Strong" for \$20 each. The signs have been very well received, selling out within hours of being produced. The signs will continue to be produced and sold to help Officer Raynor and his family.

For the latest updates, follow the Police Department on Facebook @DBCops.

DBPD modernizing its fleet

The Police Department has a new look and is in the process of modernizing its fleet. About 100 vehicles are getting updated graphics including 30 new Ford Explorers. The department is phasing out its patrol cars, replacing them with the Ford Explorers, which have a larger back seat and more trunk space. The cost for the Ford Explorers and graphics is estimated at \$1.2 million. In addition, 68 Chevy Tahoes will be rebranded at a cost of about \$52,000 by the end of this year. DME Graphics in Daytona Beach is creating and adhering the graphics to the vehicles. The next phase of the modernization will be rebranding the mobile command post and the prisoner transport vans.



New home construction market remains hot

Housing starts are up more than 80% during the first six months of 2021 over the same time last year. Since January, there have been 667 new building permits issued for residential units with a cumulative construction value of more than \$180.8 million.

Last month's issuance of 143 building permits for the Capstone Cottages project

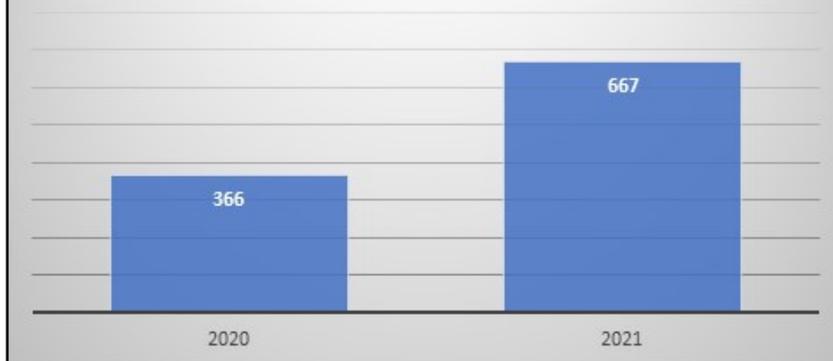
TWO BED COTTAGE



partially contributed to the sharp increase. The builder is expecting to start construction of 20 units per week with the goal of completing them in about 10 months.

When built out, the development, which is on the southwest corner of Williamson Boulevard and Strickland Range Road, will feature 283 cottage-style rental units with nine to 12-foot ceilings, quartz countertops, wood-grain flooring, in-unit washers and dryers, a smart home technology package and 24/7 on-call maintenance and optional enclosed garage parking.

New residential building permits issued Jan. to June 2020 & 2021



Number of new construction residential permits by month in 2021



Residents can Adopt-A-Drain

With afternoon thunderstorms, residents may notice water ponding in roadways. There are 1,464 storm drains that are privately maintained (by property owners or homeowners' associations) and 4,931 city-maintained drains.

These storm drains flow into the Intracoastal Waterway or Tomoka River and should be kept free of debris, grass, fertilizer and other harmful discharge. Although the city proactively targets known problem drains, volunteers are invited to "Adopt-A-Drain." Neighbors and service, community and faith-based organizations can play a vital role in making sure that storm drains are clear of waste, vegetation and other debris. For more information, call Tracy Shirah at (386) 671-8884 or visit www.codb.us/AdoptADrain.



Community COVID-19 vaccine clinics

In an effort to expand access to COVID-19 vaccines, the city is working with the health department to provide opportunities at local businesses where residents can receive the vaccine. Upcoming vaccine clinics are:

Shots at the Shop!

10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Thursday, July 8
Styles 101 Barbershop
955 Orange Ave.

Shots and a Beer!

11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Tuesday, July 13
Dirty Harry's Pub
705 Main St.

"I'm excited to expand this community-based effort with business owners who advocate the importance of getting vaccinated. It's important to bring vaccine clinics into neighborhoods where residents feel comfortable and welcomed."

Mayor Derrick Henry

At the clinics, the Pfizer, Moderna and Johnson & Johnson vaccines will be available. No appointment is needed; walk-ins are welcome. Persons receiving the vaccine must have identification. People who receive the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine will have to return 28 days later for their second dose of vaccine. For more information, call the health department at (386) 274-0500, press #.

Public invited to community listening sessions for COVID Recovery Funds

There will be three community listening sessions for residents to learn about the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds the city is receiving and provide feedback on how the monies should be used. The city's allocation from the federal government is \$15 million. The Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds provide substantial flexibility to meet local needs—including support for households, small businesses, impacted industries, essential workers and the communities hardest hit by the crisis. The funds can also be used to make necessary investments in water, sewer and broadband infrastructure. The listening sessions begin at 6 p.m. on the following days/locations:

- July 13: Midtown Cultural and Educational Center
925 George W. Engram Blvd.
- July 14: Schnebly Center
1101 N. Atlantic Ave.
- July 15: Police Department Headquarters
129 Valor Blvd.



Register for tour of city's innovative water treatment facility

Residents can register for an educational tour of the city's full-scale direct potable reuse demonstration testing system at 9 a.m. **Tuesday, July 27**. Due to limited space in the facility, attendance will be capped at 15 people and filled on a first-come, first-served basis.

Located at the city's wastewater treatment plant off LPGA Boulevard, the innovative facility processes treated effluent and produces purified water, which is then returned to the wastewater treatment process and is not placed in the city's drinking water supply.



The facility is part of a pilot program with the St. Johns River Water Management District to provide valuable, continuous, real-time data that will be available for use by regulatory agencies to assist them in developing standards and guidelines for this technology. The two-year data gathering effort of the demonstration is expected to be completed this fall. Visit www.codb.us to register for the tour.

Midtown Music Concert Series continues

Love Band performs Saturday, July 10

The city sponsored Midtown Music Concert Series continues in July – **Saturday, July 10**, at Daisy Stocking Park with a performance by The Love Band beginning at 7 p.m.

The Love Band originated on the campus of Bethune-Cookman University. Its members are former students who love to perform for folks who love to dance. The band has performed in the Bahamas, at NASCAR events, music festivals, private galas, colleges, universities and countless private parties.



The performance is part of the free summer concert series, which brings the best local bands to the area. Daisy Stocking Park is located at 550 Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune Blvd. Food and drink vendors will be onsite. Attendees can bring their own chairs; however, coolers are not allowed. Upcoming performances from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday evenings include:

- **Aug. 14:** Daphne Cooper and Dante's Pride Musicians
- **Sept. 11:** Flo Logan and Lois Williams
- **Sept. 25:** The Chris Clarke Jazz Trio

Additional sponsors of the Midtown Music Concert Series include AdventHealth, VyStar Credit Union, Vitas Health Care and U-Store Daytona Beach.

Kids boost their math skills during city's summer camp

Third and fourth graders at two of the city's summer camps are getting a boost in their math skills at the Math Party - Mayor's Multiplication Boot Camp, which is part of the Mayor's Literacy Program. The free two-week program engages students through song, chant, dance and exercise to help them learn multiplication facts.

The Math Party curriculum is developed and delivered by Dr. Stephanie Pasley-Henry, who was inspired to find creative ways to connect with kids after seeing her fifth-grade students struggle with math.

Dr. Pasley-Henry is working with the summer camp students for about two hours each day at the Yvonne Scarlett-Golden Cultural and Educational Center (YSG). As part of the initiative, each student will receive a Math Party



Kids can get free books this summer

Free Little Libraries

Parents are reminded to take advantage of the Free Little Library program available at the city's community centers!

The concept is simple – bring a book take a book. Read it and return it or read it and cherish it.



The Little Libraries are located at the front entrances of the Dickerson Community Center (308 S. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.), Midtown Cultural & Educational Center (925 George W. Engram Blvd.) and Yvonne Scarlett-Golden Cultural & Educational Center (1000 Vine St.). To donate books to help keep these libraries full, call Vincent Terry at (386) 671-5830.

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library Program

Through Dolly Parton's Imagination Library Program, all children under 5 years of age living in the 32114 zip code can receive an age-appropriate book each month. Books are mailed directly to the child's home at no cost to the family.

There are currently 325 children enrolled who live in the 32114 zip code. For more information and to register in Dolly Parton's Imagination Program, visit www.imaginationlibrary.com.

Multiplication Student Kit, comprehensive lessons, pre- and post-timed multiplication activities, and a cumulative pre- and post-assessment. After working at YSG, Dr. Pasley-Henry will spend two weeks working with third and fourth graders enrolled in camp at the Midtown Community Center.