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City Manager's Update



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Odorless smoke testing of pipes on city's mainland

Testing is in its fourth year of a five-year program

Starting this week, crews are working in neighborhoods and commercial areas “smoke testing” sewer lines. Smoke testing is an efficient and common test method used to identify defects such as cracks, leaks or faulty connections in the sanitary sewer collection system, which allow rainwater to enter this underground pipe network. Since the sanitary sewer system is designed to only handle sewage, additional rainwater causes problems within the system.

Utility service will not be interrupted during testing of the city’s nearly 36 miles of pipes in the service area.

During the testing process, workers will blow a dense white smoke into the sewer system from the street and monitor where the smoke escapes, quickly revealing any cracks or breaks in pipes. For example, if smoke permeates up through a yard, it indicates a break in the sewer line at that location.

Smoke would only enter homes or businesses if a property’s traps are dry or defective, or if there are uncapped or broken drain pipes. The smoke is odorless, non-toxic and non-staining. It will dissipate quickly and will not harm pets or plants or

leave a residue. The substance is similar to products used at concerts and sporting events during performances.

The project will also include inspection of 794 manholes and installation of “rain dishes,” which fit below manhole covers to create an additional barrier to keep rainwater and debris from entering the sewer system.

Manhole rain dish



Crews will work 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, weather permitting, and are in easily recognizable uniforms. Residents in the service area have been notified of the smoke testing via informational door hangers, and can call (888) 645-9570 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. if they have questions. The testing will be completed by **Friday, March 24.**



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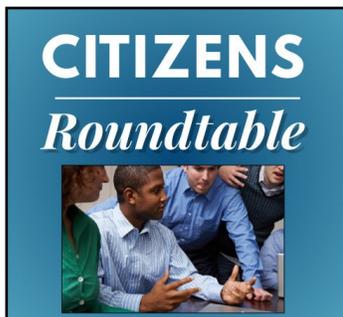
Daytona Beach Radio



Noon to 1 p.m.

Public invited to Citizens Roundtable

The City of Daytona Beach values the ideas and input of its residents. To gather feedback in a public forum, there will be a Citizens Engagement Roundtable at 5:30 p.m. **Wednesday, March 22**, at the Yvonne Scarlett-Golden Cultural and Educational Center.



The Citizens Engagement Roundtable is the first phase of the strategic planning and goal-setting process for the upcoming year. This is community members' chance to directly impact decisions affecting programs, services and other aspects of civic life.

Discussion topics will focus on Public Safety, Infrastructure, Growth Management, Economic Prosperity, Quality of Life and Parks and Recreation. Results from the Citizens Engagement Roundtable will be forwarded to the City Commission for their upcoming Strategic Planning session. People can RSVP to attend at www.CODB.us.

Shorelines and climate change presentation, April 12



Join us at 5:30 p.m. **Wednesday, April 12**, for a presentation at the Yvonne Scarlett-Golden Cultural and Educational Center by Dr. Robert S. Young, who is the director of Western Carolina University's Program for the Study of Developed Shorelines. Dr. Young will discuss how research into coastal processes, storm impacts, hazard vulnerability and sea level rise is being translated into management, planning and policy for coastal communities.

Dr. Young is well-recognized in his field, having earned a variety of awards, grants and positions related to coastal science and management. He is currently leading a major project for the National Park Service to identify the vulnerability of all coastal park assets to coastal storms, erosion and sea level rise for the purpose of adaptation planning.

Commission Strategic Planning Session

5:30 p.m. | Tuesday, March 28

Yvonne Scarlett-Golden Cultural & Educational Center
1000 Vine St., Daytona Beach

Community workshop about Linkage Fee Study

The public is invited to a community workshop at 6 p.m. **Wednesday, March 29**, at City Hall to discuss affordable housing in Daytona Beach. From working with developers, leveraging partnerships and seeking alternative funding sources, the city has taken significant steps to address the shortage of affordable housing throughout Daytona Beach.



A Linkage Fee Study was commissioned in August 2022 to determine ways new development could assist in the goal of private sector support of affordable housing to mitigate ongoing demand. The workshop is intended to provide a forum for the public to give feedback on potential methods and policies to further encourage and support the creation of additional affordable units through implementation of the Linkage Fee Study. For more information, visit www.CODB.us.

Daytona Beach Radio shows archived

For the past seven years, loyal listeners have followed Dr. Ronald Durham's weekly talk-radio show Daytona Beach Radio. Each Wednesday from noon to 1 p.m., Dr. Durham hosts timely and interesting guests and encourages discourse about initiatives throughout the city.



Daytona Beach Radio airs on JOY 106.3 FM. Listeners can tune in at 106.3 on the FM dial, online on JOY 106.3's website or the city's Facebook page or by using the Tunein Radio app on smartphones and tablets. Can't listen live? This year's shows are archived online at www.CODB.us/DaytonaBeachRadio.

Deadline for Biketoberfest vendors

With another Bike Week in the books, the Daytona Beach Area Convention and Visitors Bureau is accepting vendor applications for Biketoberfest®, which is Oct. 19-22.

The deadline for submission to be included in the Master Plan is Friday, April 21.



For guidelines, application forms, examples of site plans and contact information, visit www.CODB.us/BikerEvents or call (386) 255-0415.

Since the beginning of the new fiscal year, 15 lane miles of neighborhood streets have been resurfaced. Crews are currently working on more intensive resurfacing phases known as full-depth reclamation, where the old pavement and base material are pulverized, treated with a stabilizing agent and reapplied to the road. The roadway is then resurfaced with an overlay of new asphalt.



Roadways undergoing full-depth reclamation:

Roadway	To	From
5th Street	Jimmy Ann Drive	West end of road
Birch and Teresa Street	Tomoka Road	Brentwood Drive
Wilder Blvd.	Ridgewood Avenue	Daytona Beach Golf Club parking lot
Driftwood Avenue	Atlantic Avenue	Flagstone Drive
S. Wild Olive Avenue	Main Street	Harvey Avenue
S. Halifax Avenue	Harvey Avenue	Intl Speedway Blvd.

Roadways scheduled to be resurfaced:

Roadway	To	From
Damron Street	Cul de sac	
Gibbons Street	Cul de sac	
Jeffrey Street	Cul de sac	
Millard Court	Loop	
Tomoka Road	Mason Avenue	Brentwood Drive
Tracy Street	Cul de sac	
S. Halifax Avenue	Main Street	Harvey Avenue
Harvey Avenue	S. Halifax Avenue	S. Peninsula Drive
Mitchell Place	S. Halifax Avenue	S. Peninsula Drive
Braddock Avenue	S. Peninsula Drive	West end

Residents rave about Citizens Academy

This year's Citizens Academy just finished its nine-week session with more than 20 people participating in the behind-the-scenes program. From learning about the city's budget to a tour of its water plant, residents had a chance to learn about the many programs and services of Daytona Beach. The next session will be offered in September.



"Our words can never fully express our gratitude to the Citizens Academy. My wife and I are sure we made the right decision to move here. The academy has made us truly aware that Daytona Beach is a real community and that we are welcome to be a part of it."

"I would like to say that I enjoyed the Citizens Academy, it was very informative and interesting. I learned a lot about the different departments and their responsibilities. Bettye, you did a great job. Thank you!"

I want to take this opportunity to thank you and specifically Bettye Goodman for conducting the Citizens Academy. I wasn't too sure what to expect when I enrolled but it has exceeded my expectations. I have learned so much about the city and how it operates. After each session I can't stop talking about what I have learned. My friends laugh and start shouting "Citizens Academy Alert" when they see me coming. I am spreading the word.

Ms. Goodman has done an exceptional job corralling all of us. Each department we went to was more than welcoming. I found our first session with the core city staff, Public Works and Public Utilities the most interesting. This is an experience I will remember and I hope that you continue to provide it in the future. In a few years, I know I will be signing up for a refresher.

Again, thanks and hats off to Ms. Goodman and all the departments that took time away from their busy schedules to provide us insight into the inner workings of the city.

Midtown Music Concerts start April 15

The city sponsored Midtown Music Concert Series kicks off **Saturday, April 15**, at Cypress Park. The best bands in the area will be playing in the concert series that will be from 7 to 9 p.m. on select Saturday nights through Sept. 16. Concert dates are:



- Saturday, April 15
- Saturday, May 20
- Saturday, June 10
- Saturday, July 15
- Saturday, Aug. 19
- Saturday, Sept. 16

Food and drink vendors will be onsite during the concerts. Attendees can bring their own lawn chairs. No coolers are allowed. This year's sponsors of the Midtown Music Concert Series include Humana. For more information, visit www.CODB.us/MidtownMusic.

Daytona Spring Turkey Run

Come celebrate the 33rd annual Daytona Spring Turkey Run and view thousands of classic cars on display. The event is **Friday, March 24**, through **Sunday, March 26**, at Daytona International Speedway. Visitors can enjoy swap meet vendors, handmade art, crafts and fashion – all perfect for family fun! Hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday. For more information, visit www.TurkeyRun.com.



Children's Business Fair, March 25

Support local youth entrepreneurs at the Children's Business Fair happening in downtown Daytona Beach **Saturday, March 25**. From 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., shop at 90 booths at this unique one-day marketplace at the Riverfront Esplanade. For more details, visit www.RiverfrontEsplanade.com.

