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The City of DELTONA



City of Deltona - Proud to be part of it...

New fire station opens on Howland

FIRE & RESCUE PROTECTION in the north area of Deltona will soon see improvement as the City of Deltona's fifth fire station will open its doors very soon.

Fire Station 65 located at 2983 Howland Blvd (the intersection of Howland and Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevards) will initially staff three personnel on an Advanced Life Support fire engine. The station has the ability to house up to 10 personnel and three fire & emergency response vehicles.

After a year of site development including underground, water, sewer, a master storm water system, paving of roads and installation of a traffic light with emergency override, construction began in August of 2010 on the new fire station.

The new \$2 million "green" fire station is a two-story 10,743 square-foot facility. The station has many "green" attributes, including extensive day lighting features as well as solar water heating. Photovoltaic electrical generating panels, paid through a federal grant, will provide much of the electricity needed throughout the day. High efficiency heating, ventilating and air conditioning; enhanced insulation and windows make the facility environmentally responsive.

This will be the first City facility to be LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certified. The need for the new fire station has increased over the past years as both residential and non-residential growth has increased. The plans for this station were in response to the growth needs started several years ago in the north section of Deltona. A training room in the new facility will allow fire fighters to conduct on-site fire and emergency medical services training, while remaining in their primary response area.



Budget preparation means evaluating what's important

SINCE becoming City Manager in 2008, City Administration



has worked very diligently to reduce the general fund expenditures. General Fund Expenditures have declined every year and in the current fiscal year, the City may see the best year of reduction in a still stagnant economy.

At the halfway point (March) of fiscal year 2010-2011, all of the City's significant revenue line items, except property taxes are trending down. We do believe that the reductions the City has made in operating expenses will likely offset any shortfall in revenue.

These facts, make the City's current preparation for the 2011-2012 budget process all the more important. It's difficult to distinguish between the wants and needs of our population and maintain a quality level of service.

Department Directors were asked to submit budget proposals that equal the LESSER OF the department's actual

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July - August - September Calendar of Events

July

4 Celebrate our Nation's Independence! The City of Deltona is proud to present its 7th Annual Fireworks Extravaganza at the Dewey O. Boster Sports Complex, 1200 Saxon Blvd. 6-9 p.m., Children's Activities and live band, 9:15 p.m., fireworks! So pack up your family, bring a chair or blanket to relax on as you enjoy the park, and be dazzled by a sky full of color. Vendors from non-profit organizations will be on-site to sell food and/or souvenirs. Because parking is limited at the Sports Complex, beginning at 5:30 p.m. shuttle service will be available from the City Municipal Complex, 2345 Providence Blvd. The last bus to leave for the fireworks will depart at 8:45 p.m. Parking is always free.

- City Administrative Offices are closed for the Independence Day holiday.

5 Regular meeting of the Deltona City Commission, 6:30 p.m., in the Commission Chambers at City Hall, 2345 Providence Blvd.

11 Special Commission Meeting (Tentative proposed millage

rate resolution), 6:30 p.m.

18 City Commission Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

23 Senior Citizen Celebration breakfast, 8:30-10:30 a.m., Deltona Community Center, 980 Lakeshore Drive. Cost, \$2.50.

August

1 Commission Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

15 Commission Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

September

5 City Administrative Offices are closed for the Labor Day Holiday.

6 City Commission Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

19 City Commission Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

20 Out & About Trip for Seniors to the Morse Museum of American Art, Winter Park. Cost, \$20 covers admission to the museum and transportation to and from the Deltona Community Center. Call Parks & Recreation, (386) 878-8900 to register.

The City Farmer's Market is from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturdays at the Deltona United Church of Christ, 1649 Providence Blvd.

No tolerance Night

THE VOLUSIA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND THE CITY OF Deltona cordially invite you to attend the 2011 National Night Out at City Hall on Aug. 2.

This is an opportunity for the entire community to get together and send a message that crime will not be tolerated. The event also gives you a chance to meet some of your neighbors and local law enforcement heroes.

Come out and see demonstrations by members of the K-9 and Motors unit. Members of the SWAT team and Crime Scene Unit will have vehicles and displays to view. Security companies and vendors will also be there to showcase some of the latest crime prevention equipment.

Members of active Neighborhood Watch groups will be present to provide information on the importance and success of their group. Also, the Deltona Fire Department and other supporting agencies will be in attendance. There will be FREE food and refreshments, plus lots of fun and exciting things for the whole family to enjoy.

National Night Out

Tuesday, August 2

6-8 p.m.

Deltona City Hall, 2345 Providence Blvd.

If you have any questions or have a related business interested in being a vendor or having a display at the event, please contact Sergeant Pat Leahy, (386) 860-7030.

Have you visited Thornby Park and the all-inclusive 'Inspiration Playground?' Kids of all ages and abilities are welcome there.

Thornby is located at 110 Providence Blvd.

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budget for fiscal year 2009-2010 or the budgeted amount for fiscal year 2010-2011, which in essence means that the department was not to exceed their budgeted expenses for this current fiscal year when developing their budget proposal for the next fiscal year beginning on Oct. 1. This is quite a challenge for City staff given the ever increasing cost of fuel and other essential supplies/materials used and necessary for each department's operations throughout the year.

Residents interested in learning more about the budget process are welcome to attend any of the following scheduled Commission meetings:

- 10 a.m., July 1 - Commission workshop meeting to discuss and review of proposed fiscal year 2011-2012 annual budget
- 4:30 p.m., July 11 (tentative) - Continuation of Commission workshop meeting to discuss proposed annual budget
- 6:30 p.m., July 11 - Special Commission meeting to set the tentative proposed millage rate for fiscal year 2011-2012
- 6:30 p.m., Sept. 6 - first Public Hearing and Adoption of the tentative millage rate and tentative annual budget for fiscal year 2011-2012
- 6:30 p.m., Sept. 19 - second Public Hearing and Adoption of the final millage rate and final annual budget for fiscal year 2011-2012

Additional workshop meetings may be added as needed during the summer. For an up-to-date schedule of budget meetings or to review complete meeting agenda packets, visit the City's Web site, www.deltonafl.gov. We appreciate and welcome input from our residents as we go through the budget adoption process.

Faith Miller, City Manager

The nine-lives problem growing in Deltona

HOW ABOUT THIS INTERESTING FACT? FOR EVERY PERSON BORN, forty-five cats are also born. Sadly, only one in ten will find a home. One female cat's cumulative offspring in 10 years totals over 80 million. Here's how: two uncontrolled breeding cats, plus all their kittens and all their kittens' kittens, if none were ever neutered or spayed, in the first fifteen years could theoretically add up to two litters per year, 2.8 surviving kittens per litter, times a 10-year breeding life for each cat--80 million cats!

Deltona's Enforcement Services Department (which includes animal control) took in over 1,500 cats in 2010 and took them to local humane societies. Only 16 of those cats were claimed by an owner. Pet overpopulation is the number one problem for domestic animals in America. Every litter just adds to the problem.

It's a fact that an inside cat lives a longer, healthier life than the puss that puts paws on the pavement. An indoor cat never faces the dozen of dangers waiting outside your front door like cars, other cats ready to fight for love or territory, exposed to diseases and parasites, and sickness or death from eating spoiled food or poison. Outdoor cats are more prone to get lost, too. Searching for a lost cat without an identification tag is a time-consuming and often disappointing effort, and there's nothing more heartbreaking than wondering for years if your missing kitty is alive and well, or suffering, abused, or dead.

Enforcement Services has some solutions:

First, **spay or neuter your pet.** These procedures will greatly improve your pet's chances for a long and healthy life. Spaying a female animal reduces the risk of breast cancer, uterine infections, ovarian cysts, and several other life-threatening problems. Neutered males suffer a much lower incidence of prostate cancer, testicular tumors, and the painful enlarged prostate glands. There is not evidence to suggest your pet will experience negative personality changes however several positive behaviors are often visible such as less crying and frantic behavior, less wandering, aggression, spraying or marking by males and less likelihood of

fight.

People always have the misconception that female cats will miss having kittens. The truth is that cats enjoy your company and sometimes each others but they're not into family life. Mother cats care for their young a few months until they're weaned but have nothing further to do with them. People are often uncomfortable having these procedures done and say, "I wouldn't want that done to me." Science says that your pet's psychology and biology are quite different from ours. Male cats have hormones that encourage them to produce as many offspring as possible and in our modern world, there is just no room for this many offspring. Both male and female animals show an interest in sex only when females are in heat. The best age to have your pet "fixed" is before your pet reproduces. Around six months is usually the best time. There is no medical evidence that having a litter is beneficial to your pet's temperament, and spaying before her first heat has major health benefits.

Secondly, **obey leash laws.** Always take your pets out on a leash or safely chain or tie them up when they are outside unfenced areas. Always make sure they have shade and shelter and fresh water.

Thirdly, **not feeding stray cats and encouraging their reproduction.**

Low cost spay/neuter certificates are available at Halifax Humane Society. These certificates are honored by Val-U-Vet here in Deltona. Certificates are available online at halifaxhumanesociety.org. The cost is \$30 for a male cat and \$45 for a female. If you have any questions you can call Halifax Humane Society at (386) 274-4703.



Summer safety tips from the Volusia County Sheriff's Office

WHILE TAKING THE DAY OFF FROM WORK, YOU NOTICE A COUPLE of people walking around to the back of your neighbor's home. You quickly realize they don't belong there because you've never seen them there before. That's the time to call the Sheriff's Office.

Or, during the night, while taking out your garbage or getting something from your car, you notice one or two kids dressed in dark clothes checking car door handles as they walk or bike down the street. That's the time to call the Sheriff's Office.

We're always ready to respond to your concerns and verify if people behaving like this have a legitimate reason to be in the area. If they do, then we can all be reassured. But if they don't, your call may give us the tip that just ended a string of home or car break-ins. That's usually how it happens.

Usually during the summer months, law enforcement agencies around the country experience increases in property crimes. Often, they're committed by unsupervised teenagers looking for

something to do. To help reduce these and other senseless crimes in your neighborhood, we're asking you to take these important steps:

- Turn on your exterior porch and garage lights throughout the night, every night.
- Lock all doors and windows on your homes and vehicles.
- Remove all valuables and loose change from your vehicles, including anything that's in plain sight.
- Join Neighborhood Watch.
- Invest in a quality alarm system.
- Install video surveillance cameras on your property.
- Ensure you have proper lighting around your home.
- Keep landscaping trimmed and maintained to prevent hiding places.
- Always remember to contact the Sheriff's Office immediately to report any suspicious activity.

For a free home security survey or to join Neighborhood Watch, contact Sergeant Pat Leahy, (386) 860-7030.

Important City Numbers

Animal Control, (386) 860-7177
Automated inspection information,
(386) 575-6900 or (407) 936-9999
Building & Zoning Services,
(inspections and permitting), (386) 878-8650
City Clerk's Office, (386) 878-8500
City Hall, 2345 Providence Blvd.,
(386) 878-8100
City Manager's Office, (386) 878-8850
Code and Solid Waste Compliance,
(386) 878-8700
Communication and Public Information,
(386) 878-8755

Fire Department Administration,
1685 Providence Blvd.,
(386) 860-7177 (non-emergency),
(386) 575-6901 (administration)
Human Resources, (386) 878-8750
Mayor and City Commission,
(386) 878-8860
Parks & Recreation, (386) 878-8900
Planning & Development Services,
(386) 878-8600
Public Works, 201 Howland Blvd.,
(386) 878-8950

Volusia County Sheriff's Office,
1691 Providence Blvd., (386) 860-7030
Water and Sewer, 255 Enterprise Road,
(386) 575-6800 (customer service)
Waste Pro, (Recycling bins, garbage pick-up
and special pick-ups), (386) 574-0778 or
(386) 574-0723
Zoning Division (Residential),
(386) 878-8660
Zoning Division (Commercial),
(386) 878-8600

Emergencies, 911

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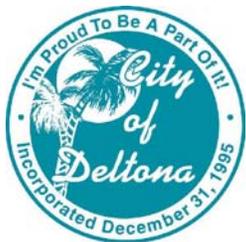
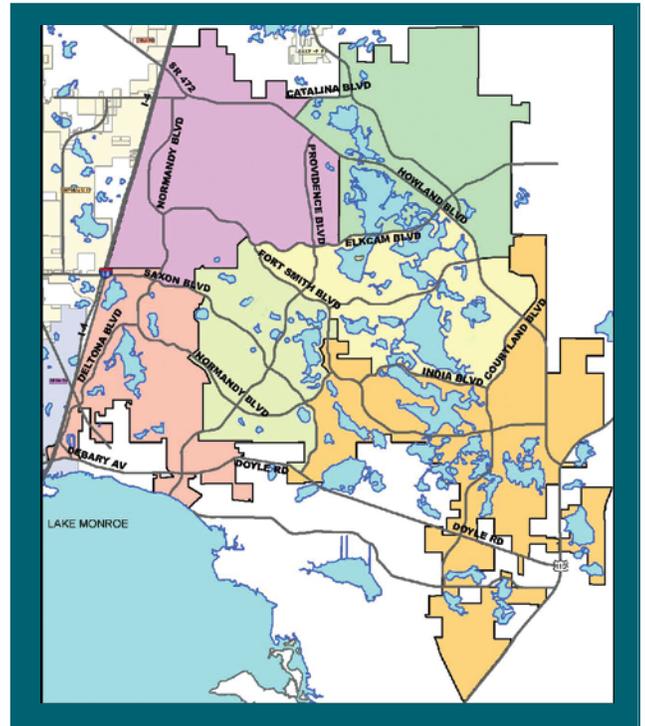
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