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**Florida Public Power Calendar**

**March 13-14, 2020**
**20th Annual Florida Lineman Competition**
Hosted by City of Tallahassee
Tallahassee, FL

**April 21, 2020**
**Key Accounts Roundtable**
Ocala Electric Utility
Ocala, FL

**May 13-14, 2020**
**Florida Public Power Hurricane Forum**
Renaissance Orlando Airport Hotel
Orlando, FL

**May 27, 2020**
**GIS Professionals Roundtable**
Hosted by KUA
Kissimmee, FL

**July 28-30, 2020**
**FMEA Annual Conference**
The Breakers
Palm Beach, FL

**October 21-22, 2020**
**FMEA Energy Connections Conference & Trade Show**
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In rare move, Senate OKs bill over Dominion’s objections

Giant batteries, key to solar and wind power plans, start to get bank backing

Wisconsin solar installations delayed because of coronavirus; Minnesota developers worried

Duke settles with Chargepoint, expanding options for $76M North Carolina EV pilot

Dems want 100% clean energy fast. Can utilities get there?

Criticism of NextEra’s bid for Santee Cooper off base

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“There’s a difference between interest and commitment.
When you’re interested in doing something, you do it only when it’s convenient.
When you’re committed to something, you accept no excuses; only results.”
—Kenneth Blanchard

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Parts & Property Clerk
The City of Lake Worth Beach (posted 3/06)
Electric Line Worker III
The City of Alachua (posted 3/02)
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Utilities Commission City of New Smyrna Beach (posted 3/02)
Utilities Employee I
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Energy Advisor
Keys Energy Services (posted 2/26)
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Keys Energy Services (posted 2/26)
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Thanks to all who were able to participate in this morning’s Florida League of Cities Monday Morning Call-In. Today was the FINAL Monday Morning Call-In for this year. Below is a list of the bills discussed. Click HERE to listen to a recording of this morning’s call. To view the League’s legislative bill summaries, click HERE.

FLC is hosting a Post-Legislative Session Webinar on Wednesday, March 25 at 10:00 a.m. To register for the webinar, click HERE.

March 9, 2020 FLC Call-In Summary

**David Cruz Update:**

- **CS/CS/SB 1066** (Gruters) – Impact Fees – Oppose – CS/CS/SB 1066 is on the Senate Special Order Calendar today, March 9.
- **CS/HB 519** – Bert Harris/Private Property Rights Protection – Oppose – CS/HB 519 is on Third Reading in the House today, March 9.
- **CS/CS/CS/HB 203** and **CS/SB 410** (Perry) – Growth Management – Oppose – CS/CS/CS/HB 203 was temporarily postponed on Second Reading in the House. CS/SB 410 passed the Senate on March 5 and is now in House Messages.

**Amber Hughes Update:**

- **CS/CS/SB 664** (Lee) – E-Verify – Watch – CS/CS/SB 664 is on Third Reading in the Senate today, March 9.
- **CS/HB 7097** (Ways & Means) – Taxation – Watch – CS/HB 7097 passed the House last week and has been referred to the Senate Appropriations Committee. The Senate may or may not consider the bill.

**Casey Cook Update:**

- The House did not consider the Short-Term Rentals bill, **CS/CS/HB 1011** (Fisher) Oppose, last Friday. The Senate companion, **CS/SB 1128** (Diaz) Oppose, is still stuck in the Senate Rules Committee. The League is watching for amendments on other bills. Thank you for your efforts in asking legislators to oppose these bills!

**Rebecca O’Hara Update:**

- **CS/CS/SB 1450** (Gruters) and **CS/CS/HB 1091** – Environmental Fines – Watch – CS/CS/SB 1450 is on the Senate Special Order Calendar today, March 9. CS/CS/HB 1091 passed the House last week and has been sent over to the Senate.
- **SB 172** (Bradley) – Sunscreen Preemption Bill/Florida Drug and Cosmetic Act – Watch – SB 172 is on the House Special Order Calendar today, March 9.
- **CS/CS/HB 715** (Maggard) – Reclaimed Water – Oppose – CS/CS/HB 715 is on Third Read in the House today, March 9. The Senate companion bill, SB 1656 (Albritton) is stuck in the Senate Appropriations Committee. Some of the language from CS/CS/HB 715 is now included in the Water Quality Bills, CS/CS/SB 712 and CS/HB 1343.
- **CS/CS/SB 712** (Mayfield) and **CS/HB 1343** (Payne) – Water Quality – Watch – CS/CS/SB 712 passed the Senate last week and is now in House messages.
- **CS/CS/HB 1111** (Tomkow) – Government Integrity – Watch – CS/CS/HB 1111 is on Third Reading in the House today, March 9.

**Jeff Branch Update:**
• CS/CS/CS/SB 474 (Albritton) and CS/HB 1193 (Ingoglia) – Deregulation of Professions and Occupations – Opposed to Mobile Food Truck Language – CS/CS/CS/SB 474 is on the Senate Special Order Calendar today, March 9. CS/HB 1193 is on the House Special Order Calendar today, March 9.
• CS/CS/CS/HB 1339 (Yarborough) and CS/CS/SB 998 (Hutson) – Housing – Opposed to the Mobile Home Park Language – CS/CS/CS/HB 1339 is on Third Reading in the House today, March 9. CS/CS/SB 998 is on the Senate Special Order Calendar today, March 9.
• CS/CS/HB 971 (Grant, M.) and CS/SB 1148 (Brandes) – Electric Bikes – Support – CS/CS/HB 971 is on Third Reading in the House today, March 9. CS/SB 1148 is on the Senate Special Order Calendar.
• CS/CS/CS/HB 1371 (Fine) – Traffic and Pedestrian Safety – Oppose – HB 1371 is on Third Reading in the House today, March 9. The Senate companion bill, CS/SB 1000 (Perry), is stuck in the Senate Appropriations Committee.

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East Central Florida RPC Partners on Economic Impact Analysis
The State Road 405 Causeway in Brevard County is the most direct connection between the City of Titusville, home to most of the county's aerospace manufacturing suppliers, and the Kennedy Space Center (KSC) Launch Complex located on Merritt Island. It serves thousands of military and civilian personnel working at the Cape Canaveral Spaceport (CCS) and is the only route to the KSC Visitor Complex, one of Brevard County's most visited tourist attractions. Ensuring this critical access through future decades will drive economic competitiveness of these industries.

In 2015, NASA received a "Load Rating and Projection of Year of De-Rating for the Indian River Bridge" analysis which rated the causeway in "fair" condition. While the vulnerability of the causeway has been recognized as a critical issue for the competitiveness of Florida's aerospace industry, it has been difficult to identify the means necessary to upgrade S.R. 405 and ensure the causeway's long-term resiliency and functionality. The East Central Florida RPC and its partners understand the importance of this route for the economic vitality of Brevard County's economy and the long-term resiliency of the region's aerospace industry. As such, the East Central Florida RPC and the North Brevard Economic Development Zone (NBEDZ) partnered to submit an Economic Adjustment Grant from U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) to analyze the economic importance of S.R. 405 and make the case to attract the necessary investment and partnerships needed to rebuild the Causeway.

The project was comprised of four different economic impact simulation scenarios run using the REMI PI+ economic model. The economic model scenarios revealed that close to 15,000 jobs are dependent on the S.R. 405 bridge. The bridge also supports the generation of $1.6 billion in sales and approximately $699 million in personal income. Moreover, it contributes $1.02 billion to the County's Gross Domestic Product (GDP). On average, the bridge's closure would spur the loss of almost 13,500 jobs per year when compared to the REMI forecast. Brevard County would also lose $1.53 billion in sales, $945.7 million in personal income, and $975.8 million to the County's GDP.

Since the completion of the economic forecasting, NASA has funded the Project Development and Environment Study and Design and will fund continued operation and maintenance until the new bridge is complete. Space Florida has committed to providing the matching funds for the INFRA grant award and will take over ownership of the bridge once constructed.
North Central Florida RPC Prepares for 2020 Census

Once a decade, America comes together to count every resident in the United States, creating national awareness of the importance of the census and its valuable statistics. It counts our population and households, providing the basis for reapportioning congressional seats, redistricting, and distributing more than $675 billion in federal funds annually to support states, counties and communities’ vital programs - impacting housing, education, transportation, employment, health care and public policy.

Dr. Stephen D. Dillingham, U. S. Census Director, Washington, D. C. Central Office, along with Marilyn Stephens, Assistant Regional Census Manager, Atlanta Regional Office, recently visited the offices of the North Central Florida RPC to discuss preparations for the upcoming 2020 Census. The Council, along with the other nine regional planning councils in Florida, is a Census Affiliate agency. Affiliate agencies partner with the Census to coordinate with local governments to prepare for the decennial Census and disseminate Census information.

During the visit, Census officials were briefed by Council staff on their outreach efforts concerning preparation for 2020 Census. These efforts include working with local Census complete count committees, adopting a proclamation declaring March 2020 as Census Awareness Month in the north central Florida region, encouraging all counties and municipalities in the north central Florida region to adopt similar proclamations, posting information concerning 2020 Census on the Council website and issuing press releases to inform the public about the importance of 2020 Census.

Dr. Dillingham discussed the process for implementing 2020 Census. He indicated that the goal is to have 80 percent of the 2020 Census responses completed online with telephone and mail options also being available for the initial count during Phase 1. During Phase 2, enumerators will canvass neighborhoods to count non-respondents. While April 1st is the official Census Day and the residency count day, 2020 Census will continue for several months with an anticipated completion by July 2020.

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RPC Executive Directors Appointed to Council on Climate
On February 24, 2020, Agriculture Commissioner Nicole "Nikki" Fried announced the launch of the new Florida Advisory Council on Climate & Energy (FACCE). This committee of energy and climate professionals will advise the Commissioner and the Office of Energy in the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services on modernizing energy and climate policies, diversifying energy sources, increasing energy efficiency, and creating solutions for Florida's energy and climate future.

Commissioner Fried first announced the creation of FACCE in October during the department's Florida Energy & Climate Summit in Tampa. The 26-member committee will advise on a broad range of energy industry issues like energy conservation, renewable energy, climate change, sea-level rise, and alternative vehicle technologies, as well as perspective on the findings of the FDACS Florida Energy and Climate Plan. FRCA is pleased to announce that Patricia "Pat" Steed, Executive Director of the Central Florida RPC and Sean Sullivan, Executive Director of the Tampa Bay RPC were appointed to serve on the Council representing regional planning councils.
FRCA Partners Meetings Schedule 2020

Listed below are the upcoming Partners Meetings hosted by FRCA throughout the year. If you would like to attend or present at one of the Partners Meetings, please contact Denise Imbler at dimbler@arpc.org

March 13, 2020  9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.  City Hall, Tallahassee

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2020 Census Invitations Arrive March 12-20

Ninety-five percent or about 143 million households in the country will receive an initial invitation to respond to the 2020 Census in their mailboxes between March 12 and 20. The U.S. Census Bureau released informational copies today of the invitations, the enclosed materials, and the subsequent reminders households will receive. These materials can help the public know what to expect and avoid potential scams.

In areas where 20 percent or more of the households need Spanish assistance, the invitations will be in both English and Spanish.

U.S. Census Bureau Hosts 2020 Census Kickoff Event

The U.S. Census Bureau will host a 2020 Census Kickoff event in Atlanta, Georgia as invitations to respond to the 2020 Census are arriving across the country March 12-20. This event brings together local and national partners and Census Bureau representatives to notify the nation it is officially time to respond to the 2020 Census.

There will be a news conference followed by one-on-one interviews broadcast live on Census Live.
Census Bureau Reaches Highest Recruiting Goals, Begins Selections for Census Takers

The U.S. Census Bureau is beginning its selection process to hire up to 500,000 census takers for the 2020 Census.

“America has answered the call, and is ready to answer the 2020 Census,” said Secretary of Commerce Wilbur Ross. “With unemployment rates at historic lows, recruiting is a big challenge. I congratulate our recruitment staff, and our community partners for recruiting more than 2.6 million applicants nationwide.”

Beginning in May 2020, census takers, also known as enumerators, will go door to door across the country to count people in households that have not responded to the census online, by phone or on paper. To have a robust hiring pool, the Census Bureau seeks four or more applicants for each position.

2020 Census Response Rate Map Preview Now Available

The U.S. Census Bureau launched a new online map this week as part of its 2020 Census Response Rate Challenge — where state, local and community leaders work together to promote a complete and accurate count by increasing the self-response rate in their
community. The preview map currently displays 2010 Census self-response rates as a reference point for states, counties, cities and census tracts around the country. Users will be able to use the map to track their community’s progress in responding to the 2020 Census.

As people begin responding to the 2020 Census online, by phone or by mail in mid-March, the Census Bureau will update the map daily to reflect the percentage of households that self-respond online, by phone or by mail after being invited to do so. (The rate will be provided for the three modes combined and for online alone.)

2020 Census Response Rate Challenge Toolkit Released

The Census Bureau has released a downloadable toolkit geared toward helping leaders plan a Response Rate Challenge for the 2020 Census. The new toolkit encourages leaders in every town, city and state to challenge their communities to improve upon their 2010 Census response rates in the upcoming national census.

Mark Your Calendar: Important 2020 Census Dates

- **March 12-20:** Initial invitations to respond online and by phone will be delivered by the U.S. Postal Service. Areas that are less likely to respond online will receive a paper questionnaire along with the invitation to respond online or over the phone.

- **March 16-24:** Reminder letters will be delivered.

- **March 26-April 3:** Reminder postcards will be delivered to households that have not responded.

- **March 30 - April 1:** The Census Bureau will count people who are experiencing homelessness over these three days. As part of this process, the Census Bureau
counts people in shelters, at soup kitchens and mobile food vans, on the streets, and at non-sheltered, outdoor locations such as tent encampments.

- **April 1: Census Day is observed nationwide.** By this date, every home will receive an invitation to participate in the 2020 Census. Once the invitation arrives, you should respond for your home in one of three ways: online, by phone, or by mail. When you respond to the census, you’ll tell the Census Bureau where you live as of April 1, 2020.

- **April:** Census takers will begin visiting college students who live on campus, people living in senior centers, and others who live among large groups of people. Census takers also begin conducting quality check interviews to help ensure an accurate count.

- **April 8-16:** Reminder letters and paper questionnaires will be delivered to remaining households that have not responded.

- **April 20-27:** Final reminder postcards will be delivered to households that have not yet responded before census takers follow up in person.

- **May 13:** If a household does not respond to any of the invitations, a census taker will follow up in person. This operation begins on May 31 and is scheduled to end by July 31.

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**About the Intergovernmental Affairs Office**

The Intergovernmental Affairs Office (IAO) works with Tribal, state, county, and local governments both directly and through the national and regional organizations that advocate on their behalf to share information about U.S. Census programs and products. IAO encourages supportive policy development by intergovernmental and tribal associations, serving as a conduit by which these associations and governments communicate their concerns to the Census Bureau. For more information on Census Bureau programs, please contact us at (301) 763-6100 or by email at ocia.iao@census.gov.

Sincerely,

Alan Lang
Deputy Chief, Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs
U.S. Census Bureau
Notice of Submission

Pursuant to Section 403.077, F.S., the Department of Environmental Protection has received the following Public Notice of Pollution for a reportable release. All information displayed was submitted by the reporting party.

**Type of Notice:** Initial Report  
**Date of Notice:** 03/09/2020

**Incident Information**  
**Name of Incident:** NAVAL AIR STATION JACKSONVILLE FL. FRCSE JP-5 RELEASE  
**State Watch Office Case Number:** 20201430  
**Start of Incident:** 03/09/2020 10:05  
**End of Incident:** 03/09/2020 11:30

**Incident Description**  
NAS Jacksonville, Fl. reporting 25 gallons of JP-5 jet fuel during aircraft system test. Mechanical failure permitting fuel to vent form the port (left) wing.

**Incident Location**  
**Facility/Installation Name:** Naval Air Station Jacksonville, Fl. FRCSE  
**Address Line 1:** Commanding Officer  
**Address Line 2:** 6500 Roosevelt Blvd; Box 5  
**Directions:** South on Roosevelt Blvd. Turn Left at Yorktown Ave. Follow straight to Wasp St. Turn right to Enterprise Ave. On flight line turn right second building on right. Aircraft spot in between Hangar 140 and Hgr. 868. 
**City:** Jacksonville  
**State:** FL  
**Zip Code:** 32212  
**Coordinates (in decimal degrees):**  
Lat: 30.22142839452052, Long: -81.66833113590398  
[Click to view Incident Location]
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Incident Reported By
Name: James Taylor
Title: Naval Air Station Jacksonville Spill Prevention Manager
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Florida Department of Environmental Protection
Members of the Security and Emergency Preparedness Planning Council,

Please see the attached agenda and presentation for today’s meeting.

Thank you,

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Hi Mayor Latham,

I’ve attached a draft of a potential flyer. Let me know your thoughts, and if you have additional information to add to the flyer. Or, if there’s someone I can connect with to get the rest of the information, I’m happy to do that as well!

Thanks,

Jacob

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From: Jacob Board  
Sent: Friday, March 6, 2020 8:41 AM  
To: Charlie Latham <clatham@jaxbchfl.net>  
Cc: Mike Staffopoulos <mstaffopoulos@jaxbchfl.net>; Karen Nelson <KNelson@jaxbchfl.net>  
Subject: RE: [POSSIBLE SPAM] Fwd: Cheryl Deas & Suicide Forum March 26

Good morning Mayor Latham,

I’m happy to put a flyer together! When you have the other details, pass them along and I’ll get working on it.

Thank you!

Jacob

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From: Mike Staffopoulos <mstaffopoulos@jaxbchfl.net>  
Sent: Thursday, March 5, 2020 3:07 PM  
To: Jacob Board <jboard@jaxbchfl.net>; Karen Nelson <KNelson@jaxbchfl.net>  
Subject: FW: [POSSIBLE SPAM] Fwd: Cheryl Deas & Suicide Forum March 26
Jacob, is this something we can pull together?

From: Charlie Latham <charlie@charlielatham.com>  
Sent: Thursday, March 5, 2020 1:47 PM  
To: Mike Staffopoulos <mstaffopoulos@jaxbchfl.net>  
Cc: Chris Wright <CWright@jaxbchfl.net>  
Subject: [POSSIBLE SPAM] Fwd: Cheryl Deas & Suicide Forum March 26

Mike,

Can we/Jacob take the lead on the highlighted issue below? (This is our suicide prevention seminar on March 26th). It’s being supported by all three beach cities, but we are sort of the lead city for this event.

March 26th is confirmed at Fletcher HS, and I’m confirming the time now.

Ideally, a .pdf or similar soft copy could be easily distributed to all even sponsors and then they can each distribute whichever way they prefer.

Thank you!

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Glasser, Ellen" <eglasser@coab.us>  
Subject: Re: Cheryl Deas & Suicide Forum March 26  
Date: March 5, 2020 at 11:44:13 AM EST  
To: Amy <amybsn@yahoo.com>, Jerry Sweat <Jerry.sweat@beachchurchjax.com>  
Cc: "ledfordj@duvalschools.org" <ledfordj@duvalschools.org>, Marion Shotwell <Marion.Shotwell@beachchurchjax.com>, Charlie Latham <charlie@charlielatham.com>, "elaine4neptune@gmail.com" <elaine4neptune@gmail.com>, "Hogencamp, Kevin" <kHogencamp@coab.us>

Thanks Jerry! Cheryl will be a meaningful addition to this important effort.

To the group: Will we have a flyer, a tag line for the forum, and a plan to get the word out? If there is interest, below is what we used for our Three Beaches, One Community drive after Dorian. We could update or go in another direction, and add True North and Fletcher High School.
I am offering the assistance of our Public Information Officer, and Deputy City Manager Kevin Hogencamp if you want. If this already underway, please disregard....

Ellen Glasser, Mayor  
eglasser@coab.us  
(904) 472-6262 (cell)

"Let the light that shines in you be brighter than the light that shines on you."  
Coach Dabo Swinney

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From: Amy <amybsn@yahoo.com>  
Sent: Thursday, March 5, 2020 7:59 AM  
To: Jerry Sweat  
Cc: ledfordj@duvalschools.org; Marion Shotwell; Charlie Latham; Glasser, Ellen; elaine4neptune@gmail.com  
Subject: Re: Cheryl Deas

Thanks Jerry I'm glad your meeting went well and that's just how I felt when I heard her speak. Her story is an important one to this topic. Let me know if I can help any further.  
Amy

On Mar 4, 2020, at 10:38 AM, Jerry Sweat <Jerry.sweat@beachchurchjax.com> wrote:

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Hey guys, thank you so much for recommending Cheryl Deas to share her story regarding her son! I just had a good conversation with her about her story and I really think she will do a great job! This is a story every parent needs to hear! Just wanted you to know. Looking forward to our event at FHS and believe it will be super helpful to all who attend!  
Jerry
Three Beaches
One Community
Bahamas

10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Fri., Sept. 27 & Sat., Sept. 28
JB Fire Station No. 1 * AB City Hall
NB Police Department

Please support the people of the Bahamas with donations of food and supplies.

Visit www.coab.us/Bahamas2019 for details.
Chapel Concert: Mama Blue
Monday, March 16, 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Beaches Museum Chapel

The Beaches Museum along with the Lazzara Family Foundation proudly presents Mama Blue making her return to the Chapel stage.

Mama Blue’s music is described as a sound that “fuses the elements of Nina Simone’s strength, Tina Turner’s energy, Etta James’ sass and Aretha’s soul”. Mama Blue has a unique ability to reach people at the center of their souls. She brings the warmth and understanding of an irresistibly genuine person to the stage.

Mama Blue won the Folio Weekly “Best of Jax 2018” as the Best Female Vocalist. Mama Blue and her crew have performed at festivals from Springing the Blues, Dancin’ in the Streets and Porch Fest in Jacksonville, to the International Blues Challenge in Memphis, and at events and nightclubs across Northeast Florida and beyond.

In honor of Women’s History Month, this concert will feature the music of female songwriters, singers and originals by Mama Blue herself. This
A combination of artists will take you on a musical journey through modern American life.

**Tickets to this concert are sold out. To be added to the wait list, please contact Beaches Museum director Chris Hoffman at director@beachesmuseum.org or call 904-241-5567 x 113.**

Chapel concerts are held in the historic Beaches Museum Chapel. Shows start at 7:00 p.m., check in begins and refreshments are served at 6:00 p.m. Seats are first come, first serve.

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**About the Beaches Museum**

Beaches Museum is operated by the Beaches Area Historical Society whose mission is "to preserve and share the distinct history and culture of the Beaches area." To learn more about the Beaches Museum, please visit our website.

The Beaches Museum is generously supported by The Cultural Council of Greater Jacksonville and Florida Department of State, Division of Cultural Affairs.

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**Beaches Museum**

381 Beach Boulevard  
Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250  
904.241.5657  
www.beachesmuseum.org
Good afternoon Mayor and Council - attached is the City’s Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for fiscal year 2019. We wanted to provide this to you as soon as possible since it is an agenda item for the March 16 council meeting and will be discussed at the briefing. You’ll also receive a copy in your agenda book on Thursday, March 12.

Please feel free to email A. J. Souto or Karen Nelson if you have any questions.

Have an awesome day.

Thank you,

Chris Wright
City Manager’s Office
904.270.1651
Chris Wright

From: Crozer, William F. EOP/WHO <William.F.Crozer@who.eop.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 9, 2020 8:20 PM
Subject: INVITATION: State and Local Briefing Call on COVID-19 (March 11)

State and Local Leaders –

On **Wednesday, March 11, at 1:00 PM ET**, please join Senior Administration Officials for a briefing call on COVID-19 (coronavirus). If you would like to join, registration instructions and additional background information are below. **Disregard this email if you have already registered.** Please feel free to share this invitation with your county and/or municipal colleagues as well as public health officials.

**Briefing Call Registration**
**Date:** Wednesday, March 11  
**Time:** 1:00 PM ET (please note time zone)  
**Call-In Registration:** [CLICK HERE](#)  
**Note:** You must RSVP to join the call. Upon successful registration, you will receive dial-in details to the email address you use to register. Note that multiple people cannot dial-in using the same registration information.

Below, please find additional information. The White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs (WH IGA) will continue to share pertinent information as it becomes available. Please do not hesitate to reach out to our office directly if we can be of assistance. As a reminder, WH IGA is the primary liaison between the White House and the country’s State and local elected officials and Tribal Governments.

Sincerely,

**The White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs**

William F. Crozer  
Special Assistant to the President/Deputy Director  
White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs  

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**Background & Additional Information**
**Background:** Under the leadership of President Trump and Vice President Pence, the full weight of the U.S. Government is working to protect the health and safety of the American people. Decisive action from President Trump at the beginning of the COVID-19 outbreak—including prudent travel restrictions and an early containment strategy—has given State and local officials and private sector partners time to prepare. In January, the President formed a Coronavirus Task Force, led by Vice President Mike Pence and comprised of subject-matter experts, to organize a whole-of-government response. The Coronavirus Task Force and broader Administration have worked and will continue to work with State-Local-Tribal officials and private sector and non-profit partners in preparing for and responding to the Coronavirus. *It is important to note that at this time, the risk for the average American remains low, and all agencies are working aggressively to monitor this continuously evolving situation and to keep our partners and the public informed.*

**Up-To-Date Information:** The most up-to-date information and guidance can be found via the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Coronavirus Disease 2019 website: [HERE](#). The Coronavirus Task Force holds frequent national briefings which can be viewed live: [HERE](#). You are also encouraged to follow HHS, CDC, and other agency social media channels for up-to-date information.

- What You Should Know ([here](#))
- Travel Information ([here](#))
- Preventing COVID-10 Spread in Communities ([here](#))
- Higher Risk & Special Populations ([here](#))
- Healthcare Professionals ([here](#))
- Resources for Healthcare Facilities ([here](#))
- Resources for Health Departments ([here](#))
- Laboratories ([here](#))
- Communication Resources ([here](#))

**Agency Resources and Contact Information:** Below, please find agency-by-agency information, guidance, and contact information.

**Resources** – *Below, please find agency-by-agency resources and guidance.*

- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services ([here](#))
- U.S. Department of Education ([here](#))
- U.S. Department of Agriculture ([here](#))
- U.S. Department of Labor ([here](#))
- U.S. Department of Homeland Security ([here](#))
- U.S. Department of State ([here](#))
- U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs ([here](#))
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ([here](#))
- U.S. Department of the Interior ([here](#))
- Centers for Medicare and Medicaid ([here](#))
Contact Information – Below, please find contact information for our Intergovernmental Affairs colleagues across the federal family. As State and local elected officials, they are your primary points of contact.

- U.S. Department of Health & Human Services: Darcie Johnston (Phone – 202-690-1058 / Email – darcie.johnston@hhs.gov)
- U.S. Department of Homeland Security: Cherie Short (Phone – 202-893-2941 / Email – cherie.short@hq.dhs.gov)
- U.S. Department of State: Bill Killion (Phone – 202-647-7595 / Email – killionw@state.gov)
- U.S. Department of Transportation: Sean Poole (Office – 202-597-5109 / Cell – 202-366-3132 / Email – sean.poole@dot.gov)
- U.S. Department of Education: Susan Falconer (Phone – 202-320-6837 / Email – susan.falconer@ed.gov)
- U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs: Thayer Verschoor (Phone – 202-461-7385 / Email – Thayer.verschoor@va.gov)
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency: Britt Carter (Phone – 202-440-0728 / Email – carter.brittany@epa.gov)
- U.S. Small Business Administration: Ryan Lambert (Phone – 202-615-6570 / Email – ryan.lambert@sba.gov)
- U.S. Department of Agriculture: Lillie Brady (Phone – 202-845-3872 / Email - lillie.brady@usda.gov)

Local Preparedness Tips: Response is locally executed, state managed, and federally supported.
- Ensuring clear, open lines of communication with the public and making information and guidance readily available.
- Sharing and disseminating verified and accurate guidance and information.
- Coordinating with State and local health authorities.
- Reviewing local preparedness plans and strategies.

What You Need To Know: President Trump and the Administration Are Taking a Whole-Of-Government Approach to Protecting the American People

Top Line
- The risk to the American public remains low.
The Coronavirus Task Force is marshalling a whole-of-government response to COVID-19 and driving collaboration between Federal-State-Tribal-Local stakeholders.

The Federal Government has been able to provide tests to all the state jurisdictions and labs that have requested it. In addition, all state labs have the test and are empowered to conduct the test themselves. Complementing these efforts, leading commercial laboratories in the country will soon have tests available for local doctors, pharmacies, and broadly to the American public.

**President Trump has made the safety, security and health of the American people his top priority from day one.**
- There is no higher priority for President Trump than protecting the health and safety of Americans.
- In 2018, President Trump signed the National Biodefense Strategy, which improves speed of action in situations such as this.
- While additional cases are expected, the general risk to the average American remains low, and the Administration is taking measures to keep the threat low.

**Since the very beginning of the coronavirus outbreak, the President has taken an unprecedented whole-of-government approach to protect the American people.**
- President Trump took unprecedented action and suspended all travel into the United States from China and has issued subsequent screening measures and guidance on travel from other impacted areas across the globe.
- Issuing a public health emergency declaration on January 31.
- Establishing the White House task force to combat the coronavirus spread. The Task Force is coordinating and marshalling the full resources and capabilities of the Federal government to respond to the coronavirus.
- Forging relationships and collaboration between the public and private sectors.
- Remained in close contact with our Nation’s governors and other key stakeholders.
- The Washington Times: Thanks to Trump Administration, the United States has a Coronavirus Plan of Action.
- Dr. Marc Siegel: Coronavirus Public Health Response Has Been Handled Well

**While the overall threat to the American public remains low, the President has directed the White House Task Force to take all steps to ensure the health and well-being of the American people and we are well-prepared.**
- Americans do not need to change their day-to-day lives but should stay informed and practice good hygiene.
- There are good tried and true hygiene practices which can be very effective to reduce the chance of getting sick.
- Travelers are encouraged to always exercise healthy travel habits when traveling and to follow appropriate guidance (see here). At this time, there are no domestic travel restrictions in the United States.
- We are working rapidly on therapeutics and vaccines and have launched the first U.S. clinical trial for an investigational antiviral.
- The Federal Government has been able to provide tests to all the state jurisdictions and labs that have requested it. Between March 2nd and 5th, more than 900,000 tests were distributed across the country.
- The United States has the finest public health system in the world and knows the playbook to respond to infectious disease outbreaks.

**Local, State, tribal, & Federal coordinated preparedness & response efforts.**
- Federal officials have been working diligently to communicate with State, local, and tribal officials on the Federal government’s efforts to prepare and respond to COVID-1.
- Our Nation’s Governors have participated in-person and on conference call briefings with Federal partners on January 30, February 9, February 20 and March 2. These communications remain ongoing.
- White House, OMB, HHS, DHS, DOT, and State Department Officials met with over 40 State, county, and city health officials from over 30 States and territories to thank them for their leadership and to
continue discussions on the Federal-State-Local partnership to prepare and respond to COVID-19 (February 25).

- HHS, CDC, DHS, and Federal partners have held numerous national briefing calls with State, local, tribal, private-sector, and community leaders.
- The Trump Administration is partnering with State, local, and tribal elected and appointed leaders’ associations.

Recent Actions: Below, please find pertinent updates on pertinent Administrations actions.

- Task Force Briefings (briefings are held on a frequent basis and can be viewed live [here](#))
  - March 6: [Video](#)
  - March 4: [Video](#)
  - March 2: [Video](#)
  - February 29: [Video](#)
- President Trump Signs the Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2020 (March 6) ([transcript/video](#))
- President Trump and Vice President Pence attend Coronavirus Briefing with Airline CEOs (March 4) ([transcript/video](#))
- Vice President Pence meets with Long-Term, Post-Acute and Palliative Care Provider Executives (March 4) ([transcript](#))
- Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Announces Actions to Address Spread of Coronavirus (March 4) (more [here](#))
- President Trump Visits the National Institutes of Health and attends Roundtable Briefing (March 3) ([transcript](#))
- Vice President Pence attends Coronavirus Briefing with Diagnostic Lab CEOs (March 4) ([transcript/video](#))
Good morning Mayor and Council - we wanted to share with you that Bruce Mohler received a personal signed note of congratulations from Governor Ron DeSantis.
Friend,

Ford O’Connell here. I wanted to drop a line real quick to provide an update on COVID-19, better known as, Coronavirus.

I’ve been travelling around Southwest Florida, and I’ve seen and heard the concern for myself.

In the past few weeks, Coronavirus began to spread rapidly across the globe, and I want to ensure you are aware of the steps to take if you begin to feel under the weather.

If you are ill or have flu symptoms, simply, please stay home.

Even if you are feeling no symptoms, Floridans should take preventive steps by:

- Washing your hands thoroughly,
- Cover cough,
- And avoiding close contact with people who are sick.

If you are scheduled to fly in the coming days and weeks and you are feeling cautious of it, HERE is a list of airline cancellation and fee waiver policies.

I’m grateful for the Trump Administration and their continued response while keeping the American people and safety at the forefront.

For more information on the Coronavirus, please visit the CDC’s website: CDC.gov.

Ford O’Connell
Build the utility of the future

Lead the change in our rapidly evolving industry

New trends, technologies, and customer expectations are transforming the traditional electric industry. Utilities must alter their business models to keep up with the changes – or customers and third parties will find their own solutions and leave us in the dark.

The American Public Power Association's National Conference can help you understand these changes and opportunities facing public power utilities and determine how you can position your community for future success. Start planning now to join us this summer.

What will the utility of the future look like? And what will it take to get there? Talk to the visionaries leading the charge, and get insight from your peers at these sessions:
Is Your Community Ready to Be a Smart City?
Learn from the top ten smart city technologies and customer-sited solar and battery storage projects. Get practical advice on how to assess customer needs and invest in and implement new technologies to improve services and lower costs for your customers.

Small, Rural, and Smart: Applying Technology Outside the Big City
Small to medium and rural municipalities can take advantage of modern technology to benefit their community's unique needs. Explore the costs and opportunities of this approach, including what role AMI can play in a town's modernization.

Demystifying Digital Transformation for Public Power Utilities
Explore major trends impacting public power's digital transformation, and learn what cutting-edge technologies like artificial intelligence, machine learning, and intelligent automation can do for the sector. Understand the challenges and appreciate the opportunities that they present.

What Do Customers Really Want?
What issues matter most to your customers? How much are they willing to pay for renewable/clean energy? How are consumers making decisions about solar adoption and other energy decisions? Discover the trends and learn what customers really want.

Leveraging Broadband for Your Utility
Utilities will share their experiences using broadband to assist in deploying smart city concepts. They will also discuss how they have monetized broadband, nexus points between broadband/telecom and electric utilities, and how telecom tech is driving innovation in the electric utility sector.

Don’t Let Your AMI Go to Waste
Explore the process efficiencies, tools, best practices and critical value that AMI operations applications bring while managing and operating these systems at scale. Discuss how to most effectively leverage the data to gain better insight into your utility and customer behavior.
Precautions for COVID-19 (Coronavirus)

The American Public Power Association’s first priority is the health, safety and well-being of everyone involved with our events. APPA remains fully committed to preparing and delivering the National Conference (June 5-10 in Long Beach) as scheduled.

We are monitoring the situation closely, and are doing everything we can to ensure the safety of our events. We are closely monitoring information from local health officials, public authorities, and health and safety experts, and are working closely with the Long Beach Convention Center and conference hotels, which confirm they are taking extra precautions to prepare and clean the facilities.

Should the situation change, we will issue updates as necessary.

More information

WHEN       June 5-10, 2020
WHERE      Long Beach Convention Center
           Long Beach, California
REGISTER   www.PublicPower.org/NationalConference
QUESTIONS EducationInfo@PublicPower.org
State News

'A unified command': Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis declares coronavirus state of emergency
Tallahassee Democrat
Gov. Ron DeSantis on Monday declared a state of emergency that would broaden his powers to respond to the novel coronavirus, including allowing him to deploy National Guard troops if necessary. “That allows us to create a unified command structure. It also allows, if need be, out-of-state medical personnel to operate in Florida,” DeSantis told reporters in the Capitol. “It allows us to swiftly purchase any necessary supplies.” DeSantis also announced he expected the state to receive $27 million in federal funding to help fight the spread of the virus, known as COVID-19. The funding, part of an $8.3 billion bill signed into law by President Donald Trump on Friday, is in addition to $25 million that the Florida Legislature agreed over the weekend to spend to fight the continued spread of coronavirus in the state. Source

'There is no danger': Florida House cleared, disinfected after coronavirus scare
Tallahassee Democrat
Cleaning staff outfitted in protective masks and gowns descended onto the floor of the Florida House Monday and wiped down legislators’ desks with sanitizer after it was discovered that five lawmakers traveled to conferences where attendees later tested positive for the coronavirus. House Speaker José Oliva initially said Monday that the five lawmakers and a staff member would be tested for coronavirus and had “self-isolated” after attending the conferences. The announcement led to a sudden shutdown of debate on the House floor and a clearing of the public galleries overlooking the chamber. But after an almost hour break, the five House members who had been self-isolating were readmitted to the House floor. Source

Coronavirus, ‘difficult economy’ worry Jose Oliva as budget talks enter final stages
Florida Politics

House Speaker Jose Oliva addressed media after a Monday floor session that included clearing and decontaminating the House Chamber. The extraordinary action, due to a number of legislators potentially coming in contact with someone who tested positive for COVID-19, underscored what was an extraordinary day in the House. Oliva started off the day by saying that a second look at the budget may be needed in light of “panic” over the disease. Budget items where House and Senate committees couldn’t agree were bumped up to chairs; however, any review of budgets Monday was happening outside public view. Source

Bill Galvano calls for at least $200M more in budget to address COVID-19
Florida Politics

Senate President Bill Galvano says lawmakers will have to rethink the Legislature’s budget, possibly including at least an additional $200 million to address concerns from the new coronavirus. Senators and representatives met over the weekend to debate the nuances of the state’s expected more than $90 billion budget for the 2020-2021 fiscal year. But a falling stock market amid the COVID-19 outbreak and falling oil prices have thrown a wrench in those talks. “Right now, the cruise industry’s in really bad condition. Things are dubious nationally, you saw what happened with the market this morning, so I think we really have to think about what dollars we’re spending and on a recurring basis,” the Bradenton Republican said. Source

EDITORIAL | Legislature ponders bad ideas
St. Augustine Record

With the clock ticking on Florida’s regular legislative session, there are (not surprisingly) some very bad bills left lurking in the House and Senate. Some increase the ability of property owners to dip into taxpayers’ pockets. Another cloud the public’s right to notice of critical government decisions. And that’s just a few of the many bad ideas that could slip under the wire by the time the hanky drops on the session’s end. Here’s just a few of the ones we’re watching. Source

Florida Senate OKs new hurdles for constitutional amendments
AP

It would become much harder for citizens to change the Florida constitution through petition drives under a bill passed by the Florida Senate on Monday. The bill would raise the threshold for the number of signatures required before the Supreme Court reviews an initiative for placement on the ballot. Right now, that review is triggered once a petition has signatures from at least 10% of voters in at least one-eighth of the state’s congressional districts. The new threshold would require signatures from 33% of voters in at least half the state’s districts. Florida has 27 congressional districts. The bill passed 23-17. It still needs House approval. Source

Federal News

How census data will impact $1.5 trillion in funds
Smart Cities Dive
With more than $1.5 trillion in federal funding at stake for some of their most vulnerable residents, local leaders are bracing for the official kickoff of the census — and the long-lasting financial impacts of the final count. New York and Washington, DC are among the cities spending millions of dollars to raise awareness and coordinate their local count. Cities are hoping investments on the front end will show a solid return once results are in and federal money is appropriated, especially because an undercount puts that funding at risk. "Local officials are the most trusted level of government, and therefore they can and should play a leadership role in ensuring a fair and accurate census count, especially for hard-to-count communities," National League of Cities (NLC) CEO and Executive Director Clarence Anthony wrote in a blog post. 

Source

Finance, Taxation & Personnel News

Florida Senate approves scaled-back version of governor’s E-Verify proposal
Tallahassee Democrat
A scaled-back version of a Gov. Ron DeSantis priority cleared the Florida Senate Monday, legislation toughening requirements for businesses to make sure new hires are legally eligible to work in this country. DeSantis wanted all Florida employers to have to use the federal E-Verify database to check an applicant’s legal status. But the Senate proposal includes a lesser option that had been demanded by the House. Seen as bolstering President Donald Trump’s re-election theme aimed at combating illegal immigration, the measure was approved 22-18 in a party-line vote in the Republican-controlled Senate. “What we’re asking employers to do in this bill is simply follow federal law,” said Sen. Tom Lee, R-Thonotosassa, sponsor of the measure (SB 664). “I don’t perceive this to be over-burdensome.”

Oliva: Senate E-Verify plan un-American
News Service of Florida
House Speaker José Oliva on Saturday blasted a plan that would give Gov. Ron DeSantis’ administration the power to randomly audit private businesses to ensure they are not hiring undocumented workers. DeSantis and the Senate have settled on a proposal that would give his administration the authority to audit Florida employers to ensure they are verifying workers’ legal eligibility through E-Verify or the “I-9” form, the methods used by the federal government to verify workers’ identities. But, speaking to reporters Saturday afternoon, Oliva --- a self-described libertarian --- shredded the plan. “Empowering executive agencies to have police powers and do random checks, that is something that is of tremendous concern. We are giving the agency the random ability to show up and do an audit, something about that doesn’t say American to me,” Oliva, R-Miami Lakes, said. The provision is part of a contentious bill (SB 664) that would require all public employers --- such as local school districts, public universities and city governments --- to register with and use E-Verify. 

Land Use & Economic Development News

House passes occupational license deregulation bill
Florida Politics
An ambitious occupational license deregulation bill passed the House Monday by an 88-25 vote. It now awaits a Senate hearing. HB 1193, from Spring Hill Republican Rep. Blaise Ingoglia, is billed as the Occupational Freedom and Opportunity Act. The legislation attempts to push through reforms long sought by free marketeers, including Gov. Ron DeSantis. A wide swath of professions, ranging from body wrapping to boxing announcing, would be affected by the legislation. Auctioneers, barbers, electrical contractors, and geologists would have fewer education requirements, with nutritionists, interior designers, landscape architects, accountants, and boxing announcers seeing some licensing requirements eliminated completely. The bill also removes penalties for failure to pay student loans that existed for many licensed professionals. Source

Municipal Administration News
Oooh! Aaaah! Fireworks may soon be legal in Florida — but only on these three holidays
Miami Herald
It’s been 79 years since Floridians were legally allowed to shoot off fireworks. But the state’s flimsy laws haven’t stopped many from blasting bottle rockets and firecrackers, anyway. Now, state lawmakers are preparing to allow the full use of fireworks on three days each year: New Year’s Eve, New Year’s Day and July 4. The Senate on Monday unanimously passed a bill permitting their use, and the House was prepared to take up that version of the bill later Monday. The legislation could head to the governor’s desk this week. “Before session started I promised fireworks, and I’m now delivering on that,” Sen. Travis Hutson, R-Elkton, told senators on Friday. Because of the prevalence of fireworks on July 4 and New Year’s Eve, the state’s laws prohibiting fireworks are widely considered absurd. Source

Transportation & Intergovernmental Relations News
A win for affordable housing in Florida
Florida Phoenix
Florida lawmakers have agreed to fully fund the state affordable housing program in the coming year, a significant policy development that impacts struggling Floridians who face rising costs and low wages. Over the weekend, House and Senate budget negotiators agreed to spend $370 million for affordable housing initiatives. It is in line with Republican Gov. Ron DeSantis, who had urged full funding for the housing programs. The Legislature’s decision is a significant particularly for the state House, which in recent years had been successful in shifting money from the housing program to other state priorities. Over the last two decades, lawmakers have swept more than $2 billion from the housing programs, which are funded by a portion of the real-estate tax on property sales, to other spending priorities. Source
House approves DeSantis' call to hike environmental fines

News Service of Florida

The Florida Legislature is close to approving Gov. Ron DeSantis' push to boost fines on environmental lawbreakers. The House, with little comment, voted 106-0 on Friday to pass a proposal (HB 1091) that would make numerous changes in the amounts and duration of penalties for violating Florida environmental laws. The Senate put on hold a similar proposal (SB 1450) Friday but is expected to take up the House bill on Monday. On Thursday, House sponsor Randy Fine, R-Palm Bay, said waterways face an “existential crisis.” He said the bill would increase fines for acts such as illegal releases of raw sewage into waterways. He said he is trying to prevent illegal releases from being considered a “cost of doing business.” “The idea is to change the thought process, so they start to do the right things,” Fine said. Source

Statewide water quality bill poised to pass, amid mixed feelings

Florida Phoenix

Florida lawmakers are poised to adopt water-pollution cleanup legislation described as an historic advance or a weak measure. The sponsor, Sen. Debbie Mayfield, aimed to put in place recommendations of the state’s Blue-Green Algae Task Force, calling for reductions in pollution sources such as poorly maintained sewer systems, septic tanks, stormwater runoff, and agricultural runoff. The task force was created to determine why toxic algae blooms are choking lagoons, canals and other waterways in Florida. Critics said Mayfield’s effort, which began last year, was stripped of its strongest provisions, such as cutting the flow of agricultural pollution into south Florida waterways. Mayfield is a Republican who represents Brevard and Indian River counties, which have experienced severe water pollution, toxic algae blooms, and fishkills. Source

Lawmakers settle on $100M for land preservation

Fox 13 News

Florida Forever, the state’s signature land-preservation program, will get a sizable, one-time boost in funding as lawmakers inched closer Sunday to patching together an estimated $92 billion budget for next fiscal year. House and Senate negotiators also agreed to keep alive an economic development fund backed by Gov. Ron DeSantis but cut spending on the program. The $100 million planned for Florida Forever isn’t the $300 million the program annually received more than a decade ago, but it’s a boost for supporters of the program, which got $33 million during the current fiscal year. Source

Remembering...

Remembrance ceremony set for Patricia ‘Patti’ Johnson

Tampa Bay Reporter

A remembrance gathering to honor the life of Patricia “Patti” Johnson will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesday (March 11) at the Pinellas Park Performing Arts Center. Mrs. Johnson, passed away at the family farm in Pinellas Park on Feb. 26 with her family by her side.(Click here for related story.) She had a long history as a community
servant, resident, business owner and advocate for the elderly and handicapped. Mrs. Johnson was first elected to the Pinellas Park City Council in 2012. She was reelected in 2014 and 2018. Before her election to the council, Mrs. Johnson served on the city’s Board of Adjustment for five years, with one year as chair, and for six years on the Code Enforcement Board. She served on the Pinellas Suncoast Transit board of directors for more than seven years. Source
Mayor Latham-

In an effort to spread awareness about the purpose and importance of the 2020 Census, the City of Jacksonville is launching a public service campaign. Details will be announced during a news conference on March 11th, at 11 a.m. in the atrium of City Hall – St. James Building (117 W. Duval St. – 32202, first floor). Mayor Lenny Curry will be joined by other City officials and representatives from partnering agencies and community organizations, including Emergency Preparedness Director, Steve Woodard, JTA CEO Nathaniel P. Ford, Sr., Nonprofit Center of Northeast Florida CEO Rena Coughlin, members of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., and officers from the Mayor’s Young Leaders Advisory Council. If your calendar allows, please consider joining Mayor Curry tomorrow at 11 a.m.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Best,

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Beaches Fine Arts Series is proud to announce its 47th season of concerts, educational outreach programs, and art exhibits. Free to all residents and students of North Florida.

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VISIT OUR WEBSITE!

We are sorry to announce that the Russian ensemble, Rastrelli Cello Quartet, will not appear on the series on April 3 as scheduled (7:30 pm at our home venue). Their Visas for their tour did not come through in time, and they had to cancel their entire trip. We will miss them!

However, we are excited to present the eclectic and award winning quartet, Invoke, in concert on April 3. Join us to hear this entertaining ensemble perform on instruments ranging from string quartet to mandolin and banjo!
Beaches Fine Arts Series Presents

FRIDAY, APRIL 3
7:30 PM
INVOKE
If the goal was to make classical music relevant, it couldn’t have proven the point any more clearly. (Columbia Free Times)
VISUAL ARTIST: Keith Doles, plein air landscapes/abstract expressionism

Doors open at 6:45pm
Concert held in our beautiful home venue, St. Paul’s by-the-Sea Episcopal Church
1150 N. Fifth St., Jacksonville Beach

Presenting Visual Artist
Keith Doles
Beaches Fine Arts Series is extremely proud to support the wonderful visual artistry of North Florida and we hope you will support our presenting visual artists by purchasing their works at our concerts!

RECEPTION FOLLOWING CONCERT

Please come to the reception across the street at Stormes Hall where you will be able to view a wonderful exhibition of work by our presenting visual artist.
47th Annual 2019-2020 Concert Season

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4
7:30 PM
CELEBRATING BACH
BRIDGET KIBBEY and DOVER QUARTET

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23
4:00 PM
LOS ANGELES GUITAR QUARTET

*FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8
7:30 PM
SPANISH BRASS with TIM TULLER

*THURSDAY, MARCH 15
7:30 PM
WYCLIFFE GORDON JAZZ TROMBONE
cchl, UNF JAZZ ENSEMBLE 1
KINGFISHER THEATER, UNF FINE ARTS CENTER

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13
7:30 PM
DANIELA LIEBMAN PIANO

FRIDAY, APRIL 3
7:30 PM
RASTRELLI CELLO QUARTET

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12
4:00 PM
WINDSYNC with IVAN TREVINO

FRIDAY, APRIL 24
7:30 PM
THE KINGDOM CHOIR

*Wyckie Gordon

VENUES
Concerts held at our home venue St. Paul’s by-the-Sea Episcopal Church, 465 11th Ave. N, Jacksonville Beach
Except for 11/8, 3/5 concerts

First Coast Dancing with the Stars
SEPTEMBER 14
Experience the First Coast’s most dazzling celebration as they partner with the area’s finest dance professionals to earn your vote! All proceeds benefit Beaches Fine Arts Series. Event ticket packages and voting now available at FirstCoastDWTN.org

Beaches Fine Arts Series is a 501c-3 nonprofit organization that provides an annual series of free concerts, art exhibits, and free educational outreach programs for all of North Florida.

904.270.1771 BeachesFineArts.org
Good afternoon Mayor and Council – Chief Smith wanted to share with you the Police Department Statistical Analysis re calls for service. He will also discuss this at the April 6 council briefing.

Have an awesome day.

Thank you,

Chris Wright
City Manager’s Office
904.270.1651
Good Afternoon,

The March 12 TPO Board and Finance Committee meetings are cancelled. The next TPO Board and Finance Committee meetings will be on April 9.

Thank you,

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PLEASE NOTE: Florida has a very broad public records law. Most written communications to or from the North Florida Transportation Planning Organization regarding public business are public records available to the public and media through a request. Your email communications may be subject to public disclosure.
New + Notable

Coronavirus Update: Florida Now Under State of Emergency
By executive order, Gov. DeSantis has upgraded last week's public health emergency designation to a State of Emergency, noting the growing number of cases in eight Florida counties. We will continue to share important information from state and federal partners as it becomes available. As your community prepares, be sure to visit our webpage for helpful resources and prevention tips to share with your community. Access Resources

Education + Events

March 17
2:00 p.m. (Online Learning)
Public Officials' Public Comments: Ethics, the Law and Best Practices

March 25
10:00 a.m. (Online Learning)
Post-Legislative Session Briefing

April 24
Tallahassee
Research + Resources

Did You Know Property Taxes Provide Less than Half the Revenue for Most Florida Cities?
While property taxes are an important revenue source, the 2019 State of the Cities report revealed that the Communications Services Tax (CST), local business taxes and franchise fees are the most commonly used revenue sources for Florida's cities. Check out the 2019 State of the Cities to learn more about the current state of our cities and how they have changed over the past eight years. View Report

Census Resources for City Officials
Is your city prepared for the 2020 Census? We're here to help! Check out the 2020 Census Resources page to access the Local Government Toolkit, Census FAQs, fact sheets, resident criteria and more! We will continue to add new tools and marketing materials as they become available. View Page
Partner Events

FBC-LEO Spring Conference  
March 12-13 in Miramar

VISIT FLORIDA Adventure Travel Training for Rural Partners  
April 7-8 in Apalachicola

Grant Writing Workshop (FLC Discount Code: ASSN)  
April 20-21 in DeLand

Transplex 2020  
April 20-22 in Orlando

FRA Webinar: Affordable/Workforce Housing  
April 28 at 10:00 a.m.

2020 Florida Rural Economic Development Summit  
April 29 - May 1 in Orlando

Grant Writing Workshop (FLC Discount Code: ASSN)  
May 7-8 in Tampa

Grant Writing Workshop (FLC Discount Code: ASSN)  
May 18-19 in Boynton Beach

Grant Writing Workshop (FLC Discount Code: ASSN)  
May 21-22 in Punta Gorda

FCCMA Annual Conference  
May 27-30 in Orlando

NLC Small Cities Summer Conference  
July 15-18 in Lake Worth Beach

Funding Opportunities

USDA Reconnect Pilot Program (Rural Broadband Infrastructure)  
March 16 Application Deadline

DHS Preparedness Grant Programs  
April 15 Application Deadline

USDA Community Facilities Technical Assistance and Training Grant Program
April 30 Application Deadline

NLC Census Rapid Response Grant Program
July 31 Application Deadline

Rural Infrastructure Fund Grants
2019-20 Application Cycle Now Open

FMIT Data Recovery Grant Program
Continuous Application Cycle

Regional Rural Development Grants
Continuous Application Cycle

Rural Community Development Revolving Loan Fund
Continuous Application Cycle

EDA Disaster Supplemental Grant Program
Continuous Application Cycle

Visit our Funding Sources for Municipalities page for links to resources that catalog extensive lists of grants and other types of funding for cities.

Calendar of Events ☼ Jobs ☼ Online Learning Library

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State and Local Leaders –

On **Wednesday, March 11, at 1:00 PM ET**, please join Senior Administration Officials for a briefing call on COVID-19 (coronavirus). **We have provided an updated registration link below. If you have already registered, please disregard this email as you do not need to register again.** Please feel free to share this invitation with your county and/or municipal colleagues as well as public health officials.

**Briefing Call Registration**
- **Date:** Wednesday, March 11
- **Time:** 1:00 PM ET (please note time zone)
- **Call-In Registration:** [CLICK HERE](#)

**Note:** You must RSVP to join the call. Upon successful registration, you will receive dial-in details to the email address you use to register. Note that multiple people cannot dial-in using the same registration information.

Below, please find additional information. The White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs (WH IGA) will continue to share pertinent information as it becomes available. Please do not hesitate to reach out to our office directly if we can be of assistance. As a reminder, WH IGA is the primary liaison between the White House and the country’s State and local elected officials and Tribal Governments.

Sincerely,

**The White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs**

William F. Crozer  
Special Assistant to the President/Deputy Director  
White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs  

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**Background & Additional Information**
Background: Under the leadership of President Trump and Vice President Pence, the full weight of the U.S. Government is working to protect the health and safety of the American people. Decisive action from President Trump at the beginning of the COVID-19 outbreak—including prudent travel restrictions and an early containment strategy—has given State and local officials and private sector partners time to prepare. In January, the President formed a Coronavirus Task Force, led by Vice President Mike Pence and comprised of subject-matter experts, to organize a whole-of-government response. The Coronavirus Task Force and broader Administration have worked and will continue to work with State-Local-Tribal officials and private sector and non-profit partners in preparing for and responding to the Coronavirus. It is important to note that at this time, the risk for the average American remains low, and all agencies are working aggressively to monitor this continuously evolving situation and to keep our partners and the public informed.

Up-To-Date Information: The most up-to-date information and guidance can be found via the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Coronavirus Disease 2019 website: HERE. Also see recently released guidance for families, businesses, schools and others: HERE. The Coronavirus Task Force holds frequent national briefings which can be viewed live: HERE. You are also encouraged to follow HHS, CDC, and other agency social media channels for up-to-date information.

- What You Should Know (here)
- Travel Information (here)
- Preventing COVID-10 Spread in Communities (here)
- Higher Risk & Special Populations (here)
- Healthcare Professionals (here)
- Resources for Healthcare Facilities (here)
- Resources for Health Departments (here)
- Laboratories (here)
- Communication Resources (here)

Agency Resources and Contact Information: Below, please find agency-by-agency information, guidance, and contact information.

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- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (here)
- U.S. Department of Education (here)
- U.S. Department of Agriculture (here)
- U.S. Department of Labor (here)
- U.S. Department of Homeland Security (here)
- U.S. Department of State (here)
- U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (here)
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (here)
- U.S. Department of the Interior (here)
Contact Information – Below, please find contact information for our Intergovernmental Affairs colleagues across the federal family. As State and local elected officials, they are your primary points of contact.

- Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (here)

**Local Preparedness Tips**: Response is locally executed, state managed, and federally supported.

- Ensuring clear, open lines of communication with the public and making information and guidance readily available.
- Sharing and disseminating *verified and accurate* guidance and information.
- Coordinating with State and local health authorities.
- Reviewing local preparedness plans and strategies.

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**What You Need To Know: President Trump and the Administration Are Taking a Whole-Of-Government Approach to Protecting the American People**

BECAUSE OF ALL WE’VE DONE, THE RISK TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE REMAINS VERY LOW.

PRESIDENT DONALD J. TRUMP

Top Line
• The risk to the American public remains low.
• The Coronavirus Task Force is marshalling a whole-of-government response to COVID-19 and driving collaboration between Federal-State-Tribal-Local stakeholders.
• The Federal Government has been able to provide tests to all the state jurisdictions and labs that have requested it. In addition, all state labs have the test and are empowered to conduct the test themselves. Complementing these efforts, leading commercial laboratories in the country will soon have tests available for local doctors, pharmacies, and broadly to the American public.

President Trump has made the safety, security and health of the American people his top priority from day one.
• There is no higher priority for President Trump than protecting the health and safety of Americans.
• In 2018, President Trump signed the National Biodefense Strategy, which improves speed of action in situations such as this.
• While additional cases are expected, the general risk to the average American remains low, and the Administration is taking measures to keep the threat low.

Since the very beginning of the coronavirus outbreak, the President has taken an unprecedented whole-of-government approach to protect the American people.
• President Trump took unprecedented action and suspended all travel into the United States from China and has issued subsequent screening measures and guidance on travel from other impacted areas across the globe.
• Issuing a public health emergency declaration on January 31.
• Establishing the White House task force to combat the coronavirus spread. The Task Force is coordinating and marshalling the full resources and capabilities of the Federal government to respond to the coronavirus.
• Forging relationships and collaboration between the public and private sectors.
• Remained in close contact with our Nation’s governors and other key stakeholders.
• The Washington Times: Thanks to Trump Administration, the United States has a Coronavirus Plan of Action.
• Dr. Marc Siegel: Coronavirus Public Health Response Has Been Handled Well

While the overall threat to the American public remains low, the President has directed the White House Task Force to take all steps to ensure the health and well-being of the American people and we are well-prepared.
• Americans do not need to change their day-to-day lives but should stay informed and practice good hygiene.
• There are good tried and true hygiene practices which can be very effective to reduce the chance of getting sick.
• Travelers are encouraged to always exercise healthy travel habits when traveling and to follow appropriate guidance (see here). At this time, there are no domestic travel restrictions in the United States.
• We are working rapidly on therapeutics and vaccines and have launched the first U.S. clinical trial for an investigational antiviral.
• The Federal Government has been able to provide tests to all the state jurisdictions and labs that have requested it. Between March 2nd and 5th, more than 900,000 tests were distributed across the country.
• The United States has the finest public health system in the world and knows the playbook to respond to infectious disease outbreaks.

Local, State, tribal, & Federal coordinated preparedness & response efforts.
• Federal officials have been working diligently to communicate with State, local, and tribal officials on the Federal government’s efforts to prepare and respond to COVID-1.
• Our Nation’s Governors have participated in-person and on conference call briefings with Federal partners on January 30, February 9, February 20 and March 2. These communications remain ongoing.
• White House, OMB, HHS, DHS, DOT, and State Department Officials met with over 40 State, county, and city health officials from over 30 States and territories to thank them for their leadership and to
continue discussions on the Federal-State-Local partnership to prepare and respond to COVID-19 (February 25).

- HHS, CDC, DHS, and Federal partners have held numerous national briefing calls with State, local, tribal, private-sector, and community leaders.
- The Trump Administration is partnering with State, local, and tribal elected and appointed leaders’ associations.

**Recent Actions:** Below, please find pertinent updates on pertinent Administrations actions.

- Task Force Briefings (briefings are held on a frequent basis and can be viewed live [here](#))
  - March 6: [Video](#)
  - March 4: [Video](#)
  - March 2: [Video](#)
  - February 29: [Video](#)
- President Trump Signs the Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2020 (March 6) ([transcript/video](#))
- President Trump and Vice President Pence attend Coronavirus Briefing with Airline CEOs (March 4) ([transcript/video](#))
- Vice President Pence meets with Long-Term, Post-Acute and Palliative Care Provider Executives (March 4) ([transcript](#))
- Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Announces Actions to Address Spread of Coronavirus (March 4) (more [here](#))
- President Trump Visits the National Institutes of Health and attends Roundtable Briefing (March 3) ([transcript](#))
- Vice President Pence attends Coronavirus Briefing with Diagnostic Lab CEOs (March 4) ([transcript/video](#))
Afternoon, Mayor! Wanted to see if you had any plans to recognize Kevin Brown as he is retiring from Fletcher this year. I'm racking my brain thinking you had already done something for him in the past or maybe it was mentioned, but I can't come up with it!

Let me know and if there is anything I can do to help! We do plan to recognize him at the Fletcher All Class on April 18th as well (this part is a surprise to him).

Thanks,
Chris
Subject: Balloon Ban Jacksonville Beach
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Many thanks for your help protecting our coast!

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The results of this submission may be viewed at:
http://www.jacksonvillebeach.org/node/3441/submission/27267
All,

Please see the attached notes from this Monday’s meeting of the Security and Emergency Preparedness Planning Council.

As always, please let me know of any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

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ONE CITY. ONE JACKSONVILLE.
It is with great sadness to let you know that Kathy Bailey with the Beaches Leader has passed away.

Her family will make an announcement in the coming days/weeks. Please keep her family in your prayers.

Thank you,

Chris Wright
City Manager’s Office
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This week, Florida Governor Ron DeSantis upgraded the public health emergency designation to a State of Emergency, designating the Florida Department of Emergency Management (FDEM) as the lead state agency to coordinate an emergency response.

FDEM is currently in communication with local Emergency Managers regarding:
1. Local coordination plans and efforts.
2. Local inventory of resources and current and future needs.
3. Advising that resources are scarce nationwide, but if supplies are needed, local governments should attempt to utilize local vendors first, even if the supplies are on “backorder” (go ahead and get in line now).

**White House Briefing Call for Local Governments**

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**Date:** Wednesday, March 11  
**Time:** 1:00 p.m. ET  
**Call-In Registration:** [CLICK HERE](#)
The Florida League of Cities is working closely with FDEM. Visit our Coronavirus Resources page for helpful links, prevention tips and the latest news.

Any emergency questions should be directed to your local emergency manager.
Good Afternoon,

Thank you all so much for your continued patience as we plan this press conference. Attached you will find a sample press release along with a sample schedule. The locations have not yet been added to the release as we are still working on that. However, I wanted to get this to you all to make sure there are no problems with the press release. Contact me with any additional questions or comments.

Thank You,

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Jacksonville Symphony Update

CORONAVIRUS/COVID-19 UPDATES

The Jacksonville Symphony is closely monitoring updates related to Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)

All concerts are taking place as scheduled.

The Jacksonville Symphony is committed to the health and safety of everyone who visits Jacoby Symphony Hall. We are monitoring the situation, and continue to look to the CDC, the Florida Health Department, city of Jacksonville and state leadership for guidance. We will keep you updated as new information about COVID-19 is presented.

ASM, the organization responsible for managing the Times-Union Center for the Performing Arts, has taken precautions within the building. Hand sanitizer is available throughout the building. The use of refillable cups at the bars will be suspended.

We strongly recommend that every patron follow preventive guidelines provided by the Center for Disease Control (CDC). For the well-being of your fellow patrons: stay home if you have a fever, cough into your arm if you have the common cold, and wash your hands frequently.

For any updates, please visit the Symphony website here.
Questions? Feel free to call the Box Office at 904.354.5547.

Public Health Updates

WHERE WILL THE MUSIC TAKE YOU?

You are receiving this email because you are a Jacksonville Symphony patron.

Jacksonville Symphony | 300 Water Street, Suite 200 | Jacksonville, FL 32202
Thanks! As a reminder, I will be joined by ABPD Interim Chief Vic Gualillo.
Ellen G

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Mayor Latham and Council Members,

Attached please find the Preliminary Agenda for Monday, March 16, 2020.

Sheri Gosselin
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Ritz Chamber Players
"She! Is Silent No More"
Wednesday, March 18, 7:00 p.m.
Beaches Museum Chapel

In its continued celebration of Women’s History Month, the Beaches Museum presents the Ritz Chamber Players with “She! Is Silent No More.”

The Ritz Chamber Players performance shines a light on the constant struggle, both past and present, of women fighting for an equal voice in music. Classical music was predominantly created during a period in history when women did not have many rights or freedoms. During this time, it was generally seen as unorthodox for a woman to compose. “She! Is Silent No More” is a performance showing the incredible contributions of notable and ordinary women, and women of color, who overcame those obstacles and created classical music.

The event is free to Beaches Museum members with a suggested $5 donation for non-members.

The event will be held in the historic Beaches Museum Chapel. The show starts at 7:00 p.m., check in begins and refreshments are served at 6:00
p.m. Seats are first come, first serve. For more information, visit the Beaches Museum website or call 904-241-5657.

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About the Beaches Museum

Beaches Museum is operated by the Beaches Area Historical Society whose mission is "to preserve and share the distinct history and culture of the Beaches area." To learn more about the Beaches Museum, please visit our website.

The Beaches Museum is generously supported by The Cultural Council of Greater Jacksonville and Florida Department of State, Division of Cultural Affairs.
FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF
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Notice of Submission

Pursuant to Section 403.077, F.S., the Department of Environmental Protection has received the following Public Notice of Pollution for a reportable release. All information displayed was submitted by the reporting party.

**Type of Notice:** Initial Report  
**Date of Notice:** 03/11/2020

**Incident Information**
- **Name of Incident:** Blue Cypress Community Center
- **State Watch Office Case Number:** 1480
- **Start of Incident:** 03/10/2020 16:05
- **Incident is on-going as of:** 03/11/2020 16:47

**Incident Description**
2020-1480 Discovered that an 8" sanitary sewer line from Community Center was incorrectly connected to storm drain that runs along fairway. Storm drain ends at outfall which drains into unnamed creek. Currently working with City Environmental Quality Division, Utility provider and contractor to correct issue.

**Incident Location**
- **Facility/Installation Name:** Blue Cypress Community Center
- **Address Line 1:** 4012 University Blvd
- **Address Line 2:** 32277
- **Directions:** Proceed into Blue Cypress Park from University Blvd North. Community Center is on the right.
- **City:** Jacksonville
- **State:** FL
- **Zip Code:** 32277
- **Coordinates (in decimal degrees):**
  - Lat: 30.37392135982296, Long: -81.61599496006889

[Click to view Incident Location]

**Impacted Counties:** Duval
Incident Reported By
Name: Jeremy Wright
Title: Public Works Compliance Manager
Phone: (904) 255-4353
E-mail Address: WrightJ@coj.net

On-Site Contact
Name: Jeremy Wright
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Public Notice of Pollution

Florida Department of Environmental Protection
March 11, 2020

Dear Colleague,

The American Public Power Association—in coordination with our industry and government partners—continues to monitor the evolving situation with regard to COVID-19. We are committed to the health and safety of our staff, membership and the public at large. Any and all actions we take as an association will be in an effort to honor this commitment.

At this point, APPA has neither issued travel restrictions nor canceled any events, including conferences and meetings. That being said, we understand actions taken by our members (including travel bans) and will accommodate them as necessary. If and when we need to adjust our posture and take further action, we will appropriately message this to our membership. As always, APPA commits to imposing appropriate sanitary, health and safety measures and encourages attendees to follow U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines.

APPA continues to work with our members, the electric utility industry, and our government partners to gather and share up-to-date information, best practices and guidance to help our members stay safe and maintain operational integrity.

As part of this effort, we have collaborated with others on the Electricity Subsector Coordinating Council (ESCC). The ESCC, on which APPA also serves, is the principal liaison between the federal government and the electric power industry on certain high-level resilience and response issues such as pandemics. Working with APPA and others, the ESCC has developed a resource guide—tailored to electric power industry leaders—for assessing and mitigating COVID-19. It is available at ElectricitySubsector.org and will be updated as necessary.

APPA has also scheduled a webinar on March 12 for public power utilities to learn about and share best practices on pandemic planning and preparations for COVID-19. The webinar will be geared toward public power utility leadership, including those who have responsibility over HR, T&D, safety, disaster preparedness/emergency management, supply management, and security. It will feature presentations from three public power utilities and an opportunity to ask questions and share best practices. For more info or to register, go to

We urge everyone to stay tuned to the CDC and the World Health Organization for the most reliable information.

For guidance from the Department of Homeland Security on risk management, please check out their Risk Management for COVID-19 document and recommendations on Defending against COVID-19 Cyber Scams.

If you have any questions or feedback, please don’t hesitate to contact us at Info@PublicPower.org.

Cordially,

Joy Ditto
President & CEO

Contact
Info@PublicPower.org
202.467.2900
Hi Mayor,

If you would like me to respond, I already prepared a draft Ordinance for regulating balloons and sky lanterns outdoor release. It has been circulated internally for comments. I need to make more revisions. Kassidy Kinkel from first coast surfrider can contact me directly if you would like.

Chris

P.S. In terms of drafting legislation, there have been, and there are, several other Resolutions and Ordinances that were ahead on the list for me to work on. Including my own and from our departments. Surfrider might be happy to know that I have nearly completed a massive research project and rewrite of our Sea Turtle Protection Ordinance. Which will soon be submitted for Council's consideration.

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-----Original Message-----
From: Charlie Latham <clatham@jaxbchfl.net>
Sent: Wednesday, March 11, 2020 4:46 PM
To: CPAAA - Charlie Latham <charlie@charlielatham.com>
Cc: Chris Ambrosio <cambrosio@jaxbchfl.net>
Subject: FW: Form submission from: Contact Form-Mayor Latham

Mayor - would you like Chris Amboriso to respond to this?

Thanks, Chris

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Sent: Tuesday, March 10, 2020 9:08 PM
To: Charlie Latham <clatham@jaxbchfl.net>
Subject: Form submission from: Contact Form-Mayor Latham

Submitted on Tuesday, March 10, 2020 - 9:08pm Submitted by anonymous user: [67.190.192.67] Submitted values are:
Subject: Balloon Ban Jacksonville Beach

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Department: Mayor's Office
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Name of Incident: Republic Services
State Watch Office Case Number: 20201476
Start of Incident: 03/11/2020 13:20
End of Incident: 03/11/2020 13:25

Incident Description
at 1333 EST Thomas Heck with Republic Services contacted ERTS to request services related to a 15-gallon release of Hydraulic oil due to a failed hydraulic hose on truck 4031. The release affects asphalt surfaces and has impacted a storm drain in a residential neighborhood located at 6750 Sandle Dr, Jacksonville, FL 32219. Republic personnel are attempting to manage the release with spill kits until support arrives.

Incident Location
Facility/Installation Name: Residential Area
Address Line 1: 6750 Sandle Drive
Address Line 2: 
Directions: 
City: Jacksonville 
State: FL 
Zip Code: 32219 
Coordinates (in decimal degrees): 
Lat: 30.459967328980444, Long: -81.76143876697299

Click to view Incident Location
Impacted Counties: Duval

Incident Reported By
Name: Shaun Long
Title: ERTS Operations Manager
Phone: (440) 332-4511
E-mail Address: slong@ertsonline.com

On-Site Contact
Name: Guy Allard
Phone: (440) 591-1742
Ext:
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Public Notice of Pollution

Florida Department of Environmental Protection
Mayor,

I’d like to discuss this potential ordinance with you before we move it forward. I have some concerns from an enforcement perspective.

Mike

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
Office of Public Affairs

Homeland Security Acting Secretary Chad F. Wolf’s Statement on Presidential Proclamation To Protect the Homeland from Travel-Related Coronavirus Spread

(WASHINGTON) Today President Donald J. Trump signed a Presidential Proclamation, which suspends the entry of most foreign nationals who have been in certain European countries at any point during the 14 days prior to their scheduled arrival to the United States. These countries, known as the Schengen Area, include: Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, and Switzerland. This does not apply to legal permanent residents, (generally) immediate family members of U.S. citizens, and other individuals who are identified in the proclamation.

Statement from DHS Acting Secretary Chad F. Wolf:

“Protecting the American people from threats to their safety is the most important job of the President of the United States. The actions President Trump is taking to deny entry to foreign nationals who have been in affected areas will keep Americans safe and save American lives. I applaud the president for making this tough but necessary decision. While these new travel restrictions will be disruptive to some travelers, this decisive action is needed to protect the American public from further exposure to the potentially deadly coronavirus.

“In January and February, the Administration issued similar travel restrictions on individuals who had been in China and Iran. That action proved to be effective in slowing the spread of the virus to the U.S., while public health officials prepared. In the next 48 hours, in the interest of public health, I intend to issue a supplemental Notice of Arrivals Restriction requiring U.S. passengers that have been in the Schengen Area to travel through select airports where the U.S. Government has implemented enhanced screening procedures.”

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I've got a plan, been keeping it secret for max surprise effect. I'll fill you in later.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 11, 2020, at 4:44 PM, Charlie Latham <clatham@jaxbchfl.net> wrote:

Afternoon, Mayor! Wanted to see if you had any plans to recognize Kevin Brown as he is retiring from Fletcher this year. I'm racking my brain thinking you had already done something for him in the past or maybe it was mentioned, but I can't come up with it!

Let me know and if there is anything I can do to help! We do plan to recognize him at the Fletcher All Class on April 18th as well (this part is a surprise to him).

Thanks,
Chris
New Funding Opportunities

21st Century Community Learning Centers Program (21st CCLC)

The Florida Department of Education is accepting proposals to operate a 21st CCLC program in any Florida county. These programs are designed to provide academic enrichment, a broad array of services designed to reinforce and complement the regular academic program, and literacy and related educational development to students and their families during non-school hours.

Eligible target populations for these funds include students who attend 1) schools identified as in need of Targeted Support and Intervention (TS&I) or Comprehensive Support and Intervention (CS&I) and 2) other schools determined by local educational agencies (LEAs) to be in need of intervention and support.

Applicants are encouraged to submit a Notice of Intent to Apply no later than 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on Friday, April 3, 2020. Full proposals are due on Friday, May 1, 2020.

Learn More
Census Rapid Response
The National League of Cities’ Census Rapid Response Grant Program extends urgent financial resources for cities, towns, villages, and their local partners to improve or increase Get Out The Count (GOTC) activities in order to reach historically undercounted communities and hard-to-count (HTC) communities.

Grants are anywhere from $2,500 to $40,000 and can include a variety of activities designed to support your ideas to increase census participation. The easy to complete application is due THIS FRIDAY, March 13, by 11:59 p.m. Pacific Time.

Here are a few ideas to get you thinking:
- Buy 5 tablets and create 5 census kiosks to set-up around your city
- Increase your printing budget by $5,000! Print posters, fliers, door hangers or buttons for GOTC activities in your community
- Hire additional staff for the duration of the Census to execute on your GOTC activities to reach historically undercounted communities
- Host community census response parties (who doesn’t love pizza while filling out their census??). Coordinate a census response party with your local library and order $500 of pizza to the library every Saturday between April and June for these parties!
- Give us your best idea! You are the expert on your community, so please tell us how you think you can best reach HTCs in your area.

Learn More

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Working to provide every child in Florida with high-quality afterschool opportunities that are accessible, affordable, accountable and inclusive.

Florida Afterschool Network | www.myfan.org

For more information about the Florida Afterschool Network and its many partners, connect with us on social media!

Florida Children's Council | 1126 Lee Avenue, Tallahassee, FL 32303

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District regulatory staff inspect project areas to ensure they are built and operating to meet permitted conditions.

Message from Executive Director Dr. Ann Shortelle

**Dedicated regulatory staff play a big role in protecting Florida’s water**

Our team of engineers, hydrologists and other scientists work daily to help protect water resources through the District’s permitting and compliance efforts.
Read more in this week's message.

In the news

District proclaims April 2020 as Springs Protection Awareness Month

Monthly Rainfall
February 2020

Inches

- More than 4
- 3 to 4
- 2 to 3
- Less than 2

District average

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Rainfall deficits add to ongoing dry conditions across the district; some counties showing an annual 10-inch deficit in rainfall

Program balances water needs of people and the environment

Watch a video showing how our staff establish minimum levels to protect water bodies using field work and science. It’s one way the district helps balance the water needs of people and the environment.

Job postings
We have rewarding opportunities at the district in a wide variety of fields.

Click here to see job postings

ICYMI: District cost-share funds are helping communities with water quality improvement projects! This Gus Hipp project video has been popular on social media this week.
Water conservation tip

Did you set it and forget it? Check your sprinkler settings.

#DYK? More than half of all residential water is used outdoors for lawn and landscape irrigation. The district’s year-long Water Less campaign focuses on water-conserving strategies to help curb outdoor water waste.
while allowing for beautiful, vibrant landscapes. WaterLessFlorida.com #WaterLess

Has it rained in your area?

Rainfall average in the past month through March 12 is 1.82 inches within the 18 counties of the district.

Click here to find rainfall data for your area.

Sign up here to have district information delivered to your inbox.

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From: FMEA <denise@publicpower.ccsend.com> on behalf of FMEA <floridapublicpower@gmail.com>
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TOP TEN RECAP

A recap of the top electric industry news stories of the week

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There are three types of participants in the Florida Lineman Competition - apprentices, journeymen and judges. Apprentices compete as individuals and have no more than four years in an apprenticeship program. Journeymen typically compete in teams of three and have been in the industry for five or more years. Judges are seasoned linework professionals who are critical to scoring competition events.

We recently caught up with five FMEA members to talk about how they each prepare for the Florida Lineman Competition. Read how Chief Event Judge Dwayne Goostree from My Lakeland Electric, Kissimmee Utility Authority Apprentice Chris Kitting, and host utility City of Tallahassee, FL Government's Journeymen Justin Johnson and Cameron Wood, as well as Apprentice Rico Bobbins prepare for the big event. https://tinyurl.com/s55zy9s #LinemanStrong

After privatization vote, JEA execs partied at the bar — for good reason
03.06.20 © The Florida Times Union (9%)

Nearly 3,000 homes lose power in Lake Worth Beach
03.06.20 © WIOD NewsRadio 610 (Miami) (7%)

Lobbyist sought city benefits for Westside property he owned with ex-JEA CEO Aaron Zahn
You probably don’t need to disinfect your phone to avoid coronavirus. (but here’s how if you insist.)
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How to connect Alexa to Netflix
© lifewire.com

New email address? How to forward from one account to another
© komando.com

**Technology Tips**

**Employment**

**Regulatory Compliance Officer**  
City of Jacksonville Beach (posted 3/11)

**Electric Line Worker III**  
The City of Alachua (posted 3/02)

**General Office Clerk**  
Utilities Commission City of New Smyrna Beach (posted 3/02)

**Lineman**  
Utilities Commission City of New Smyrna Beach (posted 3/02)

**Utilities Employee I**  
Utilities Commission City of New Smyrna Beach (posted 3/02)

**Electrical Engineer**  
Utilities Commission City of New Smyrna Beach (posted 3/02)

**Substation, Metering & Protective Services Supervisor**  
Utilities Commission City of New Smyrna Beach (posted 3/02)

**Energy Advisor**  
Keys Energy Services (posted 2/26)

**Transmission & Distribution Engineer**  
Keys Energy Services (posted 2/26)

**Substation Electrician**  
Keys Energy Services (posted 2/26)

**Electric Line Worker 1**  
City of Newberry (posted 2/25)

**Electric Utility Project Manager**  
Ocala Electric Utility (posted 2/24)

**Lineman**  
City of Lake Worth Beach (posted 2/19)

**Power Plant Operator/Mechanic**  
Kissimmee Utility Authority (KUA) (posted 2/12)

**IT Project Leader**  
Gainesville Regional Utilities (posted 2/04)

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Mayor Charlie Latham

City of Jacksonville Beach,

Dear Mayor Latham,

COVID-19 cases are increasing daily and Organizations need to take precautions for protecting their Staff from unnecessary exposure. Any reports of symptoms and trends should be detected early and precautions taken to limit further exposure to your Employees and the Public.

**Daily Status Reporting**

Many agencies will encourage working from home if that is an operational option for the organization. If your staff members are working from home, or if your contingency plans include staff members working from home for an extended period, a ReadyOp form such as shown in the following link could provide a fast and easy way for personnel to report their status. These forms, and the questions to be included are customizable by you and can be easily edited before sending to the group. Personnel could use the link from their cellphone to report their status daily or as directed.

Here is a link to the form for Daily Status Report: https://dashboard.readyop.com/fe/9KijWg

**COVID-19 Exposure Reporting**

The following Health Survey Form is a sample that can be used for personnel to report their current health status and encounters with known or suspected COVID-19 infected persons. Early identification of trends can help prevent the spread to others in the group. This form is a sample only and is designed for use by hospitals - the questions can be easily edited as needed for any organization.

Here is a link to the form Daily Health Survey: https://dashboard.readyop.com/fe/RqiXgw
Active Situation Report (SitRep)

Many organizations will want to have a single site for providing information to their staff. An Active Situation Report Form can be designed in ReadyOp and the link provided to all staff members and others as desired (independent contractors, subcontractors, etc.) The information contained in the report can be changed at any time by authorized personnel. Each time an employee uses the link to the report, they will be seeing the latest updated information. Files, pictures, checklists, reports and other items can be contained in the link and updated as needed.

Here is a sample of an Active Situation Report Form used by Bay County during Hurricane Michael:
https://dashboard.readyop.com/fe/vzioyv

If you are a current ReadyOp Client, we thank you and are here to assist with the COVID-19 challenge. If you are not a client yet, we can get you on board quickly to help assist you with Forms and so much more. Attached for your reference is an overview of ReadyOp.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss using a survey such as this for your Organization, please contact me at (954) 541-1224 and I will be glad to assist.

Sincerely,

Steve

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Local Government News

Tampa launches revamped website to share coronavirus updates and tips
Florida Politics
The city of Tampa on Wednesday launched a revamped landing page on its website addressing local coronavirus issues and providing up to date information about the virus. The city is populating messages on the website with information from local, state and federal agencies including the Florida Department of Health, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the World Health Organization. As more information becomes available regarding the impact of the coronavirus in Tampa, the city plans to update the site to keep residents informed. “The safety of our residents is our number one priority,” said Tampa Mayor Jane Castor. Source

Leon County EOC activated in coronavirus coordinating effort
Tallahassee Democrat
Leon County’s Emergency Operations Center, normally the place where government officials push preparedness for approaching hurricanes, has been activated as a coordinating hub for the local response to the novel coronavirus. While no cases of the influenza-like illness COVID-19 have been identified in Leon County, new cases continue to pop up statewide as testing becomes more streamlined. Florida Department of Health in Leon County Health Officer Claudia Blackburn told Leon County commissioners the EOC is working with coordinating response with community partners in education, law enforcement and first responders, hospitals and healthcare providers, homelessness, home health and medical equipment. “This formalizes the work that’s been going on since our last presentation,” she said Tuesday. “We are asking each sector to update us on their plans, surface any questions they have.” Source

Miami mayor to announce state of emergency Thursday amid coronavirus fears
Miami Herald
Miami Mayor Francis Suarez will announce a citywide state of emergency Thursday afternoon amid fears about the spread of the novel coronavirus, one day after the mayor of Miami-Dade County did the same. “I am announcing at 2 p.m. today that the city of Miami will be entering into a state of emergency,” Suarez said Thursday morning during a City Commission meeting. Suarez said he will hold a press conference at 2 p.m. to explain the decision and its implications. The city attorney, Victoria Mendez, said the state of emergency will offer the city flexibility on procurement decisions.

From Ohio to Washington State, New Bans of Large Gatherings to Stem the Coronavirus
Route Fifty
State and local government leaders striving to stem the spread of coronavirus ramped up prohibitions on large gatherings on Wednesday, saying they needed the restrictions in order to slow the number of new infections in their communities. From Washington state to San Francisco to Ohio, lawmakers announced restrictions that would temporarily ban events like festivals and concerts and leave sporting arenas empty.

Sarasota Chosen to Participate in LEED for Cities and Communities Grant Program
SRQ Magazine
The U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC), creators of the LEED green building rating system, announced the City of Sarasota is among 20 new cities and counties selected to participate in the 2020 LEED for Cities and Communities Grant Program. The program helps local governments committed to accelerating progress on climate change, resilience and social equity planning, measure and track performance using LEED. Cities and counties participating in the 2020 program receive access to education resources and technical support as they pursue LEED certification. The City of Sarasota has a long history of ambitious sustainability efforts, such as its Ready for 100 effort and commitment to 100 percent renewable energy community-wide by 2045 and for City operations by 2030. This LEED certification will improve the City’s ability to understand its sustainability performance and use data-driven metrics to strategically invest in improvements.

State News
State officials identify three new positive coronavirus cases, including the first positive case in Miami-Dade
Florida Politics
Health officials identified three new positive cases of the new coronavirus disease in Florida Wednesday evening. Three males — one each in St. Johns, Miami-Dade and Broward counties — have been isolated and will continue to remain isolated until cleared by public health officials, according to the Department of Health. Two of the cases are not tied to international travel. One individual attended the Daytona Bike Week and another attended an emergency medical services conference in Tampa. DOH has recommended people who attended either of the events immediately contact their county departments of health or health care provider and self-isolate for 14 days. The St. Johns case is a 63-year-old New
York resident. A 70-year-old in Broward County has also tested positive for the COVID-19 virus. Source

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**Federal News**

**WHO declares that virus crisis is now a pandemic**

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**Miami Herald**

Expressing increasing alarm about mounting infections, the World Health Organization declared Wednesday that the global coronavirus crisis is now a pandemic. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, who heads the U.N. agency, said the WHO is “deeply concerned by the alarming levels of spread and severity” of the outbreak. He also expressed concern about “the alarming levels of inaction.” “We have, therefore, made the assessment that COVID-19 can be characterized as a pandemic,” he said at a briefing in Geneva. “All countries can still change the course of this pandemic. If countries detect, test, treat, isolate, trace and mobilize their people in the response,” Tedros said. Source

**Trump restricts travel from Europe to fight spread of coronavirus**

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**The Hill**

President Trump on Wednesday said the U.S. would restrict travel from Europe for the next 30 days and use executive orders to offer financial relief to individuals and small businesses in his most extensive steps to date to address the crisis of the coronavirus. Trump said the extraordinary restrictions would not apply to Great Britain, which formally left the European Union at the end of January. Ireland is also exempt from the restrictions, according to a proclamation later issued by the White House. Source

**Census Invitations Aim to Reduce Suspicion, Improve Response**

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**Government Technology**

Nearly all Wisconsin households will begin receiving invitations this week to participate in the 2020 Census, even as the federal government strains to hire enough census workers and warns of online tampering. This is the first time in its 230-year history that the constitutionally mandated count — used to divvy up everything from seats in the House to billions in federal funding — will be conducted primarily over the Internet, a move the Census Bureau says will save taxpayer money. The effort is expected to cost more than $15 billion, according to the Government Accountability Office (GAO). Last week the bureau released sample copies of the invitations — being mailed to 95% of all U.S. households — in order to give people an idea what to expect and to help them avoid scams. Source

**The first majority-online census raises novel concerns**

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**Smart Cities Dive**

For the first time, the U.S. Census will be carried out predominantly online, raising concerns about the digital divide, data privacy and dips in participation. The prevalence of technology has helped cities drive extensive communications strategies that make use of social media and other channels. However, there are lingering concerns that social platforms could fall victim to misinformation from bad actors. Cities and counties have spent heavily on detailed communications
strategies and are also investing to ensure that those who cannot complete online census forms at home can do so by other means. But the online focus may still not be enough to prevent an undercount, according to experts. Source

The 2020 census is here. Is your city ready?
Smart Cities Dive
On Thursday, 112 million U.S. households will receive a letter asking them to respond to the 2020 census online. This is the soft launch of the largest government-led effort of the decade, dedicated to assessing the population of our nation’s cities, counties and states. According to a recent study from Pew Research Center, 78% of adults say they understand the importance of the census, yet misinformation — particularly around what will be asked and how to respond — is playing a large role in the process. This, combined with fears of the new coronavirus spreading globally, has sparked concern around the potential accuracy of the count. The onus is on local governments and trusted partners to spread census awareness, dispel misinformation and empower residents to participate in this decennial act of governance. Source

State, Local Gov Coalition Urges Fed Broadband Investment
Government Technology
A coalition of some of the most prominent state and local government leadership associations has united to express support for Congress’ possible investment in nationwide broadband infrastructure. The coalition’s membership is made up of the National Governors Association, the National Conference of State Legislatures, the Council of State Governments, the National League of Cities, the National Association of Counties, and the United States Conference of Mayors. They announced this effort Tuesday via a joint press release, which read, “we write to express our support as Congress considers efforts to expand federal investment in our nation’s broadband infrastructure. We hope that the federal government takes advantage of the opportunity to leverage the upcoming auction of the C-band spectrum for a large-scale expansion and upgrade of broadband across communities.” Source

Legislative News

Galvano: session could end mid-week
News Service of Florida
Florida lawmakers, heading into overtime, could return to the Capitol on March 18 to pass an estimated $92 billion budget for next fiscal year. Senate President Bill Galvano, R-Bradenton, said late Wednesday that House and Senate appropriations chairmen are expected to meet early Thursday and conclude budget negotiations Friday. After the budget is finalized and printed, a 72-hour review period will begin before lawmakers can vote on the plan. The 60-day session was scheduled to end Friday, but delays in negotiating the budget will require extra time. Lawmakers could conclude voting on bills Friday, go home for the weekend and Tuesday’s presidential primary election before returning to Tallahassee to pass the budget. Galvano called the timeline “reasonable” and achievable. Source
Florida Gov. DeSantis’ agenda wobbles on way to finish line as legislative session heads to a close
Orlando Sentinel
As the legislative session winds down, Gov. Ron DeSantis’ agenda is wobbling, but still headed to the finish line as lawmakers on Wednesday continued protracted budget talks weighed down by coronavirus fears and addressed an E-Verify bill he favors. Lawmakers could pass a final version of the E-Verify bill, SB 664, by Friday, the scheduled end of the legislative session. DeSantis has named the bill aimed at requiring businesses to use the federal E-Verify system to check the citizenship status and employment eligibility of new hires as a top priority, but the House acted Tuesday to weaken the bill. The House removed provisions which would’ve allowed the Department of Economic Opportunity to conduct random audits and citizens to file anonymous complaints against businesses not using the system or hiring unauthorized workers. House Speaker Jose Oliva had earlier voiced concern about the bill in general and particularly the random audit and citizen complaint provisions. Source

GOP lawmakers target ballot initiatives
News Service of Florida
Republican lawmakers gave final approval Wednesday to a proposal that would impose a series of new restrictions on ballot initiatives, sending the measure to Gov. Ron DeSantis with a party-line vote in the House. The far-reaching proposal would increase a petition-signature threshold triggering Florida Supreme Court reviews, require all ballot measures --- including those placed on the ballot by the Legislature --- to have statements about potential impacts on the state budget and allow county elections supervisors to charge more to verify petition signatures. Wednesday’s 73-45 House vote followed debate in which Democrats accused Republicans of trying to take power away from citizens who use the ballot-initiative process to amend the Florida Constitution when the Legislature ignores their wishes. Source

Finance, Taxation & Personnel News

Florida House sends e-Verify bill back to Senate
AP
The Florida House sent a bill to require that public employers use the federal e-Verify database to determine employees’ eligibility to work in the United States back to the Senate on Wednesday. Both chambers would require government agencies and businesses that contract with them to use e-Verify, while giving private employers the option of using e-Verify or a form that’s already required under federal law to verify employment eligibility. But the House stripped out Senate language that would allow the state to conduct random audits of employers’ files to make sure they are complying with the law. The two sides now have until the end of the day Friday to work out differences in the bill. The House passed its version of the bill on a 73-45 vote. Republican Gov. Ron DeSantis has made use of e-Verify one of his priorities. Source

Senators start reworking tax package
News Service of Florida
Senators eliminated a proposed tax cut for the aviation industry and a plan to expand the use of local tourist-development tax dollars, as lawmakers started to trim a House tax package Wednesday amid the economic threat of the novel coronavirus. The Senate Appropriations Committee also approved a number of its own tax discounts, with the bill (HB 7097) expected to appear Thursday on the Senate floor. Appropriations Chairman Rob Bradley, R-Fleming Island, said he expects to make more changes on the Senate floor. But Bradley maintained support for some of the high profile features of the House’s $120.5 million package: sales-tax “holidays” for seven days before hurricane season and for three days prior to the new school year and a 0.5 percentage-point reduction in the communications services tax, collected on things such as cell phones and cable and satellite television. The communications services tax cut is projected as a $24.9 million savings next fiscal year, growing to $59.7 million a year. Source

Key Florida senators OK tax breaks sought by mobile-home companies, Miami Dolphins owner
Orlando Sentinel
With only a few days remaining in the Florida Legislature’s 2020 session, a key Senate committee on Wednesday approved a $230 million package of tax cuts — but only after stuffing it with additional breaks sought by everyone from the owner of the Miami Dolphins to the mobile-home industry. The Senate Appropriations Committee unanimously approved the tax package, which would, among many other things, reduce the tax charged on cell phones, cable and streaming video and hand out an array of breaks to businesses such as Florida Power & Light, Avis Budget Group, United Rentals and more. Source

Municipal Administration News

Vacation rental bill appears dead
Keys Weekly
Legislation that would strip local vacation rental control won’t cross the finish line this session, state Sen. Anitere Flores says. Senate Bill 1128, as proposed by Sen. Manny Diaz Jr., and House Bill 1011 would preempt all regulation of vacation rentals to the state, including, but not limited to, the inspection and licensing of vacation rentals. Implications of a preemption by the state governing vacation rentals goes beyond fear of a Keys homeowner dealing with nightly, rowdy parties at a vacation rental next door; it also has impacts on home values and taxes. While the House bill is on the special order calendar for Friday, March 6, legislation was postponed on the Senate side in the Rules Committee. Source

Tow truck bill in the ditch
News Service of Florida
In an unusual move, the Florida Senate on Wednesday voted down a bill that would restrict the authority of local governments to regulate vehicle towing businesses. Senators voted 20-18 to reject the bill (HB 133), which passed the House last month. Few bills are killed in votes on the House and Senate floors. Three Republican senators --- Jeff Brandes of St. Petersburg, George Gainer of Panama City and Joe Gruters of Sarasota --- joined Democrats in voting against the bill Wednesday. Much of the criticism of the bill focused on a provision that
would have prevented local governments from requiring towing businesses to accept credit cards from motorists whose cars are towed. Hours after the vote, Gruters made a procedural motion that would allow the Senate to take up the bill again. Source

Legalizing fireworks in Florida closer to reality, heading to governor’s desk
Tampa Bay Times
A bill that would allow Floridians to shoot off fireworks on three holidays each year is heading to the desk of Gov. Ron DeSantis. With no debate, the Florida House on Wednesday passed the measure allowing fireworks on New Year’s Eve, New Year’s Day and July 4. If DeSantis signs the bill, it would reverse the state’s 79-year ban on fireworks that explode or shoot into the sky. Currently, only sparklers, noisemakers are similar devices are legal in the state, but state law has a weird exception that allows Floridians to buy real fireworks. They just have to sign a form declaring they’ll use the fireworks for specific reasons, including “frightening birds from agricultural works and fish hatcheries” or by workers wanting to illuminate railways. Source

Wengay Newton public nuisance property bill teed up for final Senate vote
Florida Politics
Rep. Wengay Newton is likely to score a win in what will likely be his last Legislative Session. Newton’s bill (HB 625) relating to public nuisance properties cleared the House Tuesday and is awaiting final approval in the Senate. The bill defines the process for remedying properties and expands the definition activities that create a public nuisance by harboring criminal activity or that create some other public problem. It also extends authority to local Sheriffs to enjoin a nuisance complaint. Source

Transportation & Intergovernmental Relations News

Rideshare advertising bill rolls through Senate
Florida Politics
On Wednesday, the Senate moved a bill that would establish guidelines for advertising on Uber and Lyft vehicles. Rep. Bob Rommel’s bill (HB 1039) would allow illuminated and digitally operated advertisements on top of vehicles. The House bill, already passed, moved in lieu of Sen. Jeff Brandes’ bill (SB 1352). The chamber did not debate the legislation, and Brandes waived his close, leaving a dearth of quotable quotes here. Signs can range from 20 inches to 54 inches with the condition that they don’t block the driver’s line of sight. The signs can only be turned on while vehicles are in-service. Non-profits and charitable organizations would have to be ceded 10% of the advertising space, which is barred from being used to advertise illicit products. The bill would also clear the way for limousine companies to operate similarly to transportation network companies (TNCs) like Uber and Lyft and allow such companies to share the same regulations. The bill had no resistance in the House. Source

Utilities, Natural Resources & Public Works News
Bill aimed at battling algae blooms headed to DeSantis
Tallahassee Democrat
Legislation aimed at easing the state’s wide-ranging water problems by tightening oversight of runoff from farms, urban development and Florida’s 2.7 million septic tanks was approved Wednesday by the House. The House’s 118-0 vote follows similar, 39-0 approval last week in the Senate. The measure now goes to Gov. Ron DeSantis, who pushed for the changes and is expected to sign it into law. “This is the most important thing we’ve done for water in this state in 10 years,” said Sen. Ben Albritton, R-Wauchula, a sponsor of the legislation (SB 712), which supporters call the Clean Waterways Act. The legislation changes how the state regulates everything from septic tanks to city wastewater systems and city and county storm-water management. But many environmental organizations say the regulatory changes lack muscle. Source

Florida legislature passes several bills to benefit the environment
WTSP
Several bills to improve the environment in Florida are now sitting on Governor Ron DeSantis' desk. The House and Senate unanimously passed a bill to rein in toxic blue-green algae blooms. The measure would reduce nutrients flowing into our state's water supply by addressing septic tanks, wastewater treatment, stormwater runoff, farm fertilizers and more. The governor says signing this bill is a priority. Another bill sitting on the governor's desk would require sea-level studies before public construction projects using state money can begin in Florida's coastal areas. Florida is especially vulnerable to sea-level rise. The state has about 1,350 miles of coastline and much of the state has a low elevation. The Florida legislature is also sending a bill to Governor DeSantis to make it illegal to possess, import, barter, trade, sell or breed green iguanas and tegu lizards. People who currently have a license to breed the reptiles would be grandfathered under the bill but could only sell the lizards to customers in other states. Source

Florida House moves landmark environmental legislation to DeSantis' desk
The Center Square
The Florida House on Wednesday unanimously approved the Clean Waterways Act and a bill requiring sea-level studies for public projects, adopting landmark environmental legislation Gov. Ron DeSantis is expected to sign into law. Senate Bill 712, the 111-page Clean Waterways Act sponsored by Sen. Debbie Mayfield, R-Rockledge, was approved by the House, 118-0, after moving through the Senate on Friday, 39-0. Senate Bill 178, sponsored by Sen. Jose Javier Rodriguez, D-Miami, was endorsed by the House, 115-0, after securing a 38-0 Senate approval Monday. SB 178 requires municipalities and state agencies to submit 50-year sea level impact projection (SLIP) studies to the state’s Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) before using tax revenues to build structures on beaches or in tropical storm flood zones. Source
State and Local Leaders,

On **Thursday, March 12, at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time**, please join Senior Administration Officials for a briefing call on COVID-19 (coronavirus) regarding President Trump issuing a proclamation under section 212(f) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) to restrict travel to the United States from foreign nationals who have recently been in certain European countries. Additional details can be found below. We will also provide an update on implementing mitigation strategies for communities with local COVID-transmission (**A Framework for Mitigation: Implementation of Mitigation Strategies for Communities with Local COVID-19 Transmission**).

**Briefing Call Registration on 212(f) & Community Mitigation Strategies**

- **Date:** Today, Thursday, March 11
- **Time:** 2:00 PM ET (please note time zone)
- **Call-In Registration:** [CLICK HERE](#)
- **Note:** You must RSVP to join the call. Upon successful registration, you will receive dial-in details to the email address you use to register. Note that multiple people cannot dial-in using the same registration information.

Below, please find additional information. The White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs (WH IGA) will continue to share pertinent information as it becomes available. Please do not hesitate to reach out to our office directly if we can be of assistance.
Sincerely,

The White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs

President Donald J. Trump Has Taken Unprecedented Steps to Respond to The Coronavirus and Protect the Health and Safety Of Americans

“Together we are putting into policy a plan to prevent, detect, treat and create a vaccine against coronavirus to save lives in America and the world. America will get it done!” – President Donald J. Trump

President Donald J. Trump signed a Presidential Proclamation, which suspends the entry of most foreign nationals who have been in certain European countries at any point during the 14 days prior to their scheduled arrival to the United States. These countries, known as the Schengen Area, include: Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, and Switzerland. This does not apply to legal permanent residents, (generally) immediate family members of U.S. citizens, and other individuals who are identified in the proclamation.

Statement from DHS Acting Secretary Chad F. Wolf: “Protecting the American people from threats to their safety is the most important job of the President of the United States. The actions President Trump is taking to deny entry to foreign nationals who have been in affected areas will keep Americans safe and save American lives. I applaud the president for making this tough but necessary decision. While these new travel restrictions will be disruptive to some travelers, this decisive action is needed to protect the American public from further exposure to the potentially deadly coronavirus. In January and February, the Administration issued similar travel restrictions on individuals who had been in China and Iran. That action proved to be effective in slowing the spread of the virus to the U.S., while public health officials prepared. In the next 48 hours, in the interest of public health, I intend to issue a supplemental Notice of Arrivals Restriction requiring U.S. passengers that have been in the Schengen Area to travel through select airports where the U.S. Government has implemented enhanced screening procedures.”

RESTRICTING TRAVEL FROM IMPACTED AREAS: President Donald J. Trump is taking further action to curb the spread of the coronavirus to the United States from other countries.

- President Trump is issuing a proclamation under section 212(f) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) to restrict travel to the United States from foreign nationals who have recently been in certain European countries.
  - Section 212(f) of the INA only applies to the movement of human beings, not goods or cargo.
• The restriction applies to foreign nationals who have been in the Schengen Area, 26 countries in Europe with open borders agreements, in the last 14 days.

• Those who are exempt from these restrictions, such as American citizens, will be directed to a limited number of airports where screening can take place.

• There is extensive travel back and forth between Europe that heightens the risk here in the United States.

LOOKING OUT FOR AMERICAN BUSINESSES AND WORKERS: President Donald J. Trump is committed to protecting American businesses and workers from the impacts of coronavirus.

• The President is announcing an economic assistance package to help support businesses and workers who have been harmed by this outbreak.

• President Trump has instructed the Small Business Administration (SBA) to exercise available authority to provide loans to businesses affected by the coronavirus.
  o These loans will help overcome disruptions caused by the coronavirus.
  o The President is calling on Congress to increase funding for this program by an additional $50 billion.

• The President will be instructing the Department of the Treasury to defer tax payments for certain individuals and businesses negatively impacted by the coronavirus.
  o This action will provide more than $200 billion of additional liquidity to the economy.

• President Trump is calling on Congress to immediately pass payroll tax relief.

• The President announced that he will soon be taking emergency action to provide financial relief for workers who are ill, quarantined, or caring for others due to the coronavirus.
  o The President also called on Congress to take action to extend this relief for workers.

LEADING AN AGGRESSIVE, WHOLE-OF-GOVERNMENT APPROACH: President Trump has taken unprecedented steps to protect the health of Americans in response to the coronavirus.

• The President is leveraging all of our resources to respond to the coronavirus, bringing together government and private industry in a collaborative response.

• The Trump Administration declared a public health emergency in January to bolster response efforts.

• President Trump took early action to help curb the spread of the virus from other countries to the United States, providing important time for response and preparations.
  o In January, President Trump acted quickly to restrict travel from foreign nationals traveling from China.
  o In February, the President restricted travel for individuals recently traveling from Iran.
  o The Administration put into place mandatory screening for all travelers coming into the country from Italy and South Korea.
  o Travel advisories for severely impacted areas like Italy and South Korea have been raised to their highest level.
• Today, the President directed his Administration to make general-use face masks available to our healthcare workers.
  o The Administration’s actions will help make millions of general-use respirators available to keep healthcare workers safe and mitigate transmission of the virus.
• President Trump signed into law more than $8 billion to fund response efforts.
• The Administration has taken bold steps to incentivize the development of therapeutics and vaccines to treat and prevent the spread of the coronavirus.
• Working across the public and private sectors, the Trump Administration continues to drastically expand testing capacity.
  o More than 1 million tests have been distributed nationwide, with another 4 million tests being shipped out by the end of the week.
  o Testing is now available in every State lab in the country and commercial labs are now deploying tests, which will help generate a dramatic increase in availability.
• The Trump Administration has released guidance on how to keep businesses, schools, community gathering places, and families safe.
  o From the start, President Trump has made keeping the public informed a top priority.
• The Administration has announced that health plans with health savings accounts will be able to cover coronavirus testing and treatment without co-payments.

ICYMI | Vice President Pence Discusses the Coronavirus Response on the Morning Shows

Earlier this morning, Vice President Pence joined Good Morning America, The Today Show, Fox & Friends, New Day, and CBS This Morning to discuss the steps that this administration is taking to combat the coronavirus.

ON ABC’s GOOD MORNING AMERICA
From very early on, President Trump took decisive action to put the health of the American people first.

“We all have known from the beginning that the coronavirus would continue to spread across this country, and it’s one of the reasons why, from very early on, President Trump took decisive action to put the health of the American people first, not only declaring a public health emergency in January, but in that same month he suspended all travel from China -- an unprecedented move -- and quarantined Americans that were returning from the region. Since that time, George, we’ve -- we’ve issued travel advisories for areas of South Korea, Italy; screened all persons coming on direct flights. But, frankly, as we watched the epicenter of the coronavirus shift from China and South Korea to Europe, the President thought it was proper for us to impose a 30-day suspension on all travel from continental Europe.”

The President, again, made another unprecedented decision in suspending all travel from Europe, because we want to stop the flow of people bringing the coronavirus here.

“The reality is that, really, just two weeks ago, in Italy, there were less than 500 cases and now there's 12,000 cases in Italy, George. We have tens of thousands of people that travel to the United States from Europe every day. Seventy percent of new cases in the world were in Europe. And when we looked yesterday at the -- what was then the 35 states where we had cases, about 30 of them could be traced to contacts with Europe. And so the President, again, made another unprecedented decision in suspending all travel from Europe, because we essentially want -- we essentially want to stop the flow of people bringing the coronavirus here, but then continuing to surge resources, particularly into California, Washington State, New York, and other communities where we’ve seen community spread. It’s a combination of efforts that’s being driven by the top health experts in the world on our task
force. But the President -- the President showed again yesterday a willingness to take decisive action on multiple levels to protect the American people.”

**We want to send a very clear message to Americans that if for any reason you believe you've been exposed to the coronavirus, you should not be worried about the cost of testing or treatment.**

“We're making steady progress. We're going to continue to make a very clear message to Americans that if for any reason you believe you've been exposed to the coronavirus or you have symptoms, we don't want people to be worried about the cost of testing, to be worried about the cost of treatment... As the President made clear last night, we're working with Congress and exploring actions the President can take to make sure that hourly wage earners know that you can stay home without risking losing a paycheck or losing your job if you feel that you've been exposed to the coronavirus.”

**ON NBC’s TODAY SHOW**

**WATCH HERE.**

From early on in this effort, we have addressed the testing issue. We made changes through the FDA that allowed for state labs and hospitals to engage in testing.

“From early on in this effort we’ve been addressing the testing issue. We made changes through the FDA that allowed for state labs and university hospitals and hospitals to engage in testing. And I’m pleased to report every state lab in America can do testing now. Many university laboratories are doing it. Washington State – the University of Washington is doing extraordinary work. but we are literally working hour by hour to expand the testing and we think the key Savannah is going to be what we call commercial laboratories like LabCorp and Quest who are already spinning up production at the
president’s direction last week on tests that can be available on a broad basis in the days ahead for the American people. we’re making real progress but rest assured we’re going to continue to drive forward.”

The American people should know that President Trump has no higher priority than the health, safety and well-being of the American people.

“The American people should know that President Trump has no higher priority than the health and safety and wellbeing of the people in this country. You can go to coronavirus.gov right now to find out what every American can do to keep yourself, your family, your workplace and your school safe. But you can rest assured we’re going to focus on communities where we’ve had community spread, and the President’s action yesterday suspending travel from Europe is one more example of how he’s putting the health of America first.”

ON FOX NEWS’ FOX & FRIENDS

The President has called this a whole-of-government approach, but he has also called this a whole-of-America approach.

“The President, you know, he said this was a whole-of-government approach but he also said this is a whole-of-America approach. So he's brought in business leaders from nursing homes; yesterday, banking; hospitals, and the rest. But one of the things we did that's most important on testing was the President brought in the leaders of the top commercial laboratories in the country who, as we speak, have already approved a test that is being spun up. It's being sent out to market. Quest, LabCorp, the largest commercial laboratories in the country, are working very closely with our administration. We're clearing the red tape out of the way. That's going to be the way that, in the days ahead, we're going to -- we're going to have broad-based testing available all across the country.”
We are working together to contain the spread of the coronavirus. And we will get through this.

“Our goal, as the coronavirus spreads in this country -- and the vast majority who would contract it will have flu-like symptoms and recover. Our goal nonetheless is to hold down that overall number as much as possible. And we will do that with the continuing cooperation of American families, schools, businesses, and states. And that's the vision President Trump has. All of us working together will get through this.”

We are focusing on supporting efforts at the state and local level in Washington State, and in California. CDC issued strong guidelines for those communities about public activities, large gatherings and at schools. We will continue simply to follow the data on this.

“Make no mistake about it: We are also focusing on supporting efforts at the state and local level in California, in Washington State, and in California. CDC issued very strong guidelines for those communities about public activities, large gatherings, schools. And we’ll continue simply to follow the data on this and make strong recommendations where we have what's known as “community spread. But for every American, right now, as the President said last night, it's a good time to use common sense. Wash your hands often. Clean, you know, often-used surfaces. All that information is available at Coronavirus.gov. So we’re going to try and mitigate the spread in this country but also prevent, through the President’s decisive action last night, people from bringing the coronavirus into the United States any further from Europe.”

We are encouraging best practices for every American. We are focusing on communities where we have community spread.

“I want to say to your viewers, just as the President said last night, the risk to the average American of contracting the coronavirus remains low, but we do know that seniors with serious underlying chronic health conditions are particularly vulnerable to very serious outcomes. And so we're encouraging best practices for every American. We're focusing on communities where we have community spread.”

Those with a family member who is a senior citizen should support them in engaging in good hygiene and good health practices.

“For any American that's watching today that has a family member or a loved one who’s a senior citizen with a serious underlying health condition, this is a very good time to help and to support them to be able to avoid public places, and everyone around them to engage in good hygiene and good practices to protect those that are most vulnerable.”

ON CNN’s NEW DAY
We have been meeting with industry leaders in one relevant industry after another to ensure that the full resources of America are being brought to bear.

“We’re not doing a travel ban as our strategy. The suspending all travel for 30 days from Europe is a part of the strategy. The other part is an aggressive mitigation strategy. I spoke to the governors of New York, Washington State, and California tomorrow -- or yesterday. CDC issued strong guidance to those areas where we have community spread. We’ve flowed resources. We’ve flowed support to those areas. And so it's a combination of strategies that the President has employed here. As he says, it's “all hands on deck,” “a whole-of-government approach,” but it’s also a whole-of-America approach. We’ve literally been meeting with industry leaders in one relevant industry after another to ensure that the full resources of America are being brought to bear.”

Any American who is concerned about being exposed to the coronavirus, should call their doctor and get tested.

“Anyone who's looking on today who might be concerned that they were exposed to coronavirus or have symptoms should call their doctor. Their doctor, with any question, can call their state laboratory and be able to find out how they can have a test processed.”

We are making steady progress. We don't want anybody to avoid having a test because they are concerned financially.

“But make no mistake about it: We’re making steady progress. We’ve made changes at the FDA in January, at the President’s direction. And the American people can be confident we're going to continue to roll out the test. And maybe most significant on that score is that the President brought health insurance companies in last week and they all agreed to waive the co-pays on testing. We
expanded testing to Medicare and Medicaid patients. And we also expanded coverage for treatment, and health insurance companies expanded coverage for treatment. We don't want anybody to avoid having a test because they're concerned financially.”

The risk to the average American remains low.

“I want people to know that the risk to contracting the coronavirus, according to all of our experts, for the average American remains low. Most people that contract it, will have flu-like symptoms and recover.”

ON CBS This Morning

We are going to continue to put in every effort in place to protect the health and safety of the American people.

“The President took the unprecedented step of suspending all travel from China which was the originating country of this virus. We also established travel advisories, and we've been screening passengers on all direct flights from South Korea and Italy. But with the epicenter of this epidemic now moving from China and South Korea to Europe, yesterday the President again took the unprecedented step of suspending all travel from Europe for the next 30 days, and that in combination with our strong mitigation efforts in communities that are experiencing what our experts call community spread, areas of California, Washington State, and New York, we're going to continue to put every effort at home and with regard to these travel restrictions in place to protect the health and safety of the American people.”

In the days ahead, we are going to continue to see the availability of tests at your local doctor and your local pharmacy expand.
“Testing is happening in every state lab in the country. Many university hospitals have taken the FDA test, like the University of Washington, is doing a great job expanding testing capabilities. But the biggest piece on the testing is that our commercial labs that the President brought in last week, companies like Quest and LabCorp, have already had approved a new test that they several days ago had begun to take to market which they can do in a vast and expansive way across the country. And literally in the days ahead, we're going to continue to see the availability of tests at your local doctor, ultimately at your local pharmacy, continue to expand.”

When President Trump learned that 70% of the new cases this week, around the world, were in Europe, he took decisive action to protect the American people.

“Make no mistake about it: All the new cases in the world, this week, 70% of the new cases were in Europe. And the increase has been dramatic. When the President imposed the travel advisory and we began screening all flights, all passengers coming into the United States from Italy two weeks ago, there were roughly 500 coronavirus cases. Now there's 12,000, about 1,000 in Germany, about 1,000 in France. That's the reason why the President essentially said full stop, we're going to suspend all travel, and that American citizens coming home and legal residents will be funneled through 13 different airports. They'll get an initial health screening coming in. But we're going to ask everyone returning to our country to self-quarantine for 14 days.”
Chris Wright

From: Croft, James <CroftJ@coj.net>
Sent: Thursday, March 12, 2020 1:00 PM
Cc: SAS - Maxwell Ervanian; Kimbleton, Nikki
Subject: RE: JIC COVID-19: Public Communications in WebEOC

JIC Team –

This email serves as a friendly reminder that as your agency releases information regarding COVID-19, be sure to share that information with the Joint Information Center (JIC) via WebEOC, or by emailing me the information at croftj@coj.net.

Information on how to sign up and sign in to the WebEOC account is provided in the email below. Max Ervanian (copied) with Emergency Preparedness can aid if needed.

Thanks for your understanding and collaboration in keeping everyone well-informed.

Thanks,
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To: Croft, James <CroftJ@coj.net>
Cc: Ervanian, Maxwell <MErvanian@coj.net>; Kimbleton, Nikki <NKimbleton@coj.net>
Subject: JIC COVID-19: Public Communications in WebEOC

JIC Team –

Yesterday afternoon, the City’s Emergency Preparedness Division launched a web page to communicate important coronavirus (COVID-19) updates to the public. You can visit the webpage on JaxReady.com.

To have the most up-to-date and timely information shared throughout the Joint Information Center (JIC) team, I encourage you all to login to WebEOC and share any news releases or informational updates your agencies are messaging regarding this topic.

LINK: https://webeoc.coj.net

Once you’re logged in under the “COJ – COVID-19” incident, visit the “Public Information Log” section. There will be tabs located there where you can post and upload public information/messaging and press releases.
Should you have any issues logging in, navigating or utilizing the online tool, please email Max Ervanian with the City’s Emergency Preparedness Division at MErvanian@coj.net.

I look forward to working with you all. Please let me or Nikki Kimbleton know of any questions or concerns.

Thanks,

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Good afternoon Mayor and Council, I am sending you this email on behalf of the City Manager:

Members of the public recently asked City Council not to return funds from the Southend CRA, which showed an excess of funds following our closeout of FY 2019. Attached is a memorandum assembled with input from the CFO, Planning Director, and City Attorney as to the rules for operating a CRA, and history of the Southend. It is staff’s intention that the return of funds for FY 2019 will occur before the end of March.

Please let Mike, know if you have any questions.

Have an awesome day.

Thank you,

Chris Wright
City Manager’s Office
904.270.1651
Spam Quarantine Summary

Total inbound quarantined emails for clatham@jaxbchfl.net: 45 messages

The emails listed below are ones that have been placed in your quarantine digest since the last quarantine summary was sent.

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Chris Wright

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Hi, team –

FYI, the mayor is offering availability to the press at 3 p.m. to talk about COVID-19 (advisory attached). There’s a possibility some of the stations will go live, so be on the lookout. Let us know if you have questions.

Marjorie Dennis
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Public Affairs Office | City of Jacksonville
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marjorieD@coj.net

Find us on –

From: Croft, James
Sent: Thursday, March 12, 2020 1:00 PM
Cc: Ervanian, Maxwell; Kimbleton, Nikki
Subject: RE: JIC COVID-19: Public Communications in WebEOC
JIC Team –

This email serves as a friendly reminder that as your agency releases information regarding COVID-19, be sure to share that information with the Joint Information Center (JIC) via WebEOC, or by emailing me the information atcroftj@coj.net.

Information on how to sign up and sign in to the WebEOC account is provided in the email below. Max Ervanian (copied) with Emergency Preparedness can aid if needed.

Thanks for your understanding and collaboration in keeping everyone well-informed.

Thanks,

James Croft, MPA
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www.coj.net

From: Croft, James
Sent: Wednesday, March 04, 2020 3:22 PM
To: Croft, James <CroftJ@coj.net>
Cc: Ervanian, Maxwell <MErvanian@coj.net>; Kimbleton, Nikki <NKimbleton@coj.net>
Subject: JIC COVID-19: Public Communications in WebEOC

JIC Team –

Yesterday afternoon, the City’s Emergency Preparedness Division launched a web page to communicate important coronavirus (COVID-19) updates to the public. You can visit the webpage on JaxReady.com.

To have the most up-to-date and timely information shared throughout the Joint Information Center (JIC) team, I encourage you all to login to WebEOC and share any news releases or informational updates your agencies are messaging regarding this topic.

LINK: https://webeoc.coj.net

Once you’re logged in under the “COJ – COVID-19” incident, visit the “Public Information Log” section. There will be tabs located there where you can post and upload public information/messaging and press releases.

Should you have any issues logging in, navigating or utilizing the online tool, please email Max Ervanian with the City’s Emergency Preparedness Division at MErvanian@coj.net.

I look forward to working with you all. Please let me or Nikki Kimbleton know of any questions or concerns.

Thanks,
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Assistant Director of Public Affairs  
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Good afternoon Mayor and Council – you each received an invitation for this event:

**Community Outreach Event**

at
doubletree by Hilton
1201 Riverplace Boulevard
Jacksonville, Duval County, Florida 32207-9009

from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 19, 2020

(Dress - Casual)

Please RSVP - Susan at 627-3385 by Tuesday, March 17, 2020

This event is free and open to the public
A Board of Commissioners Meeting will be held at the Doubletree by Hilton
1201 Riverplace Boulevard
Jacksonville, Duval County, Florida 32207-9009
On Friday, March 20, 2020 at 8:00 a.m.
All agendas can be found on the District’s Web Site - aicw.org

Have an awesome day.

Thank you,

Chris Wright
City Manager’s Office
904.270.1651
Good afternoon,

The March 16, 2020, City Council Agenda with attachments and City Council Briefing Notice have been uploaded to the City’s FTP server for your convenience. This does not replace the agenda book but is for the convenience of those who wish to download the information to their computers, tablets, iPads or other electronic devices.

I have provided the site address and login credentials in which to access the files on the FTP Server.

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You will have five (5) days to retrieve the information. After five (5) days the information will be removed from the FTP site. You may download the files to a computer, print or copy.

Respectfully,

Sheila Boman
Staff Assistant
Jacksonville Beach City Clerk’s Office
11 N. 3rd Street
Jacksonville Beach, Florida 32250
Office: (904)247-6299
State and Local Leaders –

Thank you to everyone that joined for the White House COVID-19 Briefing Call on Wednesday, March 12. Below, please find a readout from the call, pertinent agency announcements and actions, and other important information for you and your communities. As a reminder, the best resource for up-to-date information and guidance is www.coronavirus.gov. Please also see CDC’s recently released Framework for Mitigation outlining non-pharmaceutical interventions to help slow transmission of the virus in communities.

The White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs (WH IGA) will continue to share pertinent information as it becomes available. Please do not hesitate to reach out to our office directly if we can be of assistance. As a reminder, WH IGA is the primary liaison between the White House and the country’s State and local elected officials and Tribal Governments.

Sincerely,

The White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs

William F. Crozer
Special Assistant to the President/Deputy Director
White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs
State and Local Briefing Call Summary

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services (HHS)

- The Department of Health and Human Services is committed to providing as much information as possible to prepare communities for response to COVID-19. The Department, through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Food and Drug Administration, and other agencies, continuously provide guidance to healthcare providers, laboratories, communities, and state and local officials for dealing with suspected or confirmed cases of COVID-19. The most up-to-date information can be found at www.coronavirus.gov.
- Wednesday, March 12, CDC announced the imminent release of almost $600 million to support state and local authorities respond to the COVID-19 outbreak. Full funding amounts are here.
- CDC released their “Implementation of Mitigation Strategies for Communities with Local COVID-19 Transmission.” This is a guide for communities describing possible coronavirus transmission. Community mitigation strategies are often the most available interventions to help slow the transmission of COVID-19 in communities.
- The CDC has been actively working to address the need for testing across the country. You can find more information about testing here. We encourage review of the Updated Guidance on Evaluating and Testing Persons for Coronavirus Disease 2019, as well as the recently updated the FAQ website for laboratories to determine best practices for testing.
- The U.S. Public Health Service Commissioned Corps has deployed hundreds of officers to help with this response. As America’s Health Responders, the Commissioned Corps is currently very involved in assisting the CDC with airport screenings, deploying staff to support hospitals, among other important missions. Find out more about Commissioned Corps activities here.
- Part of preparedness includes a robust blood supply. The current situation around COVID-19 heightens the need for a ready blood supply, please encourage your health community members to keep their appointments to donate blood.
- CDC released updated guidance on infection prevention and control recommendations for healthcare workers. Healthcare workers are fighting this outbreak on the front lines, and this guidance is intended to provide assistance to healthcare settings that are handling suspected or confirmed cases of COVID-19. This guidance is applicable to all U.S. healthcare settings.

U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA)

- The Small Business Administration will work directly with state Governors to provide targeted, low-interest loans to small businesses and non-profits that have been severely impacted by the Coronavirus (COVID-19). The SBA’s Economic Injury Disaster Loan program provides small businesses with working capital loans of up to $2 million that can provide vital economic support to small businesses to help overcome the temporary loss of revenue they are experiencing.
- The Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental expanded the disaster definition for the Small Business Administration’s Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL) to include COVID-19. Economic Injury Disaster Loans are SBA loans that are available to eligible Small Businesses, Small agricultural cooperatives, and most non-profits that have experienced substantial economic injury as a result of a disaster.
  - EIDLs are available in areas that are declared a disaster area by the SBA.
  - There has to be an SBA Disaster Declaration in an area for EIDL loans to be made available, which originates from a request made by the Governor.
  - To assist in the efforts, the SBA engages with States’ Emergency Response Teams to help them comply with the requirements before a request is made.
- EIDL Loan Details
  - Entities that can apply for EIDL loans are eligible Small Businesses, Small agricultural cooperatives, and most private nonprofit organizations.
  - EIDL Loans are up to $2 million and have terms as long as 30 years.
  - State and local officials who have been contacted by Small Businesses that may have been affected should share that information with their Governor or the State’s Emergency Response Officials. More
information on SBA’s disaster loans, including eligibility and how to apply for loans, can be found here: www.SBA.gov/disaster

U.S. Department of Education (DoED)

- The Department of Education has established a dedicated Coronavirus webpage, which includes resources for institutions of higher education and for K-12.
  - The website includes guidance for students at institutions of higher education, and covers Coronavirus-related scenarios that could impact students who are enrolled in study abroad programs, students who meet full-time requirements but fall below 12 credit hours, students who are quarantined and miss class, campuses that have temporarily stopped offering ground-based classes to prevent the spread of Coronavirus, and foreign schools that serve Americans who receive Federal financial aid. Also see a letter from the Office for Civil Rights that addresses potential discrimination associated with coronavirus.
  - The Department is working on additional information for families and communities including:
    - Information regarding certain flexibilities under the Every Student Succeeds Act, or “ESSA;”
    - Information regarding services to children with disabilities;
    - A fact sheet from our Office for Civil Rights on the risk of Coronavirus in schools while protecting the civil rights of students; and
    - Information on the Family Education Records Privacy Act, or “FERPA,” as it pertains to K-12 and higher education students.
  - The Department will continue to update its website, ed.gov/coronavirus. Please direct education related questions to COVID-19@ed.gov.

U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT)

- The U.S. Department of Transportation, in its important supporting role, has and will continue to coordinate with transportation stakeholders, foreign counterparts and other federal agencies to manage the risk in the United States.
  - DOT continues to ensure: an active air bridge remains in place for the safe return of Americans from affected areas; airlines are funneling passenger flights to one of the eleven designated U.S. airports equipped to health-screen Americans returning from affected areas; continued air and sea cargo traffic between the US and China; health protocols are established to protect the crews of aircraft continuing to fly between the US and foreign locations; and, dissemination of health messages about the virus, for airlines to use to inform their passengers.
  - The U.S. government’s travel restrictions and advisories have been a remarkably effective ‘first layer’ of containment. These travel requirements delayed the arrival of the virus to the United States, giving the nation precious time to prepare further measures, and plan for mitigation. This achievement took the cooperation of nearly 200 commercial airlines, a like number of overseas airports, and the Civil Aviation Authority of China.
  - External Stakeholder outreach is being actively conducted throughout the modes of transportation in DOT. DOT has already hosted calls with stakeholders for the Federal Aviation Administration, Federal Transit Authority, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, and others. Additional calls are scheduled for outreach to additional stakeholders in all surface transportation, maritime, and labor.

U.S. Department of Labor (DOL)

- The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) developed COVID-19 planning guidance for employers to implement engineering, administrative, and work practice controls and personal protective equipment (PPE). The guidance is intended for planning purposes – employers and workers should use the planning guidance to help identify risk levels in workplace settings and to determine any appropriate control measures to implement.
- The U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM), an independent agency that serves as the chief human resources agency and personnel policy manager for the Federal Government, issued guidance for Federal Agencies regarding COVID-19 and human resources policies.
- DOL announced new guidance outlining flexibilities that States have in administering their unemployment (UI) programs to assist Americans affected by the COVID-19 outbreak. Under the guidance, federal alw
U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD)

- The health and well-being of our country’s most vulnerable citizens is Secretary Ben Carson’s highest priority. At the direction of Secretary Carson senior HUD officials have developed an Infectious Disease Toolkit for Continuum of Care homeless shelters (CoC). This includes specific documents addressing preparedness in shelters and encampment settings. More [here](#).
- HUD has sent communication to CoC and Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) grantees, highlighting the importance of infectious disease preparedness and linking to CDC and Healthcare for the Homeless resources: [Infectious Disease Preparedness Among Homeless Assistance Providers](#).
- HUD is coordinating with the CDC, Healthcare for the Homeless, United States Interagency Council on Homelessness (USICH) on messaging and cross-promoting resource materials. This will continue on an ongoing basis. Also, the Department is reaching out to Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) and Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) for future coordination.
- HUD has plenty of resources for your communities including:
  - Communities can use their unspent Emergency Solutions Grants and Continuum of Care Program funds to help address needs related to coronavirus. Additionally, a portion of CDBG funds are also available for public services, including health care.
  - Technical Assistance is available for ESG and CoC Program recipients if requested. Additionally, communities that want to amend their CDBG plans, can reach out to their CPD representative if they need assistance.

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)

- USDA Secretary Sonny Perdue announced proactive flexibilities to allow meal service during school closures to minimize potential exposure to the coronavirus. During an unexpected school closure, schools can leverage their participation in one of USDA’s summer meal programs to provide meals at no cost to students. Under normal circumstances, those meals must be served in a group setting. However, in a public health emergency, the law allows USDA the authority to waive the group setting meal requirement, which is vital during a social distancing situation.
- USDA intends to use all available program flexibilities and contingencies to serve program participants across our 15 nutrition programs. USDA has already begun to issue waivers to ease program operations and protect the health of participants. USDA is receiving requests for waivers on an ongoing basis. As of today, USDA has been asked to waive congregate feeding requirements in Washington, California, Maryland, Alaska, Utah, Pennsylvania, Wyoming, Maine, Kansas, New Jersey, New York, South Carolina, South Dakota, and Virginia and USDA has granted those requests.

U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS)

- While the overall risk to the American public remains low, actions by DHS and the administration are decreasing the strain on public health officials by screening incoming travelers, expediting the processing of U.S. citizens returning from China, and ensuring resources are focused on the health and safety of the American people. It is important to recognize, that while there is a significant focus on containing and mitigating the spread of COVID-19, all departments and agencies of DHS are continuing to perform their regular duties with no impact on their mission.
- DHS is working to recognize, detect, and assist individuals attempting to enter the U.S. through our airports, land ports, or waterways who may be carrying the virus: Cruise Lines International Association, CDC, USCG, and CBP. DHS is working with the Department of State, HHS, and the senior public health leadership with the Government of Mexico to prepare for any COVID-19 cases identified along the South West Border. This effort includes coordination with state, and local Public Health Officials to develop reporting and response courses of action.
- FEMA has rostered 56 four-person Incident Management Assistance Teams.
- The Countering Weapons of Mass Destruction Office, which contains the National Biosurveillance Integration Center and the Chief Medical Officer, has maintained close coordination with our

**Recent Announcements**

**Presidential Proclamation To Protect the Homeland from Travel-Related Coronavirus Spread**
On Thursday, March 12, President Donald J. Trump signed a [Presidential Proclamation](#), which suspends the entry of most foreign nationals who have been in certain European countries at any point during the 14 days prior to their scheduled arrival to the United States. These countries, known as the Schengen Area, include: Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, and Switzerland. *This does not apply to legal permanent residents, (generally) immediate family members of U.S. citizens, and other individuals who are identified in the proclamation.*

**SBA To Provide Disaster Loans for Small Businesses Impacted by Coronavirus (COVID-19)**
On Thursday, March 12, SBA Administrator Jovita Carranza issued the following statement: “The President took bold, decisive action to make our 30 million small businesses more resilient to Coronavirus-related economic disruptions. Small businesses are vital economic engines in every community and state, and they have helped make our economy the strongest in the world. Our Agency will work directly with state Governors to provide targeted, low-interest disaster recovery loans to small businesses that have been severely impacted by the situation. Additionally, the SBA continues to assist small businesses with counseling and navigating their own preparedness plans through our network of 68 District Offices and numerous Resource Partners located around the country. The SBA will continue to provide every small business with the most effective and customer-focused response possible during these times of uncertainty.” SBA’s Economic Injury Disaster Loans offer up to $2 million in assistance for a small business. These loans can provide vital economic support to small businesses to help overcome the temporary loss of revenue they are experiencing. More information can be found [here](#).

**CDC to Award Over $560 Million to State & Local Jurisdictions in Support of COVID-19 Response**
The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is announcing another upcoming action by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to provide resources to state and local jurisdictions in support of our nation’s response to the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). The $8.3 billion dollar Supplemental passed by Congress included [statutory language](#) which prescribed the exact formula for disbursing the money: states will receive 90% of their 2019 CDC PHEP grants. This marks the first tranche of funding to states from the $8.3 billion supplemental. Your state health officers are receiving a letter today from CDC outlining what is needed to receive the funding, essentially they need to submit a spend plan and they will receive guidance on what that spend plan should contain. More [here](#).

**CDC Releases Mitigation Framework for States, Localities, and Communities**
Protect yourself and your community from getting and spreading respiratory illnesses like coronavirus disease 2019. Everyone has a role to play in getting ready and staying healthy. CDC is aggressively responding to the global outbreak of COVID-19 and community spread in the United States. CDC’s all of community approach is focused to slow the transmission of COVID-19, reduce illness and death, while minimizing social and economic impacts. Framework includes: (i) Local Factors to Consider for Determining Mitigation Strategies, (ii) Community mitigation strategies by setting and by level of community transmission or impact of COVID-19, and (iii) Potential mitigation strategies for public health functions. More [here](#).

**White House Coronavirus Task Force Announces Community Mitigation Strategies for Seattle-King, Pierce, and Snohomish C, WA Santa Clara, CA and New Rochelle, NY**
The White House Coronavirus Task Force has recommended community mitigation strategies for Seattle, Washington and Santa Clara County, California due to widespread transmission of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). These mitigation activities are designed to address the effects of COVID-19 on areas that are experiencing community spread. You can find the guidance for Seattle, Washington and Santa Clara, California
The Task Force also announced community mitigation strategies for New Rochelle, New York, which can be viewed [here](#).

**Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Nursing Home Guidance**

As you know, nursing homes and their residents are vulnerable populations for COVID-19. This week, CMS released updated guidance for infection control and prevention of COVID-19 in Nursing Homes which can be found [here](#) (3/9). The Press Release can be found [here](#) and all CMS guidance related to COVID-19 can be found [here](#).

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## COVID-19: Background & Additional Information

### Background

Under the leadership of President Trump and Vice President Pence, the full weight of the U.S. Government is working to protect the health and safety of the American people. Since the beginning of the outbreak, President Trump has taken unprecedented steps – including prudent travel restrictions and an early containment strategy – to protect the health of Americans in response to the coronavirus. In January, the President formed a Coronavirus Task Force, led by Vice President Mike Pence and comprised of subject-matter experts, to organize a whole-of-government response ([President Donald J. Trump Has Taken Unprecedented Steps to Respond To the Coronavirus and Protect the Health and Safety of Americans](#)). The Coronavirus Task Force and broader Administration have and will continue to work with State-Local-Tribal officials and private sector and non-profit partners in preparing for and responding to the Coronavirus. **It is important to note that at this time, the risk to the average American remains low. All agencies are working aggressively to monitor this continuously evolving situation and to keep our partners and the public informed.**

### Up-To-Date Information

- The most up-to-date information and guidance can be found via the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Coronavirus Disease 2019 website ([here](#)).
- HHS/CDC Community Framework for Mitigation ([here](#)).
- Guidance for families, businesses, schools and others ([here](#)).
- The Coronavirus Task Force holds frequent national briefings which can be viewed live ([here](#)).
- You are also encouraged to follow HHS, CDC, and other agency social media channels for up-to-date information.

### What You Need To Know

- What You Should Know - How COVID-19 Spreads, Symptoms, etc. ([here](#)).
- Situation Summary ([here](#)).
- Travel Information ([here](#)).
- Preventing COVID-19 Spread in Communities ([here](#)).
- Higher Risk & Special Populations ([here](#)).
• Healthcare Professionals (here)
• Resources for Healthcare Facilities (here)
• Resources for Health Departments (here)
• Laboratories (here)
• Communication Resources (here)

**Agency Resources and Contact Information**
Below, please find agency-by-agency information, guidance, and contact information.

**Resources** – Below, please find agency-by-agency resources and guidance.

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (here)
• Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (here)
• U.S. Food & Drug Administration (here)
• U.S. Department of Education (here)
• U.S. Department of Agriculture (here)
• U.S. Department of Labor (here)
• U.S. Department of Homeland Security (here)
• U.S. Department of State (here)
• U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (here)
• U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (here)
• U.S. Department of the Interior (here)
• U.S. Election Assistance Commission (here)

**Contact Information** – Below, please find contact information for our Intergovernmental Affairs colleagues across the federal family. As State and local elected officials, they are your primary points of contact.

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• U.S. Department of State: Bill Killion (Phone – 202-647-7595 / Email – killionw@state.gov)
• U.S. Department of Transportation: Sean Poole (Office – 202-597-5109 / Cell – 202-366-3132 / Email – sean.poole@dot.gov)
• U.S. Department of Education: Susan Falconer (Phone – 202-320-6837 / Email – susan.falconer@ed.gov)
• U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs: Thayer Verschoor (Phone – 202-461-7385 / Email – Thayer.verschoor@va.gov)
• U.S. Environmental Protection Agency: Britt Carter (Phone – 202-440-0728 / Email – carter.brittany@epa.gov)
• U.S. Small Business Administration: Ryan Lambert (Phone – 202-615-6570 / Email – ryan.lambert@sba.gov)
• U.S. Department of Agriculture: Lillie Brady (Phone – 202-845-3872 / Email - lillie.brady@usda.gov)

**Local Preparedness Tips**
• Response is locally executed, state managed, and federally supported.
• Ensuring clear, open lines of communication with the public and making information and guidance readily available.
• Proactively sharing and disseminating verified and accurate guidance and information such as HHS/CDC guidance for families, businesses, and schools.
• Reviewing Federal guidance such as the HHS/CDC Community Mitigation Framework.
• Coordinating with State and local health authorities.
• Reviewing local preparedness plans and strategies.
**Recent Task Force Actions**
Below, please find pertinent updates on pertinent Administrations actions.

- Task Force Briefings (briefings are held on a frequent basis and can be viewed live [here](#))
  - March 10: [Video](#)
  - March 9: [Video](#)
  - March 6: [Video](#)
  - March 4: [Video](#)
  - March 2: [Video](#)
  - February 29: [Video](#)
- Remarks by President Trump and Vice President Pence at a Coronavirus Briefing with Health Insurers (March 10) ([transcript/video](#))
- Readout from the Vice President’s Discussion with our Nation’s Governors on COVID-19 Coordination & Preparedness (March 9) ([readout](#))
- Remarks by Vice President Pence in a Coronavirus Briefing with Cruise Line Executives and Port Directors (March 7) ([transcript](#))
- Remarks by President Trump After Tour of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (March 5) ([transcript](#))
- President Trump Signs the Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2020 (March 6) ([transcript/video](#))
- President Trump and Vice President Pence attend Coronavirus Briefing with Airline CEOs (March 4) ([transcript/video](#))
- Vice President Pence meets with Long-Term, Post-Acute and Palliative Care Provider Executives (March 4) ([transcript](#))
- Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Announces Actions to Address Spread of Coronavirus (March 4) (more [here](#))
- President Trump Visits the National Institutes of Health and attends Roundtable Briefing (March 3) ([transcript](#))
- Vice President Pence attends Coronavirus Briefing with Diagnostic Lab CEOs (March 4) ([transcript/video](#))
- Readout from the Vice President’s Discussion with our Nation’s Governors on COVID-19 Coordination & Preparedness ([readout](#))
Dear Cummer Museum members and friends,
We continue to monitor COVID-19 (the coronavirus) and the precautionary measures recommended by government and public health officials. Out of an abundance of caution, we are adjusting our upcoming events schedule:

**Saturday, March 14 - Spring Garden Concert**
Postponed - New date and information to be shared soon.

**Tuesday, March 17 - Iconoclasm Lecture Series: Reformation Iconoclasm**
Cancelled - We hope to be able to provide online access at a later date.

**Friday/Sunday, March 20 & 22 - Striking Up with Phase Eight Theater Company**
Postponed - New date and information to be shared soon.

**Tuesday, March 24 - Iconoclasm Lecture Series, Secular Iconoclasm**
Cancelled - We hope to be able to provide online access at a later date.

**Tuesday, April 7 - Iconoclasm Lecture Series, Charrette**
Cancelled

The Museum is currently maintaining its regular operating hours, however, we will continue to monitor the situation and will communicate any changes as they are available. Please visit our website and social channels for the latest updates.
Your health and safety are our top priorities. If you have immediate questions or concerns, please contact us at 904.356.6857, membership@cummermuseum.org. Thank you for your patience and support.

Sincerely,
The Team at the Cummer Museum

MUSEUM HOURS
Monday: CLOSED
Tuesday: 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Wednesday: 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Thursday: 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Friday: 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Saturday: 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Sunday: 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Office of Intergovernmental Affairs

Please see the announcement below from our partners in the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) regarding a call on activities relating to COVID-19 occurring tomorrow, *Friday, March 13, at 3:00PM ET*.

CISA Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Stakeholder Call

The Department of Homeland Security’s Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) will host a broad stakeholder conference call on **Friday, March 13, 2020 at 3:00PM ET**, to provide an update regarding current activities related to Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19). On this short-notice call, we plan to provide a quick update on the current situation; an overview of CISA’s activities; and discuss your current concerns, priorities, and where you may need additional assistance.

The agenda will be disseminated prior to the call.

**Teleconference: 1-888-982-7287**
**Participant passcode: 5130967#**

We look forward to your participation and thank you for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully,
Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency
Submitted on Friday, March 13, 2020 - 9:43am Submitted by anonymous user: [66.177.165.3] Submitted values are:

--Subject and Message--

Subject: Deck the Chairs
Message: My husband and I recently heard that some council members suggested the possibility of replacing Deck the Chairs with other venues during the month of December. Deck the Chairs has been a wonderful tradition for Jacksonville Beach. Among its many accolades that draw visitors to Jacksonville Beach are "most unusual" and "traditions that are so Florida". We have many family members and friends that visit during December and we always take them to Deck the Chairs. Their responses are always extremely positive and they request we return each year. Just seeing so many people of all ages walking around and enjoying the display so near the ocean is a joyous experience. The addition of education about plastics and recycling are also a plus. The event is so appropriate for all ages, religious beliefs, the handicapped, and pets. It would be such a shame to lose this special tradition in Jacksonville Beach.

Department: Mayor's Office
Recipient: clatham@jaxbchfl.net

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The results of this submission may be viewed at:
http://www.jacksonvillebeach.org/node/3441/submission/27360
Mayor Latham, Councilmembers Hoffman, Vogelsang, Doherty, Nichols, Dumont and Golding and City Manager Staffopoulos

Last week I was able to successfully work with the City of Jacksonville City Council to pass an increase in the Low Income Senior Exemption from 25,000 to 50,000 for all City of Jacksonville Municipal and County taxes. The history of the low income senior exemption goes back to 1998, when the state approved by referendum the exemption for 25,000. In 2007 the exemption was increased to 50,000 by the state, but requires the approval from each municipality for their respective ad valorem taxes. The Senior Low Income exemption is for municipal and county taxes, but does not impact school or state taxes (FIND, SJWMD). This exemption requires the adjusted household income not to exceed $30,172 (this amount is adjusted each year by a Federal index) and the tax payer must be at least 65 years of age, with a current Homestead Exemption. As you are aware the current Homestead Exemption for all Homestead properties gives full exemption of all taxes on the first 25,000 of value, and another 25,000 of value for municipal and county taxes on the 3rd 25,000 of value between the values of 50,000 and 75,000. The Low Income Senior exemption in place today, gives exemption of 25,000 of value on the 2nd 25,000 of value, those values between 25,000 and 50,000. The additional increase proposed will give another 25,000 of value on the 4th 25,000 of value, between the values of 75,000 and 100,000.

Below is the fiscal impact and current number of resident in your respective city, based on current recipients of the current Low Income Senior Exemption. I look forward to working with you all to achieve your wishes to accomplish the additional Low Income Senior Exemption.

Sincerely,
Jerry Holland
Duval County
Property Appraiser

This study used data from the 2020 Tax Roll in progress as of 1-24-20 and calculated the impact using the final millage rates from the 2019 Tax Roll.

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Local Government News

Wellington to add first mayor Kathy Foster's name to Founder's Plaque
The Palm Beach Post
For the second time in as many meetings, Wellington’s council on Tuesday night voted to add another name to the village’s Founder’s Plaque. Where former mayor Tom Wenham received the honor at the Feb. 25 meeting, this time it was Kathy Foster, the village’s first mayor, who was lauded. Foster served on the Village Council from 1996-2000, and before that on the Acme Improvement District Board, the entity that preceded Wellington’s council, from 1990-1996, when she played a key role in the village’s incorporation. Foster moved to Wellington in 1979 and quickly became involved in village life. Adding Foster to the Founder’s Plaque was raised at Monday’s agenda review meeting, where Mayor Anne Gerwig called for the addition of Foster and another early council member and former mayor, Dr. Carmine Priore. Source

Panama City and Bay County officials encourage census participation
WJHG
The 2020 census count kicks off today. Some guests joined us in our studio with the details. Local leaders are encouraging everyone to participate in the count, because it helps to determine states share of federal funding. Officials say that Panama City lost 15 percent of its population, and it was a similar story for other surrounding cities as well. The census numbers also help determine the number of representatives our area can get. Officials with Florida Tax Watch tell us that the results of the new census predicts Florida will gain two more congressional seats. A census postcard will be sent to your house directing you to go online and count your household. Those are being sent out between Thursday, March 12 and March 24. Source

Lynn Haven to create Pandemic Plan
WJHG
In light of coronavirus concerns, Lynn Haven city leaders will create a pandemic plan to prepare for a worst case scenario. City leaders say the selected team of city officials would work to create action plans for events like the coronavirus, hurricanes and other major situations. City leaders say they’ve not yet selected who will be on the committee but they will in the near future. Source
**State News**

**Florida governor: Cancel events, increase ‘social distancing’ as coronavirus spreads**  
*Bradenton Herald*

In a dramatic escalation of the state’s coronavirus response, Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis came to Miami on Thursday and urged the cancellation of large events statewide and for residents to avoid close contact by using tactics known as “social distancing.” Flanked by county elected officials at the headquarters of Jackson hospital, DeSantis said it was time for Florida to combat COVID-19 spread by reducing gatherings and encouraging people to keep their distance from each other. "We need to increase social-distancing measures," he said, citing a recent order to stop visitation at state prisons and on Thursday a 30-day suspension of travel for state employees and a ramping up of teleworking within the Florida bureaucracy. “I am recommending to local municipalities and private entities to strongly consider limiting or postponing mass gatherings in the state of Florida.” [Source](#)

**Coronavirus cases jump in Florida**  
*News Service of Florida*

In a substantial increase, the Florida Department of Health late Thursday reported 15 new positive cases of the novel coronavirus in the state. Five of the new cases were in Broward County, while two were in Palm Beach County and two were in Sarasota County. Alachua, Volusia, Duval, Clay, Hillsborough and Lee counties each had one new case, according to a news release from the Department of Health. The virus, known as COVID-19, can particularly affect seniors and people with other medical conditions. Seven of the new cases involved people at least 68 years old, but other cases involved a 20-year-old, a 24-year-old and a 25-year old. Three of the cases involved people from other states --- New York, Massachusetts and Texas --- who were in Florida. In all, the Department of Health said the state has had 42 cases of Floridians who tested positive for COVID-19 in the state. Gov. Ron DeSantis this week declared a state of emergency because of the respiratory disease, which started late last year in China and has spread across the world. [Source](#)

**DeSantis Updates Florida's Work Against Coronavirus**  
*WUWF*

Health officials in Florida report eight new cases of coronavirus as of late Wednesday, bringing the total diagnosed to 21. This as Gov. Ron DeSantis says action is being taken on a number of levels. Speaking in Tallahassee, DeSantis said they’ve been working with “a lot of different folks” throughout the state, at the municipal level; health departments in all 67 counties, the private sector, and the feds, such as the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The new cases, seven Floridians who live in in Collier, Pinellas and Pasco counties, and a Georgia resident currently in Alachua County, had all traveled internationally recently according to the Florida Department of Health. In his news conference, the governor updated the numbers. [Source](#)

**DeSantis halts travel by state workers**  
*News Service of Florida*

Gov. Ron DeSantis on Thursday suspended non-essential travel for state workers for the next 30 days, while also urging local governments to cancel “mass” events because of the novel coronavirus, or COVID-19. DeSantis, speaking at Jackson Memorial Hospital in Miami, encouraged local governments to make the changes or provide organized screening measures. Those measures would include having people at entryways of
events asking attendees if they are sick, have been in contact with people that may have been sick or have recently traveled. Source

**DeSantis Activates Emergency Business Damage Assessment Survey**
*Fox 4 Now*
Governor Ron DeSantis announced the activation of the Business Damage Assessment survey to assess the impact of COVID-19 on Florida’s local business operations. The survey is meant to evaluate businesses affected by COVID-19. “Gathering information about the impact COVID-19 has on Florida businesses and industries will be invaluable to the state’s efforts in coordinating our response,” said Governor DeSantis. Business owners can take the Business Damage Assessment Survey by clicking here. Surveys submitted by small businesses can be used to access the Small Business Administration’s Economic Injury Disaster Loan, made available for COVID-19 through the Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act. Source

**After delays, test kits on way to Florida to increase testing ability, Gov. DeSantis says**
*Tallahassee Democrat*
During a recent 37-minute interview with University of Florida professor John Lednicky, a renowned virologist who spent decades studying coronaviruses, his phone was constantly dinging with incoming text messages. “My phone is going off every two seconds with urgent requests,” Lednicky told a reporter. “They want to know, ‘Can you do tests?’ ” The calls are coming from people worried they have the virus that causes COVID-19, and from clinicians encountering people with the telltale symptoms of the disease, now declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization. “They are just scratching the surface,” Lednicky said. Testing is critical as the coronavirus that was first reported in China, known as SARS CoV-2, has spread across the globe to nearly 130,000 people in close to 120 countries and regions. That includes over 1,300 in the U.S., as of Thursday. The virus has spread to 44 states as of Thursday, including Florida with nearly 30 cases. Source

**Budget conference:$300M+ earmarked for reserves to respond to coronavirus**
*Florida Politics*
Budget talks between House and Senate negotiators moved closer to an agreement Thursday, but the budget chiefs don’t expect a deal to come before Sunday. The Legislative Session is slated to end Friday, but lawmakers looked unlikely to cross the finish line on time even before economic concerns over the novel coronavirus threw a wrench in lawmakers’ plans. A Saturday deal is possible, House lead Travis Cummings said, but with several big ticket items like health care remaining, a Sunday deal is more likely. “Obviously, we’re looking at the state of our economy right now,” he said. “We’re in a difficult time, there’s a lot of folks that are extremely cautious and trying to prepare, and so I think that from a budgetary perspective, the tax cut package included, we’re going to make sure we have enough resources for coming months and obviously as we pass on to future presiding officers.” The House and Senate look set to agree to stash more than $300 million for coronavirus considerations. The COVID-19 disease could affect tourism, work productivity and other aspects of the state’s revenue. Source

**Budget deal in sight; final vote expected next Wednesday**
*Florida Politics*
Senate President Bill Galvano said Wednesday that a deal on the state’s budget is in sight. “I feel good about how things are progressing. I laid out what is a tentative schedule but a reasonable, achievable schedule.” “We have two busy days ahead of us, and then hopefully we’ll be able to hit ‘print’ on the budget and move forward,” Galvano told media. The goal is to finalize the budget Friday, setting up a 72-hour cooling off period extended
by another day because legislators will not work on Tuesday, the day of the Florida Presidential Preference Primary. Source

Budget conference: House, Senate $3M apart on emergency preparedness budget
Florida Politics
The House and Senate are still $3 million apart on emergency preparedness funding. The Transportation, Tourism and Economic Development bump list shows the House is seeking $2 million for a statewide comprehensive flood plain model and $970 for phase 2 of the "Florida Severe Weather Mesonet." The latter appropriations request would head to WeatherSTEM for the purchase of 50 weather stations for the Florida Division of Emergency Management. The hardware would cost $700,000 and a three-year software and hardware maintenance plan accounts for the other $270,000. WeatherSTEM is a Florida-based company that produces several “smart weather” monitoring products with the capability of providing “hyperlocal” weather information. Source

Federal News

Democrats, Republicans Race to Shore Up Divisions on Coronavirus Package
Route Fifty
House Democrats and the Trump administration worked Thursday to iron out disagreements about emergency legislation to address economic fallout from the coronavirus as concerns mounted about the spread of the outbreak. Discussions between House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin continued throughout the day Thursday after Republicans raised opposition to some of the key provisions in the Democratic proposal. Democrats' plan would offer food aid, create an "emergency paid leave" program and beef up unemployment help for those who lose work because of the outbreak. Source

Charlie Crist calls for drive-through coronavirus testing
Florida Politics
U.S. Rep. Charlie Crist has called for drive-through coronavirus testing in a letter sent to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The letter addressed Thursday to CDC Director Robert Redfield also asks for the agency to provide direction on who needs testing and to make use of every qualified lab available. "Floridians are seeing efficient, effective coronavirus tests around the world, while Americans experiencing symptoms cannot get tested here at home," Crist wrote in a news release. "Tom Hanks was diagnosed with coronavirus in Australia where testing is free and widely available. He would not have met CDC criteria for a test in America. It’s outrageous." "Every day we get this wrong is a day that Americans are less safe. Let’s get it right. Let people get tested." Source

Finance, Taxation & Personnel News

DeSantis gets Senate to pass E-Verify bill, though it’s limited
Tampa Bay Times
A bill that would require employers to verify new hires’ immigration status passed the Senate Thursday night, sending Gov. Ron DeSantis a fairly dialed-back version of a legislative priority and key 2018 campaign promise. The Senate passed SB 664 23-17, along party lines. In typical end-of-session fashion, the bill has bounced back and forth between the Florida Senate and the House, which stripped Sen. Tom Lee’s bill language
of much of its enforcement “teeth.” Lee, who had already “watered down” his bill to please the House, he said, had included a provision that allows the state to randomly audit businesses that opt out of using the federal system. That provision was stripped out of his bill in the House. Source

Lawmakers trim tax-cut package
News Service of Florida
A trimmed-down tax package will go before lawmakers Friday, as budget leaders hammer out the final details of an expected $92 billion spending plan that might need to be revisited in the coming weeks. The Senate is poised to vote on changes to a House tax package (HB 7097), which continues to feature back-to-school and pre-hurricane season tax “holidays.” However, the proposal is scaled back from the House’s original package, which would have produced a $120.5 million hit to state and local revenues next fiscal year. The revised version would reduce tax revenues by about $72.6 million. Sen. Kelli Stargel, a Lakeland Republican who is the lead senator on the issue, said Thursday the Senate was still working with the House on the final ingredients of the bill. The measure must be approved by both chambers Friday, the final scheduled day of the legislative session, though lawmakers likely will return to the Capitol next week to pass a budget. “We scaled it back significantly, trying to be responsible, recognizing the tax breaks we thought are the best for consumers,” Stargel said. Source

As the economic threat of the coronavirus grows, the Florida Legislature is backing away from some business tax breaks
Orlando Sentinel
With the economic damage from the coronavirus pandemic rapidly escalating, Florida lawmakers on Thursday abandoned plans to hand out an assortment of tax breaks to businesses. Instead, the Florida Senate tentatively approved a smaller package of tax cuts — highlighted by a reduction in the state tax charged on cell phones, cable television and video streaming services, a seven-day sales-tax holiday on hurricane supplies to be held in May and a three-day sales-tax holiday on clothing and school supplies to be held in August. The broad package (HB 7097) would also make a number of other changes, including trimming a tax paid by insurance companies, scaling back tax breaks for non-profit hospital systems and forcing school districts to share more money with charter school operators. Source

CFO Jimmy Patronis Applauds Florida Legislature for Supporting Florida’s Firefighters in Fight Against Cancer
Foster Folly News
Chief Financial Officer (CFO) Jimmy Patronis has issued the following statement on the passage of Senate Bill 1092 by Senator Aaron Bean and Representative Elizabeth Fetterhoff. The legislation, which now heads to Governor Ron DeSantis for signature, builds on CFO and State Fire Marshal Patronis’ cancer prevention initiative to protect Florida’s firefighters. CFO Jimmy Patronis said, “I applaud the Florida Legislature today for passing the Firefighter Cancer Decontamination Equipment Grant Program, which creates a resource within the Department of Financial Services to continue to protect the health and safety of Florida’s firefighters. This meaningful legislation helps provide the vital equipment, training, and supplies to mitigate firefighter exposure to cancer-causing contaminants. I thank our bill sponsors, Senator Aaron Bean and Representative Elizabeth Fetterhoff, for championing this critical legislation to protect these heroes from this deadly disease.” Source

Land Use & Economic Development News
House, Senate still apart on occupational licensing deregulation

*Florida Politics*

An ambitious occupational license deregulation bill passed the House Monday by an 88-25 vote. The legislation would bring reforms long sought by free marketeers, including Gov. Ron DeSantis. On Thursday, the Senate positioned the bill for a floor vote. HB 1193, from Spring Hill Republican Rep. Blaise Ingoglia, is slated as the Occupational Freedom and Opportunity Act. The Senate bill (SB 474), sponsored by Sen. Ben Albritton, cleared committees with ease but was laid on the table. However, Albritton introduced amendments, including a strike all that subbed the Senate version for the House iteration. The amendment was approved, kicking the bill back to the House. “We believe that this language in the Senate bill is the best way to protect Floridians,” Albritton said ahead of a unanimous 38-0 vote. Questions emerged. [Source](#)

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**Municipal Administration News**

*Americans must not only know about civics, but be engaged in community | Opinion*

*TCPalm*

On an austere day late in January — while most Floridians were consumed with their daily toils — Solomon Scholl, a senior from South Fork High School, stood before the Florida House Education Subcommittee to speak in support of House Bill 581. As he commanded the podium he articulated the importance of not only civic literacy, but civic engagement in education. Solomon was the ideal candidate to speak before the committee because he is the Youth in Government (YIG) governor. As a servant leader, in his words, he is charged during his term to serve all YIG chapters in Florida. To truly comprehend Solomon’s words, we have to understand several factors. Civic literacy has been the core of our nation since its founding. [Source](#)

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**Transportation & Intergovernmental Relations News**

*Legislature passes electric vehicle charging station expansion study*

*Florida Politics*

The Legislature passed legislation Wednesday calling for a study on expanding the state’s electric vehicle charging grid Wednesday. That bill (SB 7018), carried through the Senate by Thonotosassa Republican Sen. Tom Lee, now heads to Gov. Ron DeSantis. The measure would also allow the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) to construct staging areas for emergency response, adds a “shot clock” for utility infrastructure permits, and create cases for utilities to cross rural land while protecting the environment. Dylan Reed, director of Advanced Energy Economy (AEE), sees the bill’s potential to increase the state’s accessibility for electric vehicle owners; AEE is a longtime client of Liberty Partners of Tallahassee. [Source](#)

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**Utilities, Natural Resources & Public Works News**

*Bill seeks to add ‘teeth’ to environmental laws*

*News Service of Florida*

An increase in fines for environmental lawbreakers, a priority of Gov. Ron DeSantis, is heading to his desk. The House voted 115-0 on Thursday to give final approval to a
proposal (HB 1091) that would make numerous changes in the amounts and duration of penalties for violating Florida environmental laws. The Senate also unanimously backed the bill earlier in the day. Sen. Rob Bradley, R-Fleming Island, said the proposal will “add some teeth” to enforcement efforts needed to prevent dumping sewage into waterways. It also would expand on a water-quality measure (SB 712) approved Wednesday that addresses issues such as agricultural runoff and septic tanks. “We can’t solve these water issues unless we get a handle on these discharges,” Bradley said of the bill that passed Thursday. “And this is a really, really important step towards getting a handle on it.”

Budget conference: Senate makes sure Energy Office remains under Nikki Fried’s purview

Florida Politics
A push to shift oversight for the Office of Energy from Agriculture Commissioner Nikki Fried to Gov. Ron DeSantis didn’t survive budget talks with the House and Senate. The House had passed legislation that would transfer the Office of Energy from the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. The Senate has not moved the bill. That bill would return the office to the Department of Environmental Protection. Before 2008, DEP handled the state’s energy policy. The office was moved to the Agriculture Department in 2011. But Fried had slammed the attempted “power grab … part of a larger plan to … subvert democracy” by giving “unchecked power to the Governor.” Speaker Jose Oliva defended the move as “a priority of the Governor.” But that ultimately wasn’t enough reason for the Senate to go along with the move.

Editorial: Back to the drawing board isn't the direction to go on Everglades restoration

Naples Daily News
A leading environmental advocate recently described the present day as, “The Roaring Twenties for the Everglades.” He meant that in the sense that money is flowing and good things are happening. The fact that it is the decade of the “twenties,” a century after the original Roaring Twenties, adds to the apt nature of the observation. We hope that parallel doesn’t degenerate to a less romantic element of the 1920s, destructive turf wars among rivals. Eric Eikenberg, chief operating officer of the Everglades Foundation, visited with members of the USA Today Florida Network last week to offer an update on state and federal efforts to restore Florida’s treasured “River of Grass.” That’s when he made the Roaring Twenties analogy, noting, among other things, that the federal government has for the first time ever budgeted $200 million or more for restoration efforts for two years in a row. Couple that with a newly responsive state government and you have the makings of real progress on projects that have been on the drawing board for 20 years.
This week, Florida Governor Ron DeSantis upgraded the public health emergency designation to a State of Emergency, designating the Florida Department of Emergency Management (FDEM) as the lead state agency to coordinate an emergency response.

FDEM is currently in communication with local Emergency Managers regarding:

1. Local coordination plans and efforts.
2. Local inventory of resources and current and future needs.
3. Advising that resources are scarce nationwide, but if supplies are needed, local governments should attempt to utilize local vendors first, even if the supplies are on “backorder” (go ahead and get in line now).

The Florida League of Cities is working closely with FDEM. Any emergency questions should be directed to your local emergency manager.

**White House Briefing Call for Local Governments**

On Thursday, March 12, White House senior officials held a briefing call for state and local government officials. Click here to view a summary of the call, including links to resources discussed.
We will continue to notify you of these calls and any other scheduled statewide calls for local governments hosted by state or federal agencies.

**Business Damage Assessment Survey Activated**

Also on Thursday, Gov. DeSantis announced the activation of the [Business Damage Assessment Survey](#) to assess the impact of the coronavirus on Florida local business operations. [Click here](#) to take the survey.

**New Resources Added to FLC Website**

In addition to daily updates with recent news articles, we have added resources to our [Coronavirus Resources](#) page. New resources include information for local governments from the Center for Disease Control, the National League of Cities, the Department of Homeland Security and the International City/County Management Association.

Be sure to visit this [resource page](#) often for helpful links, prevention tips and the latest news.
Good Afternoon,

Due to the current situations and being unsure of how next week will unfold we will be cancelling the press conference planned for Monday. When we have more information we will be rescheduling. Sorry for the inconvenience.

Thank You,

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On Mar 11, 2020, at 11:40 AM, Conner, Makenzi <MSConner@coj.net> wrote:

Good Afternoon,

Thank you all so much for your continued patience as we plan this press conference. Attached you will find a sample press release along with a sample schedule. The locations have not yet been added to the release as we are still working on that. However, I wanted to get this to you all to make sure there are no problems with the press release. Contact me with any additional questions or comments.

Thank You,

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COVID-19 Update from the City Manager

To all City of Jacksonville Beach Employees,

As the coronavirus situation continues to evolve, we know it has become a growing concern for you and your family. The safety and well-being of our employees and their families is of the utmost importance. We believe it is important to keep you updated with what the City is currently doing.

As of today, we are continuing to monitor the situation and follow the guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), as well as other health organizations. Here are some recommendations from the CDC that will help us decrease the spread of the coronavirus:

- **Practice good hygiene:**
  - Stop handshaking – use other non-contact methods of greeting
  - Clean hands at the door and schedule regular hand washing reminders
  - Create habits and reminders to avoid touching your face and cover your coughs and sneezes
  - Disinfect surfaces like doorknobs, tables, desks, and handrails regularly
  - Increase ventilation by opening windows or adjusting the air conditioning

- **Be careful with meetings and travel:**
  - Use video conferencing for meetings when possible
  - When possible, hold meetings in open, well-ventilated spaces
  - Consider adjusting or postponing large meetings or gatherings
  - Assess the risks of business travel
  - Handle food carefully and limit food sharing:
    - Stay home if you are feeling sick or have a sick member in the family

- **For up-to-date and reliable information:**
  - Center for Disease Control - [https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/)
  - World Health Organization - [https://www.who.int/](https://www.who.int/)

Thank you for helping to keep you and your co-workers safe. I will be providing regular updates (at least once a week) as conditions change. If you have any questions, contact your supervisor or Human Resources.

Sincerely,

Mike Staffopoulos
mstaffopoulos@jaxbchfl.net

What can you do right now?
- **Take advantage of your employee benefits.**
o Don’t forget – employees have access to the Benezon app and concierge service, which provide information about your benefits and access to Telemedicine – especially useful if you are feeling under the weather, but don’t want to go to a doctor or urgent care at this time.

o Download the Benezon app:
   - Click here for iPhone app store link.
   - Click here for Google Play link.

o Flyers with all the information you need regarding this resource are attached.

- WASH YOUR HANDS!
  o Thoroughly
  o At least 20 seconds (30 is great!)
  o More than usual
  o You’ve heard this probably 1000+ times, but it is truly the best defense in preventing the spread of this virus. If you think you have an invincible immune system, remember that you could still be sharing the virus to more vulnerable populations!

- SANITIZE YOUR OFFICE!
  o Desks, keyboard, phones, door handles, anything your hand touches!
  o Before you leave, when you arrive, at least once during the day!
Mental Health and Coping During COVID-19
Your physical health is not the only important aspect during this time!

If the COVID-19 crisis is giving you anxiety or adding an unusual amount of stress to your thoughts, don't be afraid to take some time away from the news, social media, or other sources of constant-flowing information. Here are some good resources:

- Taking Care of Your Mental Health in the Face of Uncertainty
- Mental Health and Coping During COVID-19
- Is worry about COVID-19 disrupting your life?
The 2019 State of the Cities report is an overview of the current state of Florida cities and, in some cases, how they have changed over the past eight years. Notable highlights are included below. Additional detailed information is available online and by request. Contact Research Analyst Liane Giroux to learn more.

This report includes city data on budgets, employment, economy, population, governance, city services, public safety and more! The results in this report are based on the annual CityStats survey and the MiniSurvey series, produced by the Florida League of Cities Center for Municipal Research.

Thank you to the cities who completed the survey. Be on the lookout for the 2020 CityStats survey in the coming months!

**Employment in Florida's Cities**

During 2019, cities continued to focus on resiliency and sustainability. Nearly 30% of cities now have a position dedicated to those issues, or a staff member with those functions included in their responsibilities. The median ratio of municipal employees in 110:1 and the majority of cities contract out city attorney services. Additional employment statistics include the median ratio of municipal employees, the percentage of cities that contract out city attorney services, and the percentage of participation in FRS.
Budget in Florida's Cities

Ninety-five percent of Florida's cities use property (ad valorem) tax as a revenue source. While property taxes are clearly an important revenue source, the Communications Services Tax (CST), local business taxes and franchise fees are the most commonly used additional revenue sources for Florida's cities.

Governance & Service Trends in Florida's Cities

Statewide, the council-manager form of government continues to be the most prevalent and five members is the most common size for a council/commission. In 2019, there were only one or two broadband (high-speed internet) providers in a little over half of Florida's cities.
UPDATE – NEW TIME (5pm ET)

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Office of Intergovernmental Affairs

Please see the announcement below from our partners in the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) regarding a call on activities relating to COVID-19 occurring tomorrow, Friday, March 13, at 5:00PM ET.

CISA Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Stakeholder Call

The Department of Homeland Security’s Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) will host a broad stakeholder conference call on Friday, March 13, 2020 at 5:00PM ET, to provide an update regarding current activities related to Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19). On this short-notice call, we plan to provide a quick update on the current situation; an overview of CISA’s activities; and discuss your current concerns, priorities, and where you may need additional assistance. The agenda will be disseminated prior to the call.

Teleconference: 888-982-7287
Participant passcode: 5130967#

We look forward to your participation and thank you for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully,

Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA)

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Jacksonville Symphony Concerts Canceled Due to Coronavirus/COVID-19

Jacksonville Mayor Lenny Curry announced that the Times-Union Center for the Performing Arts will be closed to the public as a precautionary measure surrounding Coronavirus/COVID-19. Due to this, the Jacksonville Symphony has canceled concerts through April 1, effective immediately. The health and well-being of our audience members, musicians, and staff are our highest priority, and we believe cancelling these concerts is the best course of action for our community and stakeholders.

Although the Times-Union Center for the Performing Arts will be closed to the public, the orchestra will continue to rehearse, and the administration will be in session. In response to the cancellation of concerts, the Symphony is looking into options that would allow concerts to be live streamed to the public.

List of Canceled Jacksonville Symphony Performances:

- March 13/14 – Give My Regards to Broadway

- March 19/20 – Copland and Ellington (Symphony in 60 and Coffee Concerts)
- March 20/21 – SHIFT: Kennedy Center Bound

- March 29 – Peter and the Wolf

This decision, which followed the announcement of the Symphony’s tour to Washington, D.C. for the SHIFT Festival being canceled, will have a significant negative financial impact for our organization. We are especially appreciative of our generous patrons who will consider donating tickets which they purchased for these concerts. Over the course of our history, the Jacksonville Symphony has overcome challenges and continued to thrive because of the strength and support of our community. Now as always, we are grateful for your extraordinary support.

Ticket Exchange, Donation or Refund Information

For questions or concerns, please call the Box Office at 904.354.5547. We will continue to update the website if we receive additional information.

The following options are available for those who have already purchased tickets to Jacksonville Symphony concerts scheduled to take place between March 13- March 31, 2020:

- Donate your tickets and receive a tax deduction for the total ticket value. Ticket donations can be made by calling the Box Office at 904.354.5547.

- Exchange your tickets into any series concert later in the 2019-2020 season or through December 31, 2020. All exchange fees will be waived; please call the Box Office at 904.354.5547.

- Receive a refund for the value of the ticket.

Please continue to support the Jacksonville Symphony

Your support today is more important than ever. As a nonprofit arts organization, the Jacksonville Symphony depends on community donations for everything we do. As our world and our community recover from this crisis, let’s make sure the Symphony is strong and poised to help. Please consider the role extraordinary live music plays in your life and support the Jacksonville Symphony with a gift today. Thank you.
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Questions? Feel free to call the Box Office at 904.354.5547.

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UPDATE – Employee Leave In The Event of School Closures

To all employees:

The City understands that employees may need time off to care for a dependent child if school or childcare centers close as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. If you are unable to report to work because your children’s school or childcare center has been closed, please contact your supervisor immediately and request leave in accordance with your departmental policies.

The City will allow employees to utilize accrued leave (both sick and vacation) during this period. Employees who do not have enough accrued leave will be advanced leave as necessary, with the understanding that it will be made up as they accrue time in the future.

Please contact your supervisor or Human Resources if you have any questions.
Dear Museum members and friends,

Your health and safety are our top priorities. Out of an abundance of caution and in the best interest of our members, visitors, docents and team, the Museum will temporarily close to the public beginning tomorrow, March 14, through Friday, April 3 (subject to change). The Museum will remain open through close of business (9 p.m.) today, Friday, March 13.

All events and programs are postponed until further notice. We will continue to monitor the situation and follow the advice and guidance of government and health officials.

Please visit our website and social media channels for the latest updates. If you have immediate questions or concerns, please contact us at 904.356.6857, marketing@cummermuseum.org or membership@cummermuseum.org.

Thank you for your patience and support. We look forward to welcoming you back to the Museum when we reopen.

Sincerely,
The Team at the Cummer Museum
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Cummer Museum of Art & Gardens
829 Riverside Avenue
Jacksonville, Florida 32204

Phone: 904.356.6857

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WASHINGTON – In order to help prevent the spread of travel-related cases of coronavirus in the United States, today the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Acting Secretary Chad F. Wolf issued a Notice of Arrival Restrictions outlining the process for American citizens, legal permanent residents, and their immediate families who are returning home after recently visiting certain European countries (listed below), China, and Iran.

Effective for flights taking off at 11:59 PM EDT on Friday, March 13th, Americans returning from all restricted countries will now be required to travel through the following 13 airports:

- Boston-Logan International Airport (BOS), Massachusetts
- Chicago O’Hare International Airport (ORD), Illinois
- Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport (DFW), Texas
- Detroit Metropolitan Airport (DTW), Michigan
- Daniel K. Inouye International Airport (HNL), Hawaii
- Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL), Georgia
- John F. Kennedy International Airport (JFK), New York
- Los Angeles International Airport, (LAX), California
- Miami International Airport (MIA), Florida
- Newark Liberty International Airport (EWR), New Jersey
- San Francisco International Airport (SFO), California
- Seattle-Tacoma International Airport (SEA), Washington
- Washington-Dulles International Airport (IAD), Virginia

Upon arrival, travelers will proceed to standard customs processing. They will then continue to enhanced entry screening where the passenger will be asked about their medical history, current condition, and asked for contact information for local health authorities. Passengers will then be given written guidance about COVID-19 and directed to proceed to
their final destination, and immediately home-quarantine in accordance with CDC best practices.

“While the overall risk of serious infection from the coronavirus to the general public remains low at this time, the Trump administration is taking these aggressive measures to keep the risk low, requiring all Americans returning from affected areas in Europe to be funneled through 13 airports for screening upon their return to the U.S.,” said Acting Secretary Wolf. “To minimize disruptions to travelers, TSA, CBP, and air carriers are working to identify qualifying passengers before their scheduled flights. These passengers will be rerouted to one of the 13 airports by their airline at no cost to them.”

Wolf continued: “I understand this new process will be disruptive to some travelers, however this action is needed to protect the general public from further exposure and spread of the coronavirus. Once back in the U.S. it is imperative that individuals honor self-quarantine directives to help protect their loved-ones and communities.”

President Trump determined that the potential for widespread transmission of the coronavirus by infected individuals seeking to enter the United States threatens the security of the homeland. Therefore, the Department is taking action in furtherance of the public health interests advanced by the March 11th presidential proclamation which suspends entry to nearly all foreign nationals who have been in certain European countries, China and Iran at any point during the 14 days prior to their scheduled travel to the U.S.

These European countries, known as the Schengen Area, include: Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, and Switzerland. This Presidential Proclamation does not apply to U.S. citizens, legal permanent residents, nor their family members under the age of 21, and other individuals who are identified in the proclamation. Nor does it apply to cargo and economic shipping.

For further information, please visit Coronavirus.gov or DHS.gov/Coronavirus.

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FLM Space Coast Day
Friday, May 8, 2020

Join the FLM in Cape Canaveral for an exploration of aerospace-related technologies!

The objective is to ensure awareness among mayors of the latest developments in and the importance of aerospace programs, businesses and the employment opportunities they create in Florida, and how they encourage economic growth within their municipalities.

We are proceeding with this event at this time, with the knowledge that we may have to cancel and/or postpone due to Coronavirus (COVID-19).

WHAT: FLM Space Coast Day

WHEN: Friday, May 8, 2020

WHERE: Cape Canaveral Air Force Station

TIME: 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

COST: Free

Exact location and pertinent information will be provided via confirmation following registration.

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<td>Meet at Cape Canaveral Air Force Station (CCAFS) Badging Operations to obtain credentials for the day, then board the bus to United Launch Alliance (ULA).</td>
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<td>Presentation en route by a Merritt Island biologist to speak on the delicate coexistence between the nature preserve and bird sanctuary, and the regular rocket-launching conditions.</td>
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<td>11:00 a.m.</td>
<td>United Launch Alliance: Meet John Gadarowski and other lead engineers of manned space flights and observe processes used to prepare rockets and satellites for launch.</td>
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<td>ULA Atlas Space Operations Control (ASOC): Observe launch control.</td>
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<td>ULA Conference Room: Lunch presentation with Space Florida's Vice President Government &amp; External Relations Dale Ketcham.</td>
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<td>Board bus to the next destination, with a stop to deboard onto an iconic launchpad area for photo opportunities.</td>
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<td>Arrive at the 45th Space Wing Morrell Operations Center, which is the control for all space launch operations from the East Coast; experience 3-D weather modeling and other technical tracking systems.</td>
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<td>3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.</td>
<td>Blue Origin: Board the bus to Blue Origin, an American privately-funded aerospace manufacturer and sub-orbital spaceflight services company to observe construction of new capsules and commercial spacecraft.</td>
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<td>4:30 p.m.</td>
<td>Board bus back to CCAFS Badging Operations for a group photo opportunity.</td>
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<td>5:00 p.m.</td>
<td>Event concludes.</td>
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*Subject to change.*
From: Sonja Fitch <sonja56fitch@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, March 13, 2020 4:18 PM
To: All City Council; abowan@coj.net; abrosche@coj.net; Beaches Activist Movement; ActBlue; asp@law.stetson.edu; editor@beachesleader.com; Charlie Latham; cnicolls@jaxbchfl.net; Sandy Golding; Georgette Dumont; Keith Doherty; Code Enforcement; Planning Division; Phil Vogelsang; usafirm.civil.rights@usdoj.gov; newstips@news4jax.com; Press - Beaches Leader; tfreeman@coj.net; thazouri@coj.net; themail@folioweekly.com; letters@tallahassee.com; Beacheschurchjax Info; Chris Hoffman; Duval Dems; beachesdems@gmail.com; ferraro@coj.net; MIA Herald Ed; People's Action; jsfromfeedback@jaxsheriff.org; Laurie Scott; Mike Clark; rachel@msnbc.com; powens@orlandosentinel.com; prelaw@unf.edu; opr.complaints@usdoj.gov; Sonja Fitch
Subject: Re: ARREST RETIRED JSO LT. STEVE MULLEN

There has been a young middle school age boy that thinks he should ride by on his bike and yell “Trump 2020” Now I will not speak to this child. I just happened to be going to World Market and followed the child to the Skate Park. I went into the Fire Station and asked for help. I WAS INFORMED WE DO NOT WORK FOR JACKSONVILLE BEACH. I had to beg and plead and finally one of them called the JBPolice. The "leader" proudly bragged how they do not have to work like they did for JB. They can just sit and do nothing.

THIS ABSOLUTLEY CANNOT BE TOLERATED!!! THIS CREW NEEDS TO BE MOVED INTO ANOTHER LOCATION. THEY ARE NOT TRUSTWORTHY. IS THIS THE POSTURE NOW OF ALL OF THE JFRD? GET THEM OUT OF HERE. HIRE BACK OUR JACKSONVILLE BEACH FIRE AND RESCUE. THIS SHALL NOT BE ACCEPTABLE. THIS IS DANGEROUS FOR OUR COMMUNITY.

Sonja Fitch 1425 9th St. S Jacksonville Beach, Florida 32235 9046162340
PS yes i said why me...oh well it was me...

On Tuesday, February 25, 2020, 06:15:04 AM EST, Sonja Fitch <sonja56fitch@yahoo.com> wrote:

WOW if I heard "fucking bitch" one time yesterday, I heard it 20 times. The Trumpers have no ability to see the truth. The Cult of Trump is racist and dangerous to us all. The Economy is down, way down and is not projected to get better. Yesterday! Wall street is going bonkers over the coronavirus. TRUMP SAYS, "THE CORONAVIRUS WILL BE DONE IN THE SPRING," ONCE AGAIN TRUMP SPOUTS OFF BS. SO OF COURSE TRUMP CUTS BACK ON CDC TAX DOLLARS, TRUMP IS THE ENEMY.

AUGUST 2020 ECONOMIC NUMBERS MAY GIVE US SOME IDEAS IF OUR CHRISTMAS ECONOMY WILL BE VIABLE.

Sonja Fitch 1425 9th st. S Jacksonville Beach, Florida 32250 9046162340

The good news is that maybe China will not be sending so many of those plastic beaded toys to our country.
PS Checked our Jacksonville Beach Water lately?

On Thursday, February 20, 2020, 02:12:00 PM EST, Sonja Fitch <sonja56fitch@yahoo.com> wrote:


Saying that if I was still bargaining for public employees the financial info for the state, county and city/town shall be considered in regards to proposals.

My concern is our Fire and Rescue we sent to Jacksonville. LOOTING LENNY DOES NOT HAVE A CLUE HOW TO BUDGET. SHERIFF WILLIAMS IS INCOMPETENT. MELISSA NELSON IS A FOLLOWER. THOSE 3"LEADERS" ARE NOT FINANCIALLY SOUND MANAGERS EXCEPT TO GET TO THE COMMON TAX DOLLARS FOR THEIR POCKETS.
I am very concerned that cuts will be paid on public employees...sheriff and fire and rescue...cause they are easy targets cause their unions DO NOT ADEQUATELY DO BUDGET ANALYSIS AND ARE POOR AT JUDGING POLITICAL FOLKS.
so...I care..
Sonja Fitch 1425 9th St. S. Jacksonville Beach, Florida 32250 9046162340
PS Arrest 3 rogue JSO cops for domestic terrorism. Arrest Chuck McCue for cyber bullying.

On Tuesday, February 18, 2020, 09:49:16 AM EST, Sonja Fitch <sonja56fitch@yahoo.com> wrote:

Thank you for listening. As I was changing the free speech and peaceful protest signs, a white lady in her white bmw suv continously drove by yelling Trump...Truuuum P. Second time I was scared so I called her a bitch and if she had come by again I would have stood my ground and thrown something at her. I WILL STAND MY GROUND. SHE WAS STALKING.
NEXT THE LAWN GUY IN THE BUTTON LAWN SERVICE(?) SLOWS DOWN TO YELL TRUUUUMP. PLEASE ASK HIM TO STOP.
Thank you.
Sonja Fitch 1425 9th St. South Jacksonville Beach, Florida 32250 9046162340
PS HAVE THE 3 ROGUE JSO COPS BEEN ARRESTED FOR DOMESTIC TERRORISM? HAS CHUCK MCCUE BEEN ARRESTED FOR CYBER BULLYING? NO ONE IS ABOVE THE LAW.

On Tuesday, February 11, 2020, 03:46:48 PM EST, Sonja Fitch <sonja56fitch@yahoo.com> wrote:

Today JSO cruiser came by?. But stranger even more was the white man and his oriental wife and 2 children walked by my house TODAY. It has been months since they have used the route in front of my home to walk to and from Seabreeze. The white man had the boy child read the signs. THE CHILD SAID BUTT HOLE. BUTT HOLE IS NOT ON MY FENCE. THAT IS NOT A WORD I HAVE EVER HEARD THE PRESIDENT USE. SO WHEN the white man calls and complains about the words on my fence please ask why all of a sudden the white man and his oriental wife and 2 children are walking past my house. I THINK IT IS INTENTIONAL. I THINK THE WHITE MAN TRIED TO PROVOKE HIS CHILD INTO READING THE FILTHY WORDS OF THE PRESIDENT. THIS IS NOT A GOOD FATHER THAT WANTS HIS CHILD TO USE THE FILTH OF THE PRESIDENT.
I am stilling asking that the 3 rogue JSO cops be arrested for domestic terrorism and Chuck McCue be arrested for cyber bullying.
Thank you.
Sonja Fitch 1425 9th st. south Jacksonville Beach, fl. 32250 9046162340
On Thursday, February 6, 2020, 06:26:00 PM EST, Sonja Fitch <sonja56fitch@yahoo.com> wrote:

NEXT DOOR page has once again started the threats and hate and slurs of my free speech and peaceful protest of the Words of the President. I was sent a copy of some of their concerns. But I will continue to use my free speech and peaceful protest rights.
THESE FOLKS THAT ARE SO UPSET...DID THEY LISTEN TO "THEIR" IMPEACHED PRESIDENT SPEAKING FROM THE WHITE HOUSE TODAY SAY ALL OF THIS HAD BEEN BULLSHIT? Their fake pearl grabbing is disgusting. The fact is the impeached president is a vulgar filthy human.
I respect their rights. I am asking for the same. Has JSO retired steve mullen been arrested yet for domestic terrorism? Has Chuck McCue been arrested for cyber bullying?
I am requesting that the NEXT DOOR PAGE ADMINISTRATOR BE CONTACTED AND IF THEY WANT THE TRUTH...MY DOOR IS OPEN.
WORDS OF THE PRESIDENT WILL BE CHANGED AS I ALREADY STATED ON THE DAY AFTER PRESIDENT'S DAY.
Sonja Fitch 1425 9th st. south Jax Bch, fl. 32250 9046162340
ps a tv reporter came by for an interview.

On Saturday, January 25, 2020, 08:56:36 AM EST, Sonja Fitch <sonja56fitch@yahoo.com> wrote:

It will be one year in February since the 3 rouge JSO cops committed Domestic Terrorism. Have them arrested! Retirement is not punishment for a domestic terrorism crime.
It has been at least two years OR MORE that Chuck MCCue has committed and is still cyber bullying me. Arrest Chuck MCCue.

THE NEXT DOOR FACEBOOK PAGE HAS STARTED THE CYBER BULLYING AGAIN. PLEASE WARN THEM THEY ARE CYBER BULLIES AND TO STOP SAYING ANYTHING ABOUT MY FREE SPEECH AND PEACEFUL PROTEST. February 1, 2020 WORDS OF THE PRESIDENT WILL BE ON MY FENCE. WORDS OF THE PRESIDENT WILL BE ON MY FENCE UNTIL FEBRUARY 14, 2020. NO ON MY FENCE UNTIL FEBRUARY 19, 2020 THE DAY AFTER PRESIDENTS DAY.(February 18 Presidents Day.). I WILL STAND MY GROUND WITH MY PEACEFUL PROTEST AND FREE SPEECH.
Sonja Fitch 1425 9th St. South Jacksonville Beach, Florida 32250
On Friday, January 10, 2020, 06:04:21 AM EST, Sonja Fitch <sonja56fitch@yahoo.com> wrote:

HATE CRIMES ARE DEFINED IN CONTEXT. ON DECEMBER 7, 2019, Those three white men that put up the Trump sign did it in retaliation for the JSO IA report and the news stories covered. "THOSE PISSY ASS SIGNS OF RAGGEDY PAPER OF YOURS WERE WORTH THOUSANDS. THIS SIGN IS WORTH MILLIONS." The three white men continued to threaten and yell at me. To stand my ground and from fear, I stood in the road and yelled for help. I made signs that said help. The JBP came and calmed and reassured me. The JBP talked with the three(?) white men. The white woman renter kept peeking out the door. These 3 white men and the owner and renters in this property are responsible for this HATE BULLYING CRIME.

BUT NOW THESE 3 WHITE MEN AND THE WOMEN AND THE OWNER SHALL BE ARRESTED FOR BULLYING AND HATE CRIMES. TO THREATEN WITH A LEGAL FREE SPEECH SIGN(?) DOES NOT ALLOW FOR THE HATE AND THREATS FROM THESE 3 WHITE MEN. THE CONTEXT WAS HATE AND RETALIATION.

THIS HAS TO BE FOLLOWED UP BY THE JBP. JUST AS I TOLD YOU ABOUT THE JSO DOMESTIC TERRORISM, I AM SHARING THAT THIS IS A HATE CRIME IN RETALIATION TO THE NEWS REPORTS ON JSO IA REPORT.

I AM INSISTING THAT THIS ARREST OF THESE 3 WHITE MEN AND WOMEN AND OWNER OF PROPERTY BE MADE PUBLIC AND THE SIGN REMOVED AND THESE FOLKS ARRESTED..
I am not faulting JBP. The actions taken to calm this volatile situation by the JBP I believe were appropriate at the time. BUT NOW THEY THESE WHITE MEN AND WOMAN HAVE TO BE ARRESTED FOR BULLYING CRIMES UNDER FLORIDA STATUES.

NO ONE IS ABOVE THE LAW.

Further the web site NEXT DOOR AS WELL AS CHUCK MCCUE ARE THINKING THAT THESE 3 WHITE MEN HAVE JUST UPTED LEGAL FREE SPEECH AND PEACEFUL PROTEST WITHOUT ALL OF THE FACTS. THE BIG DEAL IS IT OPENS OUR COMMUNITY TO MORE BULLYING AND ILLEGAL RETALIATIONS BY THESE 3 WHITE MEN AND OTHERS AGAINST LEGAL FREE SPEECH AND PEACEFUL PROTEST...

I have done any and all I can do to work cooperatively with the JBP. BUT THESE 3 WHITE MEN HAVE TO BE ARRESTED AND THE CRIME HAS TO BE PUBLIC. Just a reminder Chuck MCCue has to be arrested for CYBER BULLYING.

AT THIS TIME THIS IS MY RESPONSE TO THIS HATE CRIME that occurred on DECEMBER 7, 2019. This is my plea to uphold the Law.

Sonja Fitch 1425 9th St. South Jacksonville Beach , Florida 32250 9046162340
On Friday, January 3, 2020, 03:28:00 PM EST, Sonja Fitch <sonja56fitch@yahoo.com> wrote:

In October 1962, during the Cuban Missile Crisis, we at OPHS were evacuated to Gold Head State Park. By the time we returned to OPHS, the worry on our teachers faces was obvious. WE WERE IN THE KILL ZONE. WE DID NOT OR EVER COULD ACTUALLY EVACUATE. Evacuation was never mentioned again.

What is the imminent threat? #IMPOTUS HAS PLACED AMERICA, US IN IMMINENT DANGER TO DISTRACT FROM THE SENATE IMPEACHMENT TRIAL. THAT IS THE IMMINENT THREAT.

2020 WE LIVE IN A ROLLINGNUCLEAR KILL ZONE. CYBER WAR AND NUCLEAR OR BLINDSIDE HATE ACTS ARE NOW OUR FUTURE.
Yes I have 4 American Flags mounted in DISTRESS....The mourning of the asAsSinated killer of Iran will last for two days. On the third day,, time will tell.

I will display my distress American Flags for five days. I will remove my distress American Flags on Tuesday, January 7, 2020 at 6pm. Yes I have already been threatened "to have my fucking house burnt down." Yes of course the JBP did there job of serving and protecting.

Now would be a good time to pray for PEACE.
Sonja Fitch 1425 9th St. South Jax Bch FL 32250 9046162340
On Saturday, December 21, 2019, 03:06:08 PM EST, Sonja Fitch <sonja56fitch@yahoo.com> wrote:

Every day another surprise. The man the homeless men told me was the "FBI" stopped and we talked. Very nice man. He knows more about the cyber bullying of me on line than I do. But he said something that made me think...couldnt ask him he had a call and had to leave....Chuck McCue is ranting about who the 3 rogue JSO cops FRIEND, MADE ME WONDER IS CHUCK MCCUE APART OF THE DOMESTIC TERRORIST ATTACK PLUS HIS CYBER BULLYING.

He also shared that FENA FOLEY has been going on about me standing and yelling and interrupting traffic. WHEN THE 3 WHITE BOY BULLIES NEXT DOOR TO ME threatened me verbally, I CHOSE TO STAND AND YELL FOR HELP....THAT IS MY RIGHT TO STAND MY GROUND AND PROTECT MYSELF. Otherwise I just don't do alot of yelling and screaming unless i believe it is the only peaceful method to stand my ground...protect myself. STOP THE CYBER BULLYING FOR MY PROTECTION...PLEASE.

Anyway got to get back to my family and friends...that are such a pleasure ....hope your friends and family are the same for you.
Happy Holidays Sonja Fitch 1425 9th st. south Jacksonville Beach, Florida 32250 904 6162340

On Thursday, December 19, 2019, 07:03:49 AM EST, Sonja Fitch <sonja56fitch@yahoo.com> wrote:

NO ONE IS ABOVE THE LAW. Arrest 3 rogue JSO cops and friend for domestic terrorism. Arrest Chuck McCue for cyber bullying.
I have removed my American flags flying in distress and the impeachment signs. THE RULE OF LAW PREVAILED WITH THE IMPEACHMENT OF THE goptrump CULT LEADER. The little white boy bullies are still proudly flying "elect trump 2020."

My heart aches for the little white boy bullies and our neighborhood and county and state and Country. NO ONE IS ABOVE THE LAW.
Justice Roberts after the oath of impartiality remove Moscow Mitch and Lenigrad Lindsey for bragging and saying "I aint going to be impartial."
The RULE OF LAW HAS TO BE ENFORCED FOR THE COMMON GOOD OF ALL.
Sonja Fitch 1425 9th St. south Jacksonville Beach, Florida 32250 904 6162340

On Saturday, December 7, 2019, 02:55:13 AM EST, Sonja Fitch <sonja56fitch@yahoo.com> wrote:

OMG RETIRED LT. STEVE MULLEN IS KNOWN AS DAMN CROOKED AND ABUSIVE COP. OMG. THE FEAR AND ANGER THAT RETIRED LT. STEVE MULLEN HAS STOKED AND FOLLOWED THROUGH WITH IS LEGENDARY ALL OVER THE BEACH. RETIRED LT. STEVE MULLEN IS A DAMN DANGER TO ME AND TO THE COMMUNITY AND HAS BEEN ALLOWED TO DO THIS TO OTHERS FOR YEARS ARREST THIS CRIMINAL NOW!
Yes it is 2:53 AM another human has come and warned me. If I was physically able, I would leave my home now.

Please get this thug off of the streets.
Sonja Fitch 1425 9th St. South Jacksonville Beach, Florida 32250 9046162340

On Thursday, December 5, 2019, 06:11:31 AM EST, Sonja Fitch <sonja56fitch@yahoo.com> wrote:

After reading different news reports on the JSO IA REPORT, I AM FIRMLY CONVINCED THAT THE JBP HAVE TO CHARGE AND ARREST RETIRED JSO LT. STEVE MULLEN FOR GRAND THEFT. TO BE INCLUDED SHALL BE THE
OTHER 2 ROGUE JSO COPS AND THE FRIEND, AND THE AST DIST ATTORNEY AND RETIRED JSO LT. STEVE MULLENS WIFE(?).
NO ONE IS ABOVE THE LAW. THE JSO IA DOCUMENTS INCLUDE ANY AND ALL FACTS TO ARREST AND
CHARGE RETIRED JSO LT. STEVE MULLEN AND ET AL AS PLANNING AND COMMITTING GRAND THEFT. SIGNS
WERE VALUED AT $1000 FOR A TOTAL OF $6000.
THE BURDEN HAS NOW BEEN DROPPED ON THE JBP TO ARREST RETIRED JSO LT. STEVE MULLEN BECAUSE
THE CORRUPTION IN JSO HAS PERMITTED LT STEVE MULLEN TO HAVE A LENGTHY LIST OF CHARGES OVER
THE YEARS AND TO GET BY THE STANDARDS NECESSARY TO BE A GOOD AND DECENT LAW ENFORCEMENT
OFFICER..

PLEASE KNOW THAT THE JBP DEPARTMENT HAD A REPRESENTATIVE PRESENT AT THE TIME WHO
PROFESSIONALLY TRIED TO GET JSO LT. MULLEN TO STOP!

FURTHER CHUCK MCCUE HAS TO BE ARRESTED FOR CYBER BULLYING. THE JBP ONCE AGAIN STEPPED UP
AND DID ALL THEY COULD DO TO PROTECT AND SERVE OUR COMMUNITY. THE JBP WARNED ME OF THE
CREDIBLE THREATS ON CHUCK MCCUE FACEBOOK POSTS.

MY YEARS OF EXPERIENCE IN REPRESENTING PUBLIC EMPLOYEES HAVE LED ME TO KNOW AND BELIEVE
THAT THE JBP IS EXEMPLARY AND DOES EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO SECURE AND PROTECT OUR
COMMUNITY.

I AM BEGGING THE CITY MANAGER AND CHIEF SMITH TO MEET WITH ME TO DISCUSS SOLUTIONS.

SONJA FITCH 1425 9TH ST. SOUTH JACKSONVILLE BEACH FLORIDA 32250 9046162340
March 13, 2020

Dear Colleague:

One of the primary functions of the American Public Power Association is to bring the public power community together. Necessarily, as COVID-19 spreads, the guidance is for people to stay physically separated. This creates a challenge for APPA as we work to support our members and the public power community.

APPA—in coordination with our industry and government partners—continues to
monitor this evolving situation. We are committed to doing our part to protect the health and safety of our staff, membership and the public at large. Any and all actions we take as an association will be in an effort to honor this commitment.

**APPA has made the decision to cancel the CEO Roundtable (April 5-7 in Phoenix, Arizona), the Lineworkers Rodeo (April 17-18 in Bonner Springs, Kansas), and the Engineering & Operations Conference (April 19-22 in Kansas City, Missouri). We continue to assess all APPA events on a case-by-case basis and will inform members if any additional decisions are made to cancel or postpone events. If you have any questions, please reach out to EducationInfo@PublicPower.org. We have also imposed a halt on all staff travel through the end of March.** We understand actions taken by our members (including travel restrictions) and will accommodate them as necessary. Further, APPA has implemented a liberal telework policy for staff, allowing staff to work outside the office.

APPA continues to work with our members, the electric utility industry, and our government partners to gather and share up-to-date information, best practices and guidance to help our members stay safe and maintain operational integrity. As part of this effort, we are holding a weekly webinar for members to collaborate on this issue. For more information, email to MutualAid@PublicPower.org.

We are working with others on the Electricity Subsector Coordinating Council (ESCC). The ESCC, on which APPA also serves, is the principal liaison between the federal government and the electric power industry on certain high-level resilience and response issues such as pandemics. Working with APPA and others, the ESCC has developed a resource guide and key messages—tailored to electric power industry leaders—for assessing and mitigating COVID-19. They are available at ElectricitySubsector.org and will be updated as necessary.

We urge everyone to stay tuned to the CDC and the World Health Organization for the most reliable information.

For guidance from the Department of Homeland Security on risk management, please check out their Risk Management for COVID-19 document and recommendations on Defending against COVID-19 Cyber Scams.

If you have any questions or feedback, please don’t hesitate to contact us at Info@PublicPower.org.

Cordially,

Joy Ditto
President & CEO
Mayor Charlie Latham, due to the COVID-10 virus, will be declaring a **State of Emergency** for the City of Jacksonville Beach, in coordination with the City of Jacksonville. As such, all public meetings, to include City Council Meetings and Briefings, and all other official city meetings, are canceled through March 31.

We will work to keep the public informed of any further decisions regarding the State of Emergency and other COVID-19 virus updates as quickly and efficiently as possible.

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### Chris Wright

**Subject:** Canceled: Council Meetings  
**Location:** Council Chamber  
**Start:** Mon 3/16/2020 5:00 PM  
**End:** Mon 3/16/2020 8:00 PM  
**Show Time As:** Free  
**Recurrence:** (none)  
**Meeting Status:** Not yet responded  
**Organizer:** Chris Wright  
**Required Attendees:** All City Council; Mike Staffopoulos; Karen Nelson; Chris Ambrosio (cambrosio@jaxbchfl.net)  
**Optional Attendees:** Georgette Dumont; Sandy Golding; Cory Nichols; Chris Hoffman  
**Importance:** High

5:30 pm - Council Briefing  
7:00 pm - Regular Council Meeting
Chris Wright

From: Christine Hoffman <hoffmanjaxbch@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, March 13, 2020 5:36 PM
To: Mike Staffopoulos; Charlie Latham
Subject: Fwd: MEDIA INQUIRY- ACTION NEWS JAX

Media request below.

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: Carrasco, Alexia (CMG-JacksonvilleTV) <ACarrasco@actionnewsjax.com>
Date: Fri, Mar 13, 2020 at 5:16 PM
Subject: MEDIA INQUIRY- ACTION NEWS JAX
To: cityclerk@jaxbchfl.net <cityclerk@jaxbchfl.net>, hoffmanjaxbch@gmail.com <hoffmanjaxbch@gmail.com>

Good evening,

Was wondering if you guys had any plans to close the beaches down in light of the coronavirus?

Thank you!

Alexia Carrasco | Assignment Editor

COX Media Group I 11700 Central Parkway Unit #2 I Jacksonville, FL 32224
Beaches Museum Update

Dear Friends:

The board and staff of the Museum have been monitoring the evolving situation with regards to coronavirus. In an effort to ensure the health and safety of our volunteers, staff and guests, we will be closing the Museum to the public beginning on Tuesday, March 17. We plan to re-open the Museum on March 31.

Additionally, we are postponing the following events:
March 16: Mama Blue concert
March 18: Ritz Chamber Players concert
March 27: "Our Land--Indigenous Northeast Florida" exhibit opening.

We will work to reschedule them as soon as we possibly can. We will send updates on any future cancellations, closures, etc. as we have them.

Thank you for your support and understanding.

Sincerely:

Chris Hoffman
Executive Director
About the Beaches Museum

Beaches Museum is operated by the Beaches Area Historical Society whose mission is "to preserve and share the distinct history and culture of the Beaches area." To learn more about the Beaches Museum, please visit our website.

The Beaches Museum is generously supported by The Cultural Council of Greater Jacksonville and Florida Department of State, Division of Cultural Affairs.

Beaches Museum
381 Beach Boulevard
Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250
904.241.5657
www.beachesmuseum.org
State and Local Leaders,

Please join Senior Administration Officials for a briefing call on COVID-19 preparedness, response, and mitigation efforts **TONIGHT (Friday, March 13) at 7:30 p.m. Eastern Time.**

**Important Note: Call-in lines are limited. Please register only if you are able to join the call. State and local leaders (especially staff) working in the same office are encouraged to register once as a group and use one call-in line to maximize the number of people who can join.**

**Briefing Call Registration**
**Date:** TODAY, Friday, March 13  
**Time:** 7:30 p.m. Eastern Time (please note time zone)  
**Call-In Registration:** [CLICK HERE](#)  
**Note:** You must RSVP to join the call. Upon successful registration, you will receive dial-in details to the email address you use to register. Note that multiple people cannot dial-in using the same registration information.

Below, please find additional information.

**The White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs**

William F. Crozer  
Special Assistant to the President/Deputy Director  
White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs  

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**Additional Background**

**Press Advisory – President Donald J. Trump Directs FEMA Support Under Emergency Declaration for COVID-19** ([PRESIDENTIAL PROCLAMATION HERE](#))

The federal government continues to take aggressive and proactive steps to address the COVID-19 threat as the health and safety of the American people remain a top priority. Today, President Trump declared a nationwide emergency pursuant to Sec. 501(b) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5207 (the “Stafford Act”). This increases federal support to the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) in its role as the lead federal agency for the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic response. As a result of the President’s decisive, unprecedented action, FEMA is directed to assist state, local, tribal, territorial governments and other eligible entities with the health and safety actions they take on behalf of the American public. Today’s declaration does not make direct financial assistance available to individuals.
The emergency declaration does not change measures authorized under other federal statutes and HHS remains the lead federal agency directing the federal response to COVID-19. FEMA actions will be in support of HHS and in coordination with state, tribal and territorial governments. Eligible emergency protective measures taken at the direction or guidance of public health officials in response to this emergency, and not supported by the authorities of another federal agency, will be reimbursed strictly under the FEMA Public Assistance program. FEMA assistance will be provided at a 75 percent Federal cost share. Reimbursable activities typically include emergency protective measures such as the activation of State Emergency Operations Centers, National Guard costs, law enforcement and other measures necessary to protect public health and safety.

**Presidential Message to the Congress on Declaring a National Emergency Concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Outbreak (March 13, 2020)** ([PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE HERE](#))

“Pursuant to section 201 of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1621), I hereby report that I have exercised my authority to declare that the outbreak of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) in the United States constitutes a national emergency. This declaration invokes section 1135 of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. 1320b–5, to allow the Secretary of Health and Human Services to exercise the authority under that section to temporarily waive or modify certain requirements of the Medicare, Medicaid, and State Children's Health Insurance programs and of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act Privacy Rule throughout the duration of the public health emergency declared in response to the COVID-19 outbreak.”

**Memorandum on Expanding State-Approved Diagnostic Tests** ([FULL MEMORANDUM HERE](#))

“By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, it is hereby ordered as follows: It is the policy of the United States to take proactive measures to prepare for and respond to public health threats, including the public health emergency involving Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), which was declared by the Secretary of Health and Human Services (the “Secretary”) on January 31, 2020, pursuant to section 319 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 247d). Our response must include heightened coordination among Federal, State, local, and tribal agencies, and we must offer States the flexibility they need to care for their citizens. In accordance with this principle, the Food and Drug Administration, in coordination with the State of New York, allowed the State flexibility in expediting State-approved COVID-19 testing. Should additional States request flexibility to authorize laboratories within the State to develop and perform tests used to detect COVID-19, the Secretary shall take appropriate action, consistent with law, to facilitate the request.”

Below, please find additional information. The White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs (WH IGA) will continue to share pertinent information as it becomes available. Please do not hesitate to reach out to our office directly if we can be of assistance.

**COVID-19: Background & Additional Information**

**Background**
Under the leadership of President Trump and Vice President Pence, the full weight of the U.S. Government is working to protect the health and safety of the American people. Since the beginning of the outbreak, President Trump has taken unprecedented steps – including prudent travel restrictions and an early containment strategy – to protect the health of Americans in response to the coronavirus. In January, the President formed a Coronavirus Task Force, led by Vice President Mike Pence and comprised of subject-matter experts, to organize a whole-of-government response (President Donald J. Trump Has Taken Unprecedented Steps to Respond To the Coronavirus and Protect the Health and Safety of Americans). The Coronavirus Task Force and broader Administration have and will continue to work with State-Local-Tribal officials and private sector and non-profit partners in preparing for and responding to the Coronavirus. It is important to note that at this time, the risk to the average American remains low. All agencies are working aggressively to monitor this continuously evolving situation and to keep our partners and the public informed.

**Up-To-Date Information**
- The most up-to-date information and guidance can be found via the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Coronavirus Disease 2019 website ([here](#)).
- HHS/CDC Community Framework for Mitigation ([here](#)).
- Guidance for families, businesses, schools and others ([here](#)).
- The Coronavirus Task Force holds frequent national briefings which can be viewed live ([here](#)).
- You are also encouraged to follow HHS, CDC, and other agency social media channels for up-to-date information.

**What You Need To Know**
- What You Should Know - How COVID-19 Spreads, Symptoms, etc. ([here](#)).
- Situation Summary ([here](#)).
- Travel Information ([here](#)).
- Preventing COVID-10 Spread in Communities ([here](#)).
- Higher Risk & Special Populations ([here](#)).
- Healthcare Professionals ([here](#)).
- Resources for Healthcare Facilities ([here](#)).
- Resources for Health Departments ([here](#)).
- Laboratories ([here](#)).
- Communication Resources ([here](#)).

**Recent Announcements**

**Presidential Proclamation To Protect the Homeland from Travel-Related Coronavirus Spread**
On Thursday, March 12, President Donald J. Trump signed a Presidential Proclamation, which suspends the entry of most foreign nationals who have been in certain European countries at any point during the 14 days prior to their scheduled arrival to the United States. These countries, known as the Schengen Area, include: Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, and Switzerland. This does not apply to legal permanent residents, (generally) immediate family members of U.S. citizens, and other individuals who are identified in the proclamation.

**SBA To Provide Disaster Loans for Small Businesses Impacted by Coronavirus (COVID-19)**
On Thursday, March 12, SBA Administrator Jovita Carranza issued the following statement: “The President took bold, decisive action to make our 30 million small businesses more resilient to Coronavirus-related economic disruptions. Small businesses are vital economic engines in every community and state, and they have helped make our economy the strongest in the world. Our Agency will work directly with state Governors to provide targeted, low-interest disaster recovery loans to small businesses that have been severely impacted by the situation. Additionally, the SBA continues to assist small businesses with counseling and navigating their own preparedness plans through our network of 68 District Offices and numerous Resource Partners.
located around the country. The SBA will continue to provide every small business with the most effective and customer-focused response possible during these times of uncertainty.” SBA’s Economic Injury Disaster Loans offer up to $2 million in assistance for a small business. These loans can provide vital economic support to small businesses to help overcome the temporary loss of revenue they are experiencing. More information can be found here.

**CDC to Award Over $560 Million to State & Local Jurisdictions in Support of COVID-19 Response**
The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is announcing another upcoming action by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to provide resources to state and local jurisdictions in support of our nation’s response to the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). The $8.3 billion dollar Supplemental passed by Congress included statutory language which prescribed the exact formula for disbursing the money: states will receive 90% of their 2019 CDC PHEP grants. This marks the first tranche of funding to states from the $8.3 billion supplemental. Your state health officers are receiving a letter today from CDC outlining what is needed to receive the funding, essentially they need to submit a spend plan and they will receive guidance on what that spend plan should contain. More here.

**CDC Releases Mitigation Framework for States, Localities, and Communities**
Protect yourself and your community from getting and spreading respiratory illnesses like coronavirus disease 2019. Everyone has a role to play in getting ready and staying healthy. CDC is aggressively responding to the global outbreak of COVID-19 and community spread in the United States. CDC’s all of community approach is focused to slow the transmission of COVID-19, reduce illness and death, while minimizing social and economic impacts. Framework includes: (i) Local Factors to Consider for Determining Mitigation Strategies, (ii) Community mitigation strategies by setting and by level of community transmission or impact of COVID-19, and (iii) Potential mitigation strategies for public health functions. More here.

**White House Coronavirus Task Force Announces Community Mitigation Strategies for Seattle-King, Pierce, and Snohomish C, WA Santa Clara, CA and New Rochelle, NY**
The White House Coronavirus Task Force has recommended community mitigation strategies for Seattle, Washington and Santa Clara County, California due to widespread transmission of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). These mitigation activities are designed to address the effects of COVID-19 on areas that are experiencing community spread. You can find the guidance for Seattle, Washington and Santa Clara, California here. The Task Force also announced community mitigation strategies for New Rochelle, New York, which can be viewed here.

**Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Nursing Home Guidance**
As you know, nursing homes and their residents are vulnerable populations for COVID-19. This week, CMS released updated guidance for infection control and prevention of COVID-19 in Nursing Homes which can be found here (3/9). The Press Release can be found here and all CMS guidance related to COVID-19 can be found here.

**Agency Resources and Contact Information**
Below, please find agency-by-agency information, guidance, and contact information.

**Resources** – Below, please find agency-by-agency resources and guidance.

- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (here)
- Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (here)
- U.S. Food & Drug Administration (here)
- U.S. Department of Education (here)
- U.S. Department of Agriculture (here)
- U.S. Department of Labor (here)
- U.S. Department of Homeland Security (here)
- U.S. Department of State (here)
- U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (here)
Contact Information – Below, please find contact information for our Intergovernmental Affairs colleagues across the federal family. As State and local elected officials, they are your primary points of contact.

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services: Darcie Johnston (Phone – 202-690-1058 / Email – darcie.johnston@hhs.gov)

U.S. Department of Homeland Security: Cherie Short (Phone – 202-893-2941 / Email – cherie.short@hq.dhs.gov)

U.S. Department of State: Bill Killion (Phone – 202-647-7595 / Email – killionw@state.gov)

U.S. Department of Transportation: Sean Poole (Office – 202-597-5109 / Cell – 202-366-3132 / Email – sean.poole@dot.gov)

U.S. Department of Education: Susan Falconer (Phone – 202-320-6837 / Email – susan.falconer@ed.gov)

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs: Thayer Verschoor (Phone – 202-461-7385 / Email – Thayer.verschoor@va.gov)

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency: Britt Carter (Phone – 202-440-0728 / Email – cartier.brittany@epa.gov)

U.S. Small Business Administration: Ryan Lambert (Phone – 202-615-6570 / Email – ryan.lambert@sba.gov)

U.S. Department of Agriculture: Lillie Brady (Phone – 202-845-3872 / Email - lillie.brady@usda.gov)

Federal Agency Action Overview

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services (HHS)

The Department of Health and Human Services is committed to providing as much information as possible to prepare communities for response to COVID-19. The Department, through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Food and Drug Administration, and other agencies, continuously provide guidance to healthcare providers, laboratories, communities, and state and local officials for dealing with suspected or confirmed cases of COVID-19. The most up-to-date information can be found at www.coronavirus.gov.

Wednesday, March 12, CDC announced the imminent release of almost $600 million to support state and local authorities respond to the COVID-19 outbreak. Full funding amounts are here.

CDC released their “Implementation of Mitigation Strategies for Communities with Local COVID-19 Transmission.” This is a guide for communities describing possible coronavirus transmission. Community mitigation strategies are often the most available interventions to help slow the transmission of COVID-19 in communities.

The CDC has been actively working to address the need for testing across the country. You can find more information about testing here. We encourage review of the Updated Guidance on Evaluating and Testing Persons for Coronavirus Disease 2019, as well as the recently updated the FAQ website for laboratories to determine best practices for testing.

The U.S. Public Health Service Commissioned Corps has deployed hundreds of officers to help with this response. As America’s Health Responders, the Commissioned Corps is currently very involved in assisting the CDC with airport screenings, deploying staff to support hospitals, among other important missions. Find out more about Commissioned Corps activities here.

Part of preparedness includes a robust blood supply. The current situation around COVID-19 heightens the need for a ready blood supply, please encourage your health community members to keep their appointments to donate blood.

CDC released updated guidance on infection prevention and control recommendations for healthcare workers. Healthcare workers are fighting this outbreak on the front lines, and this guidance is intended to provide assistance to healthcare settings that are handling suspected or confirmed cases of COVID-19. This guidance is applicable to all U.S. healthcare settings.
U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA)

- The Small Business Administration will work directly with state Governors to provide targeted, low-interest loans to small businesses and non-profits that have been severely impacted by the Coronavirus (COVID-19). The SBA’s Economic Injury Disaster Loan program provides small businesses with working capital loans of up to $2 million that can provide vital economic support to small businesses to help overcome the temporary loss of revenue they are experiencing.
- The Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental expanded the disaster definition for the Small Business Administration’s Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL) to include COVID-19. Economic Injury Disaster Loans are SBA loans that are available to eligible Small Businesses, Small agricultural cooperatives, and most non-profits that have experienced substantial economic injury as a result of a disaster.
  - EIDLs are available in areas that are declared a disaster area by the SBA.
  - There has to be an SBA Disaster Declaration in an area for EIDL loans to be made available, which originates from a request made by the Governor.
  - To assist in the efforts, the SBA engages with States’ Emergency Response Teams to help them comply with the requirements before a request is made.

- EIDL Loan Details
  - Entities that can apply for EIDL loans are eligible Small Businesses, Small agricultural cooperatives, and most private nonprofit organizations.
  - EIDL Loans are up to $2million and have terms as long as 30 years.
  - State and local officials who have been contacted by Small Businesses that may have been affected should share that information with their Governor or the State’s Emergency Response Officials. More information on SBA’s disaster loans, including eligibility and how to apply for loans, can be found here: www.SBA.gov/disaster

U.S. Department of Education (DoED)

- The Department of Education has established a dedicated Coronavirus webpage, which includes resources for institutions of higher education and for K-12.
  - The website includes guidance for students at institutions of higher education, and covers Coronavirus-related scenarios that could impact students who are enrolled in study abroad programs, students who meet full-time requirements but fall below 12 credit hours, students who are quarantined and miss class, campuses that have temporarily stopped offering ground-based classes to prevent the spread of Coronavirus, and foreign schools that serve Americans who receive Federal financial aid. Also see a letter from the Office for Civil Rights that addresses potential discrimination associated with coronavirus.
  - The Department is working on additional information for families and communities including:
    - Information regarding certain flexibilities under the Every Student Succeeds Act, or “ESSA;”
    - Information regarding services to children with disabilities;
    - A fact sheet from our Office for Civil Rights on the risk of Coronavirus in schools while protecting the civil rights of students; and
    - Information on the Family Education Records Privacy Act, or “FERPA,” as it pertains to K-12 and higher education students.
  - The Department will continue to update its website, ed.gov/coronavirus. Please direct education related questions to COVID-19@ed.gov.

U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT)

- The U.S. Department of Transportation, in its important supporting role, has and will continue to coordinate with transportation stakeholders, foreign counterparts and other federal agencies to manage the risk in the United States.
- DOT continues to ensure: an active air bridge remains in place for the safe return of Americans from affected areas; airlines are funneling passenger flights to one of the eleven designated U.S. airports equipped to health-screen Americans returning from affected areas; continued air and sea cargo traffic between the US and China; health protocols are established to protect the crews of aircraft continuing
to fly between the US and foreign locations; and, dissemination of health messages about the virus, for airlines to use to inform their passengers.

- The U.S. government’s travel restrictions and advisories have been a remarkably effective ‘first layer’ of containment. These travel requirements delayed the arrival of the virus to the United States, giving the nation precious time to prepare further measures, and plan for mitigation. This achievement took the cooperation of nearly 200 commercial airlines, a like number of overseas airports, and the Civil Aviation Authority of China.

- External Stakeholder outreach is being actively conducted throughout the modes of transportation in DOT. DOT has already hosted calls with stakeholders for the Federal Aviation Administration, Federal Transit Authority, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, and others. Additional calls are scheduled for outreach to additional stakeholders in all surface transportation, maritime, and labor.

U.S. Department of Labor (DOL)
- The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) developed COVID-19 planning guidance for employers to implement engineering, administrative, and work practice controls and personal protective equipment (PPE). The guidance is intended for planning purposes – employers and workers should use the planning guidance to help identify risk levels in workplace settings and to determine any appropriate control measures to implement.

- The U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM), an independent agency that serves as the chief human resources agency and personnel policy manager for the Federal Government, issued guidance for Federal Agencies regarding COVID-19 and human resources policies.

- DOL announced new guidance outlining flexibilities that States have in administering their unemployment (UI) programs to assist Americans affected by the COVID-19 outbreak. Under the guidance, federal aw

U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD)
- The health and well-being of our country’s most vulnerable citizens is Secretary Ben Carson’s highest priority. At the direction of Secretary Carson senior HUD, officials have developed an Infectious Disease Toolkit for Continuum of Care homeless shelters (CoC). This includes specific documents addressing preparedness in shelters and encampment settings. More here.

- HUD has sent communication to CoC and Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) grantees, highlighting the importance of infectious disease preparedness and linking to CDC and Healthcare for the Homeless resources: Infectious Disease Preparedness Among Homeless Assistance Providers

- HUD is coordinating with the CDC, Healthcare for the Homeless, United States Interagency Council on Homelessness (USICH) on messaging and cross-promoting resource materials. This will continue on an ongoing basis. Also, the Department is reaching out to Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) and Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) for future coordination.

- HUD has plenty of resources for your communities including:
  - Communities can use their unspent Emergency Solutions Grants and Continuum of Care Program funds to help address needs related to coronavirus. Additionally, a portion of CDBG funds are also available for public services, including health care.
  - Technical Assistance is available for ESG and CoC Program recipients if requested. Additionally, communities that want to amend their CDBG plans, can reach out to their CPD representative if they need assistance.

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)
- USDA Secretary Sonny Perdue announced proactive flexibilities to allow meal service during school closures to minimize potential exposure to the coronavirus. During an unexpected school closure, schools can leverage their participation in one of USDA’s summer meal programs to provide meals at no cost to students. Under normal circumstances, those meals must be served in a group setting. However, in a public health emergency, the law allows USDA the authority to waive the group setting meal requirement, which is vital during a social distancing situation.
USDA intends to use all available program flexibilities and contingencies to serve program participants across our 15 nutrition programs. USDA has already begun to issue waivers to ease program operations and protect the health of participants. USDA is receiving requests for waivers on an ongoing basis. As of today, USDA has been asked to waive congregate feeding requirements in Washington, California, Maryland, Alaska, Utah, Pennsylvania, Wyoming, Maine, Kansas, New Jersey, New York, South Carolina, South Dakota, and Virginia and USDA has granted those requests.

For more information about the coronavirus response across USDA, please visit: www.usda.gov/coronavirus.

U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS)
- While the overall risk to the American public remains low, actions by DHS and the administration are decreasing the strain on public health officials by screening incoming travelers, expediting the processing of U.S. citizens returning from China, and ensuring resources are focused on the health and safety of the American people. It is important to recognize, that while there is a significant focus on containing and mitigating the spread of COVID-19, all departments and agencies of DHS are continuing to perform their regular duties with no impact on their mission.
- DHS is working to recognize, detect, and assist individuals attempting to enter the U.S. through our, airports, land ports, or waterways who may be carrying the virus: Cruise Lines International Association, CDC, USCG, and CBP. DHS is working with the Department of State, HHS, and the senior public health leadership with the Government of Mexico to prepare for any COVID-19 cases identified along the South West Border. This effort includes coordination with state, and local Public Health Officials to develop reporting and response courses of action.
- FEMA has rostered 56 four-person Incident Management Assistance Teams.
- The Countering Weapons of Mass Destruction Office, which contains the National Biosurveillance Integration Center and the Chief Medical Officer, has maintained close coordination with our Components and U.S. Government partners regarding the status of the outbreak and associated U.S. Government response actions.

Local Preparedness Tips
- Response is locally executed, state managed, and federally supported.
- Ensuring clear, open lines of communication with the public and making information and guidance readily available.
- Proactively sharing and disseminating verified and accurate guidance and information such as HHS/CDC guidance for families, businesses, and schools.
- Reviewing Federal guidance such as the HHS/CDC Community Mitigation Framework.
- Coordinating with State and local health authorities.
- Reviewing local preparedness plans and strategies.

Recent Task Force Actions
Below, please find pertinent updates on pertinent Administrations actions.

- Task Force Briefings (briefings are held on a frequent basis and can be viewed live here)
  - March 10: Video
  - March 9: Video
  - March 6: Video
  - March 4: Video
  - March 2: Video
  - February 29: Video
- Remarks by President Trump and Vice President Pence at a Coronavirus Briefing with Health Insurers (March 10) (transcript/video)
- Readout from the Vice President’s Discussion with our Nation’s Governors on COVID-19 Coordination & Preparedness (March 9) (readout)
- Remarks by Vice President Pence in a Coronavirus Briefing with Cruise Line Executives and Port Directors (March 7) (transcript)
- Remarks by President Trump After Tour of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (March 5) [transcript]
- President Trump Signs the Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2020 (March 6) [transcript/video]
- President Trump and Vice President Pence attend Coronavirus Briefing with Airline CEOs (March 4) [transcript/video]
- Vice President Pence meets with Long-Term, Post-Acute and Palliative Care Provider Executives (March 4) [transcript]
- Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Announces Actions to Address Spread of Coronavirus (March 4) (more [here](#))
- President Trump Visits the National Institutes of Health and attends Roundtable Briefing (March 3) [transcript]
- Vice President Pence attends Coronavirus Briefing with Diagnostic Lab CEOs (March 4) [transcript/video]
- Readout from the Vice President’s Discussion with our Nation’s Governors on COVID-19 Coordination & Preparedness [readout](#)
Are you reaching back out to the reporter or do you need me to pass that on?

On Fri, Mar 13, 2020 at 5:37 PM Charlie Latham <clatham@jaxbchfl.net> wrote:

No plans now to close the beach or parks. Will continue to monitor the need to take any additional action.

Charlie Latham
Mayor
City of Jacksonville Beach
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Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250
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Media request below.

Good evening,

Was wondering if you guys had any plans to close the beaches down in light of the coronavirus?
Thank you!

Alexia Carrasco | Assignment Editor

COX Media Group I 11700 Central Parkway Unit #2 I Jacksonville, FL 32224

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Good evening.

Please find the Emergency Executive Proclamation 2020-001 as signed by Mayor Curry today, March 13, 2020, at 5:00 p.m. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Leeann M. Krieg
Deputy Director Intergovernmental Affairs
Office of Mayor Lenny Curry
117 W Duval Street, Suite 400
Jacksonville, FL, 32202
904.923.6364.

Jordan Elsbury
Director of Intergovernmental Affairs
Office of the Mayor
Please see the attached.

Thank you.

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Mayor and Mike:
Attached is the COJB Declaration of a State of Emergency. I will leave the original on the Mayor’s desk. It has my original signature of approval as to form and legal sufficiency.
I can come back to the office tomorrow anytime if you want me to change anything.

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The Mayor’s door is locked. *I’ll leave it on top of the Mayor’s in-bin, in Chris Wright’s office.*

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I can come back to the office tomorrow anytime if you want me to change anything.
My free speech and peaceful protest signs were ripped down and stolen.
I am not sure what to do. Taking time to decide Sonja Fitch 1425 9th st south JB 32250 9046162340

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 13, 2020, at 4:18 PM, Sonja Fitch <sonja56fitch@yahoo.com> wrote:

There has been a young middle school age boy that thinks he should ride by on his bike and yell "Trump 2020" Now I will not speak to this child. I just happened to be going to World Market and followed the child to the Skate Park. I went into the Fire Station and asked for help. I WAS INFORMED WE DO NOT WORK FOR JACKSONVILLE BEACH. I had to beg and plead and finally one of them called the JBPolice. The "leader" proudly bragged how they do not have to work like they did for JB. They can just sit and do nothing.
THIS ABSOLUTLEY CANNOT BE TOLERATED!!! THIS CREW NEEDS TO BE MOVED INTO ANOTHER LOCATION. THEY ARE NOT TRUSTWORTHY. IS THIS THE POSTURE NOW OF ALL OF THE JFRD? GET THEM OUT OF HERE. HIRE BACK OUR JACKSONVILLE BEACH FIRE AND RESCUE. THIS SHALL NOT BE ACCEPTABLE. THIS IS DANGEROUS FOR OUR COMMUNITY.
Sonja Fitch 1425 9th St. S Jacksonville Beach, Florida 322350 9046162340
PS yes i said why me...oh well it was me...

On Tuesday, February 25, 2020, 06:15:04 AM EST, Sonja Fitch <sonja56fitch@yahoo.com> wrote:

WOW if I heard "fucking bitch" one time yesterday, I heard it 20 times. The Trumpers have no ability to see the truth. The Cult of Trump is racist and dangerous to us all. The Economy is down, way down and is not projected to get better.
Yesterday! Wall street is going bonkers over the coronavirus. TRUMP SAYS, "THE CORONAVIRUS WILL BE DONE IN THE SPRING." ONCE AGAIN TRUMP SPOUTS OFF BS. SO OF COURSE TRUMP CUTS BACK ON CDC TAX DOLLARS. TRUMP IS THE ENEMY.
AUGUST 2020 ECONOMIC NUMBERS MAY GIVE US SOME IDEAS IF OUR CHRISTMAS ECONOMY WILL BE VIABLE.
Sonja Fitch 1425 9th st. S Jacksonville Beach, Florida 32250 9046162340

The good news is that maybe China will not be sending so many of those plastic beaded toys to our country.
PS Checked our Jacksonville Beach Water lately?
On Thursday, February 20, 2020, 02:12:00 PM EST, Sonja Fitch <sonja56fitch@yahoo.com> wrote:

Saying that If I was still bargaining for public employees the financial info for the state, county and city/town shall be considered in regards to proposals.
My concern is our Fire and Rescue we sent to Jacksonville. LOOTING LENNY DOES NOT HAVE A CLUE HOW TO BUDGET. SHERIFF WILLIAMS IS INCOMPETENT. MELISSA NELSON IS A FOLLOWER. THOSE 3"LEADERS" ARE NOT FINANCIALLY SOUND MANAGERS EXCEPT TO GET TO THE COMMON TAX DOLLARS FOR THEIR POCKETS.
I am very concerned that cuts will be paid on public employees...sheriff and fire and rescue...cause they are easy targets cause their unions DO NOT ADEQUATELY DO BUDGET ANALYSIS AND ARE POOR AT JUDGING POLITICAL FOLKS.
so...I care..
Sonja Fitch 1425 9th St. S. Jacksonville Beach, Florida 32250 9046162340
PS Arrest 3 rogue JSO cops for domestic terrorism. Arrest Chuck McCue for cyber bullying.

On Tuesday, February 18, 2020, 09:49:16 AM EST, Sonja Fitch <sonja56fitch@yahoo.com> wrote:

Thank you for listening. As I was changing the free speech and peaceful protest signs, a white lady in her white bmw suv continously drove by yelling Trump...Truuuum P. Second time I was scared so I called her a bitch and if she had come by again I would have stood my ground and thrown something at her. I WILL STAND MY GROUND. SHE WAS STALKING.
NEXT THE LAWN GUY IN THE BUTTON LAWN SERVICE(?) SLOWS DOWN TO YELL TRUUUUMP. PLEASE ASK HIM TO STOP.
Thank you.
Sonja Fitch 1425 9th St. South Jacksonville Beach, Florida 32250 9046162340
PS HaVE THE 3 ROGUE JSO COPS BEEN ARRESTED FOR DOMESTIC TERRORISM? HAS CHUCK MCCUE BEEN ARRESTED FOR CYBER BULLYING? NO ONE IS ABOVE THE LAW.

On Tuesday, February 11, 2020, 03:46:48 PM EST, Sonja Fitch <sonja56fitch@yahoo.com> wrote:

Today JSO cruiser came by?. But stranger even more was the white man and his oriental wife and 2 children walked by my house TODAY. It has been months since they have used the route in front of my home to walk to and from Seabreeze. . The white man had the boy child read the signs. THE CHILD SAID BUTT HOLE. BUTT HOLE IS NOT ON MY FENCE. THAT IS NOT A WORD I HAVE EVER HEARD THE PRESIDENT USE. SO WHEN the white man calls and complains about the words on my fence please ask why all of a sudden the white man and his oriental wife and 2 children are walking past my house. I THINK IT IS INTENTIONAL. I THINK THE WHITE MAN TRIED TO PROVOKE HIS CHILD INTO READING THE FILTHY WORDS OF THE PRESIDENT. THIS IS NOT A GOOD FATHER THAT WANTS HIS CHILD TO USE THE FILTH OF THE PRESIDENT.
I am stilling asking that the 3 rogue JSO cops be arrested for domestic terrorism and Chuck McCue be arrested for cyber bullying.
Thank you.
Sonja Fitch 1425 9th st. south Jacksonville Beach, Florida 32250  9046162340
On Thursday, February 6, 2020, 06:26:00 PM EST, Sonja Fitch <sonja56fitch@yahoo.com> wrote:

NEXT DOOR page has once again started the threats and hate and slurs of my free speech and peaceful protest of the Words of the President. I was sent a copy of some of their concerns. But I will continue to use my free speech and peaceful protest rights.
THESE FOLKS THAT ARE SO UPSET...DID THEY LISTEN TO "THEIR" IMPEACHED PRESIDENT SPEAKING FROM THE WHITE HOUSE TODAY SAY ALL OF THIS HAD BEEN BULLSHIT? Their fake pearl grabbing is disgusting. The fact is the impeached president is a vulgar filthy human.
I respect their rights. I am asking for the same. Has JSO retired steve mullen been arrested yet for domestic terrorism? Has Chuck McCue been arrested for cyber bullying?
I am requesting that the NEXT DOOR PAGE ADMINISTRATOR BE CONTACTED AND IF THEY WANT THE TRUTH...MY DOOR IS OPEN.

WORDS OF THE PRESIDENT WILL BE CHANGED AS I ALREADY STATED ON THE DAY AFTER PRESIDENT'S DAY.

Sonja Fitch 1425 9th st. south Jax Bch, fl. 32250 9046162340
ps a tv reporter came by for an interview.

On Saturday, January 25, 2020, 08:56:36 AM EST, Sonja Fitch <sonja56fitch@yahoo.com> wrote:

It will be one year in February since the 3 rouge JSO cops committed Domestic Terrorism. Have them arrested!
Retirement is not punishment for a domestic terrorism crime.
It has been at least two years OR MORE  that Chuck MCCue has committed and is still cyber bullying me.  Arrest Chuck MCCue.
THE NEXT DOOR FACEBOOK PAGE HAS STARTED THE CYBER BULLYING AGAIN. PLEASE WARN THEM THEY ARE CYBER BULLIES AND TO STOP SAYING ANYTHING ABOUT MY FREE SPEECH AND PEACEFUL PROTEST. February 1, 2020 WORDS OF THE PRESIDENT WILL BE ON MY FENCE. WORDS OF THE PRESIDENT WILL BE ON MY FENCE UNTIL FEBRUARY 14, 2020. NO ON MY FENCE UNTIL FEBRUARY 19, 2020 THE DAY AFTER PRESIDENTS DAY.(February 18 Presidents Day.). I WILL STAND MY GROUND WITH MY PEACEFUL PROTEST AND FREE SPEECH.
Sonja Fitch 1425 9th St. South Jacksonville Beach, Florida 32250
On Friday, January 10, 2020, 06:04:21 AM EST, Sonja Fitch <sonja56fitch@yahoo.com> wrote:

HATE CRIMES ARE DEFINED IN CONTEXT. ON DECEMBER 7, 2019, Those three white men that put up the Trump sign did it in retaliation for the JSO IA report and the news stories covered.
"THOSE PISSY ASS SIGNS OF RAGGEDY PAPER OF YOURS WERE WORTH THOUSANDS. THIS SIGN IS WORTH MILLIONS." The three white men continued to threaten and yell at me. To stand my ground and from fear, I stood in the road and yelled for help. I made signs that said help. The JBP came and calmed and reassured me. The JBP talked with the three(?) white men. The white woman renter kept peeking out the door.
These 3 white men and the owner and renters in this property are responsible for this HATE BULLYING CRIME.

BUT NOW THESE 3 WHITE MEN AND THE WOMEN AND THE OWNER SHALL BE ARRESTED FOR BULLYING AND HATE CRIMES. TO THREATEN WITH A LEGAL FREE SPEECH SIGN(?) DOES NOT ALLOW FOR THE HATE AND THREATS FROM THESE 3 WHITE MEN. THE CONTEXT WAS HATE AND RETALIATION.

THIS HAS TO BE FOLLOWED UP BY THE JBP. JUST AS I TOLD YOU ABOUT THE JSO DOMESTIC TERRORISM, I AM SHARING THAT THIS IS A HATE CRIME IN RETALIATION TO THE NEWS REPORTS ON JSO IA REPORT.

I AM INSISTING THAT THIS ARREST OF THESE 3 WHITE MEN AND WOMEN AND OWNER OF PROPERTY BE MADE PUBLIC AND THE SIGN REMOVED AND THESE FOLKS ARRESTED..
I am not faulting JBP. The actions taken to calm this volatile situation by the JBP I believe were appropriate at the time. BUT NOW THEY THESE WHITE MEN AND WOMAN HAVE TO BE ARRESTED FOR BULLYING CRIMES UNDER FLORIDA STATUES.

NO ONE IS ABOVE THE LAW.

Further the web site NEXT DOOR AS WELL AS CHUCK MCCUE ARE THINKING THAT THESE 3 WHITE MEN HAVE JUST UPTED LEGAL FREE SPEECH AND PEACEFUL PROTEST WITHOUT ALL OF THE FACTS. THE BIG DEAL IS IT OPENS OUR COMMUNITY TO MORE BULLYING AND ILLEGAL RETALIATIONS BY THESE 3 WHITE MEN AND OTHERS AGAINST LEGAL FREE SPEECH AND PEACEFUL PROTEST...

I have done any and all I can do to work cooperatively with the JBP. BUT THESE 3 WHITE MEN HAVE TO BE ARRESTED AND THE CRIME HAS TO BE PUBLIC. Just a reminder Chuck MCCue has to be arrested for CYBER BULLYING.

AT THIS TIME THIS IS MY RESPONSE TO THIS HATE CRIME that occurred on DECEMBER 7, 2019. This is my plea to uphold the Law.

Sonja Fitch 1425 9th St. South Jacksonville Beach, Florida 32250
On Friday, January 3, 2020, 03:28:00 PM EST, Sonja Fitch <sonja56fitch@yahoo.com> wrote:
In October 1962, during the Cuban Missile Crisis, we at OPHS were evacuated to Gold Head State Park. By the time we returned to OPHS, the worry on our teachers' faces was obvious. **WE WERE IN THE KILL ZONE. WE DID NOT OR EVER COULD ACTUALLY EVACUATE.** Evacuation was never mentioned again.

What is the imminent threat? **#IMPOTUS HAS PLACED AMERICA, US IN IMMINENT DANGER TO DISTRACT FROM THE SENATE IMPEACHMENT TRIAL. THAT IS THE IMMINENT THREAT.**

2020 WE LIVE IN A ROLLING NUCLEAR KILL ZONE. CYBER WAR AND NUCLEAR OR BLIDNSIED HATE ACTS ARE NOW OUR FUTURE.

Yes I have 4 American Flags mounted in DISTRESS....The mourning of the asAsSinated killer of iran will last for two days. On the third day, ,time will tell.

I will display my distress American Flags for five days. I will remove my distress American Flags on Tuesday, January 7, 2020 at 6pm. Yes I have already been threatened "to have my fucking house burnt down." Yes of course the JBP did there job of serving and protecting.

Now would be a good time to pray for PEACE.
Sonja Fitch 1425 9th St. South Jax Bch FL 32250 9046162340
On Saturday, December 21, 2019, 03:06:08 PM EST, Sonja Fitch <sonja56fitch@yahoo.com> wrote:

Every day another surprise. The man the homeless men told me was the "FBI" stopped and we talked. Very nice man. He knows more about the cyber bullying of me on line than I do. But he said something that made me think...coulndt ask him he had a call and had to leave...."Chuck McCue is ranting about who the 3 rogue JSO cops FRIEND. MADE ME WONDER IS CHUCK MCCUE APART OF THE DOMESTIC TERRORIST ATTACK PLUS HIS CYBER BULLYING.

He also shared that FENA FOLEY has been going on about me standing and yelling and interrupting traffic. WHEN THE 3 WHITE BOY BULLIES NEXT DOOR TO ME threatened me verbally, I CHOSE TO STAND AND YELL FOR HELP.....THAT IS MY RIGHT TO STAND MY GROUND AND PROTECT MYSELF. Otherwise I just don't do alot of yelling and screaming unless i believe it is the only peaceful method to stand my ground...protect myself.

STOP THE CYBER BULLYING FOR MY PROTECTION...PLEASE.

Anyway got to get back to my family and friends...that are such a pleasure ....hope your friends and family are the same for you.
Happy Holidays Sonja Fitch 1425 9th st. south Jax Bch Fl 32250 9046162340

On Thursday, December 19, 2019, 07:03:49 AM EST, Sonja Fitch <sonja56fitch@yahoo.com> wrote:

NO ONE IS ABOVE THE LAW. Arrest 3 rogue JSO cops and friend for domestic terrorism. Arrest Chuck McCue for cyber bullying.

I have removed my American flags flying in distress and the impeachment signs. **THE RULE OF LAW PREVAILED WITH THE IMPEACHMENT OF THE goptrump CULT LEADER. The little white boy bullies are still proudly flying "elect trump 2020."

My heart aches for the little white boy bullies and our neighborhood and county and state and Country. NO ONE IS ABOVE THE LAW.
Justice Roberts after the oath of impartiality remove Moscow Mitch and Lenigrad Lindsey for bragging and saying "I aint going to be impartial."
The RULE OF LAW HAS TO BE ENFORCED FOR THE COMMON GOOD OF ALL.
Sonja Fitch 1425 9th St. south Jacksonville Beach, Florida 32250 904 6162340

On Saturday, December 7, 2019, 02:55:13 AM EST, Sonja Fitch <sonja56fitch@yahoo.com> wrote:

OMG RETIRED LT. STEVE MULLEN IS KNOWN AS DAMN CROOKED AND ABUSIVE COP. OMG. THE FEAR AND ANGER THAT RETIRED LT. STEVE MULLEN HAS STOKED AND FOLLOWED THROUGH WITH IS LEGENDARY ALL
OVER THE BEACH. RETIRED LT. STEVE MULLEN IS A DAMN DANGER TO ME AND TO THE COMMUNITY AND HAS BEEN ALLOWED TO DO THIS TO OTHERS FOR YEARS ARREST THIS CRIMINAL NOW!

Yes it is 2:53 AM another human has come and warned me. If I was physically able, I would leave my home now.

Please get this thug off of the streets.
Sonja Fitch 1425 9th St. South Jacksonville Beach, Florida 32250 9046162340

On Thursday, December 5, 2019, 06:11:31 AM EST, Sonja Fitch <sonja56fitch@yahoo.com> wrote:

After reading different news reports on the JSO IA REPORT, I AM FIRMLY CONVINCED THAT THE JBP HAVE TO CHARGE AND ARREST RETIRED JSO LT. STEVE MULLEN FOR GRAND THEFT. TO BE INCLUDED SHALL BE THE OTHER 2 ROGUE JSO COPS AND THE FRIEND, AND THE AST DIST ATTORNEY AND RETIRED JSO LT. STEVE MULLENS WIFE(?).

NO ONE IS ABOVE THE LAW. THE JSO IA DOCUMENTS INCLUDE ANY AND ALL FACTS TO ARREST AND CHARGE RETIRED JSO LT. STEVE MULLEN AND ET AL AS PLANNING AND COMMITTING GRAND THEFT. SIGNS WERE VALUED AT $1000 FOR A TOTAL OF $6000.

THE BURDEN HAS NOW BEEN DROPPED ON THE JBP TO ARREST RETIRED JSO LT. STEVE MULLEN BECAUSE THE CORRUPTION IN JSO HAS PERMITTED LT STEVE MULLEN TO HAVE A LENGTHY LIST OF CHARGES OVER THE YEARS AND TO GET BY THE STANDARDS NECESSARY TO BE A GOOD AND DECENT LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER..

PLEASE KNOW THAT THE JBP DEPARTMENT HAD A REPRESENTATIVE PRESENT AT THE TIME WHO PROFESSIONALLY TRIED TO GET JSO LT. MULLEN TO STOP!

FURTHER CHUCK MCCUE HAS TO BE ARRESTED FOR CYBER BULLYING. THE JBP ONCE AGAIN STEPPED UP AND DID ALL THEY COULD DO TO PROTECT AND SERVE OUR COMMUNITY. THE JBP WARNED ME OF THE CREDIBLE THREATS ON CHUCK MCCUE FACEBOOK POSTS.

MY YEARS OF EXPERIENCE IN REPRESENTING PUBLIC EMPLOYEES HAVE LED ME TO KNOW AND BELIEVE THAT THE JBP IS EXEMPLARY AND DOES EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO SECURE AND PROTECT OUR COMMUNITY.

I AM BEGGING THE CITY MANAGER AND CHIEF SMITH TO MEET WITH ME TO DISCUSS SOLUTIONS.

SONJA FITCH 1425 9TH ST. SOUTH JACKSONVILLE BEACH FLORIDA 32250 9046162340
When you're up against a trouble, Meet it squarely, face to face;
Lift your chin and set your shoulders, Plant your feet and take a brace.
   When it's vain to try to dodge it, Do the best that you can do;
   You may fail, but you may conquer, See it through!

Black may be the clouds about you, And your future may seem grim,
But don't let your nerve desert you; Keep yourself in fighting trim.
   If the worst is bound to happen, Spite of all that you can do,
   Running from it will not save you, See it through!

Even hope may seem but futile, When with troubles you're beset,
But remember you are facing; Just what other men have met.
   You may fail, but fall still fighting; Don't give up, whate'er you do;
   Eyes front, head high to the finish. See it through!

*Edgar Guest* (1881-1959)

And as the 2020 Session ends, it is obvious that you indeed did SEE IT THROUGH! At the midpoint of this session, the League lobbying team was nervous that Home Rule might suffer a significant setback. During our mid-session Legislative Action Days, there were a slew of bills that were moving through the process at a breakneck pace including:

- Bills preempting local zoning ordinances.
- Significant revisions to growth management laws that was more about unbridled growth than smart, managed growth.
• Changes to the Bert Harris Act that would have made the Act grossly unfair to local governments and enriched lawyers at the expense of citizens.
• Bills further limiting the ability of cities to address problems related to the burgeoning short-term rental industry.
• Limitations on the imposition and use of impact fees and affordable housing initiatives.

Despite the early progress of so many bad bills and the late-night strategy sessions and hand wringing, you came together, made your voices heard and made the difference in the outcome.

While the session is over, your work is not. All 120 seats in the Florida House are up for election with at least 25 House members terming out or running for some other office. In the Florida Senate, 20 of the 40 Florida Senate seats are up for reelection with at least seven of those members being termed out. This offers a unique opportunity to shape the makeup of the next legislature. Find out the position of the candidate on Home Rule issues, vet them carefully and be strategic with any endorsement you may give to a legislative candidate. Get engaged in the election or reelection efforts by walking precincts, donating money, introducing the candidate to your supporters or handling it in any other way you deem appropriate.

Thanks for your efforts this session and thanks for your public service. Be sure to join us on March 25 at 10:00 a.m. for the Post-Session Legislative Briefing Webinar. Register Here

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**MAJOR BILLS THAT PASSED**

**Water Quality (Watch)**

**CS/CS/CS/SB 712** (Mayfield) makes numerous changes to current law relating to water quality improvements, septic systems, basin management action plans, stormwater management, sanitary sewer overflows, and wastewater project grants. The bill transfers regulation of the septic tank program from the Department of Health to the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and directs DEP to develop rules to address water quality issues associated with septic tanks. It directs DEP and the water management districts to update stormwater rules to increase nutrient removal. The bill significantly expands planning and reporting requirements for Basin Management Action Plans and requires the development of wastewater plans and septic tank remediation plans by local
governments under specified circumstances. It establishes a wastewater grant program requiring a 50% local match for projects intended to reduce nutrient loads and directs DEP to adopt rules for the land application of biosolids. The bill imposes planning and reporting requirements on wastewater utilities relating to expenditures, maintenance, repair and system improvements, and directs DEP to develop related rules. The bill increases the amount of administrative penalties that may be imposed by DEP for permit violations and requires DEP to conduct a study on the bottled water industry in Florida. It directs DEP to develop rules for the implementation of direct potable water reuse in Florida, but it does not include provisions imposing a deadline for eliminating surface water discharges by wastewater utilities that were included in other bills. Finally, the bill prohibits local governments from granting certain legal rights to the natural environment. The bill is awaiting action by the governor and will take effect July 1, 2020, except as otherwise provided. (O’Hara)

Impact Fees (Neutral)

CS/CS/CS/1066 (Gruters) prohibits the application of a new or increased impact fee to any pending permit applications. The bill provides that impact fee credits are assignable and transferable at any time after their establishment within the same impact fee zone or impact fee district, or an adjoining zone or district within the same local jurisdiction. Provisions that would have limited expenditures of impact fee revenue or required the creation of an impact fee review committee were all removed from the final bill. The bill is awaiting action by the governor and will take effect July 1, 2020. (Cruz)

Growth Management (Oppose – Unfunded Mandate)

CS/CS/SB 410 (Perry) is a comprehensive growth management bill and has several provisions that impact local governments. The bill requires all cities and counties to adopt by July 1, 2023, a new mandatory element in their comprehensive plans that addresses the protection of private property rights. The League opposed this concept due to the costs associated in making the comprehensive plan amendments by the deadline outlined in the bill. Additionally, the bill includes the following provisions:

- A provision that extends the 5G “shot clock” provisions provided for in the Advanced Wireless Deployment Act to permit applications for ALL utilities in city and county right-of-way.
- Provides that a charter county with a population of less than 750,000 may not have a charter provision or comprehensive plan goal, objective, or policy adopted after January 1, 2020, to impose a limitation on lands within a municipality unless the municipality, by referendum or local ordinance, adopts and imposes the provision, goal, objective, or policy.
- Specifies that a party, or its successor in interest, may amend or cancel a development agreement without securing the consent of other parcel owners whose property was originally subject to the development
agreement, as long as the amendment or cancellation does not directly modify the allowable uses or entitlements of such owner’s property.

- Allows agreements pertaining to existing developments of regional impact that are classified as essentially built out, which agreements were valid on or before April 6, 2018, to be amended including amendments exchanging land uses under certain circumstances.

- Provides that a municipality may not annex an area within another municipal jurisdiction without the other municipality’s consent.

- Provides that any newly incorporated cities that had a comprehensive plan effective after January 1, 2019, must incorporate development orders existing before the plan’s effective date.

The bill is awaiting action by the governor and will take effect on July 1, 2020. [Cruz]

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**Broadband Internet Service (Support)**

**CS/HB 969** (Drake) designates the Department of Economic Opportunity as lead state agency to facilitate expansion of broadband internet service. The bill requires DEO to work collaboratively with certain entities including local governments. The bill creates the Florida Office of Broadband within DEO for the purpose of developing, marketing and promoting broadband internet services in this state. The bill allocates $5 million of the funds transferred to Florida’s Turnpike Enterprise for the Multiuse Corridors of Regional Economic Significance (M-CORES) program to be used for projects that assist in the development of broadband infrastructure within or adjacent to a multiuse corridor. The bill is effective July 1, 2020 and is awaiting action by the governor. [Hughes]

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**Environmental Fines (Watch)**

**CS/HB 1091** (Fine) increases penalties by 50% for violations of a variety of state environmental laws, including laws relating to the pollution of groundwater and surface water, litter, coral reefs, aquatic preserves and solid waste. The bill also establishes an optional sanitary sewer lateral inspection program for municipalities and counties for the purpose of helping to identify leaking sanitary sewer laterals and to maintain a database to store information concerning properties where a defective sanitary sewer lateral has been identified. The bill also requires the disclosure by a seller of known defects in sanitary sewer laterals to a prospective purchaser. The bill is awaiting action by the governor and has an effective date of July 1, 2020. [O'Hara]

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**Verification of Employment Eligibility (Watch)**

**CS/CS/CS/SB 664** (Lee) requires all public employers to register and use the E-Verify system for to verify the work authorization status of all newly hired employees beginning January 1, 2021. A public employer, contractor, or subcontractor may not enter into a
contract unless each party registers with and uses the E-Verify system. The bill directs public employers who believe that a contractor has knowingly violated the E-Verify requirement to terminate the contract, the bill also specifies that this termination would not be a breach of contract. Contractors who have their public contract terminated in this manner would not be eligible for another contract for at least one year. The provisions of the bill also apply to private employers, requiring them to use the E-Verify system for all employees or contract employees hired after January 1, 2021. The bill also gives private employers the option to verify the eligibility of a person using the Employment Eligibility Verification Form (I-9). *(Hughes)*

**Recycling (Watch)**

**CS/HB 73** (Overdor) requires contracts between local governments and vendors for the collection, transport and processing of residential recycling materials to include provisions to define and reduce levels of contamination in the materials collected. The contracts must identify strategies, obligations and procedures for reducing contamination in recycled materials and include a definition of “contaminated recyclable material” that is appropriate community. A collector, transporter or processor is not required to collect, transport or process contaminated recyclable material except pursuant to the terms of an executed contract. If the bill becomes a law it will be effective July 1, 2020. *(O’Hara)*

**Retainage (Oppose – Preemption)**

**CS/HB 1011** (Andrade) passed the Florida Legislature. The reduces the amount of retainage to 5% that municipalities can retain across an entire construction project. Currently, municipalities can withhold up to 10% of retainage for the first half of a construction project and up to 5% on the last half. Retainage serves as a safeguard against possible overpayment to the general contractor when the estimated percentage of project completion, used for periodic payments, exceeds the actual percentage completed. Additionally, retainage helps to ensure that the project is 100% complete prior to funds being released to the contractor is awaiting action by the governor. The bill is awaiting action by the governor and is effective October 1, 2020. *(Branch)*

**Commercial Service Airports (Oppose – Mandate)**

**CS/CS/HB 915** (Avila) revise several provisions to enhance transparency and accountability for large-hub commercial service airports. The bill requires that at least once every seven years the auditor general conduct operational and financial audits of the state’s large-hub commercial service airports. The bill also requires the members of the governing bodies of large-hub commercial service airports to submit the more detailed financial disclosure (Form 6) to the Commission on Ethics. The bill mandates the governing body of each commercial service airport to establish and maintain a website containing specified information including meeting notices, agendas, approved budgets and certain
documents submitted to the Federal Aviation Administration. The bill is awaiting action by the governor and is effective October 1, 2020. (Branch)

**Electric Bicycles (Support)**

*CS/CS/HB 971* (Grant, M.) creates regulations governing the operation of e-bikes and provides that an e-bike or an operator of an e-bike must be afforded all the rights and privileges of a bicycle. The bill authorizes an e-bike to operate where bicycles are allowed, including, but not limited to, streets, highways, roadways, shoulders and bicycle lanes. However, local governments are authorized to regulate the operation of e-bikes on the prescribed areas. The bill is awaiting action by the governor and is effective July 1, 2020. (Branch)

**Public Procurement of Services (Support)**

*CS/CS/HB 441* (DiCeglie) increases the maximum limit for continuing contracts covered by the Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act from an estimated per-project construction cost of $2 million to $4 million. The bill also increases the maximum limit for procuring a study using a continuing contract from $200,000 per study to $500,000. The bill has a July 1, 2020, effective date and is awaiting action by the governor. (Cook)

**Towing (Oppose – Preemption)**

*CS/CS/HB 133* (McClain) prohibits cities from enacting a rule or ordinance that imposes a fee or charge on authorized wrecker operators, but the bill provides that an authorized wrecker operator may impose and collect an administrative fee, which must be remitted to the city after it has been collected. The bill also prohibits cities from adopting or enforcing ordinances that impose fees on the registered owner of a vehicle that has been removed and impounded by an authorized wrecker operator, but any liens placed on the vehicle by the wrecker operator must include the value of the administrative fee or charge imposed by the city. The bill exempts certain counties with towing or immobilization licensing, regulatory, or enforcement programs as of January 1, 2020, from the prohibition on imposing a fee or charge on an authorized wrecker operator or on a towing business. The bill has an October 1, 2020, effective date and is awaiting action by the governor. (Cook)

**Recreational Vehicle Parks (Oppose – Preemption)**

*CS/CS/HB 343* (Fetterhoff) is a comprehensive bill dealing with recreational vehicle parks. Of interest to local governments, a provision allows an RV park owner the ability to rebuild an RV park if destroyed by a natural disaster using the original density standards which may preempt current local regulations on
density, lot size or lot setback. This bill takes effect July 1, 2020 and is awaiting action by the governor. (Cruz)

**Housing (Watch)**

**CS/CS/CS/HB 1339** (Yarborough) makes varied and comprehensive changes to Florida law impacting affordable housing. The bill:

- Allows a local government to adopt an ordinance to allow accessory dwelling units in any area zoned for single-family residential use.
- Requires the reporting of impact fee charges data within the annual financial audit report submitted to the Department of Financial Services.
- Requires reporting on annual expenditures for affordable housing in reports of economic status information to the Office of Economic and Demographic Research.
- Establishes biannual regional workshops for locally elected officials serving on affordable housing advisory committees to identify and share best affordable housing practices.
- Requires a municipality to fully offset costs to a developer if a linkage is assessed for a residential or mixed-use residential development.

The bill is awaiting action by the governor and takes effect July 1, 2020. (Branch)

**Essential State Infrastructure (Oppose – Mandate)**

**CS/SB 7018** (Infrastructure and Security) requires the Public Service Commission (PSC), in coordination with the Department of Transportation (DOT) and the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, to develop and recommend a plan for the development of electric vehicle charging station infrastructure along the State Highway System. The bill expands the “shot clock” and “deemed approved” requirements to permit applications for all utilities in the right of way in a municipality or county. The bill also allows agricultural property owners who have granted a conservation easement over their property to unilaterally encumber the conservation easement by allowing the use of the land for a linear facility and related appurtenances. The bill directs DOT to plan, design and construct staging areas for emergencies as part of the turnpike system. These sites are intended to be designated staging areas for emergency supplies to facilitate the prompt provision of emergency assistance to the public in response to a declared state of emergency. The bill takes effect July 1, 2020. (Branch, O’Hara)

**Transportation Network Companies (Oppose – Preemption)**

**CS/CS/HB 1039** (Rommel) establishes a regulatory framework for digital advertising on transportation network company vehicles and for luxury ground transportation network company vehicles, preempts such regulation to the state. The bill preempts local governments who are currently collecting revenue
from the regulation of digital advertising on vehicles. The bill is effective upon becoming law. (Branch)

Deregulation of Professions and Occupations (Oppose – Preemption)

CS/HB 1193 (Ingoglia) changes the deregulation of certain professions and occupations. Of concern to cites, the bill preempts the regulation of mobile food dispensing vehicles (food trucks) to the state and prohibits local governments from prohibiting the operation of food trucks. Additionally, the bill deletes the authority of the Florida League of Cities and the Florida Association of Counties to recommend a list of candidates for consideration to the Florida Building Commission. The bill is awaiting action by the governor and takes effect July 1, 2020. (Branch)

Fire Prevention and Control (Support)

SB 1092 (Bean) creates the Firefighter Cancer Decontamination Grant Program. The matching grant will provide financial assistance to help fire departments procure equipment, supplies, and education training designed to mitigate exposure to hazardous, cancer-causing chemicals. The Division of State Fire Marshal within the Department of Financial Services will administer the program and annually award grants to fire departments on an as-needed basis. The bill includes a $250,000 appropriation to implement the bill. The bill is effective July 1, 2020 and is awaiting action by the governor. (Hughes)

Emergency Reporting (Watch)

CS/CS/SB 538 (Diaz) requires a municipality or county to report certain emergency incidents to the State Watch Office within the Division of Emergency Management as soon as practicable following the initial response of the local government. The bill is awaiting action by the governor and takes effect July 1, 2020. (Branch)

Local Government Public Construction Works (Watch)

CS/CS/HB 279 (Smith, D.) requires a local government, in deciding whether it is in the public’s best interest for the local government to perform a public building construction project using its own services, to fully account for all costs associated with performing and completing the work, including the cost of direct materials to be used in the construction. The bill clarifies that a local government shall list all other governmental entities that may have additional permits or fees generated by the project when issuing a bidding document. The bill is awaiting action by the governor and takes effect July 1, 2020. (Branch)
Public Financing of Coastal Buildings (Watch)

CS/CB/SB 178 (Rodriguez) requires public entities to conduct a sea-level impact projection study on state-funded buildings within the coastal building zone prior to commencing construction. The study must be submitted to the Department of Environmental Protection and published on the agency’s website prior to commencing construction. If the bill becomes a law it will be effective July 1, 2020 except as otherwise provided. (O’Hara)

Prohibition Against Abuse of Public Position (Watch)

HB 7009 (Committee on Public Integrity & Ethics) reenacts provisions of the Florida Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees that provide penalties for violations of the Code. Reenactment of the penalty provisions makes the penalties applicable to a section of the Florida Constitution adopted by voters in the 2019 General Election that prohibits a public officer or public employee from abusing his or her public office to obtain a disproportionate benefit. If the bill becomes a law it will be effective December 31, 2020. (O’Hara)

FRS: Employer Contribution Rates (Watch)

HB 5007 (Appropriations Committee) revises the required employer retirement contribution rates for each membership class and subclass of the Florida Retirement System. The total combined employer contributions estimated to be paid into the Florida Retirement System Trust Fund in Fiscal Year 2020-2021 will increase by approximately $404.6 million above the contributions payed in Fiscal Year 2019-2020. (Hughes)

BILLS PENDING

Because the House and Senate were unable to reach a compromise on the spending levels for the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year, they have not yet passed a final budget. It is likely they will come back to Tallahassee Wednesday of next week (March 18) to finalize the states spending plan. Until that time, no specific budget categories are finalized. Additionally, the budget impasse directly impacts the annual tax package. Below is a brief description of the tax package as it sits at 5:00 pm on Friday, March 13.

Taxation (Watch)

CS/HB 7097 (Ways and Means) is the “tax package” for the 2020 Session and includes several tax reductions and other tax-related modifications. Of note, the bill includes a 0.5 percent rate reduction for both the state communications services tax and the direct-to-home satellite services bill includes two sales tax
holidays: a three-day “back-to-school” holiday and a seven-day “disaster preparedness” holiday. The bill includes a requirement that school capital outlay sales surtaxes approved in the future be proportionately shared with charter schools. The bill makes multiple changes to property taxes including amending the requirements for hospitals to qualify for a charitable tax exemption and updating the qualifying operations for the deployed servicemember tax exemption. The bill also includes several provisions proposed by the Department of Revenue designed to enhance its administration of state taxes and oversight of property taxation. Additionally, the bill includes a requirement that any future levy of the Charter County and Regional Transportation Surtax in any eligible county be limited to 30 years in duration. The total local government revenue impact of the bill in fiscal year 2020-21 is not yet fully known. (Hughes)

### MAJOR BILLS THAT FAILED

#### Vacation Rentals (Oppose)

**CS/CS/HB 1011 (Fischer) and CS/SB 1128 (Diaz)** would have preempted to the state the regulation of vacation rentals and wiped out any local vacation rental ordinances or regulations adopted since 2011. The bills would have defined “advertising platforms” and preempted the regulation of advertising platforms to the state as well, while putting in place statewide standards for the regulation of advertising platforms like AirBNB, VRBO and Homeaway. The bills died after several lawmakers and the governor expressed concerns over taking away local authority. We expect similar bills to be filed next year.

#### Bert Harris Act/Private Property Rights Legislation (Oppose)

**CS/HB 519 (J. Grant) and CS/SB 1766 (Lee)** amended the Bert J. Harris Act and would have substantially handicapped local government ability to resolve these claims. The provision strongly opposed by the League required any settlement reached on a Harris claim that involves the issuance of a variance or exception to a regulation on a residential property be automatically applied by the government entity to all “similarly situated” residential properties that are subject to the same rules or regulations. Similarly situated was never defined in the bill. Ultimately, the House and Senate bills were amended to remove the concept of “similarly situated”. The amendments also removed provisions that would have allowed the inclusion of business damages as part of a Harris claim. The amended legislation remained with provisions that would have reduced the timeframe under which a claimant must notify the government before filing an action from 150 days to 90 days and under certain circumstances increased the ability of property owners to recover attorney fees.

#### Home-Based Business Preemption (Oppose – Preemption)

**CS/CS/HB 537 (Donalds) and SB 778 (Perry)** would have created a sweeping preemption on the local regulation of home-based businesses. The bill provides
that local governments may not enact or enforce any ordinance, regulation, or policy, or take any action to license or otherwise regulate a home-based business in a manner that is different from any other businesses in a local government’s jurisdiction.

Preemption of Local Occupational Licensing (Oppose – Preemption)

CS/HB 3 (Grant, M.) and CS/SB 1336 (Perry) would have expressly preempted the licensing of occupations to the state. The bills broadly defined occupations and would have created limited exceptions to the preemption for specified local licenses and any local government licensing of occupations that was expressly authorized by general law.

Traffic and Pedestrian Safety (Oppose – Unfunded Mandate)

CS/SB 1000 (Perry) and CS/CS/CS/HB 1371 (Fine) would have required that crosswalks located at any place other than an intersection of a public street, highway or road be controlled by pedestrian and traffic signals that meet requirements of the Florida Department of Transportation Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

Dissolution of Cities (Oppose)

CS/HB 1209 (Fischer) and SB 1522 (Broxson) would have required any municipality that meets one or more specified criteria to hold a voter referendum to dissolve the city.

Sovereign Immunity (Oppose)

CS/SB 1302 (Flores) would have increased the per-occurrence limit on the collectability of judgments against government entities from $300,000 to $500,000 and eliminated the $200,000-per-claimant limit. The bill would have tied the new $500,000 Sovereign Immunity limit to a consumer price index to allow the cap to automatically increase with inflation. The purpose of sovereign immunity is to allow government entities to carry out police powers to protect the health, safety and welfare of their residents without the constant threat of lawsuit putting taxpayer dollars at risk. The bill had the potential to result in increased damage awards against governments and will incentivize lawsuits against governments.

Government Integrity/Fiduciary Duty (Watch)
CS/CS/HB 1111 (Tomlow) and CS/CS/SB 1270 (Lee) would have created the Florida Integrity Office and the position of Florida Integrity Officer and would have authorized the integrity officer to investigate complaints alleging waste, fraud, abuse, misconduct or gross mismanagement in connection with the expenditure of public funds within and by state and local government. In addition, the bills would have imposed a fiduciary duty of care and associated training requirements on certain appointed public officers and executive officers of numerous state and local governmental entities. In addition, the bills provided for limitations on the representation by government attorneys of individual officers and employees.

### Reclaimed Water (Oppose)

CS/CS/HB 715 (Maggard) and CS/CS/SB 1656 (Albritton) would have directed the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to adopt rules for the implementation of direct potable water reuse. In addition, the bills would have prohibited surface water discharges by wastewater utilities by 2026 (with specified exceptions). CS/CS/SB 712 (Mayfield), which passed, contains provisions authorizing DEP to adopt potable water reuse rules.

### Transportation (Oppose – Mandate)

CS/CS/CS/HB 395 (Andrade) would have been the transportation package for the Florida Department of Transportation. Of concerns to municipalities, the bill would have expanded the “shot clock” and “deemed approved” requirements to permit applications for all utilities in the right of way. This language is also included in CS/CS/HB 410 (Perry) and CS/SB 7018 (Infrastructure and Security) that is awaiting action by the governor.

### Local CST Rate Cut (Oppose- Mandate)

HB 701 (Fischer) and SB 1174 (Hutson) would have capped the local CST rate to 4% for cities and charter counties and 2% for noncharter counties. This would have cost local government almost $190 million per year.

### Local Reporting Bill (Oppose- Mandate)

CS/HB 7069 (State Affairs) and SB 1512 (Diaz) would have required the Department of Financial Services to rank and compare local government based on a multitude of economic and fiscal measures. CS/HB 7096 also required DFS to grade local governments.

### Public Officers & Employees (Support)
CS/SB 1490 (Bradley) and HB 1435 (Williamson) would have created a limited exception relating to the receipt of gifts under the Florida Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees by authorizing specified reporting individuals or procurement employees to accept gifts or compensation to be used toward costs incurred due to serious bodily injury or disease of the individual or child of such person. If the bill becomes a law it will be effective July 1, 2020.

Local Government Efficiency and Urban Crime Task Forces (Watch)

CS/HB 7101 (State Affairs Committee) would have established the Local Government Efficiency Task Force within the Legislature to review the governance structure and function of local governments and make recommendations on whether any changes were necessary to make local governments more efficient. In addition, the bill established the Urban Core Crime and Violence Task Force within the Legislature to develop recommendations to help facilitate the reduction of crime and violence. If the bill becomes a law it will be effective July 1, 2020.

Public Records (Oppose – Preemption)

SB 890 (Perry) and HB 1161 (Plakon) would have preempted the local licensing of occupation to allow an individual with a valid local license required by a city or county in Florida to work within the scope of a noncontractor local license throughout the state with no geographic limitation, and without obtaining an additional local license, taking additional examinations, or paying additional fees.

Reciprocity of Local Occupational Licensing (Oppose – Preemption)

CS/SB 162 (Perry) prohibits an agency from responding to a request to inspect or copy a public record by filing a civil action against the individual or entity making the request. The bill effectively prohibits a city from initiating a declaratory judgment seeking a judicial interpretation on the application on a public records exemption. The bill takes effect July 1, 2020 and is awaiting action by the governor. (Cook)

Contingency Fees (Oppose – Preemption)

HB 7043 (Judiciary Committee) would have prohibited local and regional governmental entities from entering into certain contingency fee contracts with private attorneys or law firms.
State Housing Trust Fund (Support)

SB 306 (Mayfield) and HB 381 (Silvers) would have specified that funds deposited in the State Housing Trust Fund and the Local Government Housing Trust Fund may not be transferred or used for any other purpose.

Public Notice (Support)

CS/CS/HB 7 (Fine) and SB 1340 (Gruters) would have allowed cities the option of publishing legal notices on a publicly accessible website in lieu of purchasing an advertisement in a newspaper if certain conditions were met. CS/CS/HB 7 passed the House on a 71-47 vote, but SB 1340 was not heard in its first committee of reference, the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Smoking in Parks (Support)

SB 630 (Mayfield) would have allowed cities to restrict smoking in municipally-owned parks. The bill passed the full Senate on a 39-1 vote, but the House companion, HB 457 (LaMarca), was not heard in its first committee of reference, the House Agriculture and Natural Resources Subcommittee.

Regulation of Pet Stores (Oppose – Preemption)

HB 1237 (Avila) and SB 1698 (Diaz) would have preempted the regulation of pet stores to the state and prohibited cities from banning these businesses.

Building Design (Oppose – Mandate)

SB 954 (Perry) and CS/CS/HB 459 (Overdorf) would have preempted local governments from adopting zoning and development regulations that require specific building design elements for single- and two-family dwellings, unless certain conditions are met. The bills would have provided a limited exemption from the preemption by allowing local governments to adopt and enforce regulations that require “building design elements” for single- and two-family dwellings only if they are listed on the Historical Preservation Registry, housed within a Community Redevelopment Agency or if regulations are adopted in order to implement the National Flood Insurance Program.

Fire Station Diesel Exhaust Capture Systems (Watch)

HB 85 (Casello) would have required the Florida Building Commission to incorporate into the Florida Building Code specified requirements relating to the installation of “diesel exhaust capture systems” in fire stations.
Use of Wireless Communications Devices While Driving 'Hands-Free' (Watch)

**HB 249** (Slosberg) would have prohibited a person from operating a motor vehicle while holding or touching a wireless communication device. The bill did provide several exceptions such as first responders performing in their official capacity or drivers accessing safety-related information including emergency, traffic or weather alerts.

Traffic Offenses (Support)

**SB 308** (Baxley) and **HB 455** (McClain) would have provided criminal penalties for a person who commits a moving violation that causes serious bodily injury to or causes the death of a vulnerable road user. Of interest to cities, current law would have defined “vulnerable road user” to include a person engaged in work on a highway such as a utility service worker.

State Preemption of the Regulation of Hoisting Equipment (Support)

**SB 272** (Rodriguez) would have created an exception to a state preemption preventing local governments from regulating hoisting equipment at local worksites. This preemption would not have applied as it related to precautions specific to hurricane preparedness.

Electric Vehicle Charging Stations (Watch)

**SB 452** (Rodriguez) and **HB 943** (Daley) would have required the Department of Transportation, with the Office of Energy within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and the Florida Clean Cities Coalitions, to develop a master plan for installing electric vehicle charging stations on the state highway system.

High-Speed Passenger Rail (Watch)

**CS/SB 676** (Mayfield) and **HB 465** (Sirois) would have provided guidelines for the creation of safe and cost-effective transportation options for residents and visitors of this state, including a high-speed rail system. The bills would have enhanced the safety requirements of high-speed passenger rail in order to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public. The bills also would have required the Florida Division of Emergency Management to offer training to local emergency officials on responding to an accident involving rail passengers or hazardous materials.
Florida Building Code (Watch)

**SB 710** (Albritton) would have established new requirements to the Florida Building Code that the entire envelope of multistory residential buildings, certain new coastal construction, new residential construction in a high-velocity hurricane zone and hurricane shelters be constructed with high wind-resistant construction materials.

Community Redevelopment Agencies (Oppose)

**HB 535** (Latvala) and **SB 1072** (Wright) would have exempted certain hospital districts from contributing to the redevelopment trust fund for community redevelopment agencies under specified conditions.

Placement of Electronic Billboards (Watch)

**SB 1666** (Albritton) and **HB 619** (Overdorf) would have authorized that electronic billboards may be placed on lands designated as agricultural lands if:

- The parcel can accommodate the billboard.
- There are sufficient utilities to support the operation.
- Local government zoning ordinances allow the placement.

Fees/Electric Vehicle (Support)

**SB 1346** (Brandes) and **HB 1221** (Slosberg) would have created additional fees and a licensing tax for electric and hybrid vehicles. The proceeds from these additional fees and taxes would have been deposited equally into the State Transportation Trust Fund and the newly created Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Grant Program.

Tax on Aviation Fuel (Oppose – Unfunded Mandate)

**SB 1192** (Gruters) and **HB 6061** (Roach) would have repealed the excise tax imposed on aviation fuel, aviation gasoline and kerosene sold or brought into the state. Under current law, the monies from this tax are deposited into the State Transportation Trust Fund to fund various program areas. Repealing the excise tax on aviation fuel will reduce the money going to the STTF. This reduction in revenues would have negatively affected the ability of cities to adequately maintain and improve critical infrastructure needed to meet the ever-changing transportation demands. Additionally, repealing the aviation fuel tax would have impacted the Aviation Grant Program. This grant money, which local governments can apply for, is used to fund projects relating to airport planning, capital improvement, land acquisition and economic development.
Fire-Safety and Prevention (Watch)

CS/SB 1594 (Powell) and HB 1263 (Watson, C.) would have prohibited individuals from influencing fire-safety inspectors by threatening, coercing, or attempting to interfere with an inspection. The bills would have also provided criminal penalties for these violations.

Red Light Cameras (Oppose – Preemption)

HB 6083 (Rodriguez, Anthony) would have preempted cities, counties and the Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles from installing, maintaining, or utilizing red light cameras effective July 1, 2023.

Charter Schools Zoning (Oppose – Mandate)

CS/CS/HB 1029 (Rodriguez, Anthony) and CS/SB 1578 (Hutson) included language that would have allowed charter school the ability to expand under their preexisting zoning without obtaining a special exception or rezoning. The bills would have required a local government, if requested by a charter school, to provide within 14 days a written justification for any challenged requirements. The bills would have also awarded attorney’s fees and court costs to charter schools only if they prevailed.

Motor Vehicle Rentals (Support)

CS/SB 478 (Perry) and CS/CS/HB 377 (Latvala) would have required peer-to-peer (P2P) car-sharing service sites to impose a $2 per day surcharge upon lease or rental motor vehicle through the P2P car-sharing program, which is similar to the requirements of a traditional car rental company.

Emergency Mitigation and Response (Support)

CS/SB 502 (Montford) would have created the Hurricane Michael Recovery Task Force under the Division of Emergency Management. The purpose of the task force is to make recommendations to the Legislature regarding additional assistance needed from the effects of Hurricane Michael.

Emergency Staging Areas (Watch)

SB 7020 (Infrastructure and Security) would have authorized the Florida Department of Transportation to plan, design and construct staging areas for emergencies as part of the turnpike system. These sites were intended to be
designated staging areas for emergency supplies to facilitate the prompt provision of emergency assistance to the public in response to a declared state of emergency. This bill is amended on CS/SB 7018 (Infrastructure and Security).

### Drones (Support)

**CS/SB 520** (Gruters) and **HB 1433** (Yarborough) would have allowed police and fire departments to use drones to manage crowd control and traffic as well as gather evidence at a crime or traffic crash scene. The bills would have also permitted a state agency or political subdivision to operate drones for assessing damage after a natural disaster.

### Statewide Office of Resiliency (Support)

**SB 7016** (Infrastructure and Security Committee) and **HB 1073** (Stevenson) would have established the Statewide Office of Resiliency within the Executive Office of the Governor and provided for the establishment of a chief resiliency officer by the governor. If the bill becomes a law it will be effective July 1, 2020.

### Local Government Lobbyist Registration and Public Meeting Notices (Oppose)

**SB 766** (Perry) and **HB 611** (Sabatini) would have imposed mandatory lobbyist registration requirements on local governments, limited the authority of local governments to adopt and enforce their own local lobbying regulations, and would have amended statutory public meeting notice requirements for city and county governing boards.

### Clean Energy Programs (Oppose)

**HB 225** (Zika) and **SB 824** (Hooper) would have amended current law to substantially impair the use of Property Assessed Clean Energy or “PACE” programs by local governments.

### Water Resources (Support – FLC Priority)

**HB 147** (Jacobs) and **SB 690** (Albritton) would have directed the Department of Environmental Protection to develop a needs-based overview of the state’s water resources and make recommendations for potential funding options to meet anticipated demands. Certain provisions of CS/CS/CS/SB 712 (Mayfield), which passed, require the Office of Economic and Demographic Research to incorporate information relating to wastewater projects and associated funding needs into its annual water report.
Assisted and Independent Living Facility Task Force (Support)

CS/CS/SB 364 (Rader) would have created the Assisted and Independent Living Facility Task Force within the Agency for Person with Disabilities. The task force would have developed and evaluated policy proposals that incentivized developers or contractors to dedicate space for assisted living facilities or independent living facilities within mixed-use developments to house individuals with an intellectual disability, autism or mental illness. The task force membership would have included a representative from the Florida League of Cities.

Supermajority Vote Required to Impose, Authorize or Raise Local Taxes or Fees (Oppose – Mandate)

HJR 477 (Rommel) would have proposed an amendment to the Florida Constitution that would have required that any local tax or fee that is imposed, authorized or raised by a local jurisdiction, including municipalities, be approved by two-thirds of the membership of the jurisdiction.

Firefighters' Bill of Rights (Oppose – Preemption)

HB 215 (Casello) and CS/SB 620 (Hooper) would have revised the current process that must be followed for the interrogation of firefighters. The bills revised the definition of “interrogation” to include questioning related to informal inquiries.

Preemption of Conditions of Employment (Oppose – Preemption)

HB 305 (Rommel) and SB 1126 (Gruters) would have prohibited a political subdivision, including a municipality, from establishing, mandating or otherwise requiring an employer to offer conditions of employment not otherwise required by state or federal law.

Local Government Fiscal Transparency (Oppose – Mandate)

HB 1149 (DiCeglie) and SB 1702 (Diaz) would have amended multiple provisions related to local government financial transparency.

Sales and Use Tax (Support)

SB 126 (Gruters) and HB 159 (Clemons) would have required retailers with no physical presence in Florida to collect Florida’s sales tax on sales of
taxable items delivered to purchasers in Florida if the retailer makes a substantial number of sales into Florida or provides for the taxation of sales facilitated through a marketplace provider.

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**Broadband Mapping (Support)**

**HB 1309** (Ausley) and **SB 1776** (Montford) would have required the Department of Management Services to develop geographic information system maps in collaboration with internet service providers. These maps would have identified geographic areas and locations in the state where broadband-capable networks exist, and broadband internet service is available to end users and the download and upload data transmission speeds available in each geographic area.

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**Communications Services (Support)**

**HB 6075** (Eskamani) and **SB 1848** (Rodriguez, J.) would have repealed the Advanced Wireless Infrastructure Deployment Act that relates primarily to the installation of small wireless facilities in public rights of way.

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NEPTUNE BEACH MAYOR CALLS NEWS CONFERENCE FOR CORONAVIRUS, AREA MAYORS TO JOIN

JACKSONVILLE, Florida, March 14, 2020 — Mayor Elaine Brown will provide the latest information about COVID-19.

WHEN:         TODAY, March 14
               10:30 a.m.

WHERE:        Neptune Beach City Hall
               116 First St., Neptune Beach – 32266

WHO:          Mayor Elaine Brown, City of Neptune Beach
               Mayor Lenny Curry, City of Jacksonville
               Mayor Ellen Glasser, City of Atlantic Beach
               Mayor Charlie Latham, City of Jacksonville Beach

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Jacksonville Symphony Announces Livestreaming of Concerts!

In light of recent events, the Jacksonville Symphony is excited to offer livestreamed performances of this weekend’s canceled Give My Regards to Broadway concert, and next weekend’s canceled SHIFT: Kennedy Center Bound concert.

The Jacksonville Symphony will join multiple other international orchestras in broadcasting music to the community to help raise spirits during this time. Other orchestras include the Philadelphia Orchestra, the Seattle Symphony, Minnesota Orchestra and the Berlin Philharmonic.

Date and Times:

- Saturday, March 14 - Give My Regards to Broadway at 8 PM
- Friday, March 20 - SHIFT: Kennedy Center Bound at 8 PM

The program being streamed tomorrow will be an abbreviated version of the original Give My Regards to Broadway concert, featuring the orchestral works on the program.
The livestreamed performance next week will feature the program the Symphony was previously going to take to the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, D.C. for SHIFT: A Festival of American Orchestras. Included will be the piece Duke Ellington wrote for the City of Jacksonville's 150th Anniversary, *Celebration*, and the piece that Courtney Bryan wrote for Jacksonville last season, *Bridges*.
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Pursuant to Section 403.077, F.S., the Department of Environmental Protection has received the following Public Notice of Pollution for a reportable release. All information displayed was submitted by the reporting party.

**Type of Notice:** Initial Report  
**Date of Notice:** 03/14/2020

**Incident Information**  
**Name of Incident:** NW Corner of Flanders Rd and San Jose Blvd  
**State Watch Office Case Number:** 20201537  
**Start of Incident:** 03/13/2020 15:20  
**End of Incident:** 03/13/2020 23:30

**Incident Description**  
Broken force main leaked into storm sewer manhole discharging to New Rose Creek. About 50 gal discharged to waters of the state. Force main was repaired, storm sewer was flushed, remaining sewer and flushing water was caught and removed from manhole just upstream of storm sewer discharge to New Rose Creek.

**Incident Location**  
**Facility/Installation Name:** NW Corner of Flanders Rd and San Jose Blvd  
**Address Line 1:** NW Corner of Flanders Rd and San Jose Blvd  
**Address Line 2:**  
**Directions:**  
**City:** Jacksonville  
**State:** FL  
**Zip Code:** 32207  
**Coordinates (in decimal degrees):**  
Lat: 30.262074365840345, Long: -81.64612133975085  
**Click to view Incident Location**
**Impacted Counties:** Duval

**Incident Reported By**
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Florida Department of Environmental Protection
A message from the Jacksonville Historical Society regarding the current health crisis

Dear Members and Friends of the Jacksonville Historical Society:

Most of you are aware of developments regarding the coronavirus, and the efforts underway to limit its spread.

At the JHS we intend to do all that we can to ensure the health and well-being of our members, visitors, and staff. Accordingly, our public Speaker Series program for March, scheduled on March 18, has been cancelled. Those registered to attend were notified on Thursday of our intent to re-schedule this
presentation on Women’s History on a date in July. If you did not receive the email, please contact us at communications@jaxhistory.org to indicate your preference regarding your deposit for the March 18 event.

Until at least March 31, the offices of the JHS are open to the public strictly by appointment. Most of the business staff of the JHS will be working remotely. Please contact us by email with questions, or to process transactions, at info@jaxhistory.org. Marketing & Communications Director Kate Hallock may be reached at communications@jaxhistory.org. For telephone assistance, we will respond as soon as possible to voice messages left on our office phone, (904) 665-0064.

The JHS archive staff will be working on an abbreviated schedule. Please email archives@jaxhistory.org for research requests.

We will update these announcements via email and social media as circumstances warrant. Please do not hesitate to contact me directly, with any questions or concerns, at alan.bliss@jaxhistory.org.

Thank you for your steadfast support of the Jacksonville Historical Society!

With our best wishes for health,

Alan Bliss
Executive Director

Our Mission:
To educate and inspire the greater Jacksonville community to value its history, by fostering understanding of how the region’s past shapes our present.
Chris Wright

From: FN-WHO-State Government <IGA.state@who.eop.gov>
Sent: Sunday, March 15, 2020 4:45 PM
Subject: INVITATION: State & Local Briefing Call on COVID-19 (Wednesday, March 18, 1:00 PM ET)

State and Local Elected Officials —

On **Wednesday, March 18, at 1:00 PM ET**, please join Senior Administration Officials for a briefing call on COVID-19 (coronavirus). Registration instructions are below. Please note that this call is intended for state and local elected officials. We encourage you to share this invitation with your county and/or municipal colleagues as well as public health officials.

**Important Note: Call-in lines are limited. Please register only if you are able to join the call. State and local leaders (especially staff) working in the same office are encouraged to register once as a group and use one call-in line to maximize the number of people who can join.**

**Briefing Call Registration**
**Date:** Wednesday, March 18
**Time:** 1:00 PM ET (please note time zone)
**Call-In Registration:** [CLICK HERE](#)
**Note:** You must RSVP to join the call. Upon successful registration, you will receive dial-in details to the email address you use to register. Note that multiple people cannot dial-in using the same registration information.

Below, please find additional information that we continue to update. It includes an overview of the recent Presidential Emergency Declaration, information on the Small Business Administration’s disaster assistance program, etc. The White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs (WH IGA) will continue to share pertinent
information as it becomes available. Please do not hesitate to reach out to our office directly if we can be of assistance. As a reminder, WH IGA is the primary liaison between the White House and the country's State and local elected officials and Tribal Governments.

Sincerely,

The White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs

William F. Crozer
Special Assistant to the President/Deputy Director
White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs

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COVID-19: Background & Additional Information

**Background**
Under the leadership of President Trump and Vice President Pence, the full weight of the U.S. Government is working to protect the health and safety of the American people. Since the beginning of the outbreak, President Trump has taken unprecedented steps – including prudent travel restrictions and an early containment strategy – to protect the health of Americans in response to the coronavirus. In January, the President formed a Coronavirus Task Force, led by Vice President Mike Pence and comprised of subject-matter experts, to organize a whole-of-government response ([President Donald J. Trump Has Taken Unprecedented Steps to Respond To the Coronavirus and Protect the Health and Safety of Americans](https://example.com)). The Coronavirus Task Force and broader Administration have and will continue to work with State-Local-Tribal officials and private sector and non-profit partners in preparing for and responding to the Coronavirus. It is important to note that at this time, the risk to the average American remains low. All agencies are working aggressively to monitor this continuously evolving situation and to keep our partners and the public informed.

**Up-To-Date Information**
- The most up-to-date information and guidance can be found via the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Coronavirus Disease 2019 website ([here](https://example.com)).
- HHS/CDC Community Framework for Mitigation ([here](https://example.com)).
- Guidance for families, businesses, schools and others ([here](https://example.com)).
- The Coronavirus Task Force holds frequent national briefings which can be viewed live ([here](https://example.com)).
- You are also encouraged to follow HHS, CDC, and other agency social media channels for up-to-date information.

**What You Need To Know**
- What You Should Know - How COVID-19 Spreads, Symptoms, etc. ([here](https://example.com)).
- Situation Summary ([here](https://example.com)).
- Travel Information ([here](https://example.com)).
Recent Announcements

**President Donald J. Trump Directs FEMA Support Under Emergency Declaration for COVID-19**
The federal government continues to take aggressive and proactive steps to address the COVID-19 threat as the health and safety of the American people remain a top priority (President Donald J. Trump Has Mobilized the Full Resources of the Federal Government to Respond to the Coronavirus). On Friday, March 13, President Trump declared a nationwide emergency pursuant to Sec. 501(b) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5207 (the “Stafford Act”) (Letter from President Donald J. Trump on Emergency Determination Under the Stafford Act). This increases federal support to the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) in its role as the lead federal agency for the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic response. As a result of the President’s decisive, unprecedented action, FEMA is directed to assist state, local, tribal, territorial governments and other eligible entities with the health and safety actions they take on behalf of the American public. FEMA actions will be in support of HHS and in coordination with state, tribal and territorial governments. Eligible emergency protective measures taken at the direction or guidance of public health officials in response to this emergency, and not supported by the authorities of another federal agency, will be reimbursed strictly under the FEMA Public Assistance program. FEMA assistance will be provided at a 75 percent Federal cost share. Reimbursable activities typically include emergency protective measures such as the activation of State Emergency Operations Centers, National Guard costs, law enforcement and other measures necessary to protect public health and safety. To note, the declaration does not make direct financial assistance available to individuals. For counties and municipalities to be eligible for emergency funding assistance, the Governor must first request a major disaster declaration in accordance with the Stafford Act. Municipalities and counties are encouraged to work directly with their local emergency management offices and through the State Emergency Management Agency for all requests for assistance. You can read more about the disaster recovery process here.

**Presidential Proclamation To Protect the Homeland from Travel-Related Coronavirus Spread**
On Thursday, March 12, President Donald J. Trump signed a Presidential Proclamation, which suspends the entry of most foreign nationals who have been in certain European countries at any point during the 14 days prior to their scheduled arrival to the United States. These countries, known as the Schengen Area, include: Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, and Switzerland. This does not apply to legal permanent residents, (generally) immediate family members of U.S. citizens, and other individuals who are identified in the proclamation.

**HUD Releases Quick Guide to CDBG Eligible Activities to Support Infectious Disease Response**
CDBG grantees should coordinate with local health authorities before undertaking any activity to support state or local pandemic response. Grantees may use Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for a range of eligible activities that prevent and respond to the spread of infectious diseases such as the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). The guide can be found here.

**SBA To Provide Disaster Loans for Small Businesses Impacted by Coronavirus (COVID-19)**
On Thursday, March 12, SBA Administrator Jovita Carranza issued the following statement: “The President took bold, decisive action to make our 30 million small businesses more resilient to Coronavirus-related economic disruptions. Small businesses are vital economic engines in every community and state, and they have helped make our economy the strongest in the world. Our Agency will work directly with state Governors.
to provide targeted, low-interest disaster recovery loans to small businesses that have been severely impacted by the situation. Additionally, the SBA continues to assist small businesses with counseling and navigating their own preparedness plans through our network of 68 District Offices and numerous Resource Partners located around the country. The SBA will continue to provide every small business with the most effective and customer-focused response possible during these times of uncertainty.” SBA’s Economic Injury Disaster Loans offer up to $2 million in assistance for a small business. These loans can provide vital economic support to small businesses to help overcome the temporary loss of revenue they are experiencing. More information can be found here.

**CDC to Award Over $560 Million to State & Local Jurisdictions in Support of COVID-19 Response**
The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is announcing another upcoming action by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to provide resources to state and local jurisdictions in support of our nation’s response to the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). The $8.3 billion dollar Supplemental passed by Congress included statutory language which prescribed the exact formula for disbursing the money: states will receive 90% of their 2019 CDC PHEP grants. This marks the first tranche of funding to states from the $8.3 billion supplemental. Your state health officers are receiving a letter today from CDC outlining what is needed to receive the funding, essentially they need to submit a spend plan and they will receive guidance on what that spend plan should contain. More here.

**CDC Releases Mitigation Framework for States, Localities, and Communities**
Protect yourself and your community from getting and spreading respiratory illnesses like coronavirus disease 2019. Everyone has a role to play in getting ready and staying healthy. CDC is aggressively responding to the global outbreak of COVID-19 and community spread in the United States. CDC’s all of community approach is focused to slow the transmission of COVID-19, reduce illness and death, while minimizing social and economic impacts. Framework includes: (i) Local Factors to Consider for Determining Mitigation Strategies, (ii) Community mitigation strategies by setting and by level of community transmission or impact of COVID-19, and (iii) Potential mitigation strategies for public health functions. More here.

**White House Coronavirus Task Force Announces Community Mitigation Strategies for Seattle-King, Pierce, and Snohomish C, WA Santa Clara, CA and New Rochelle, NY**
The White House Coronavirus Task Force has recommended community mitigation strategies for Seattle, Washington and Santa Clara County, California due to widespread transmission of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). These mitigation activities are designed to address the effects of COVID-19 on areas that are experiencing community spread. You can find the guidance for Seattle, Washington and Santa Clara, California here. The Task Force also announced community mitigation strategies for New Rochelle, New York, which can be viewed here.

**Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Nursing Home Guidance**
As you know, nursing homes and their residents are vulnerable populations for COVID-19. This week, CMS released updated guidance for infection control and prevention of COVID-19 in Nursing Homes which can be found here (3/9). The Press Release can be found here and all CMS guidance related to COVID-19 can be found here.

**Agency Resources and Contact Information**
Below, please find agency-by-agency information, guidance, and contact information.

**Resources** – Below, please find agency-by-agency resources and guidance.

- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (here)
- Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (here)
- U.S. Food & Drug Administration (here)
- U.S. Department of Education (here)
- U.S. Department of Agriculture (here)
- U.S. Department of Labor (here)
Contact Information – Below, please find contact information for our Intergovernmental Affairs colleagues across the federal family. As State and local elected officials, they are your primary points of contact.

- U.S. Department of Health & Human Services: Darcie Johnston (Phone – 202-690-1058 / Email – darcie.johnston@hhs.gov)
- U.S. Department of Homeland Security: Cherie Short (Phone – 202-893-2941 / Email – cherie.short@hq.dhs.gov)
- U.S. Department of State: Bill Killion (Phone – 202-647-7595 / Email – killionw@state.gov)
- U.S. Department of Transportation: Sean Poole (Office – 202-597-5109 / Cell – 202-366-3132 / Email – sean.poole@dot.gov)
- U.S. Department of Education: Susan Falconer (Phone – 202-320-6837 / Email – susan.falconer@ed.gov)
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- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency: Britt Carter (Phone – 202-440-0728 / Email – carter.brittany@epa.gov)
- U.S. Small Business Administration: Ryan Lambert (Phone – 202-615-6570 / Email – ryan.lambert@sba.gov)
- U.S. Department of Agriculture: Lillie Brady (Phone – 202-845-3872 / Email - lillie.brady@usda.gov)

Federal Agency Action Overview

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services (HHS)
- The Department of Health and Human Services is committed to providing as much information as possible to prepare communities for response to COVID-19. The Department, through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Food and Drug Administration, and other agencies, continuously provide guidance to healthcare providers, laboratories, communities, and state and local officials for dealing with suspected or confirmed cases of COVID-19. The most up-to-date information can be found at www.coronavirus.gov.
- Wednesday, March 12, CDC announced the imminent release of almost $600 million to support state and local authorities respond to the COVID-19 outbreak. Full funding amounts are here.
- CDC released their “Implementation of Mitigation Strategies for Communities with Local COVID-19 Transmission.” This is a guide for communities describing possible coronavirus transmission. Community mitigation strategies are often the most available interventions to help slow the transmission of COVID-19 in communities.
- The CDC has been actively working to address the need for testing across the country. You can find more information about testing here. We encourage review of the Updated Guidance on Evaluating and Testing Persons for Coronavirus Disease 2019, as well as the recently updated the FAQ website for laboratories to determine best practices for testing.
- The U.S. Public Health Service Commissioned Corps has deployed hundreds of officers to help with this response. As America’s Health Responders, the Commissioned Corps is currently very involved in assisting the CDC with airport screenings, deploying staff to support hospitals, among other important missions. Find out more about Commissioned Corps activities here.
- Part of preparedness includes a robust blood supply. The current situation around COVID-19 heightens the need for a ready blood supply, please encourage your health community members to keep their appointments to donate blood.
CDC released updated guidance on infection prevention and control recommendations for healthcare workers. Healthcare workers are fighting this outbreak on the front lines, and this guidance is intended to provide assistance to healthcare settings that are handling suspected or confirmed cases of COVID-19. This guidance is applicable to all U.S. healthcare settings.

The President’s emergency declaration gives HHS important powers to enhance state and local communities’ ability to respond to the outbreak, including flexibility around Medicare and Medicaid rules.

- **Flexibility and Relief for State Medicaid Agencies**: The national emergency declaration also enables CMS to grant state and territorial Medicaid agencies a wider range of flexibilities under section 1135 waivers. States and territories are now encouraged to assess their needs and request these available flexibilities, which are outlined in the Medicaid and CHIP Disaster Response Toolkit. Examples of flexibilities available to states under section 1135 waivers include the ability to permit out-of-state providers to render services, temporarily suspend certain provider enrollment and revalidation requirements to promote access to care, allow providers to provide care in alternative settings, waive prior authorization requirements, and temporarily suspend certain pre-admission and annual screenings for nursing home residents. For more information and to access the toolkit, visit [here](#).

- **Waivers and Flexibilities for Hospitals and other Healthcare Facilities**: CMS will temporarily waive or modify certain Medicare, Medicaid, and CHIP requirements. CMS will also issue several blanket waivers, listed on the website below, and the CMS Regional Offices will review other provider-specific requests. These waivers provide continued access to care for beneficiaries. For more information on the waivers CMS has granted, visit [here](#).

- **Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Nursing Home Guidance**: As you know, nursing homes and their residents are vulnerable populations for COVID-19. This week, CMS released updated guidance for infection control and prevention of COVID-19 in Nursing Homes which can be found [here](#) (3/9). The Press Release can be found [here](#) and all CMS guidance related to COVID-19 can be found [here](#).

**U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA)**

- The Small Business Administration will work directly with state Governors to provide targeted, low-interest loans to small businesses and non-profits that have been severely impacted by the Coronavirus (COVID-19). The SBA’s Economic Injury Disaster Loan program provides small businesses with working capital loans of up to $2 million that can provide vital economic support to small businesses to help overcome the temporary loss of revenue they are experiencing.

- The Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental expanded the disaster definition for the Small Business Administration’s Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL) to include COVID-19. Economic Injury Disaster Loans are SBA loans that are available to eligible Small Businesses, Small agricultural cooperatives, and most non-profits that have experienced substantial economic injury as a result of a disaster.
  - EIDLs are available in areas that are declared a disaster area by the SBA.
  - There has to be an SBA Disaster Declaration in an area for EIDL loans to be made available, which originates from a request made by the Governor.
  - To assist in the efforts, the SBA engages with States’ Emergency Response Teams to help them comply with the requirements before a request is made.

- **EIDL Loan Details**
  - Entities that can apply for EIDL loans are eligible Small Businesses, Small agricultural cooperatives, and most private nonprofit organizations.
  - EIDL Loans are up to $2 million and have terms as long as 30 years.
  - State and local officials who have been contacted by Small Businesses that may have been affected should share that information with their Governor or the State’s Emergency Response Officials. More information on SBA’s disaster loans, including eligibility and how to apply for loans, can be found here: [www.SBA.gov/disaster](http://www.SBA.gov/disaster)

**U.S. Department of Education (DoED)**
The Department of Education has established a dedicated Coronavirus webpage, which includes resources for institutions of higher education and for K-12.

- The website includes guidance for students at institutions of higher education, and covers Coronavirus-related scenarios that could impact students who are enrolled in study abroad programs, students who meet full-time requirements but fall below 12 credit hours, students who are quarantined and miss class, campuses that have temporarily stopped offering ground-based classes to prevent the spread of Coronavirus, and foreign schools that serve Americans who receive Federal financial aid. Also see a letter from the Office for Civil Rights that addresses potential discrimination associated with coronavirus.
- The Department is working on additional information for families and communities including:
  - Information regarding certain flexibilities under the Every Student Succeeds Act, or “ESSA;”
  - Information regarding services to children with disabilities;
  - A fact sheet from our Office for Civil Rights on the risk of Coronavirus in schools while protecting the civil rights of students; and
  - Information on the Family Education Records Privacy Act, or “FERPA,” as it pertains to K-12 and higher education students.
- The Department will continue to update its website, ed.gov/coronavirus. Please direct education related questions to COVID-19@ed.gov.

U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT)

- The U.S. Department of Transportation, in its important supporting role, has and will continue to coordinate with transportation stakeholders, foreign counterparts and other federal agencies to manage the risk in the United States.
- The U.S. government’s travel restrictions and advisories have been a remarkably effective ‘first layer’ of containment. These travel requirements delayed the arrival of the virus to the United States, giving the nation precious time to prepare further measures, and plan for mitigation. This achievement took the cooperation of nearly 200 commercial airlines, a like number of overseas airports, and the Civil Aviation Authority of China.
- DOT continues to ensure: an active air bridge remains in place for the safe return of Americans from affected areas; airlines are funneling passenger flights to one of the eleven designated U.S. airports equipped to health-screen Americans returning from affected areas; continued air and sea cargo traffic between the US and China; health protocols are established to protect the crews of aircraft continuing to fly between the US and foreign locations; and, dissemination of health messages about the virus, for airlines to use to inform their passengers.
- External stakeholder outreach is being actively conducted throughout the modes of transportation in DOT. DOT has already hosted calls with stakeholders for the Federal Aviation Administration, Federal Transit Authority, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, and others. Additional calls are scheduled for outreach to additional stakeholders in all surface transportation, maritime, and labor.
- On March 13, USDOT issued a national emergency declaration to provide hours-of-service regulatory relief to commercial vehicle drivers transporting emergency relief to the nationwide COVID-19 outbreak. The declaration does not cover routine commercial deliveries, or transportation of mixed loads of essential supplies and/or persons and goods or persons not related to emergency needs. Effective immediately, the declaration will remain in effect for the duration of the emergency or until 11:59 P.M. (ET), April 11, 2020, whichever occurs sooner. Learn more here.

U.S. Department of Labor (DOL)

- The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) developed COVID-19 planning guidance for employers to implement engineering, administrative, and work practice controls and personal protective equipment (PPE). The guidance is intended for planning purposes – employers and workers should use the planning guidance to help identify risk levels in workplace settings and to determine any appropriate control measures to implement.
- The U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM), an independent agency that serves as the chief human resources agency and personnel policy manager for the Federal Government, issued guidance for Federal Agencies regarding COVID-19 and human resources policies.
• DOL announced new guidance outlining flexibilities that States have in administering their unemployment (UI) programs to assist Americans affected by the COVID-19 outbreak. Under the guidance, federal law permits significant flexibility for states to amend their laws to provide UI benefits in multiple scenarios related to COVID-19. Learn more here.

• On March 14, DOL issued new temporary enforcement guidance for respirator fit-testing in healthcare during the COVID-19 outbreak. The temporary guidance is aimed at ensuring healthcare workers have full access to needed N95 respiratory protection. OSHA recommends that employers supply healthcare personnel who provide direct care to patients with known or suspected coronavirus with other respirators that provide equal or higher protection, such as N99 or N100 filtering facepieces, reusable elastomeric respirators with appropriate filters or cartridges, or powered air purifying respirators. Learn more here.

U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD)

• The health and well-being of our country’s most vulnerable citizens is Secretary Ben Carson’s highest priority. At the direction of Secretary Carson senior HUD officials have developed an Infectious Disease Toolkit for Continuum of Care homeless shelters (CoC). This includes specific documents addressing preparedness in shelters and encampment settings. More here.

• HUD has sent communication to CoC and Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) grantees, highlighting the importance of infectious disease preparedness and linking to CDC and Healthcare for the Homeless resources: Infectious Disease Preparedness Among Homeless Assistance Providers.

• HUD released a quick guide to CDBG eligible activities to support infectious disease response. Grantees should coordinate with local health authorities before undertaking any activity to support State or local pandemic response. The guide can be found here.

• HUD is coordinating with the CDC, Healthcare for the Homeless, United States Interagency Council on Homelessness (USICH) on messaging and cross-promoting resource materials. This will continue on an ongoing basis. Also, the Department is reaching out to Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) and Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) for future coordination.

• HUD has plenty of resources for your communities including:
  • Communities can use their unspent Emergency Solutions Grants and Continuum of Care Program funds to help address needs related to coronavirus. Additionally, a portion of CDBG funds are also available for public services, including health care.
  • Technical Assistance is available for ESG and CoC Program recipients if requested. Additionally, communities that want to amend their CDBG plans, can reach out to their CPD representative if they need assistance.

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)

• USDA Secretary Sonny Perdue announced proactive flexibilities to allow meal service during school closures to minimize potential exposure to the coronavirus. During an unexpected school closure, schools can leverage their participation in one of USDA’s summer meal programs to provide meals at no cost to students. Under normal circumstances, those meals must be served in a group setting. However, in a public health emergency, the law allows USDA the authority to waive the group setting meal requirement, which is vital during a social distancing situation.

• USDA intends to use all available program flexibilities and contingencies to serve program participants across our 15 nutrition programs. USDA has already begun to issue waivers to ease program operations and protect the health of participants. USDA is receiving requests for waivers on an ongoing basis. As of today, USDA has been asked to waive congregate feeding requirements in Washington, California, Maryland, Alaska, Utah, Pennsylvania, Wyoming, Maine, Kansas, New Jersey, New York, South Carolina, South Dakota, and Virginia and USDA has granted those requests.

• For more information about the coronavirus response across USDA, please visit: www.usda.gov/coronavirus.

U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS)
While the overall risk to the American public remains low, actions by DHS and the administration are decreasing the strain on public health officials by screening incoming travelers, expediting the processing of U.S. citizens returning from China, and ensuring resources are focused on the health and safety of the American people. It is important to recognize, that while there is a significant focus on containing and mitigating the spread of COVID-19, all departments and agencies of DHS are continuing to perform their regular duties with no impact on their mission.

DHS is working to recognize, detect, and assist individuals attempting to enter the U.S. through our, airports, land ports, or waterways who may be carrying the virus: Cruise Lines International Association, CDC, USCG, and CBP. DHS is working with the Department of State, HHS, and the senior public health leadership with the Government of Mexico to prepare for any COVID-19 cases identified along the South West Border. This effort includes coordination with state, and local Public Health Officials to develop reporting and response courses of action.

FEMA has rostered 56 four-person Incident Management Assistance Teams.

The Countering Weapons of Mass Destruction Office, which contains the National Biosurveillance Integration Center and the Chief Medical Officer, has maintained close coordination with our Components and U.S. Government partners regarding the status of the outbreak and associated U.S. Government response actions.

**Local Preparedness Tips**

- Response is locally executed, state managed, and federally supported.
- Ensuring clear, open lines of communication with the public and making information and guidance readily available.
- Proactively sharing and disseminating *verified and accurate* guidance and information such as HHS/CDC [guidance for families, businesses, and schools](http://www.cdc.gov).
- Reviewing Federal guidance such as the HHS/CDC [Community Mitigation Framework](http://www.cdc.gov).
- Coordinating with State and local health authorities.
- Reviewing local preparedness plans and strategies.

**Recent Task Force Actions**

Below, please find pertinent updates on pertinent Administrations actions.

- Task Force Briefings (briefings are held on a frequent basis and can be viewed live [here](#))
  - March 10: [Video](#)
  - March 9: [Video](#)
  - March 6: [Video](#)
  - March 4: [Video](#)
  - March 2: [Video](#)
  - February 29: [Video](#)
- Remarks by President Trump and Vice President Pence at a Coronavirus Briefing with Health Insurers (March 10) ([transcript/video](#))
- Readout from the Vice President’s Discussion with our Nation’s Governors on COVID-19 Coordination & Preparedness (March 9) ([readout](#))
- Remarks by Vice President Pence in a Coronavirus Briefing with Cruise Line Executives and Port Directors (March 7) ([transcript](#))
- Remarks by President Trump After Tour of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (March 5) ([transcript](#))
- President Trump Signs the Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2020 (March 6) ([transcript/video](#))
- President Trump and Vice President Pence attend Coronavirus Briefing with Airline CEOs (March 4) ([transcript/video](#))
- Vice President Pence meets with Long-Term, Post-Acute and Palliative Care Provider Executives (March 4) ([transcript](#))
- Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Announces Actions to Address Spread of Coronavirus (March 4) ([more here](#))

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• President Trump Visits the National Institutes of Health and attends Roundtable Briefing (March 3) (transcript)
• Vice President Pence attends Coronavirus Briefing with Diagnostic Lab CEOs (March 4) (transcript/video)
• Readout from the Vice President’s Discussion with our Nation’s Governors on COVID-19 Coordination & Preparedness (readout)
Happy Sunday team,

Below is information we are sending out to media and have posted on our social media:

March 15 Update - This update is same as yesterday except we have expanded where school lunches can be picked up.

Beginning Tuesday, March 17, the “grab and go” school lunch and snacks can be picked up curbside at ALL district managed schools between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Students may receive the meal at their nearest school location. They do not have to go to their attendance school; however, the student must be present to receive the meal.

Please continue to monitor https://dcps.duvalschools.org/coronavirus for updates.

Best,
Laureen

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Happy Saturday, JIC Team –

Please be advised that the City of Neptune Beach will have a news conference at 10:30. Let us know if you have questions.

-Marjie

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FROM: PublicInformation
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SUBJECT: MEDIA ADVISORY: Neptune Beach Mayor Calls News Conference for Coronavirus; Area Mayors to Join
IMPORTANCE: High

This advisory is being sent on behalf of the City of Neptune Beach.

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NEPTUNE BEACH MAYOR CALLS NEWS CONFERENCE FOR CORONAVIRUS, AREA MAYORS TO JOIN

JACKSONVILLE, Florida, March 14, 2020 — Mayor Elaine Brown will provide the latest information about COVID-19.

WHEN: TODAY, March 14
10:30 a.m.
WHERE: Neptune Beach City Hall
116 First St., Neptune Beach – 32266

WHO:
Mayor Elaine Brown, City of Neptune Beach
Mayor Lenny Curry, City of Jacksonville
Mayor Ellen Glasser, City of Atlantic Beach
Mayor Charlie Latham, City of Jacksonville Beach

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Good evening, my name is Izzy Gould and I’m a senior at Spring Hill High School. We are doing a project right now where we interview an elected official. I was doing some research and came across your name. I then read about you a little bit. I was hoping you’d allow me to interview you for my project. I appreciate your time and consideration. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely, Izzy Gould
Here’s the form signed on 3/13. I’ll be in to sign the original tomorrow.

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