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**SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER - NOVEMBER 2022**

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## DO STORMWATER AND SEWAGE SYSTEMS MIX?

*By Terry Cantrell – President*

On Saturday, June 4th, Hollywood suffered from another “rain bomb” where over 9” of rain fell in a short period of time. While not as bad as the Great Flood of Dec 2019 that caused wide spread flooding all over South Florida, the June 4th tropical disturbance caused major flooding in many areas, not just Hollywood. But this time, an unusual occurrence took place: sewage was coming up through the manholes on the streets in the Lakes neighborhood. How could this be? Is the sewer system somehow connected to the stormwater system?

To be clear, these are independent systems. The Wastewater Regional Treatment Plant on N. 14th Ave is a facility that processes sewage from not only Hollywood but six other local cities like Miramar, Hallandale Beach, etc. These other cities share in the cost of operating and maintaining the facility. Sewage is piped in underground to the facility from these “large user” cities. All this arrives at a building at the plant called the Head End which is located on the west side of the facility along the 9th hole at the golf course. In the Head End building, there are large filters that filter out any solid materials such as plastic, towels/ cloths, etc. After that filtering process, the sewage is piped to other large tanks where the treatment process takes place. Once treated to an acceptable level, the “gray water” gets pumped into deep wells located on the property as Hollywood can no longer send this treated effuse out to the ocean.

As for the stormwater drainage system, those storm water grates we see along the sides of our local streets empty into the lakes and canals all over the city. There are various pump stations around the city that aid in this storm water drainage system. We have a number of them in the Lakes neighborhood. So how could excess rain water bubble up from the sewage manholes on June 4th? Good question! Below is a notice the City sent out to residents late in the day on June 4th:

**Due to the large volume of rain, the stormwater system was overwhelmed. Stormwater and the debris commonly found in stormwater entered the wastewater system causing the screens that filter debris from the water to be overwhelmed. This created backups in the sewer system.**

**The City's Department of Public Utilities removed the screen to allow the storm and wastewater to flow unobstructed into the**

**treatment system. Crews will be on hand as the flood waters recede to address any needed cleanup and street sweeping in areas impacted by the backup. Street sweeping and cleaning is slated to begin at 8 a.m. tomorrow morning. The Department of Public Utilities is working to get additional pumps that will allow the treatment plant to bypass the screen during future rain events anticipated during this hurricane season.**

I toured the Head End building recently and observed these filters in operation (see photos on page 27). There is quite a bit of solid and cloth materials that come through the Head End and get filtered out. But there was an obvious failure in the process on June 4th. What exactly happened?

Recently, the Director of Public Utilities, Vivek Galav, retired shortly after the June 4th flood. Before he left the City, he told us that sewage bubbling up from manholes can be caused by residents lifting these manhole covers up so the flood waters drain into the sewage pipes...huh? Has anyone ever seen any



Lakes residents lifting manhole covers during heavy rain events? Vivek said that this could happen in any of the other cities that feed into our Treatment plant, as well. We asked the City for an official explanation. The following is a summary from the City:

### - Events of June 4, 2022:-

*According to the National Weather Service (NWS), heavy rainfall of nearly fifteen inches was recorded within a 48-hour period in Hollywood due to potential Tropical Cyclone 1 (later classified as Tropical Storm Alex). During heavy rains, stormwater often makes its way into sewage pipes, especially older ones, via a process known as Inflow and Infiltration (I & I). Saturated soils and heavy rainfalls typically lead to the highest levels of I & I. This happens because water follows the easiest path, upwards against gravity or laterally through cracks and gaps into pipes. Once groundwater is higher than pipe level, water will continue to enter pipes until they are full. This process can result in surcharging (overflowing) of pipes. High groundwater continues to press rainwater into already full sewer pipes until groundwater returns to below pipe level. Water levels that remain high for longer periods of time can cause combined flow (sewage mixed with rainwater) out of manholes and other openings.*

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### HLCA FUTURE MEETING DATES

Second Tuesday of the Month at 7:00PM

Meeting Location and Presentation are Subject to Change. Please see website for current information.  
[www.hollywoodlakes.com](http://www.hollywoodlakes.com)

**September 13th, 2022**  
Hollywood Beach Community Center  
1301 S. Ocean Drive  
Broward County Library - UPDATE

**October 4th, 2022**  
Eppleman Park  
N. 7th Ave.  
National Night Out with Police

**November 1st, 2022 (1st Tuesday)**  
Hollywood Beach Community Center  
1301 S. Ocean Drive  
Broward Property Appraiser Marty Kiar

**HAVE YOU RENEWED YOUR HLCA MEMBERSHIP THIS YEAR?**  
**RENEW NOW - GOOD THROUGH 2023** See Application on Back Page

# The Lakes Home of the Month



June 2022  
726 Tyler Drive



July 2022  
1410 Garfield Street



August 2022  
1146 Lincoln Street



The HLCA has been awarding homes for over 18 years now! That is over 200 homes that have been recognized for their contribution to our amazing neighborhood. The HOM Committee meets quarterly (Dec., March, June, Sept.) and selects 3 homes each meeting to be awarded. The committee strives to award homes that represent the wide range of home types in our neighborhood. You may self-nominate your home or a neighbor's home. Please submit entries or questions to [info@hollywoodlakes.com](mailto:info@hollywoodlakes.com). If a home is chosen, we take pictures of the exterior on the 1st of the month in which the home is being recognized. We do not do interior pictures. We also place a sign in the front yard and pictures of the home will appear on our Facebook page, website and Newsletter. Please note the committee will only contact homes that are being offered awards.



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BROWARD COUNTY PROPERTY APPRAISER

## Questions About Your 2022 Property Assessment or Exemptions?

Our office mailed over 776,000 TRIM (proposed tax) Notices to Broward County property owners last month. The 2022 Just/Market Values are based on the market data from 2021 as Florida Statutes require our office use January 1 as the date of assessment each year.

The TRIM Notice you received shows your 2022 market value, any tax-saving exemptions you are receiving, and the proposed tax amounts as set by the various taxing authorities listed on the notice. It is important to remember the Property Appraiser's Office does not set or collect taxes.

If you believe you are entitled to a Homestead Exemption or any other exemption not shown on your TRIM Notice, you may still late file for any 2022 exemption until September 19, 2022. For a list of all the available tax-saving exemptions and to apply for these exemptions online, please visit our website at <https://web.bcpa.net/bcpaclient/#/Homestead> or call us at 954-357-6830.

If you have any questions about your 2022 market value or exemptions, please email or call us prior to September 19, 2022.

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<b>Residential Property Values</b>	✉ ResTRIM@bcpa.net	☎ 954-357-6831
<b>Condo, Co-op &amp; Timeshare Property Values</b>	✉ CondoTRIM@bcpa.net	☎ 954-357-6832
<b>Commercial Real Property/Duplexes Values</b>	✉ CommercialTRIM@bcpa.net	☎ 954-357-6835
<b>Tangible (Commercial) Personal Property</b>	✉ tpp-docs@bcpa.net	☎ 954-357-6836
<b>Agricultural Property Classification</b>	✉ ag-docs@bcpa.net	☎ 954-357-6822
<b>Report Homestead Fraud</b>	✉ cbertot@bcpa.net	☎ 954-357-6900

If you have questions or concerns about any of the proposed tax rates or non-ad valorem fees, including fire assessments, please contact the taxing authority listed on the TRIM Notice.

The ABSOLUTE deadline to file an application for any 2022 exemption or to appeal your property's 2022 just value is September 19, 2022.

## Value Adjustment Board

The Value Adjustment Board (VAB) is an independent quasi-judicial review board. If you believe your property assessment is not what a buyer would have reasonably paid for your property on January 1, 2022, you should first contact our office. If after speaking with one of our appraisers, you still do not agree, you can file an appeal with the Broward County Value Adjustment Board. If you were denied an exemption, you may also file an appeal with the Value Adjustment Board challenging this denial. The absolute filing deadline for Value Adjustment Board petitions is September 19, 2022. If you would like to file a petition online, please visit the VAB website at <https://bcvab.broward.org/axiaweb2022>. Should you have any questions for the Value Adjustment Board, they can be reached at [vab@broward.org](mailto:vab@broward.org) or 954-357-7205.

If my office can ever be of assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at [martykiar@bcpa.net](mailto:martykiar@bcpa.net).

Take care,

Marty Kiar, CFA



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# DISTRICT 1 REPORT

By Vice Mayor Caryl Shuham



I hope everyone is enjoying the summer and staying healthy!

I am thrilled to let you know that come November, I will begin my second term as City of Hollywood Commissioner for District 1. Because our campaign was unopposed, I have already technically been re-elected and am looking forward to continuing our work together to make Hollywood the best it can be. Idelma Quintana

was also unopposed in her campaign and will soon be the new District 6 Commissioner. Idelma will be a wonderful addition to the Commission bringing years of community involvement and legislative experience.

Hollywood has accomplished many things since my election in November 2018. Each of the commissioners leave their unique mark on the City and below are a few of the changes since 2018 that I pursued with lots of help from residents and City staff and support of the rest of the commission:

- The Hollywood Police Department will start wearing body cameras.
- Hollywood has the most stringent post-2011 Short Term Vacation Rental ordinance in the state and which is now happily being modeled by other impacted cities.
- Hollywood now has one of the toughest single use plastics bans on municipal property in Florida (including Hollywood's beach and Broadwalk).
- Our lakes are now covered by an improved City marine/anchoring ordinance and soon will be designated as "anchoring limitation areas" under a county ordinance and state statute.
- Hollywood now has a much-improved noise ordinance and our code/police officers are armed with noise detectors to enforce it.
- Our beach and Broadwalk are now patrolled by a new class of unarmed Community Service Officers (CSOs) for minor but constant infractions like excessive bike speeds, dogs, obnoxiously loud amplifiers. We also implemented safer rules and regulations on the Broadwalk and as of 6/1/22 that banned dangerous banana bikes.
- Hollywood now has a mandatory public outreach requirement by project developers to inform the surrounding community of proposed projects.
- We got ahead of the communications companies (notwithstanding another state preemption) and passed a telecommunication ordinance restricting the placement of new 5G equipment in City rights-of-way.
- There's a new City investment policy that is more ethically responsible by precluding City investment in fossil fuels, firearms or tobacco products. The new policy also encourages investments in socially responsible entities that support community well-being through safe, clean and environmentally sound practices, and that promote equality of rights regardless of race, religion, color, ancestry, age, national origin, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, disability or place of birth.
- The City expanded our dog beach hours from 3 partial days to 7 full days per week.

**Over the next four years, my intent is to remain focused on critical issues facing Hollywood including:**

- Continue preparing for inevitable sea level rise.
- Help the many homeless who find themselves living in our city.
- Work with Broward County Schools to improve our local public schools.
- Expand security on the Broadwalk as needed to insure a safe, family-friendly environment.
- Strengthen enforcement of our building and other codes.
- Work with state legislators in Tallahassee to restore home rule and get rid of the excessive preemptions— especially regarding vacation rentals.
- Update and simplify zoning on the barrier Island to encourage sustainable redevelopment while appropriately restricting building heights and protecting Hollywood beach from overdevelopment.
- Increase our tax base without negatively impacting our environment, including through proper redevelopment along our transit corridors.
- Establish a comprehensive plan to invest in and encourage others to invest in saving Hollywood's historic structures.

I am excited to work with the community on these issues and encourage you to reach out to me if there is something in particular you would like to pursue with me. As a model, I want to thank the several members of the HLCA who have committed countless hours as part of a Short-Term Vacation Rental (STVR) team. They are focusing on illegal conversions, problem rentals, proposed STVR ordinance revisions and more. Though nothing happens fast in City government, I am optimistic that team efforts like this one will result in positive, collaborative changes for the Lakes and the City as a whole.

Since my last update, a lot has been going on at the Commission. We heard several proposers present their ideas for the Orangebrook Golf Course renovation and expect best and final offers from each in the fall. The artificial reef project with the team at 1000 Mermaids is almost ready to be deployed off Hollywood Beach (here's a link to a CBS4 news story about it from early July: <https://www.cbsnews.com/miami/news/mermaid-sculptures-to-be-used-as-coral-reef-plaguing-continues/?intcid=CNM-00-10abd1h>). After extensive supply chain issues, the shade cover is back over the playground at Harry Berry Park. Though there are no updates on the 1301 project next door, it is staff's current understanding that the existing boundary of the park will not be altered as part of the proposed condominium project. The formal site plan has not yet been received by City staff.

Finally, City staff is hard at work on the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 budget. The first budget hearing is set for September 12 at 5:30 p.m. and can be viewed in real time online. While Hollywood's fiscal health struggles with excessive pension obligations from past collective bargaining agreements, the increase in property values throughout South Florida will significantly help with much needed increased tax revenue in the year ahead. Per the Broward County Property Appraiser, Hollywood property values increased by 11.56% in the past year alone!

Enjoy the rest of your summer, and please reach out with any concerns or questions to [CShuham@hollywoodfl.org](mailto:CShuham@hollywoodfl.org).



# BOARD AT WORK

By Terry Cantrell – President

## Here some important items the HLCA Board of Directors have been discussing at our monthly Board meetings:

**- General Obligation Bond (GOB) Update:** The GOB projects slated for the Lakes neighborhood are moving along nicely. The two main projects that voters approved in 2019 are the redesign and upgrade to the Hollywood Beach Golf Club (\$12,798,000.00) and the Tidal Flooding Mitigation and Sea Walls (\$14,091,000.00). Most of the smaller parks GOB projects that included new playground equipment, resurfacing and sun shades have already been completed. The golf course project has passed its preliminary design phase as reviewed in the March Lakes Newsletter issue and has begun to move through the various approval stages that include City of Hollywood Planning Dept. and Broward County Water Management review. As it stands now, the actual work on the course and the new Club House will commence in early 2023.

The Sea Wall project is also moving forward at a brisk pace. The City conducted public meetings in 2021 and, as a result, has taken input from Lakes residents and has come with a solid plan. A huge benefit to the project is the successful grant application that has doubled the amount of funds available for the sea walls. So rather than a phased approach over many years, the City can do all the necessary sea wall and tidal mitigation work at one time. A time line for the commencement will be announced soon.

**- Hollywood Beach Community Center 1301 Hi-Rise Project:** This undesirable 30 story hi-rise project approved by our City Commission in March is working its way through the development process. This is a long and arduous process where various City, County, State and Federal agencies must vet the plans and sign off with approvals.

While not a sure thing by any means, these are hurdles that the City and the developer, The Related Group, could potentially halt this plan. In addition, signatures are being collected for a potential referendum on the issue and a potential lawsuit may be forth coming. We will continue to monitor the project and keep you posted.

**- Pot Hole Patcher:** The City of Hollywood has acquired a nifty machine that will fix pot holes within minutes. The Python 5000 Pot Hole Patcher device can be operated by a single person and travel on streets and road ways all over the City. The device costs \$450,000.00 and was purchased with funds from the recent Margaritaville sale where the City was owed a transitional payment. The Pot Hole Patcher can also be rented out to neighboring cities as another source of revenue.

**- HLCA 2023 Nominating Committee:** Would you be interested in serving on the HLCA Board of Directors? If so, let us know. Our 2023 Nominating Committee has been formed. You must be a full time Lakes resident, a member in good standing and have attended General Meetings frequently in recent years. Contributing to the quality of life in our precious residential neighborhood by being an HLCA Director is satisfying and rewarding. Let us know at [info@hollywoodlakes.com](mailto:info@hollywoodlakes.com)

The Board of Directors is always interested in your thoughts and concerns about these and any other issues in the Lakes. Write to us at [info@hollywoodlakes.com](mailto:info@hollywoodlakes.com) or P.O. Box 223922, Hollywood, FL 33022.



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# HISTORICAL SPOTLIGHT

By Clive Taylor - President Hollywood Historical Society

## FOUNTAIN COURT APARTMENTS

The beautiful Fountain Court apartments at 817 Tyler may be the oldest structure this far east in the Lakes section. 1926 aerial photos shot over the Hollywood Beach Hotel looking West show this building standing all alone surrounded by vacant land. The first newspaper article for the Fountain Court we see dates from April 1926 just a few months before the devastating great Miami Hurricane of that same year. This clears up a rumor that this structure housed some of the workers from the Hollywood Beach Hotel as this building was completed about the same time as the Hotel. The article states a permit was given to Robert L. Utterback for construction of a \$40,000.00-apartment house in the Lakes section on Lots 10, 11 Block 72. Walter Fisher was the architect and Raney and Pollard were the contractors.

Walter Fisher was a well-known architect at the time and was doing a lot of work for George Merrick in Coral Gables. Walter Fisher was one of many prominent architects at the time who were designing the mission and Spanish revival buildings so prominent in south Florida at the time.

The location of this building surely played a role in the quality design and spaciousness of the units. As you drive around the older sections of Hollywood you can spot these old apartment homes or rooming houses as some of them were known then. Most are very plain masonry vernacular structures with parapet roofs. Usually, a center door with two floors with rooms on each side. Some buildings had a small lounge common area on the first floor for the guest and many included a fireplace with decorative mantles. The Fountain Court retains many of the original exterior features including the decorative medallions and roof top spires. Each building has a corner tower with original window balconies still intact.

During the roaring twenties the need for housing was so extreme many investors constructed these buildings quickly to accommodate the throngs of new residents and visitors streaming into the new dream city of Hollywood By The Sea. Another well designed larger apartment home is the Flora Apts. Built in 1924 and still standing on the corner of Polk and 17th Ave. The Flora was designed by Martin Luther Hampton who also designed the Great Southern, the old Hollywood Beach Country Club building as well as the bathing casino on Hollywood beach where Margaritaville stands today,

In 1929 the wife of The Fountain Courts original owner, Mrs. Utterback, was president of the Hollywood Hotel and House Owners Association, (hmm.. maybe the beginning of the Lakes Civic Association). Mrs. Utterback succeeded Mr. Harry Hutchinson of the Hutchinson Hotel still standing but not looking very well (demo by neglect?) at 404 N 17 Avenue.

In 1930 the building was sold to Eric Skoglund for \$60,000.00. Eric Skoglund owned numerous properties in Hollywood and at the time of sale this building was considered one of the prize winter rental properties in Hollywood.

In 1943 the building is sold to Mr. and Mrs H. L. Kisker for \$21,500.00 - seems the price is going down as the years go by? Kisker then sells to E.L. Winn for \$70,000.00 in 1946.

In 1931 the Fountain Court Apartments made headlines "Machine Gun Bandits Rob Hollywood Group" According to the Fort Lauderdale Daily News, 4 masked men barged into one of the apartments at Fountain Court Apartments during a dinner party and robbed the guests at gun point.

Among those robbed were Mrs. E.O. Smith of Detroit who lost two diamond rings valued at \$10,000.00 each and a diamond bracelet valued at \$15,000.00 and a diamond studded brooch valued at \$5,000.00. Wow we had some swanky visitors here in Hollywood!

Other victims were Arthur J. Rhode who was the host of the dinner party, Frank Black of Miami Beach, John Jennings who is listed as a Hollywood Country Club dancer (I did not know the Country club had male dancers). We learn history once again from our historic resources. Also there were Ms. Virginia Diamond of Detroit and William Marshall Kimball manager of the Hollywood Beach Hotel. The total haul was \$42,450.00 in today's dollars that would be \$827,526.00! The robbers used sub machine guns and pistols during the robbery and the article notes that this building was very isolated from other residences at the time. Most construction in this particular area of the Lakes did not happen until the 40's and 50's so for many years this building stood alone surrounded by vacant land awaiting development. Maybe the robbers were tipped off the jewels would be out that night and thought what a perfect place for a stick up far removed from the center of town.

The Fountain Court Apts. was home to some prominent Hollywood residents in the early years including Mr. Clarence Hammerstein and his wife Vera lived at the Fountain Court in 1935 until the construction of the HAMMERSTIEN House located at 1520 Polk Street which is now home to the Hollywood Historical Society.

In 1973 the Davis family from Maine purchased the Fountain Court Apts. with the intention of converting the building to condos. At that time the city would not allow this type of condo conversions in the Lakes so they decided to sell the building. The Davis family was well known in Portland, Maine and the Pirone family learns the Davis family wants to sell and buys the Fountain Court from the Davis family in 1977. Once again, the new owners want to split the building up into ownership so instead of condo, they form a trust similar to a co-op with each family member owning a share of the trust that owns the building. In all there were five Pirone family members and three friends of the family that made up the 8 owners of the Fountain Court. For the next 44 years, the longest ownership ever for this building the Pirone's lovingly take care of this historic structure and enjoy it every winter during their ownership.

Unfortunately, today some members of the Pirone family have passed away and the constant upkeep of a historical structure became too burdensome. After a long time of ownership the Pirone family has sold the Fountain Court to a... wait for it.....an LLC (ughhhh) and to date we're not sure what the new owners plan to do with the buildings.

The Historical Society of Hollywood hopes these new owners whoever they are appreciate the historic nature of the building they now own and respect the historic integrity of the Lakes Historic District and continue to maintain this treasure just like the Pirone family has done all these years.

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**Adult Learn to Sail:** Class Hours: 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM Boat Used for Classes: Sunfish

Fees: Club Members and Hollywood residents - \$150.00; Non-residents - \$200.00 Class fee includes two free boat rental days. Class Size: (4) people minimum, maximum (10). Registration: Saturdays at Sailor's Point from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM, or e-mail us for mailing address. Due to the minimum class size, all registrations must be turned in one week prior to class start date.

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For more information or to reserve a spot for the next class please e-mail us at: [sailorspoint@gulfstreamsailingclub](mailto:sailorspoint@gulfstreamsailingclub).

Remaining Schedule for 2022:

Session 9: Sep 10 & 11 Inclement weather makeup day Oct 3

Session 10: Oct 15 & 16 Inclement weather makeup day Oct 31

Session 11: Nov 12 & 13 Inclement weather makeup day Dec 12

No class in December Class

**Kids Ages 8 to 14 - Level 1: Registrations:** At Sailor's Point from 9:00 to 10:00 AM, accepted on or after the registration date for each session, but no later than one week prior to class date, on a first come first serve basis, no reservations and no class day registration accepted. Cash or checks only.

**Weekend Classes Fees:** \$200.00 or \$140.00 for Club Members and City of Hollywood residents. Proof of residency necessary (Water or Electric bill).

**Summer Camp Fees (non-members and non-city of Hollywood residents):** \$220.00 for each child.

**Summer Camp Fees (members and city of Hollywood residents):** \$165 for each child. Proof of residency necessary (Water or Electric bill).

**Security Deposit:** ALL classes require a separate \$50.00 damage/security check or cash that will be returned at the end of the last class, if no damage was done to any of the equipment.

**Class Hours:** Weekend Classes – 9:00 AM to Noon (except where noted)

Summer Camps – 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM (no lunch provided)

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Remaining schedule for 2022:

**Session 4:** Aug 21; Aug 28; Sep 11; Sep 18; Sep 25; Oct 2

**Session 5:** Oct 16; Oct 23; Oct 30; Nov 6; Nov 13; Nov 20

For more information contact: [Erin Gallagher Kidssailing921@gmail.com](mailto:Erin.Gallagher.Kidssailing921@gmail.com)

## DO STORMWATER AND SEWAGE SYSTEMS MIX?

By Terry Cantrell - President

Continued from page 1

### Summary of Events of June 4th, 2022:

- On the morning of June 4th both bar screens at the SRWWTP failed to operate due to being clogged with rags, blocking incoming wastewater from entering the treatment facility.

- Sewage, unable to flow into the SRWWTP, began to back up into the pipes.

- The flow pushed up and out of manholes, creating multiple sanitary sewage overflows (SSO's).

- SRWWTP Operations Staff reported the bar screen failure to off-duty maintenance staff and upper management.

- Maintenance staff took several steps to begin alleviating the blockage including: Calling in all available off-duty staff to assist, having a crane delivered to remove the bar screen building roof and bar screen which allows flow into the SRWWTP to resume and renting multiple portable pumps to create temporary bar screen bypasses

As staff installed temporary pumps to bypass the bar screens, some pressure in the system was relieved which allowed bar screen 1 to be completely removed. However, the build-up of sewage in the system, combined with continued high ground water levels, resulted in continued surcharging of the entire system until normal inflow resumed.

Removing the bar screens and allowing solids to flow freely through the SRWWTP system can cause operational issues, but it was deemed necessary in this circumstance

to prevent further SSO's. Once stormwater flows receded sufficiently, Department of Public Utilities (DPU) staff began to clean and disinfect the areas affected by the SSO's. One bar screen was subsequently cleaned, repaired, and put back into service. The second bar screen, which was significantly more damaged, was not reinstalled. The channel normally serviced by that screen is currently open and available to provide an in-place emergency bypass.

### Short & midterm measures to prevent sewer overflows from bar screen failure:

DPU has taken several steps to prevent future bar screen failures. In addition to leaving one bar screen channel open to act as a by-pass, new protocols require the following:

- Operations staff to physically inspect the bar screens twice an hour.
  - Inspecting staff must sign, indicate inspection time, and note their operator license number upon completing their inspection.
  - When high levels of rainfall occur, inspecting staff will be able to respond quickly to divert flow to the open (bypass) channel (Exhibit D).
- Additionally, to be included in the Fiscal Year 2023 Capital Improvement Program:
- Addition of Hydraulic lifts to raise the screens above the influent channels, when needed.

Based upon this official explanation from the City, we Lakes residents can only hope that the steps outlined above will prevent another sewage flow in our streets the next time a "rain bomb" occurs!



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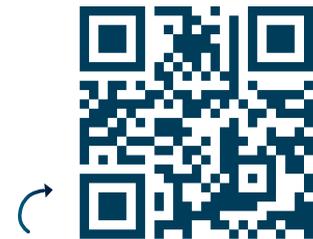
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*Exposed* gives the opportunity for art patrons to become art buyers during an exciting and lively fund-raising affair in which every ticket holder takes home an original work of art for their collection. The exhibition will feature more than 70 contemporary artists and culminates with an exciting closing-night draw for participants and their guests. Names are drawn one-by-one for the chance to select any work of art that has not yet been claimed. Everyone's a winner at *Exposed*! Funds raised at *Exposed* will support the Center's year-round calendar of gallery exhibitions and events.

## Art and Culture Center's after-school programs

Enrich your child's after-school time with our fun and exciting Fall programs. The Center offers three fabulous options for art-loving children ages 6-16.

ARTastic Artists is an 8-session class for kids ages 6-10 that will tap into each child's creativity through the visual art lens with project-based activities mixed with good ol' fashioned fun! ARTastic Artists! will conclude with an art show and reception where friends and family will see the exciting, new creations of our young artists.

Stage Kids, for ages 8-13, is a weekly after-school program allows students to gain a better understanding of music, learn basic choreography and combine all these techniques in preparation for a show-stopping finale showcase featuring a medley of Broadway and pop hits.

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For more information or to register for our after-school programs visit [artandculturecenter.org/education](http://artandculturecenter.org/education) or call 954-921-3274 and ask for the education department.

## 2022 Florida Biennial received over 1,000 submissions

The Art and Culture Center/Hollywood invites you to see the works of the 24 artists selected to participate in the upcoming 2022 Florida Biennial exhibition. This 11th edition of the Center's Biennial was juried by Ylva Rouse, Senior Curator at MOCA (Museum Of Contemporary Art), Jacksonville. Over 1,000 submitted works from 349 artists from cities throughout Florida were submitted. From the large number of submissions, 24 artists, representing eight Florida counties were selected by Rouse. The exhibition is organized by the Center's Curator Meaghan Kent, and will be on view from October 15, 2022 through February 5, 2023.

One artist will be selected from the submissions for a solo exhibition in 2023 and will receive a \$1,000 honorarium. The selected artist will be announced at the opening of the exhibition on October 15, 2022.

## The following artists have been selected for the Biennial:

Javier Barrera (Miami Beach); Isabella Cardim Faro (Key Biscayne); Christopher Clark (Jacksonville); Elaine Defibaugh (Miami); Dana Marie Donaty (Boynton Beach); Christian Feneck (Fort Lauderdale); Brendhan Garland (Gainesville); Bonney Goldstein (Fort Lauderdale); Sheila Goloborotko (Jacksonville); Anna Joan Goraczko (North Miami Beach); Jeanne Jaffe (Boynton Beach); Sophia Lacroix (Hollywood); Cynthia Mason (St. Petersburg); Cheryl Maeder (Lake Worth); Raymond Olivero (Mount Dora); Kerry Phillips (Miami); Vickie Pierre (Miami); Evelyn Politzer (Miami); Galal Ramadan (Fort Lauderdale); Alette Simmons-Jimenez (Miami); Aida Tejada (Miami); Cornelius Tulloch (Miami); Jackeuline Walters (Aventura); Zaplaflora aka Jesús F Torres (Hialeah).

During this time, the Center will also present, in partnership with Oolite Arts, a solo exhibition by Miami-based artist Carolina Cueva. Cueva's multi-media practice includes sculpture, 2D works, and performance, often referencing ancestry and her heritage through symbols of Andean cosmology. Cueva's work is introspective – it is a reflection of the source, materialized though sacred. Within that reflection, Cueva reveals her own relationship to colonization by way of personal narrative through a transcendental lens. Her indigenous roots inform her art and allow her to draw from lived experiences of displacement, hybridization, and wholeness. The work encourages healing and receptivity, evoking energies that create space to call back fragmented parts of one's self.

The exhibition brochure includes a text written by Risa Puleo, an art historian, independent curator, and doctoral candidate in Northwestern University's art history program.

## Visit the Center for free on the third Sunday of every month

Enjoy free admission from noon to 4 pm on the third Sunday of every month during the Center's **Free Arts! Family Days**, presented by PNC Foundation. Each month, **Free Arts! Family Days** explores a new theme, giving families time to interact and create something inspired by that month's topic. All activities are designed to be accessible for young visitors while also engaging the young at heart. **Free Arts! Family Days** use each monthly focus to encourage creativity and collaboration among families and friends. The dates for this year's Free Arts! Family Days are Sept. 18, Oct. 16, Nov. 20, and Dec. 18. Visit [artandculturecenter.org](http://artandculturecenter.org) to learn about the current month's activity.




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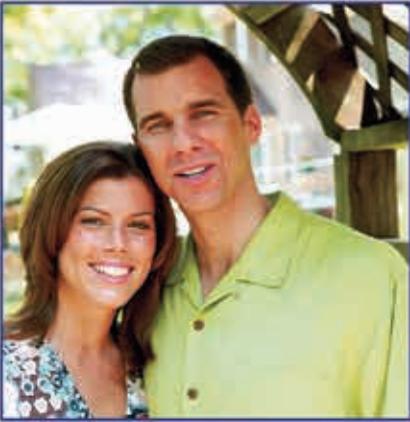
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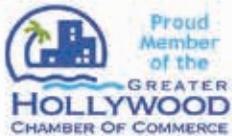


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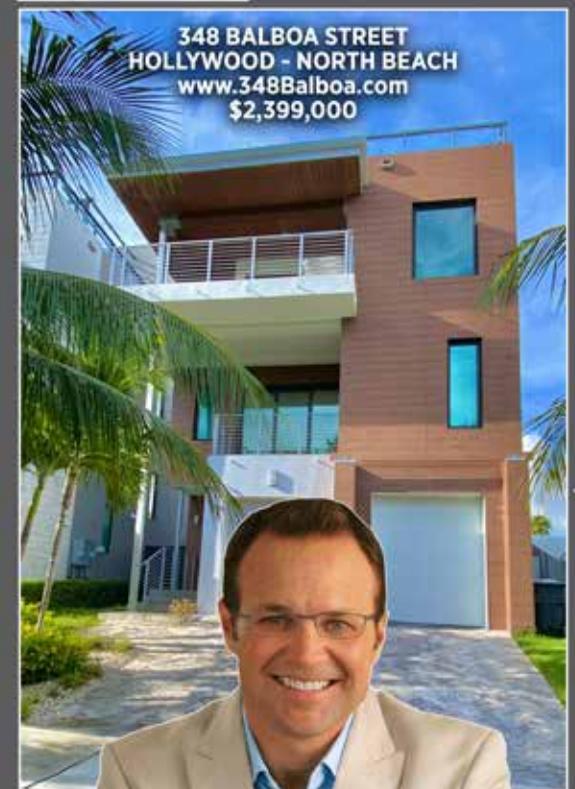
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by Steve Piper - Lakes Resident and Realtor Representative to Hollywood's Historic Preservation Board

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The Hollywood Lake neighborhood has existed for almost 100 years and there is a general agreement that it should be preserved as a someplace special. The city designated it as one of the historic districts and created an Historic Preservation Board to provide additional oversight to development in the area. The independent Hollywood Historical Society is located in Hollywood Lakes and strives to preserve historical resources and encourage public awareness.

A group of people who can do a good job spreading this awareness, especially to people who are new to the area, are real estate agents. Starting this August, every real estate agent with a listing or a sale in Hollywood Lakes receives an email with information and resources about the historic district. There are links to the history of Hollywood, the city's online historical archives, the design guidelines for historic districts, the Hollywood Historical Society's website, the HLCA website, etc. Hopefully, these real estate agents will be able to attract buyers that are interested in living in an historic area and instill in them a sense of pride and a desire to preserve this historic neighborhood.



## THE POWER OF NEIGHBORS

A majority of Americans don't know most of their neighbors — and they barely talk to the ones they do know.

• **Why it matters:** Strong neighborhoods boost the health, happiness, and

longevity of their residents. But over the last several decades, our connections with our neighbors have been fraying.

**What's happening:** We're leaving our homes with our screens in our hands. The pandemic made us even less likely than we were before to stop and chat with new folks.

• As a result, most of the people living around us are strangers.

**By the numbers:**

• **57% of Americans** say they know only some or none of their neighbors, according to a Pew Research Center survey. That share climbs up to 72% among 30- to 49-year olds and 78% among 18- to 29-year-olds.

• **58% say** they know their neighbors but don't spend time chatting or hanging out with them.

**The stakes:** The benefits of knowing thy neighbor abound.

1. **Lives saved:** In well-connected neighborhoods, fewer lives are lost in tragedies, including natural disasters and mass shootings.

2. **Happier aging:** Older adults who know their neighbors report a far higher sense of psychological wellbeing.

3. **Safer streets:** Tight-knit neighborhoods have lower rates of gun violence.

4. **Boosted wellbeing:** People who know their neighbors are generally cheerier, healthier, and spend more time outside.

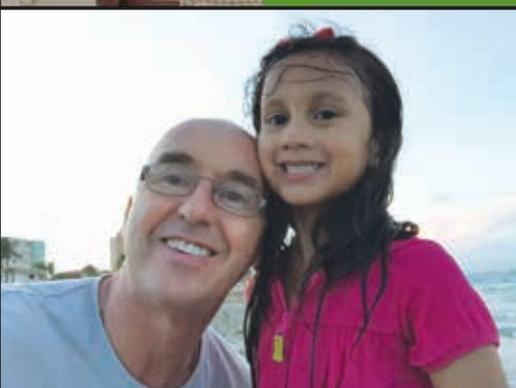
**Between the lines:** Even in the age of dating apps, texting, and social media, most people get to know their neighbors in person.

• **We're twice as likely** to chat with neighbors in person than online, per Pew.

**The bottom line:** Step outside and start a conversation — in the garden or in the mailroom. Befriending your neighbors is good for you.

(From Axios.com Finish Line by By Mike Allen, Erica Pandey and Jim VandeHe)

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# High School as it Relates to the Rest of Life & College These Days...

By Rachel Mazor – HLCA Secretary

High school these days is very different from what adults remember from our own experience before social media, mass murder by guns, record setting competition for college admissions (including into our state schools), virtual learning and a pandemic re-shaped the experience into something new and unrelatable in many ways. As adults with students in our lives, we are trying to keep up with the ever changing environment our students find themselves in, and help them navigate a path to their chosen future, without the benefit of our own experiences to call on. This is where friends and other people with students currently in school come in to help us learn from the communal experiences. Knowing how much we each value these conversations, I decided to dedicate this space about schools in this issue to basic information on the current high school experience and how it relates to college. I am not a professional college or academic advisor, only a mom of one college and one high school student, sharing from my own experience and what I have learned from friends...

One of my kids graduated from South Broward High School (our local high school) and the other is currently a student there. The programs at South Broward are designed to help our students get to the next stage of life – whether it’s directly into a career or college. These days, high schools offer many certifications and strongly encourage college bound students to take classes that can earn them college credits. Our college kid graduated from high school with 79 college credit hours earned through a combination Cambridge classes, AP scores, and dual enrollment (classes that earn the student both high school and college credits simultaneously from classes on the high school campus). From those 79 credits earned during high school, the University of Florida was able to apply 21 toward his chosen major. While the rest of the credits were technically accepted, they did not fill the specific requirements of his major. This could increase or decrease with a different major.

So, what’s the point of taking those challenging classes then, if they didn’t cover more than a semester of college in reality? Well, selective universities (including our top state schools) are looking for students who take rigorous courses in consideration for admission. Thankfully our state has chosen to invest in higher education and given students the opportunity to earn the Bright Futures scholarship (which can cover 100% of college tuition) and multiple ways to earn it. Bright Futures can be earned with a specific combination of grades and standardized test scores – OR – if you attend a high school with a qualifying program, you can earn eligibility for the scholarship by earning the diploma. At South Broward, earning the Cambridge Diploma will earn you eligibility for the Bright Futures scholarship regardless of your standardized test (SAT or ACT) scores. There is also the Florida Prepaid program that allows people to begin paying college tuition years before their student graduates from high school

and therefore lock-in tuition at a rate prior to price increases that could happen in the future. If your student stays in-state for college (public school), and earns the Bright Futures scholarship, you can apply your Florida Prepaid money to housing – making out of pocket costs for tuition and housing almost nothing for college by the time your student gets there. Because so many top in-state students choose to stay in-state to take advantage of this opportunity, our state schools have become incredibly competitive to get into. This competitiveness and retention of top talent in state has also contributed to driving our state schools to top national rankings – with US News & World Report ranking University of Florida in Gainesville (Gators) #5, Florida State in Tallahassee (Seminoles) #19, University of South Florida in Tampa #46, and University of Central Florida in Orlando #67 nationally for public schools (to name a few).

In addition to earning college course credits from taking competitive level courses, students at our high school are encouraged to prepare for their futures in other ways as well. My oldest earned Microsoft, CAD, Global Information Systems, and other certifications through course-work at South Broward that were both impressive on his resume, securing a wonderful summer internship, and also helped him get paid work on campus in college. One of the programs at UF allows certified students to offer their CAD design services to the public (for payment), and then 3D print the products on campus for their customers. My high school student is on the pre-med track in the iCan magnet at South Broward, and has taken related courses – such as Sports Medicine, which have given her insight into these fields years before most of us would have 30 years ago. My pre-med student has also earned her “Stop the Bleed” and “CPR” certifications through the iCan program, and joined a medical career oriented club at school offering opportunities for competition and exposure to the medical field. I went to a top public high school in Pennsylvania but we didn’t have anything comparable to these opportunities, and I don’t remember anyone helping me try to narrow down my interests and aptitudes the way that the schools do now. The goal is to have students graduate with a “Diploma with a Purpose” as they say at South Broward. It’s an adjustment as a parent who grew up thinking that we would figure it all out after high school graduation, but with the cost of college so high, and some schools inflexible on students changing their majors, it’s great for students to have the opportunity to be more certain of what they are interested in before starting coursework.

It’s a different world that our students are living in. There is always more to say on these topics - more than will fit in one newsletter space dedicated to the topic. Hopefully this has given interested parties some insight into the student experience and things to consider when choosing a high school, coursework, and how this could relate to their next steps after graduation.

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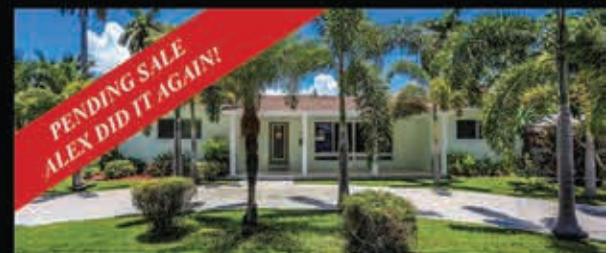
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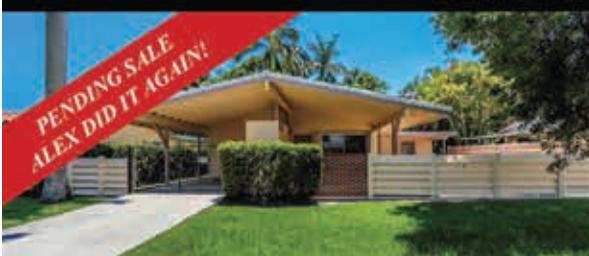
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This is the fourth year of our Integrated Career and Academic Networks (iCAN) magnet grant whose focus is providing students with hands-on experiences in the academy of their choice, thus preparing them for college and career. We received the reward last year for Magnet Schools of America Magnet School of Distinction, which is a testament to the work that we have done to ensure that our programs are on par or exceeds the programs offered throughout the nation. We offer five magnet academies which span the breadth of students’ academic interests. The academies are similar to smaller departmental colleges on campus in the areas of: Business, Education, Hospitality Management and Tourism, Marines Science and Robotics, and Media and Music Conservatory. Students will participate in rigorous course work earning high school credits and industry certifications while gaining firsthand experiences through collaboration with academy-aligned business organizations and educational partners. We focus on our students having authentic experiences in their chosen field of study to develop passion and provide a head start towards college and career.

We invite you to explore our school by visiting our school website, <https://www.browardschools.com/olsen>, and liking and following us on our social media platforms; twitter (<https://twitter.com/OlsenExcellence>), Instagram (<https://instagram.com/AwesomeOlsen>), and Facebook (<https://facebook.com/OlsenExcellence>). We also host our weekly Winning Wednesdays Virtual Parent Town Hall meetings on zoom, [https://bit.ly/23OMS\\_PTH](https://bit.ly/23OMS_PTH), at 5 p.m. beginning on Wednesday, September 7th. Staff and teachers are always available to provide valuable information regarding school events, expectations, and school and district updates.

Awesome Olsen Middle School has also been the recipient of the **Verizon Innovative Learning Schools (VILS)** grant which provides a **FREE iPad with a 2-year data plan** to every student enrolled on our campus. The devices are provided to decrease the digital divide and provide continuing educational opportunities to our scholars. Our purpose in securing the grant is to ensure that our students have the tools and access available to expand their knowledge and confidence to become tomorrow’s innovators. Each device is prepared with the applications and software necessary to afford them the opportunity to become lifelong learners, creators, and problem solvers.

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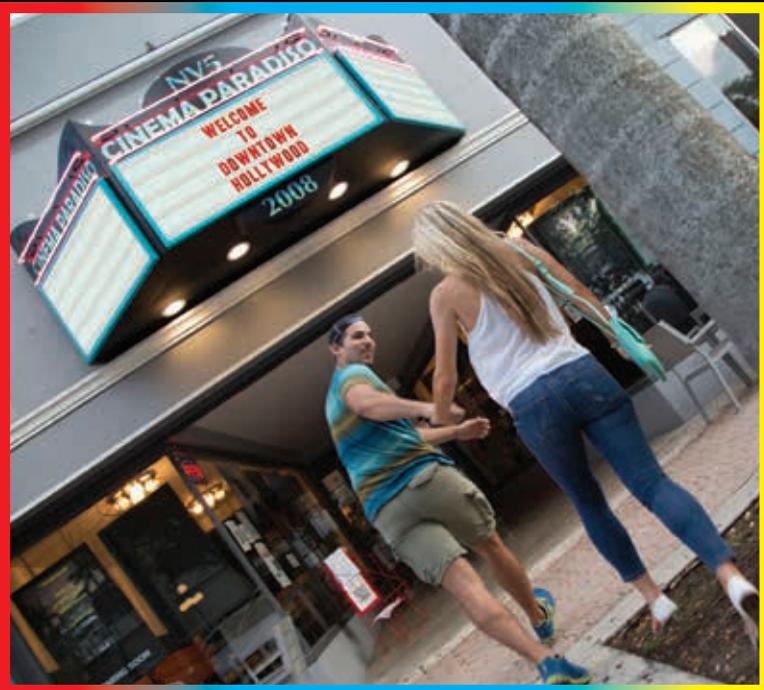


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# Vacation Rental Team Meets with City Staff

By HLCA Vacation Rental Team

In June, members of the HLCA Vacation Rental Team met with City of Hollywood staff members from Departments of Treasury, Code Enforcement and Development Services including the Chief Building Official. The meeting was arranged by Vice Mayor Caryl Shuham who also attended. The following is a summary of the various items discussed and updates that will occur subsequent to the meeting.

## **ILLEGAL AND UNPERMITTED RENOVATIONS OF HOMES:**

As outlined in the June Lakes Newsletter issue, many short term vacation rental (STVR) properties are altered to increase the number of bedrooms with many alterations performed illegally without permits. Since that publication, a study of the two largest investor groups was performed and presented to City staff in March. This study found that out of 19 properties, 16 were altered illegally without permits. The Team asked City staff for an update. City staff was not able to provide a complete update on these properties. However, as each of these properties come up for the annual license renewal, the required on site inspections will be performed and, in theory, any illegal or unpermitted work will be noted and violations issued.

The issue of the Broward County Property Appraisers (BCPA) changing the property record based on a phone call from the STVR owner/manager was reviewed. BCPA will provide City of Hollywood with records changes every 6 months. Subsequent to the meeting, Code compliance will now tag properties that have changed the BCPA record to alert inspectors that this property may have undergone illegal, unpermitted work.

In preparation for this meeting, Team members critically reviewed the current City Vacation Rental License Ordinance, 119.0. and the application and property checklist. The ordinance is strong; however, the application and property inspection checklist are cursory at best. The Team presented City staff with our recommended changes and enhancements to the application and property inspection check list incorporating requirements directly from the City ordinance. The beauty of the suggested application is that it places the burden of proof of legal renovations on the owner, instead of the current discovery of illegal unpermitted renovation on City staff. In addition, the suggested property inspection checklist compiles the requirements of the ordinance in an organized detailed list whereby 3rd party building inspectors, who are not familiar with STVR properties can conduct property inspections and identify the many ways these investors have scammed the city and us residents. These suggestions will be presented to the City Attorney for approval. These suggestions are taken directly from the existing City ordinance so the Team feels there should not be any reason why the City Attorney would reject the suggestions. In addition, Staff is discussing augmenting inspections with pictures and documented notes that can be used for future inspections, and possibly code enforcement.

## **VACATION RENTAL LICENSING:**

The City Treasurer's Office is the department through which STVR licenses are approved. Prior to the meeting, vacation rental licenses have been approved with open permits. We hope this process will change. At the meeting Team members expressed dismay at this practice and the importance of requiring vacation rentals to rectify outstanding permits and violations prior to initial and renewal of the rental license. Since the meeting, the published STVR properties registered with the City now includes the number of bedrooms and maximum occupancy of the property. As such, there is no ambiguity as to the maximum number of occupants a VR can advertise and sleep in a property. We discussed the possibility of adding violations to the vacation rental listing Excel spread sheet viewable at the City website, as well.

## **SEXUAL OFFENDERS:**

The City ordinance clearly states that sexual offenders and predators cannot rent an STVR if the property is within 1000 ft of school, bus stop, playground etc. Think about the number of locations in our neighborhood where children congregate, and then imagine an area extending 1000 ft away from that location. The ordinance is good; however, the ordinance does not state how the STVR owner/managers will document this requirement. Suggestions on documentation were discussed, but no resolution was reached during the meeting.

## **GRANICUS:**

The services provided by Granicus were discussed. Currently, Granicus acts as a 24 hour hot line that can be accessed by phone (954-231-2375) or web (<https://secure.hostcompliance.com/hollywood-fl/complaints/type>), as well as gather information from VR websites.

When a resident reports a complaint, Granicus sends a message simultaneously to code enforcement and the VR manager. If the complaint is reported during times when Code is not on duty, the complaint is forwarded to Police. As per the ordinance the STVR manager must be available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to respond to STVR issues. So, once Granicus notifies Code and the STVR manager, he/she has 60 minutes to resolve the complaint. Currently, an automated Granicus message calls back the resident in 30 minutes to ask if the problem is solved (press 1) or still ongoing (press 2) with no option for I don't know or give me extra time. The City will request Granicus

to add this option and increase the time Granicus returns a call to the resident. However, this does not remove the burden of proof from the resident. The burden of compliance should rest on the VR manager, not the resident. Granicus is still a work in progress.

In terms of data mining, Granicus can Identify non-licensed properties operating as vacation rentals. This feature has increased the number of licensed properties from approximately 300 to approximately 1,400. A new feature recently implemented is the Identification of properties advertising an occupancy greater than maximum allowed occupancy. City staff does not yet have data to evaluate this feature. In addition, the City reported that the cost of Granicus services was reduced from \$250K to \$160k annually.



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By HLCA Vacation Rental Team

### ORDINANCE UPDATE:

City Staff is working on updating the Vacation rental license. The Team asked Staff to look at the Miami Dade vacation rental ordinance which includes regulations in low density residential areas. Specifically: Section 2 (D) (4) ... Low Density residential, the property on which a vacation rental is operated shall be a residence in which the responsible party resides for more than 6 months per calendar year. It is our hope that the City of Hollywood will adopt and enforce a similar regulation.

### FINAL THOUGHTS:

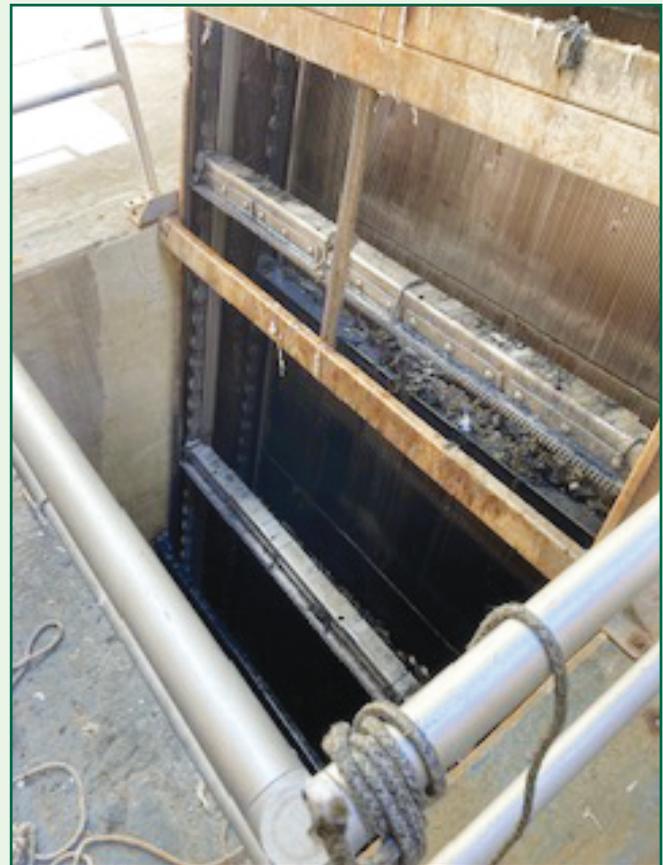
What can we do as residents to continue this fight?

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2. Prior to the start of the January 2023 State legislative session, we must educate state legislators on the negative impact the STVR have on our community. The egregious state legislation enacted in 2011 has aided and abetted the proliferation of private hotels within our residentially zoned single family home neighborhood. One in three houses sold in our Hollywood Lakes neighborhood in 2021 was sold to an LLC. These for profit entities have the ability to outbid families looking to relocate in our neighborhood. This has directly resulted in the removal of homes for families and children, decreasing attendance at local school and directly contributing to the housing shortage crisis. As we have witnessed, these for profit entities blatantly ignore City regulations and preservation of historic properties. Instead, these for profit investors engage in wanton destruction of our historic homes with illegal unpermitted work to increase bedrooms and maximum occupancy to increase profits. Finally, these STVR occupants are not our neighbors. The continual revolving door of strangers within our community with their late night parties, noise, parking issues, drag racing, garbage problems and the continual uncertainty they generate are problems that we, homeowners in residentially zoned single family home neighborhood, should not have to accept. Come 2023, be prepared to contact our state legislators. We will provide you with email contacts and content information. We must stop this cancer spreading throughout our communities. Otherwise, our neighborhood, City and State will no longer be one that serves us, the resident, but become one that serves only tourists and profits. Please stay tuned.

**Contact us if you want a Ban Them Now sign.**

(Ed: the HLCA Vacation Rental Team is made up of HLCA Directors and HLCA members at large)



Here are photos of the sewage filters in the Waste Water Treatment Plant Head End Building. These devices clogged up during the June 4th rain event

***What do you get when you divide the circumference of a pumpkin by its diameter? Pumpkin Pi.***

Growing up we didn't have much in the way of pumpkin flavored food and/or drink items and so pumpkin pie homemade by my great Aunt Ruth (slathered with cool whip...don't judge...it was the rage at the time) was quite the treat to look forward to at Thanksgiving. Now days pumpkin flavored/spice items, though many are on the shelves year round, really start to come out of their "pumpkin shell", are prominently promoted and prevalent on grocery shelves and at cafes and restaurants in so many ways, shapes, forms, textures and consistencies to kick off fall. My cousin Brooke who is much younger and so grew up with a more developed pumpkin palate with so many more pumpkin flavor varieties besides pie and an occasional pumpkin bread or muffin to choose from is a pumpkin spice flavor fan and so, though not quite the pumpkin connoisseur that she is, I'm often on the lookout for pumpkin themed recipes to share with her. I came across this one that seems to scream let's dive into fall (even as I write this in the holy heck it's hot heat of summer) with not only pumpkin as a key ingredient but maple syrup, cranberries and pumpkin seeds (as an option) added to the fall flavor profile. As school starts up again this make ahead grab and go breakfast/snack item might be nice to grab for the kids and for the grownups in the house to add to a spiced pumpkin latte option as they are so inclined. But don't forget to save room for that tradition of pumpkin pie at Thanksgiving (with a whipped topping of choice...cool whip still an option...don't judge) that many of us "of a certain age" grew up on and looked forward to.

### **Pumpkin-Cranberry Breakfast Cookies**

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1 tsp vanilla  
1/3 cup pumpkin puree  
1 cup old-fashioned oats  
1/2 cup dried cranberries  
1/3 cup other add ins like chopped walnut or pumpkin seeds

Combine flour, baking soda, ginger/spice and salt in a bowl. Beat together butter, oil and syrup until creamy. Add egg, vanilla and pumpkin. Beat until smooth. Add flour mixture and beat for 30 seconds. Fold in oats, dried cranberries and walnuts or pumpkin seeds. Refrigerate 30 minutes.

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Scoop dough heaping tablespoons 2 inches apart on baking sheet. Bake 12-13 minutes until light golden brown. Makes 2 dozen cookies.

*As I was writing this I got a call from a local realtor who was in the midst of some hubbub next door inviting me to walk over to meet/welcome a soon to be (inspections pending ergo the hubbub) new neighbor. We had our fingers crossed that the house, recently vacated by beloved neighbors Joe and Jackie, who moved back to Buffalo full time would go to a "family" so we could neighbor back up and escape the woes of another vacation rental next door. (We have one next door to the east...smh). I already made sure our (fingers crossed inspection results pending went well) that the new neighbor-to-be had an HLCA newsletter in hand before she flew back to Austin to (hopefully) pack up for the relocation and can't wait to bake up something yummy to take over when the closing is complete and she, her husband and three dogs (a family) are settled in. How do you welcome neighbors in order to promote community?! Here's a quick and easy tried and true go-to pumpkin bread recipe that's sure to elicit a welcome to the neighborhood or even a so glad you are my neighbor warm fall feeling to a home/neighbor near you.*

### **One Pan Pumpkin Bread**

Combine 1 1/4 cup sugar with 2 teaspoons cinnamon. Add 1 cup canned pumpkin, 1/3 cup vegetable oil and 3 eggs. Stir in 2 1/3 cups Bisquick (I'm a fan). Beat mixture vigorously for 1 minute. Add in 1/2 cup raisin (sometimes I add chocolate chips). Pour into a bread loaf pan greased on the bottom. Bake at 350 degrees for 50-60 minutes or until a toothpick comes out clean. Cool, share and enjoy.

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# BROWARD COUNTY COMMISSIONER BEAM FURR

Commuter rail was instrumental in the creation of Hollywood. As residents of the Lakes who have studied the local history of our downtown or attended a Historical Society presentation know, Hollywood had a commuter rail stop near Pierce Street next to downtown before the city even formed. This station on the Dixie Highway Florida East Coast Railway (FEC) tracks was instrumental in bringing so many of the early settlers to the city and allowing for the initial boom of our downtown. Due to changes in railroad activities toward freight, this station and commuter rail on the FEC track eventually closed down. However, due to congestion and climate change, the need for an affordable public transit option along this railroad track has once again become a significant need. After years of hard work, we are near achieving that goal of resurrecting commuter rail that will stop in Hollywood's downtown.

Commuter rail allows residents to move around to work and to play by hopping on a train and getting to their destination without sitting in traffic or spending money on gas. Commuter rail on the FEC tracks is different than the Tri-Rail because it runs through our major downtowns, like Hollywood, Fort Lauderdale, Pompano Beach, and down to Miami. Currently, the plan is to add six commuter rail stations in Broward County, including one at Tyler Street and Dixie Highway in downtown Hollywood, as well as at the Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport. The plan is to have this commuter rail line extend into Miami-Dade and eventually Palm Beach County. In recent weeks, Broward County has taken steps to work with Miami-Dade County to move forward with the southern portion of this commuter rail, joining the stops in Hollywood and at the airport with the new station in Aventura. This is some of the biggest progress that has been made on this important project. The hope is that this commuter rail will serve as the "spine" for an entire transit network in Broward County, with buses, light rail, and other transit options moving residents east-to-west as this commuter rail moves them north south. This would be a comprehensive system to bring us in line with other major urban areas.

The creation of this commuter rail station would be a boon to downtown Hollywood. It would make life more convenient for our residents who travel to Fort Lauderdale or Miami regularly. It would also bring significant business into our downtown and help our small businesses thrive. We can invest in workforce housing near this station so that teachers, first responders, nurses, and other workers can go from their home to work without ever stepping into a car. It will have significant environmental benefits by lowering emissions, which is crucial to combatting climate change.

Overall, when combined with our community shuttle and other transportation options in downtown Hollywood, it will make the area a significantly more walkable and livable place to be.

Hollywood has already seen the benefits of commuter rail along this line. The city's history demonstrates the significant impact commuter rail had on our downtown. I look forward to seeing this project through so that this generation of Hollywood residents can benefit.

## Anchoring Limitation Area

The possible creation of an Anchoring Limitation Area in Hollywood North Lake is a major issue to so many in the Hollywood Lakes. Currently, an agreement is being finalized that we hope will bring some resolution to this issue. While details are not yet available, we expect to be able to announce something publicly very soon. Please stay tuned and contact my office for more updates!

## Contact Us

Our District office is conveniently located within the lobby of the Hollywood Branch of the Broward County Public Library at 2600 Hollywood Blvd, next to Hollywood City Hall. My District office staff is available to you from 10 AM to 4 PM, Monday through Friday. If you plan a visit, please note the library building opens at noon on Mondays and Tuesdays. My staff is also working from my office in Fort Lauderdale and from other locations within our District. The Fort Lauderdale office is open for your convenience Monday through Friday from 9 AM to 5 PM. If you would like to schedule an appointment, or have a great idea, suggestion or an issue that may need my attention, feel free to call me at 954-357-7006/-7790 or send me an email at [bfurr@broward.org](mailto:bfurr@broward.org).



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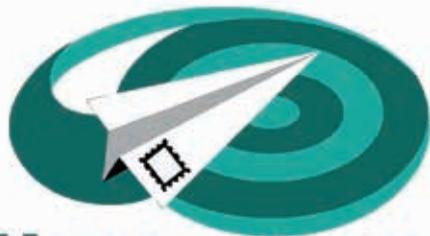
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# CANDIDATES FORUM



The HLCA in partnership with the Hollywood Beach Civic Assn, the North Beach Assn and the Downtown Parkside Royal Poinciana Civic Assn hosted a State District 1010 Candidates Forum in June. This event was very well attended and all three candidates impressed the attendees.

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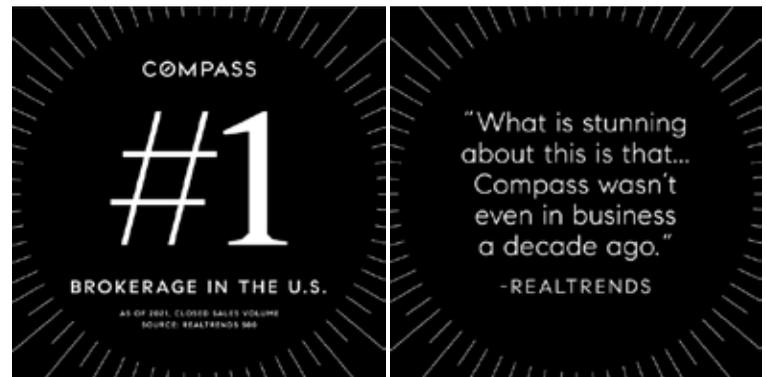
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# Summer Chill

After two years of a sizzling market in Hollywood Lakes, there are signs of moderation ahead. But while bidding wars are waning, our market remains active and a popular destination for many.

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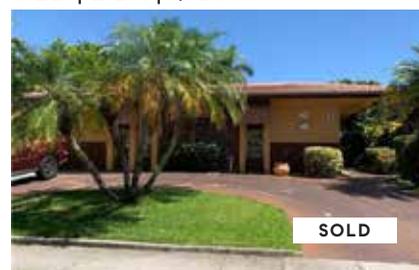
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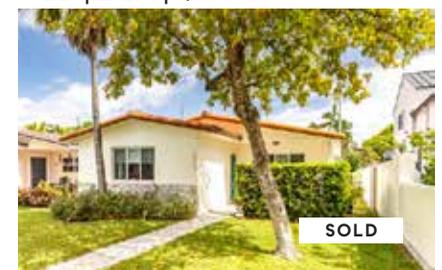
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## WOMEN'S CLUB AWARD



The City of Hollywood awarded the Historic Project of the Year award to the Hollywood Women's Club in May for their amazing restoration of the 1928 Club House.