

# CITY OF DELTONA

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

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To: Deltona City Commission  
From: Faith G. Miller, City Manager  
Subject: Weekly Courtesy Report  
Date: January 11, 2013

## **Deltona 2013 Job Fair:**

Staff is organizing and preparing for our 2<sup>nd</sup> Deltona Job Fair which is scheduled for Friday, March 15<sup>th</sup> in our Commission Chambers. We are looking at this date as this is during DSC's Spring Break so that we can utilize their parking lot as we did during 2012. Staff has its first event planning meeting scheduled for next week. If any member of the Commission has any suggestions for changes or improvements to the overall Job Fair as hosted by the City, please let me know. Thank you.

## **EVAC Building:**

Within the next few weeks, we will be moving Parks' administrative operations from the Commission Chambers to the former EVAC building next to Dewey Boster Park. There will be some cost involved in minor improvements, painting and clean-up of the existing building. No structural changes will occur at this time as we want to test the Parks' operations in this location before expending any funds outside of the cost of the move and clean-up of the building. Any proposed structural changes to the building, if necessary, will be considered during the FY 13/14 budget process. Parks & Rec. existing space in the Commission Chambers will be made available for use as meeting space as appropriate. This will keep the majority of the Parks & Recreation Department in one central location within our premier Soccer Complex.

We also will be moving all items stored in the one trailer that is in very poor condition out at the Parks & Rec yard next to Festival Park to half of the "bay area" of the EVAC building. Items stored in this trailer are mainly structural components for many of the City's special events such as the materials for the Haunted Trail at Spooktacular. Once these items are moved to the EVAC building, this trailer will be demolished and removed; we do not believe the trailer can be hauled away in one piece as it is in that bad of condition. The other trailer at the Parks & Rec yard will continue to serve as a central location for the Parks & Rec field crew to meet in the mornings, get their assignments and go out into the field and for the supervisor to complete paperwork, order supplies, etc.

## **ECHO Funds:**

As you may have read in the newspaper, the County has extended the ECHO application deadline to May 1<sup>st</sup>. The technical review deadline is March 8, 2013 by 5:00 p.m. Staff will be meeting next

week to further consider recommendations for projects to submit for ECHO funds; once staff provides their list, I will forward such list to the City Commission. We will need to move quickly on preparing the grant applications and supporting documentations to meet the County's deadline. The City has notified the County of the following potential ECHO projects, the dollar amount reflected is the amount of the ECHO grant request not the total project cost:

- Lakeshore Multi-Purpose Trail Project - \$55,000 (This application has been submitted)
- Manny Rodriguez Multi-Purpose Field - \$125,000
- Dwight Hawkins Multi-Purpose Field - \$120,000
- Deltona Disc Golf Course - \$5,000
- Veterans Museum 1,000 sq. ft. expansion - \$100,000
- Deltona Performing Arts (Event) Center - \$600,000

ECHO funding is a 50/50 match not including permitting, design and engineering fees. ECHO funds only pay for tangible improvements that would be available for all residents of the County to utilize. Permitting, design and engineering fees for any of these projects would need to be paid by the City. The land for said project can be a match as long as it hasn't been used for a match on any other project and it was bought within the last five (5) years. At least half of the 50% match, 25%, must be in cash. Any required match on successful grant applications would need to come from the City's fund balance as we have not at this time set aside specific funds for "matches" in any City fund.

Attached for your information as Exhibit A are the Survey Projected Projects List for 2012/13 – 2013/14 for the above named potential projects.

### **City Hall Pool Vehicle:**

As the Commission may recall, on December 10, 2012, the Commission approved the purchase of twelve (12) vehicles piggybacking the Florida Sheriff's Association Contract #12-20-0905. During the discussion of this item, the Commission directed staff to change the Toyota Prius Hybrid to the Ford Fusion Hybrid since our entire fleet of vehicles are Ford vehicles this allows for standardization among one brand and assists our Fleet Maintenance in managing our fleet.

The Ford Fusion Hybrid is for a "pool vehicle" for City Hall to replace the current Ford Taurus – this is the only passenger vehicle in our Fleet and it is currently used for employees attending outside training/meetings, site inspections by Planning & Development Services' personnel related to our housing programs, and traveling to different City locations as needed. A more reliable, newer "pool vehicle" will also be used by our Economic Development Manager to transport potential developers to sites throughout the City. Since the Commission approved the purchase of the Ford Fusion, I have had a few concerns – the 2013 Ford Fusion has been recalled twice with the most recall in December 2012; and the Ford Fusion has been rated by Consumer Reports as the "*worst value small hatchback*" in the Hybrid category (Exhibit B - copy of the article is attached). Staff has looked at a Ford C-Max which is another Hybrid passenger vehicle from Ford that has not had, to my knowledge, any recent recalls. In reading reviews of this vehicle, there have been some discrepancies noted between the mileage per gallon (MPG) that Ford reports – 47 mpg vs. actual

mpg of consumers who have purchased the vehicles, but the mileage at 37-40 mpg is still fuel efficient. The Ford C-Max is very close in price to the Ford Fusion.

Absent any objection from the Commission and since replacing the Ford Taurus was approved through the FY 12/13 budget process and also approved via the December 10<sup>th</sup> Commission action, staff will proceed with the purchase of the Ford C-Max (Exhibit C) to replace the Ford Taurus.

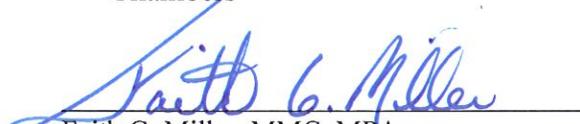
**Update from City's Labor Attorney, Jeff Mandel:**

*"On August 3, 2011, in accordance with Article 28, Section 2 of the expired collective bargaining agreement, the City notified Local 2913 of the City's intent to correct a disparity that had existed since 2009 and place the firefighters on the same health insurance plans as all other City employees. Thereafter, Local 2913 requested to bargain over the changes, and the City did so. On August 22, 2011, after being unable to reach agreement on the health insurance changes, the City declared an impasse in negotiations. On November 17, 2011, a PERC-appointed Special Magistrate conducted an impasse hearing. After the hearing, on December 16, 2011, Local 2913's attorney, Paul Donnelly, sent a letter to the City on behalf of Local 2913 unconditionally accepting the City's proposed changes. Based on that letter, the City implemented the changes. Local 2913 responded by filing a grievance, which they advanced to arbitration, claiming that the City violated the expired collective bargaining agreement by implementing the health insurance changes that they had unconditionally agreed-to. The City responded by informing Local 2913 that the City's actions were legally proper and that Local 2913's grievance raised issues that could only be resolved by the Florida Public Employees Relations Commission. Local 2913 advanced their grievance to arbitration, and the City agreed to participate in the arbitration without waiving its position regarding the arbitrator's ability to hear the dispute.*

*On November 13, 2012, an arbitration hearing was held over the City implementing the agreed-to health insurance changes. At the outset of the hearing, Local 2913's attorney announced that Local 2913 would not go forward with the hearing unless the City dropped its position that the matter should be in front of the Florida Public Employees Relations Commission, not an arbitrator. The City would not give up its legal rights, but agreed to allow the arbitrator to move forward, hear the dispute, and make a decision, subject to court review. Such court review of an arbitrator's decision is provided by both the collective bargaining agreement and the Florida Statutes. Local 2913 refused to allow the hearing to go forward claiming that the City's refusal to waive its judicial review right was tantamount to the City refusing to arbitrate. The City reiterated that it was not refusing to arbitrate – the City was prepared and ready to move forward with the arbitration. However, as Local 2913 refused to move forward with the hearing, the arbitrator reluctantly granted Local 2913's requested continuance of the hearing. Local 2913 has apparently filed a lawsuit, that we have not yet seen, claiming that the City refuses to arbitrate this matter, and asking the court to compel the City to do so. We believe that this claim is frivolous as the City has not refused to arbitrate – it is Local 2913 who refuses to arbitrate unless the City waives its legal rights."*

**Ongoing/Upcoming Events:**

- **Commission Workshop Meeting** – Monday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m. – 2<sup>nd</sup> flr. Conference Room; Topics: Saxon Ridge settlement proposal; aerial fire truck purchase vs. two new engines; Fire-based emergency transport; and scheduling of future workshop topics
- **Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday** - City Administrative Offices closed on Monday, January 21<sup>st</sup>;
- **Regular City Commission Meeting** – Tuesday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 6:30 p.m. – Commission Chambers
- **Commission Workshop Meeting** – Monday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m. – Commission Chambers; Topic: Status report on water/sewer rate study by rate consultants.
- **Regular City Commission Meeting** – Monday, February 4<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m. – Commission Chambers



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Faith G. Miller, MMC, MPA  
City Manager

Exhibit A

Project 6 ECHO

# SURVEY - PROJECTED PROJECTS 2012/13 - 2013/14

This survey is to gather information on potential future ECHO projects. Eligible applicants are either Municipalities, Not for Profit organizations, or departments of Volusia County. You may reply even if you have not created your organization or found a partner who is an eligible applicant. If you do not have actual information, then estimate. N/A (not applicable) is not an appropriate response.

1. Organization Name \_\_\_\_\_ City of Deltona \_\_\_\_\_

2. Contact Name Cheryl S Atkins Title Grants Coordinator

Phone (386) 878-8853 Email catkins@deltonafl.gov

3. Project Information \_\_\_\_\_

a. Name of Project Lakeshore Multi-Purpose Trail Project

b. Address of Project 2345 Providence Blvd

c. Year to be open to the public 2016

d. Grant Application Years  12/13  13/14

e. Is your project  New  Expansion/Addition  Renovation  Historic Restoration

Historic or Off-Beach Parking Reimbursement

f. Is the project in a CRA District? No

g. Describe the project, the project audience and what need this project fills in the community. (Insert text up to 500 words in length)

If awarded the ECHO funding request for the Lakeshore Multipurpose Trail project, ECHO will be providing the matching grant to the Volusia County TPO grant for the construction of the project. This is a trail from Thornby Park along Providence Blvd to Lakeshore Blvd and into Green Springs Park.

4. EXPENSES/REVENUES: Include expenses from final design to completed construction, and/or Acquisition costs if appropriate. Do not include your administrative costs.

**Proposed Project Acquisition, Design and Construction Costs:**

a. Anticipated Total Project Cost (include existing and future)	550,000.00
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**Project Construction Revenue Sources:**

b. Cash Currently Available and Reserved for Project	0.00
c. Cash Spent on Project Within Five Years of ECHO Application	0.00
d. ECHO Grant Request	55,000.00
e. Cash from Anticipated Future Income/Revenue of Applicant	495,000.00
f. Total b through e (a = f)	550,000.00

Note: Lines a and f should be the same number.

5. How would you prefer to submit your Grant Application:

- Written (1 original and 12 hard copies)
- Digitally (1 original, 1 hard copy, and 11 CD copies)

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 DESIGN 10%  
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 CONST 85% 412,500  
 550,000

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3. Project Information \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. Name of Project Manny Rodriquez Multi-Purpose Field
  - b. Address of Project 2345 Providence Blvd
  - c. Year to be open to the public 2014
  - d. Grant Application Years 12/13 13/14
  - e. Is your project New Expansion/Addition Renovation Historic Restoration  
Historic or Off-Beach Parking Reimbursement
  - f. Is the project in a CRA District? No
  - g. Describe the project, the project audience and what need this project fills in the community. (Insert text up to 500 words in length)

If awarded the ECHO funding request for the Manny Rodriquez Multi-Purpose Field, the field will be constructed to be used as a Soccer/Football field. It will have Musco Sports Lighting and be open for public use from Dawn to Dusk (later events scheduled through office). The area of Deltona where Manny Rodriquez Park is located is heavily populated and there are very few places for sports teams to compete. These lighted fields are being designed as a multiple sport field to provide the highest saturation of users. The year round availability for all sports seasons provides the most use and availability to all.

4. **EXPENSES/REVENUES:** Include expenses from final design to completed construction, and/or Acquisition costs if appropriate. Do not include your administrative costs.

<b>Proposed Project Acquisition, Design and Construction Costs:</b>	
a. Anticipated Total Project Cost (include existing and future)	<u>250,000.00</u>
<b>Project Construction Revenue Sources:</b>	
b. Cash Currently Available and Reserved for Project	<u>0.00</u>
c. Cash Spent on Project Within Five Years of ECHO Application	<u>0.00</u>
d. ECHO Grant Request	<u>125,000.00</u>
e. Cash from Anticipated Future Income/Revenue of Applicant	<u>125,000.00</u>
f. Total b through e (a = f)	<u>250,000.00</u>

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3. Project Information \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. Name of Project Dwight Hawkins Multi-Purpose Field
  - b. Address of Project 2345 Providence Blvd
  - c. Year to be open to the public 2014
  - d. Grant Application Years 12/13 13/14
  - e. Is your project New Expansion/Addition Renovation Historic Restoration  
Historic or Off-Beach Parking Reimbursement
  - f. Is the project in a CRA District? No
  - g. Describe the project, the project audience and what need this project fills in the community. (Insert text up to 500 words in length)

If awarded, the ECHO funding request will be to construct at (2) Softball/Baseball Sports Fields at Dwight Hawkins Park. It will have Musco Sports Lighting and be open for public use from Dawn to Dusk (later events scheduled through office). The area of Deltona where Dwight Hawkins Park is located is heavily populated and there are very few places for sports teams to compete. These lighted fields are being designed as a multiple sports field to provide the highest saturation of users. The year round availability for all sports seasons provides the most use and availability to all.

4. **EXPENSES/REVENUES: Include expenses from final design to completed construction, and/or Acquisition costs if appropriate. Do not include your administrative costs.**

**Proposed Project Acquisition, Design and Construction Costs:**

a. Anticipated Total Project Cost (include existing and future)	240,000.00
<b>Project Construction Revenue Sources:</b>	
b. Cash Currently Available and Reserved for Project	0.00
c. Cash Spent on Project Within Five Years of ECHO Application	0.00
d. ECHO Grant Request	120,000.00
e. Cash from Anticipated Future Income/Revenue of Applicant	120,000.00
f. Total b through e (a = f)	240,000.00

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3. Project Information \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. Name of Project Deltona Disc Golf Course
  - b. Address of Project 2345 Providence Blvd
  - c. Year to be open to the public 2014
  - d. Grant Application Years 12/13 13/14
  - e. Is your project New Expansion/Addition Renovation Historic Restoration  
Historic or Off-Beach Parking Reimbursement
  - f. Is the project in a CRA District? No
  - g. Describe the project, the project audience and what need this project fills in the community.  
(Insert text up to 500 words in length)

This project is intended to provide an additional place for families to gather and exercise and play together as they use the simple skill of throwing a Frisbee. Many families can use the facility at the same time and there will be no waiting around for a turn to play. We are starting with a 9 hole course with the hope of expanding it to 18 in the future. This facility is being established to provide recreational opportunity for all ages 2 yr olds to 90 yr olds.

A well designed disc golf course is environmentally friendly and utilizes an area's existing topography. Varied terrain is an advantage. Trees, shrubs, hills, creeks and lakes offer more obstacles and challenge to a course. There is no clear-cutting of trees, grading of land, costly fertilizer, or mowing maintenance necessary. Courses have been installed on old landfills, around reservoirs where there is a hundred year-flood buffer and Pole Holes have been anchored into above-ground concrete forms so as to avoid any digging in sensitive areas where land disturbance needs to remain at a minimum.

4. **EXPENSES/REVENUES:** Include expenses from final design to completed construction, and/or Acquisition costs if appropriate. Do not include your administrative costs.

**Proposed Project Acquisition, Design and Construction Costs:**

- a. Anticipated Total Project Cost (include existing and future) 50,000.00

**Project Construction Revenue Sources:**

b.	Cash Currently Available and Reserved for Project	0.00
c.	Cash Spent on Project Within Five Years of ECHO Application	0.00
d.	ECHO Grant Request	5,000.00
e.	Cash from Anticipated Future Income/Revenue of Applicant	5,000.00
f.	Total b through e (a = f)	10,000.00

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5. How would you prefer to submit your Grant Application:

- Written (1 original and 12 hard copies)
- Digitally (1 original, 1 hard copy, and 11 CD copies)
- No Preference

**Deadline for submitting survey is Monday, June 4, 2012**

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2. Contact Name Cheryl S Atkins Title Grants Coordinator  
 Phone (386) 878-8853 Email catkins@deltonafl.gov
3. Project Information \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. Name of Project Veterans Museum Expansion Survey
  - b. Address of Project 2345 Providence Blvd
  - c. Year to be open to the public 2014
  - d. Grant Application Years 12/13 13/14
  - e. Is your project New Expansion/Addition Renovation Historic Restoration  
Historic or Off-Beach Parking Reimbursement
  - f. Is the project in a CRA District? No
  - g. Describe the project, the project audience and what need this project fills in the community. (Insert text up to 500 words in length)

If awarded the ECHO funding request for the Museum at Veterans Memorial Park, the museum will be expanded by 1,000 square feet. This expansion will be used to house more exhibits and provide more space for the patrons of the museum to browse and remember all of the Veterans from all of the Wars. This is a historical space that provides cultural and educational activities for all ages in all of Volusia County.

4. **EXPENSES/REVENUES: Include expenses from final design to completed construction, and/or Acquisition costs if appropriate. Do not include your administrative costs.**

**Proposed Project Acquisition, Design and Construction Costs:**

a. Anticipated Total Project Cost (include existing and future) 200,000.00

**Project Construction Revenue Sources:**

b. Cash Currently Available and Reserved for Project	<u>0.00</u>
c. Cash Spent on Project Within Five Years of ECHO Application	<u>0.00</u>
d. ECHO Grant Request	<u>100,000.00</u>
e. Cash from Anticipated Future Income/Revenue of Applicant	<u>100,000.00</u>
f. Total b through e (a = f)	<u>200,000.00</u>

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 Phone (386) 878-8853 Email catkins@deltonafl.gov
3. Project Information \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. Name of Project Deltona Performing Arts (Event) Center
  - b. Address of Project 2345 Providence Blvd
  - c. Year to be open to the public 2016
  - d. Grant Application Years  12/13  13/14
  - e. Is your project  New  Expansion/Addition  Renovation  Historic Restoration  
 Historic or Off-Beach Parking Reimbursement
  - f. Is the project in a CRA District? No
  - g. Describe the project, the project audience and what need this project fills in the community. (Insert text up to 500 words in length)

If awarded, the ECHO funding request for the Deltona Performing Arts Center will be used for the construction of a multipurpose facility. This facility would provide a place for the three Deltona High School attendees to have their graduations as well as a venue for theater and concert performances year round. As the largest city in Volusia County we are a young City that is trying to establish services provided by older cities of our size to the residents.

4. **EXPENSES/REVENUES: Include expenses from final design to completed construction, and/or Acquisition costs if appropriate. Do not include your administrative costs.**

**Proposed Project Acquisition, Design and Construction Costs:**

a. Anticipated Total Project Cost (include existing and future) 3,000,000.00

**Project Construction Revenue Sources:**

b. Cash Currently Available and Reserved for Project	0.00
c. Cash Spent on Project Within Five Years of ECHO Application	0.00
d. ECHO Grant Request	600,000.00
e. Cash from Anticipated Future Income/Revenue of Applicant	2,400,000.00
f. Total b through e (a = f)	3,000,000.00

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  - No Preference

This year, city officials approved a new policy that requires special event organizers to pay 100 percent of the cost of city staff overtime and facility rentals along with a 50 percent deposit five to six weeks before the event.

Officials also tacked on an administrative fee of 5 percent of the cost of producing the event and are only allowing three weekends — 36 weekends a year — to be set aside in any month for events.

"We got burned," Barcinski said. "Now we have done some things to protect the city."

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## Best value cars? Hybrids.

Prius replaces Honda Fit as best value car, according to Consumer Reports. Although hybrids cost more, they're cheaper to operate. Prius costs owners 49 cents per mile, half the average for gasoline-only cars.

By Philip LeBeau, CNBC Auto and Airline Industry Reporter, 12/27

They may not be sexy or exciting to drive, but a new study by Consumer Reports said hybrids offer the best value for those buying a new vehicle.

Consumer Reports analyzed 200 new cars, SUVs, and minivans to come up with its latest list of the best and worst value vehicles.

While gas-electric hybrids often cost substantially more than comparable models that are gasoline powered only, Consumer Reports said other factors make hybrids a great value.

In this year's report, the Toyota Prius has replaced the Honda Fit as the best value for car buyers. "It's extremely reliable, roomy, rides well, gets great fuel economy, and is inexpensive to operate," says Rik Paul, automotive editor at Consumer Reports.

Consumer Reports estimates the Prius costs owners \$.49 cents per mile — less than half the cost of operating the average car.

This is the first time in four years Consumer Reports did not rate the Honda Fit as the best new-car value.

**Consumer Reports calculates value scores for vehicles using the five-year owner cost for each vehicle, the Consumer Reports road-test score, and the vehicle's predicted reliability. Depreciation is the biggest cost for new vehicle buyers.**

Consumer Reports rated Toyota Motor and Lexus models as the best value for buyers in six of 10 categories. The magazine said Toyota and Lexus hybrids stand out as having excellent value. The Japanese automakers hybrids rated No. 1 in three of four categories.

The latest recognition from Consumer Reports comes as Toyota is enjoying strong sales for its flagship hybrid line-up, the Prius. This year, Toyota has set a record for the Prius, selling more than 200,000 models in the U.S.

On Wednesday, Toyota agreed to pay more than \$1 billion to settle a class action lawsuit related to investigations and complaints about unintended acceleration in 2010.

**Consumer Reports Best and Worst Values:**

\* Best Value Small Hatchbacks: Toyota Prius Four

\* Worst Value Small Hatchbacks: Ford Focus SE

Best Value Family Sedan: Toyota Camry Hybrid XLE

Worst Value Family Sedan: Chrysler 200 Limited (V6)

Best Value Large /Luxury SUV: Lexus RX 350

Worst Value Large /Luxury SUV: Nissan Armada Platinum

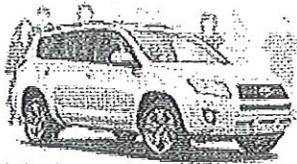
Best Value Minivan/Wagon: Toyota Prius V Three

Worst Value Minivan/Wagon: Chrysler Town & Country Touring-L

Best Value Small SUV: Honda CR-V EX

Worst Value Small SUV: Mini Cooper Countryman S

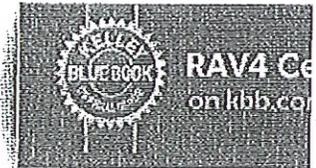
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## Featured Hybrid 2013 Ford C-MAX Hybrid



## About Hybrids

The drive for increased fuel economy has given us more hybrid cars. With their forward-thinking design and advanced capabilities, hybrids of today are better than ever and come in all shapes and sizes. See for yourself how many of your favorite cars have become fuel misers. Don't be surprised when you find an impressive selection of hybrid SUV models

If you are on the hunt for a highly-efficient vehicle, but unwilling to sacrifice horsepower and responsive handling, the 2013 Ford C-Max provides the best balance of fuel economy and driving fun in the segment



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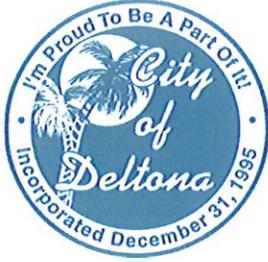
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Consumer Rating **8.5**  
out of 10

MPG **47/47**

Horsepower **188**

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CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

To: Deltona City Commission  
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 Subject: Weekly Courtesy Report  
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## CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE thru 01/11/13

### Communication (Lee Lopez, Public Information Officer):

- Working with the Wellness Committee on the 2013 Wellness Challenge.
- Working with the Information Technology Services (IT) department to clean and organize the TV Room.
- Posted MLK events on Facebook, Twitter, Web site, E-blast and forwarded their press release and photo of the speaker to the news media.
- Sent Office of Economic Development events to the City Clerk for inclusion on the City's Event Calendar.
- Assisted the Office of Economic Development with the planning and photography of a ground breaking ceremony for a new McDonalds location.
- Completed a flyer, bus shelter poster and small sign for the upcoming 5K race event, and posted information about the race to Facebook and Twitter.
- Met with members of the Planning & Development Department, Building Services Office and the Office of Economic Development to discuss the implementation of the "Open for Business" campaign.
- Updated DeltonaTV schedules for the week of January 13<sup>th</sup>.
- Updated DeltonaTV programming—UCF (Global Perspectives, MetroCenter Outlook, Arts Performance), White House Chronicle, VA Weekly News, the American Veteran—for the week of January 13<sup>th</sup>.
- Finished the January issue of the Pride newsletter.
- Updated NSP "Carousel of Homes" on DeltonaTV.
- Created presentation slides of the Christmas Parade contest winners for an Awards Presentation at the January 7<sup>th</sup> Commission Meeting.
- Reviewed and tallied votes submitted for "Holiday Parade of Homes" contest.
- Technical troubleshooting with IT Dept, for TV Room DVD duplicator equipment—continuing work in progress until resolved.
- Contacted all Christmas Parade winners, judges and Emcee talent to confirm their attendance at the January 7<sup>th</sup> Commission meeting for the Awards Presentations.
- Reviewed list of business editor contacts with Beth Kassab/Orlando Sentinel.
- Live broadcast of the January 7<sup>th</sup> Commission Meeting and recorded for rebroadcast on DeltonaTV.

### Press Release/s:

- McDonald's Ground Breaking Event
- Focus 9 Ribbon Cutting Event
- Deltona Love Your Heart 5K Run

**Media Relations:**

- Provided information regarding Deltona Water employee assisting elderly resident who was trapped in his garage, to Al Everson/West Volusia Beacon.
- Provided information regarding Deltona City statistics for “Our Town Welcome Page”, to Kathleen Rasche/Daytona News Journal.
- Contacted WFTV/Ch. 9, regarding their erroneous report that the City was enacting a nuisance ordinance targeting group homes and would take action on that ordinance at the January 7<sup>th</sup> Commission Meeting. Expecting a response by next week.

**Business Development** (Jerry Mayes, Economic Development Manager):

- Met with Kerry Symolon, of Team Volusia, regarding a workshop on incentive packages. Another meeting is planned to finalize this initiative.
- Continued work on solicitations packages to Sedano Supermarkets and Gordon Food Supply (markets). Team Volusia’s Stephen Lawrence is working on the graphics solicitation booklet.
- Met with Renee Tellevast, Executive Director of the West Volusia Tourism Board, and will continue utilizing this Board to promote Deltona and events being held in the City.
- Prepared for and attended the McDonalds groundbreaking on the WalMart outparcel at Howland and SR415. Excellent attendance by local elected representatives, the franchise owners and McDonald’s staff, Ronald McDonald, chamber members, DEDAB Sub-committee members, City staff, and other business owners. Formal construction will begin later this month with an expected opening in 90 to 120 days.
- Preparing for the Focus 9 Financials ribbon cutting ceremony on January 15<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 AM.
- Finalized preparations for the February 16<sup>th</sup> “Run for Your Heart” 5K event, with press releases sent out and posters prepared.
- Attended the Florida Brownfields Association’s 2013 Planning Meeting, held in Cocoa, to discuss agendas for the annual conference and regional meetings. Also discussed classes which could be held locally and regionally to assist Cities with “best practices” for resolving Brownfields issues.
- Attended the Team Volusia Economic Development Practitioner Planning Meeting to develop the agenda for the first six months of 2013.
- Met with City staff and George Lopez of Open Hands Ministry and Bill Chase, Mr. Lopez’s consultant, regarding procedures for preparing the former skating rink building on Doyle Road for use as a non-profit food and clothing warehouse/distribution center/ “quasi” retail store.
- Attended the initial staff meeting to discuss "Open for Business" certification and logo use/placement. This certification shows that Deltona has attained specific goals in streamlining the application process for businesses. Staff continues to examine all aspects of the “application-to-opening process” to make our City more business friendly. “TIME KILLS DEALS!”
- As City Liaison, attended the monthly meetings of the DEDAB Micro-incubator and Lakeshore Eco-Economic Study Sub-committee and the Educational and Medical Facilities Study Sub-committee. Meetings are held on the second Friday of each month, and the public is encouraged to attend.
- Met with staff to establish procedures for reservations and use of the Business Assistance Center.

**BUILDING & ENFORCEMENT SERVICES** (Dale Baker, Director) thru 01/04/2013

**Building Services Division:**

Building Permits issued for the week .....	38
Valuation of work permitted for the week.....	\$245,943
Inspections completed for the week .....	86
Total Permits issued for Fiscal Year 12/13 .....	723



Documents imaged, pages .....2,615  
 Large scale drawings imaged, pages ..... 0

**FINANCE DEPARTMENT** (Bob Clinger, Finance Director) thru 01/09/2013

- Prepared agenda memo for fertilizers/chemicals for Parks and Recreation department.
- Attended meeting with Water Department staff regarding fuel tank purchase.
- Met with Guardian Fueling Technologies to go over options for fuel tanks.
- Met with Parks and Recreation Director and Assistant Director to discuss best practice for Ace Hardware multiple purchases.
- Working with Stanley, Hunt, DuPree & Rhine on “Other Postemployment Benefits Evaluation” report for FYE 9/30/12.
- Finalizing accounting schedules for pertinent GL accounts.

**FIRE/RESCUE DEPARTMENT** (Fire Chief Robert Staples) thru 01/9/13

**Deputy Chief Rogers:**

- Alarm summary 1/1/2013 to 1/7/2013

Structure fire	5
Vehicle Fire	0
Wild land, grass, trash	0
Misc. Fire	4
ALS Medicals	73
BLS & Misc. Medicals	68
Hazardous Condition	2
Service Calls	6
Good Intent	18
<u>False Alarms</u>	<u>6</u>
TOTAL	182

- Apparatus Update:

E61 FD-1233	In Service at Station 61.
E62 FD-0655	In Service at Station 62.
E63 FD-1021	In Service at Station 63.
E64 FD-0654	In Service at Station 64.
E65 FD-0900	Out of Service for PM and Pump Test at Fleet.
Resv A FD-9925	In Service at Station 65.
Resv C FD-0214	In Service at Fleet.
Ladder FD-0300	Out of Service at Fleet.
R61 FD-0910	In service at Station 61.
R62 FD-0754	In Service at Station 62.
Brush 61	Out of Service due to Pump problems
Brush 62, 63, and 64	In Service.

**Deputy Chief Rafferty:**

- Remodeled the Training room at Station 61.
- Met with Chief Staples regarding the Commission Workshop.

- Met with Lt. Carter and Chief Sievert regarding an Explorer complaint.
- Pre-Planning EMS training for this month.
- Instructed Basic Life Support CPR class.
- Replaced out of date Controlled Substances.
- Updated Heart Monitors (E-64).

**HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT** (Thomas Acquaro, Director) thru 01/09/13

- Performance Evaluations processed: 10
- Deltona JOBS Program Folders
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor lobby – (10) added
  - Total # of Deltona JOBS Program folders taken – (1370)
- Applications received:
  - (01) Water Operator
  - (02) Utility Systems Tech
  - (01) Enforcement Service Officer
  - (09) Public Works Tech
  - (04) Stormwater Tech
- Met with two Department Directors regarding personnel issues and coordination of personnel actions.
- Processed (1) FMLA action
- Met with management team and Jeff Mandel, City Labor Atty, to prepare for the Jan 18<sup>th</sup> arbitration hearing with the Union regarding their Union Business grievance.
- Participated in a union/management meeting to discuss pending grievances and issues.
- Prepared for, and coordinated with Parks & Rec management and the City Attorney, a discipline hearing scheduled for Friday, Jan 11<sup>th</sup>.
- Processed one short-term disability application.
- Wellness Committee met and is coordinating the start of the new 2013 Wellness Program.
- Participated in one interview for Utility System Technician.
- Conducted “HR on the Road” for Parks & Recreation Department. Three employees had inquiries, questions, or changes.

**PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT** (Steve Moore, Director) thru 01/05/2013

**Administration:**

- Met with Finance staff to discuss purchasing options for procurement of supplies and mats.
- Met with Nuevo Sendero to discuss facility usage for meetings on Domestic Violence at Harris Saxon.
- Met with Toro representatives to discuss our turf equipment.
- Met with Final Mile Race Management representatives to discuss the upcoming 5K Race/Walk on February 16<sup>th</sup>.
- Processed 6 permits for pavilion and field rentals.

**Facility Use Permits (12/30—01/05/13):**

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|------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| • Deltona Community Center         | 1 permit issued   | Weekly attendance – 712 |
| • Harris M. Saxon Community Center | no permits issued | Weekly attendance – 155 |

- Wes Crile Park 1 permit issued Weekly attendance – 1,207
- Skate Park 4 new passes Weekly attendance – 385

**Special Events/Programs:**

- Harris M. Saxon Community Center: Boys and Girls Club after school program resumed on January 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**City Leagues Currently Underway:**

- Men's Polar Bear League begins on January 14<sup>th</sup>.
- Senior spring league begins in March.

**Partner Leagues Currently Underway:**

- West Volusia Youth Baseball spring season begins in February.
- Deltona Little League spring season begins in February.
- Deltona Youth Soccer spring season begins in February.
- Florida Basketball & Volleyball Association (FBVA) winter season starts on January 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Parks Maintenance:**

*Weekly tasks include opening all the parks in the a.m., cleaning restrooms at parks and facilities, picking up and emptying trash at all parks and facilities; picking up trash around all pavilions; taking goods to storage, including seasonal items; cleaning the depot trailer, barn and yard; cleaning pavilion areas (ceilings, tables, grilles, etc.); cleaning playgrounds and sidewalks, taking vehicles to Fleet for maintenance, replacing damaged paper towel and toilet paper dispensers.*

- Mowed, edged and weed-whacked: Thornby and Veterans Memorial parks.
- Campbell Park – Repaired top rails on entrance gate.
- Dwight Hawkins – Painted restrooms; removed baby changing station; re-mulched playground; replaced damaged skylight in restroom.
- Festival Park – Repaired sections of perimeter fence.
- Harris Saxon – Replaced casters on entrance wheel gate.
- Manny Rodriguez – Replaced lock on restroom door.
- Skate Park – Changed lock on fence.
- Thornby Park – Replaced gate lock; replaced leaky faucet in restroom.
- Vann Park – Worked on dugout roof and roof on restrooms.
- Veterans Memorial – Removed graffiti on restrooms, displays and picnic tables.

**City Hall, Fire Station, Sheriff's Department and 1691 Providence (Sheriff) Building Maintenance:**

*Weekly janitorial service includes cleaning the Fire Station and inspecting Sheriff's building; opening and closing City Hall; vacuuming the chambers and other areas; emptying trash and recycled bins from DSC classrooms and all City departments; setting up Commission Chambers for various meetings and resetting afterwards; checking temperature throughout the building; replacing flags, replenishing restroom supplies throughout the entire building; replacing soap dispensers; cleaning all restrooms (floors, toilets, sinks, etc.); unclogging various toilets in restrooms on both floors; unclogging water fountains; replacing light bulbs throughout the building, courtyard and walkway; replacing restroom fresheners and batteries; moving or assembling furniture for various departments; hanging pictures (as requested) throughout City Hall; spraying and pulling weeds from various areas, trimming bushes and trees, watering sod and new shrubbery; walking the grounds and picking up trash; emptying all trash receptacles outside; sweeping sidewalk and stairwells; cleaning front of building, retrieving supplies from storage at various times, polishing the elevator; delivering packages and heavy boxes to departments, repairing damaged paper towel and toilet paper dispensers.*

**Sports Turf Maintenance:**

- Normal routine maintenance at: Dewey Boster Sports Complex, Baseball and Pony League Fields, Vann Park, Dupont Lakes, Wes Crile Park,
- Mowed Campbell, DuPont Lakes, Vann Park and Wes Crile Parks.
- Raked and lined fields at Dupont daily.
- Sprayed Campbell, Dupont, Vann and Wes Crile Parks with TB3000.
- Repaired and replaced softball bases at Shea and True fields.

**Sports Complex:**

- Mowed fields and Pony League.
- Primed and sprayed football goals.
- Installed irrigation on field 6.
- Repaired and replaced valve on field 7.

**PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES** (Chris Bowley, Director) thru 01/09/2013

**Executive Summary:**

The Planning and Development Services Department brought two items to the Commission at the January 7<sup>th</sup> Commission Public Hearing—the Capital Improvements Element update for first reading (Ordinance No. 26-2012), and an update to the City’s 2025 Thoroughfare Map (Ordinance No. 17-2012) for second and final reading. Both ordinances were approved and Ordinance No. 26-2012 will be brought to the Commission on January 22<sup>nd</sup> for second and final reading.

**Planning:**

The Planning Section attended a groundbreaking ceremony for the new McDonalds to be located inside of the WalMart Plaza. This is the culmination of development review and approval of the Final Site Plan to construct the restaurant. Staff anticipates an increase in commercial development at the SR 415/Howland Boulevard intersection with the widening of SR 415, improvements to Ft. Smith Boulevard, and construction of the Eastern Wastewater Treatment Plant to add much needed commercial sewer capacity. The ratio of vacant land to infrastructure in the area will soon supply an inventory of land for commercial development. This is evident in staff being contacted to revise the Planned Unit Development for Bella Vista, which has a signalized intersection at Howland Boulevard and is near SR 415 for prime commercial development.

**Housing & Community Development:**

The Housing and Community Development Section is receiving bids from the NSP general contractors to work on two of the NSP 1 homes to make them more marketable. The homes at 882 Vercelli and 1285 Fieldstone are not garnering interest due to the small house size, despite being on large lots. Staff is considering the addition of a third bedroom that makes the house more marketable and would result in the City not having to carry the home further. Staff is acquiring two additional homes in NSP 1 and two more homes in NSP 3. Staff will need to purchase three homes in NSP 3 to complete acquisition efforts. Staff is also allocating the remaining Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) monies to owner-occupied home repairs to assist families and individuals in repairing their homes, where they otherwise could not afford to do so. Finally, staff has begun the application process for the Emergency Solutions Grant through HUD and the Florida Department of Children and Families (DCF) to be able to provide mitigation measures for homelessness, if awarded.

**PUBLIC WORKS** (Glenn Whitcomb, Director) thru 01/04/2013

**Traffic Operations:**

*Weekly tasks include monitoring crews and downloading and evaluating traffic survey information.*

- **Signs:**
  - Completed 2 sign repair work tickets in the City.
  - Fabricated 23 new street name signs.
  - Installed 18 new street name signs.
  - Fabricated and installed Holiday Closing decals for Deltona Water.
  - Fabricated 2 sets of numbers 1304 & 1305 for Fleet Maintenance.
  - Fabricated and installed (1) 30"x 30" R-1 "Stop" sign at Cloudcroft & Staffordshire.
- **Speed Trailer:**
  - Installed speed trailer at 1579 Findlay.
- **Thermoplastic Striping:**
  - 24" white stop bars – 14'; 12'; 13'; 12'; 13'; 18'; 14'; 15'; 13'; 13'; 12'; 13'; 10' 10'; 16'; 15'.
  - 12" white crosswalk – 105'.

**Field Operations:**

*Weekly tasks include evaluating work orders called in by residents.*

- **Beautification:**
  - Medians:
    - Elkcarn Blvd – routine maintenance.
    - Howland Blvd – routine maintenance; filled water bags on trees.
    - Normandy Blvd – filled water bags on trees.
- **Concrete:** Sidewalk Repairs – 2471 Greenwood – 2'x 4'.
- **Clam Truck:**
  - Debris – 18
  - Trimming – 10
- **Drop Offs:** 1138 Seagate W; 2486 Vaughn; 2439 Sedgefield; 2114 Galveston – repaired drop off with fill dirt.
- **Miscellaneous:**
  - City Wide – removed Holiday banners.

**Fleet Maintenance Division:**

- |                              |        |             |
|------------------------------|--------|-------------|
| • Vehicles                   | PM – 1 | Repairs – 4 |
| • Equipment                  | PM – 2 | Repairs – 8 |
| • Fire Dept Station Checks   | 9      |             |
| • Road Calls                 | 3      |             |
| • Parts Run/Vehicle Delivery | 3      |             |

**Stormwater Division:**

*Weekly tasks include check and monitor all electric pump stations; respond to all safety concerns; talk to residents about their concerns; check and record lake levels; manage current CDBG projects; implement NPDES Inspection program.*

- **Construction Crew:**
  - 1014 Gerona – reshaped 200' of swale to control the water from going to the house; placed 12 pallets of bahia sod back.

- Tulsa Retention – trimmed and cut down trees along the resident’s fence line in order to install a 5’ fence around the pond.
- Montcalm/Swiss – rehabbed one drainage structure; dug dirt out around both headwalls; formed up to pour a spillway.
- 1393 Hancock – reestablished check dams in swale from Alladin down to Hancock; placed sod.
- 1489 Elkcam – reestablished check dams with dirt in swale from 1489 to 1465 and placed sod.
- Gallagher and Monica ponds – placed sod where there were washouts; filled with sod.
- 657 Hartley Cir – took out one driveway; formed up; reshaped swale from Piedmont to 657 Hartley.
- **Right of Way Litter Crew:**
  - 445.5 Gallons of litter removed.
  - Main road trash pickup - Normandy; Ft Smith; India; Courtland; Elkcam; Newmark; Montecito; Humphrey; Deltona Blvd; Cloverleaf; Anderson; Alexander.
- **Miscellaneous:**
  - Sectors 16; 17; 18; 19; 20; 23; 24; 25 – cleaned debris from grates.

**UTILITIES** (Glenn Whitcomb, Director) thru 01/06/13

**Customer Service**

<b>December 2012 / January 2013</b>	<b>Total week ending 1/6/13</b>
DW – Lockbox	2108
Ebox	1405
Call Center Calls	1414
Walk-ins/Drop Box	1445
On-line Payments	1431
IVR	600

**Customers Disconnected for Non-Pay**

<b>January 2013</b>	<b>Total week ending 1/6/13</b>
Total on Disconnect List	48
Off in error/DW error	
Off in error/Munis error	
Misapplied Payment	

**Construction Log & Service Orders**

<b>December 2012 / January 2013</b>	<b>Total week ending 1/6/13</b>
Water Service	
Meter Sets	
Reclaim Meters	
Fire Hydrant Installs	
Fire Hydrant Replacement	
Fire Hydrant Repair	
Replace Meter Box	12
Locates Received	55
Locates Completed	36
Main Leaks	1
Service Leaks	2
Sewer Repairs	
Sewer Blockage	1
KV2 Valves	2
Service Replacements	1
Meter Change Outs	4
Service Orders	370
Disconnects	48
Drainfield Leaks	
Meter Retirements	70