



# The City of DELTONA



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

## City embarks on largest road improvement project to date

**T**HE CITY OF DELTONA is on the brink of the largest road improvement project in its history. City staff understands that these improvements will create some inconvenience for our residents but promise diligence in seeing these important projects through. The ultimate goal is that Deltona will have a safe and more efficient road system that will benefit all motorists.

### ABOUT THE PROJECTS

Several of Deltona's main roads are considered failing according to state standards, meaning their conditions are inadequate for the amount of trips each road sustains. Normandy Boulevard and Fort Smith Boulevard both fall into this category and have been identified as the roads requiring the most immediate attention.

### NORTH NORMANDY

The first project of four-laning and resurfacing North Normandy Boulevard between Firwood Drive and Saxon Boulevard will begin in late May. This 1.6 mile stretch of Normandy will be upgraded to include 11-foot traffic lanes, new curbs with gutters,

sidewalks and medians.

The project will be completed in two years. The contractor is required to have half of the existing road open to thru traffic at all times. They will also have well-signed detours in place. Residential driveways in the area may be closed a couple hours at a time to allow installation of curb and guttering but notices to the residents will be sent out in advance.

Speed limits will remain the same along the road after the project is completed. Landscaping will work to beautify the project. For questions or information related to the project call the City's Public Works Department, (386) 878-8954.

### HOWLAND BOULEVARD

Beginning in mid-May, a Volusia County contractor will begin four-laning and resurfacing Howland Boulevard between Elkcam and Courtland Boulevards. This 2.3-mile project includes curb and guttering, landscaped medians and sidewalks. This project will take an estimated 2.5 years to complete.

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### Honesty and Integrity:

*Our actions and relationship with the community are guided by an internal sense of honesty and integrity. We believe in honest and open government that accentuates best business practices. We are dedicated to the highest ideal of integrity, openness and fairness in dealing with Deltona's residents and its employees. We are committed to the careful stewardship of our resources, including human, financial, and physical.*



Para recibir una copia en Español, favor de llamar al (386) 561-2100.

## New ordinance designed to beautify through rental properties

**M**ANY OF THE CALLS City Code Enforcement Officers respond to are related to the City's residential rental property codes and ordinances. Often these properties are the responsibility of an absentee property owner or landlord who does not maintain a local contact or representative to respond to code enforcement violations.

Approximately 75 percent of complaints received by the Enforcement Services Department are direct results of poorly managed rental properties and tenants who are unconcerned with the appearance of the prop-

erty they are renting. These complaints include large amounts of household waste even articles of furniture that have been piled at the curb; lawns or landscaping that is unkempt or in disarray; too many cars in the yard, driveway or right of way, and noise complaints.

According to the 2000 U.S. Census, there were 3,200 rental properties within the City limits of Deltona.

Tenants themselves face hazards when housing conditions are not maintained. Officers have witnessed tenants living in unsuitable condi-

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# May - June Calendar of Events

**May 5** Fishing Derby, 8-11 a.m., Dupont Lakes Park, 2711 Elkcam Blvd.--For children ages 4 to 15. Bring fishing poles, bait and tackle. Registration begins at 7 a.m. Fishing contests with prizes for first through third place. Free hotdogs and drinks.

**8** Mayor's Table, 7 p.m., Commission Chambers, City Hall, 2345 Providence Blvd.--Come share your ideas with Mayor Dennis Mulder.

**11-12** Relay for Life 07, noon-noon, Dewey O. Boster Sports Complex, 1200 Saxon Blvd.--24-hour Relay and fundraiser to benefit the American Cancer Society. To get involved, call (386) 561-2111.

**12** Music in the Courtyard featuring Caribbean Crew, 7-9 p.m., in the courtyard at City Hall. Bring blankets, lawn chairs and snacks.

**15** Public Budget Forum, 7-9 p.m., Commission Chambers, City Hall. Residents have the opportunity to advise city staff on worthy projects and how they would like see tax payer dollars spent.

**30** Commissioner Santiagos District 2 Hurricane Preparedness

Workshop, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Commission Chambers, City Hall.-- Special speaker will discuss/demonstrate how residents can prepare for hurricane season.

**June 9** Music in the Courtyard featuring Mark Hodgson, 7-9 p.m. in the courtyard at City Hall.

**12** Mayor's Table, 7 p.m., Commission Chambers, City Hall.

## Ongoing Events

The Deltona City Commission meets at 6:30 p.m. the first and third Monday of every month. Workshops are also now scheduled regularly for alternate Mondays. For a list of meetings, agendas and minutes, visit [ci.deltona.fl.us](http://ci.deltona.fl.us).

Recreation on the Move, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., first through fourth Saturdays of every month (first Saturday-Firefighters Memorial Park, 1426 E. Lombardy Drive; second Saturday-Dwight Hawkins Park, 3050 Riverhead Drive; third Saturday- Campbell Park, 1315 Briarwood Ave.; fourth Saturday-Manny Rodriguez Park, 1570 Overton St.)--Program features activities and venues to encourage developing healthy habits in children and families.

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tions structures that lack clean running water, a workable restroom or structures with pest or rodent problems.

The Deltona City Commission has approved a new rental property maintenance program which will require registration of all residential rental properties located within the City. The program would require a registration fee per rental unit and that an occupational license be secured by the landlord. A violation fee schedule will be given to the landlord. The program requires property owners to identify a local contact.

The City's philosophy is that every property owner is responsible for the condition of his/her property and that individual property owner responsibility equals good neighbors.

For inquires on the new rental property maintenance program, contact the City of Deltona Code Enforcement Office, (386) 878-8700.

## New Assistant City Manager working to bring economic development to Deltona

Meet Sally Sherman, the City's new Assistant City Manager/ Economic Development Director. Sherman's role at the City is two-fold. She's tasked with advancing direction from the City Commission to departments as well as working to stimulate business growth in Deltona which includes: expanding job opportunities, enhancing our fiscal base, strengthening Deltona's economy, raising the standard of living for Deltona's residents and increasing the competitiveness of our local businesses.

Sherman believes the quality of life for Deltona residents is the driving factor behind the Economic Development Office. "Deltona has been primarily a suburban bedroom community for Daytona Beach and northern Orlando. Our residents commute to work." Sherman whole heartedly believes in expanding Deltona's services markets. "We have to provide places for residents to dine and shop."

Sherman excited about her work and believes Deltona has some advantages for attracting a strong economic base including its regional location, large population, affordable housing stock, low taxes, well-educated workforce and good transportation network.



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Like the Normandy project, well-signed detours will be in place and one lane will be open intermittently. For information on this project, call Volusia County Traffic Engineering (386) 736-5968.

The County also plans to continue widening Howland Boulevard to State Road 415. The total project is expected to be completed within the next five years.

## UTILITIES

Both the Normandy and Howland

Boulevard projects require the relocation of utilities along these roads, but the Utilities Department does not anticipate any interruption of services.

## FORT SMITH BOULEVARD

This time next year, the City will accept bids on a four-phase project to improve Fort Smith Boulevard and widen it to three lanes. The project is expected to be completed in September 2009.

# Changing the Rules Over BBQ

IT was the Construction Services 2nd Partnership Luncheon with more than 50 guests from Volusia County's home building industry--developers, engineering firms, real estate and utilities industries. Over barbecue ribs and chicken, these business leaders discovered the city of Deltona has big plans to streamline and simplify its partnership with the building industry, by throwing away the old rule book.

These invitees, along with 20 representatives from the city of Deltona, met and networked at the lunch meeting, at the Harris M. Saxon Community Center on Wednesday April 4. Cy Butts, City Building Official, welcomed the group. Three keynote speakers from the City explained how the new processes will be different--by emphasizing better customer service with our business partners and by re-writing the City's Comprehensive Plan.



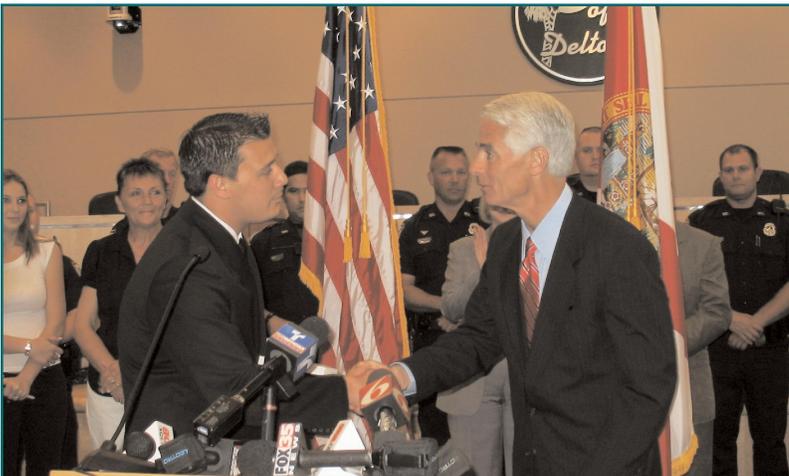
Planning and Development Services Director, Greg Stubbs, addresses the guests at the Construction Services-sponsored Partnership Luncheon.

Sally Sherman, Assistant City Manager/Economic Development Director, began the Presentation with her vision on the city's future economic growth and the numerous and expanding opportunities. Greg Stubbs, the Planning & Development Services Director stated his goal is to make his department synonymous with good customer service. Stubbs suggested the first step in accomplishing this would be to rewrite the City's Comprehensive Plan.

And Larry Modes, the city's Land Development Engineer, rounded out the speakers presentations by reviewing the checklist for builders and developers that will assist in speeding up the inspection approval process.

In summing up the purpose for the meeting, Butts said it was very important to show our partners that the City of Deltona is serious about improving the way we do things.

## Governor Crist signs anti-murder bill in Deltona



On March 12, Governor Charlie Crist signed the Anti-Murder Act into law at Deltona City Hall. This legislation, Senate Bill 146, provides judges with discretionary power to impose maximum prison sentences for felony offenders. Crist was introduced by Deltona Mayor Dennis Mulder.

## Understanding public right-of-way

THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT would like to remind residents of the City's Public Right-Of-Way ordinance (Sec. 38-113) which allows only grass to be placed in right-of-ways.

Residents with bushes, sprinklers or plantings of any kind in the public right-of-way are in violation of this City ordinance.

The City cannot be responsible for shrubs or sprinklers that may have been damaged during the

installation of sidewalk projects etc. Residents with items in the public right-of-ways should relocate these items to other areas of their yards.

Generally, the City's right-of-way extends 30 feet from the center of the road in a 60-foot right of way and 40 feet from the center of the road in an 80-foot right of way. Locating your property markers will be helpful in determining accurate rights-of-way.

## Important City phone numbers

**City Hall**, 2345 Providence Blvd.,  
(386) 878-8100 or (407) 936-3358

**Mayor and City Commission**,  
(386) 878-8860

**City Clerk\* Office**, (386) 878-8500

**Communication and Public Information**,  
(386) 878-8755

**City Manager\* Office**, (386) 878-8850

**Human Resources**, (386) 878-8750

**Construction Services**, (386) 878-8650

**Inspections and permitting**,

(386) 575-6900 or (407) 936-9999

**Development Services**, (386) 878-8600

**Zoning Division**, (386) 878-8615

**Animal Control**, (386) 575-6500

**Code and Solid Waste Compliance**,  
(386) 878-8700

**Public Works**, 201 Howland Blvd.,  
(386) 878-8950

**Water and Sewer**, 255 Enterprise Road,  
(386) 575-6800 (billing and new service)

(386) 878-8970 (general inquiries)

**Parks & Recreation**, 191 Howland Blvd.,  
(386) 878-8900 (programs and facilities)

**Fire Department Administration**, 1685  
Providence Blvd., (386) 575-6500

**Waste Services Inc.** (Recycling bins,  
garbage pick-up and special pick-ups),  
(386) 574-0778

**Volusia County Sheriff\* Office**, ??????,  
(386) 860-7030 or after 4:30 p.m. Monday-  
Friday, (386) 736-5999

**Emergencies, 911**

## Hurricane season is coming...

**H**URRICANE SEASON IS HERE IN A MONTH,  
**A**RE YOU PREPARED? A brush fire is  
burning a block from your home, are you  
ready to evacuate or fight the fire? Do you  
understand building codes, and why it is so  
important to follow these guidelines and  
laws?

May 6-12 is Building Safety Week and  
the city of Deltona wants you to be pre-  
pared to protect your house, and make sure  
you know how improve your investment,  
too.

Here are a few tips, to prepare your  
home for the hurricane season:

**1)** If you do not have shutters, have marine  
plywood precut to fit the windows of your  
house, and pre-drill holes every 18 for  
easy attachment to the house.

**2)** Reinforce garage doors and double entry  
glass doors.

### FOR BRUSH FIRES

**1)** Clear away all vegetation, yard debris  
and combustible material at least 30 feet



away from your house.

**2)** Use patios, stone walls and fountains as  
no-burn barriers to surround your house.

### FOR HOME IMPROVEMENT

**1)** Protecting the value of your neighbor-  
hood.

**2)** Ensuring your improvement projects are  
meeting safety requirements.

This information and more is available in  
brochure form at City Hall, 2345  
Providence Blvd.

Commissioner  
David Santiago\*  
2nd Annual

Hurricane Preparedness  
Workshop

6:30-8:30 p.m.

May 30

Commission Chambers,  
City Hall

Speakers include:

Jim Ryan, Volusia County Director of  
Emergency Management  
Chief William Godfrey and  
Deputy Chief Robert Rogers,  
Deltona Fire & Rescue  
Representative from the Volusia  
County Sheriff's Office  
Local meteorologist

Displays of hurricane survival kits,  
insurance information, drawing for  
free weather radios, information  
on hurricane preparedness/repair  
funding available.



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