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A Quarterly Newsletter of the City of Indian Rocks

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Gregg Mims, City Manager

CITY OF INDIAN ROCKS BEACH ADOPTS 2021-22 BUDGET

The City of Indian Rocks Beach team started the budget season in March of 2021. The City Manager's proposed 2021-22 Budget and updated Five Year Capital Plan were recommended by the Finance & Budget Committee and approved unanimously by the City of Indian Rocks Beach City Commission. The new budget goes into effect on October 1, 2021.

FY 2021-22 BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS:

- ▶ In accordance with state law, the adopted budget is balanced, which provides a proactive budget plan while incurring no debt.
 - ▶ The City of Indian Rocks Beach is debt free
- ▶ **Maintains the current millage rate of 1.8326%. One of the lowest in Pinellas County and Florida**
 - ▶ Maintains a city reserve fund of \$3.5 million
 - ▶ 3 % across the board raise for all team members
 - ▶ Continued allocation of \$50,000 for proactive drainage maintenance
 - ▶ Continued funding for the installation of solar powered lights at beach accesses
- ▶ 3.11% increase in our Pinellas County Sheriff's Law Enforcement Service Contract
 - ▶ Purchase of one Polaris for the Code Enforcement Division
 - ▶ Replacement / purchase of one pick up truck and one bucket truck
 - ▶ Installation of a new telephone system for City Hall
- ▶ Additional allocation of funds for public outreach (CRS, Code Compliance, VRBO)

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 2022-2026 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

- ▶ Annual funding for road milling, resurfacing, curbing & drainage
- ▶ Allocation of \$5,696,870 from Pinellas County Penny to Gulf Boulevard Undergrounding Phase II.
 - ▶ Allocation of the majority of the City's estimated American Rescue Plan funds to future drainage enhancement projects and updating our drainage plans.
- ▶ \$600,000 for stormwater reconstruction projects (half of the total is funding by SWFWMD Grants)
 - ▶ \$50,000 for dune walkover reconstruction.
 - ▶ **City Park upgrades 2022 include:**
 - Refinish tennis courts at Kolb Park to accommodate traditional tennis play and 4 pickleball courts
 - New backstop fencing at Campalong Field
 - Reconstruction of the Kolb Park Basketball Court
 - Reconstruction of the Nature Park Boardwalk (multi-year project)

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2021 QUARTERLY EVENTS CALENDAR

OCTOBER



Oktoberfest - Saturday, October 23rd - Kolb Park - 12 P.M. - 6 P.M.
Sponsored by Action 2000 and the City of IRB



Hallowfest - Saturday, October 30th—Kolb Park -10 A.M. - 1 P.M.
Sponsored by the Original Crabby Bills and the City of IRB

NOVEMBER

Community Clean Up - November 1,2,3

Give Thanks for a Clean Beach— International Coastal Cleanup— Saturday, November 6th—
1st ~ 28th Ave Beach Access - Sunrise—Sunset
Sponsored by Greentown Kids and Keep Pinellas Beautiful

Taste of IRB— Saturday, November 6th - 4 P.M. - Chic-A-Si Park
Sponsored by IRB Homeowners Association and the City of IRB

City Wide Garage Sale - November 20th & 21st

DECEMBER

Christmas Tree Lighting - 12th Ave. Park - Friday, December 3rd - 7 P.M.

Christmas Street Parade - Sunday, December 5th - 1 P.M.

Christmas Lighted Boat Parade - Saturday, December 18th— 7 P.M.
ALL DECEMBER EVENTS SPONSORED BY THE CITY OF IRB



NATIONAL POLLUTION DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM

The N.P.D.E.S. (National Pollution Discharge Elimination System) regulations require municipalities to demonstrate adequate legal authority to prohibit illicit discharges to our storm sewer systems, provide maps of our storm sewers and outfalls, provide monitoring data showing the quality of runoff from local areas of various land use types, propose a management program that includes control measures to reduce pollutants in runoff, provide a program to detect and remove illicit discharges to our system, provide a program for monitoring compliance and the success of our programs, and provide an accounting of our fiscal resources available for carrying out this program.

In April 1994, the City of Indian Rocks Beach participated, along with other cities in Pinellas County, in jointly applying for our N.P.D.E.S. permit through Pinellas County.

The cities, FDOT and Pinellas County work to protect and promote the public health, safety and general welfare through the management of storm water runoff, and to continue the existing relationships and responsibilities for control of discharge to municipal storm sewer systems (MS4) as outlined in 40 C.F.R., Section 122.26.

The City made a conscious decision, rather than creating new City positions to track and investigate illicit discharges to our storm sewer system, is to utilize existing staff to carry this out as part of their normal duties. **This is where you, as a resident, can help.**

WHY ARE WE INSPECTING FOR ILLICIT DISCHARGES?

The City of Indian Rocks Beach is basically responsible to ensure that our storm water discharges do not pollute the waters of the United States. The regulations require that we adopt an ordinance to prohibit illicit discharges. In May 1994, the City enacted Ordinance No. 545 specifically dealing with storm water sewers.

WHAT SHOULD I DO IF I FIND A SUSPECTED DISCHARGE?

You should report it to the City of Indian Rocks Beach Public Services Department, at 727/595-6889, or the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office, at 727/582-6200. They will then decide whether to report it further and to whom. They will also decide, based on your observation, if it is an emergency that needs to be stopped right away.

LEGAL DISCHARGES

Some discharges are not considered illegal under the City's Ordinance include:

- Flows from firefighting, Irrigation water, Diverted stream flows, Rising ground waters,
- Water line flushing and other contributions from potable water sources,
- Uncontaminated pumped groundwater, Foundation and footing drains,
- Water from crawl space pumps, Uncontaminated air conditioning condensation,
- Individual residential car washings, Springs, Flows from riparian habitats and wetland,
- Swimming pools direct infiltration of ground water to the separate storm sewer system.

IRB Library Offers Curbside Service

In addition to in person visits the library offers curbside service. If you choose curbside service, go to the Library website catalog page, <https://irb.biblionix.com/catalog/>

Log in to your library account with your library account number, your phone number is your password. Reserve your materials. You can call, text or email your request as well.

They will contact you when your materials are ready.

Drive up to the Library and call 727/596-1822, provide your name and description of your car and your materials will be brought to you.

CALL: 727/596-1822 TEXT: 727/228-8067 EMAIL: indianrocksbeachlibrary@gmail.com



KEEP IRB BEAUTIFUL



The City of Indian Rocks Beach would like to ask for your cooperation in preserving the aesthetic quality of life in our beautiful beach community.

Trash and Recycling in IRB has become a reoccurring problem, and an eyesore. Trash and recycling carts are routinely placed at the curb on non-service days, and are not removed from the curb after service. Some carts will sit at the curb all week. Carts are often overfull so that the lid is not able to securely close. This makes trash assessable to birds, animals and susceptible to rain and inclement weather. Violation of the code could result in a \$495.00 fine.

CITY OF INDIAN ROCKS BEACH TRASH & RECYCLING CARTS MUNICIPAL CODE

Carts may be brought to curb the evening before service day.

Carts must be removed from the curb by the evening of the day of service.

Lids on cart must be securely closed.

Loose trash bags outside of the cart are not allowed.

Only City supplied trash carts allowed.

Recycling carts are for recycling only, do not put trash in recycling cart. It will not be serviced by the City.

Carts must be concealed from public view from the streets of the City.

Carts must be kept in back or side yards, carport or garage, or concealed by fencing, shrubs or hedge.

Openly storing lumber, building materials, appliances, auto parts and trash is prohibited.

YARD WASTE AND SPECIAL PICK UPS

Brush, branches, palm fronds, etc. maximum size pile (4'x4'x 8') are scheduled for pick up on Wednesdays. Larger piles will need a special-pick up.

Commercially cut or trimmed brush should be removed by the contractor.

Large items, furniture, beds, appliances, etc. will need a special pick up.

Contact Public Services for special pick ups : (727)595-6889



VEHICLES - BOATS - TRAILERS- CAMPERS

All vehicles ,boats, trailers and campers on residential property must be in operative condition and have current tags.

The City of Indian Rocks Beach is committed to neighborhood maintenance and improvements and appreciates your efforts in this endeavor.

When we all work together, we can make a difference.

HOLIDAY SOLID WASTE SERVICE SCHEDULE

Thanksgiving– Thursday, November 25, 2021 – No Service

Thursday's route will be collected on Wednesday, November 24, 2021

No Yard Waste Collection during the week of November 22 – 26, 2021

No change to household service: Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve