



CITY CONNECTION



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South Pasadena, FL 33707

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SOUTH PASADENA ELECTION

UNOFFICIAL RESULTS*	
Dan Calabria	307
Gigi Esposito	764
David Magenheimer	599

*Results are unofficial until certified by the Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections.

PRECINCT 214 SUMMARY	
Active Registered Voters	3,864
Total Ballots Cast	1,065
Voter Turnout	27.56%

Confirmation of election results and installation of two Commissioners will be held at a Regular Commission meeting on Tuesday, March 28th at 9:00 a.m. This meeting will be followed by a Special Commission Meeting to appoint a Vice Mayor and an Administrative Workshop.

CONGRATULATIONS GIGI ESPOSITO AND DAVID MAGENHEIMER

Pending the confirmation of election results, Gigi Esposito and David Magenheimer will be sworn in to serve on the Commission at a Regular Commission Meeting on Tuesday, March 28th at 9:00 AM. We welcome them to the City Commission and appreciate their commitment to public service.

FAREWELL BRUCE HOWRY AND ARTHUR PENNY

Bruce Howry previously served on the Commission from 2006 to 2015 and was appointed to serve a one year term in 2016. Arthur Penny has served on the Commission since 2009 and is leaving office due to term limits. We thank them both for their dedicated service to the City and its residents.



Bruce Howry



Arthur Penny

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

31st Annual Artspring Exhibition
March 31 - April 2, 2017



**block
PARTY**

Block Party
Saturday, April 1, 2017

See Pages 4 and 5 for all the details! →

Penny for Pinellas - What It Means To You By Commissioner Lari Johnson



If you have driven on South Pasadena’s city streets, enjoyed our lovely parks, utilized our fire and emergency services, or yes, even flushed your toilet – you have experienced the benefits of Penny for Pinellas in the City of South Pasadena.

On November 7, 2017, voters will decide on the Penny for Pinellas renewal for years 2020-2030. This is NOT a new tax, just a renewal of the penny tax that has been in effect since 1990.

What is Penny for Pinellas?

From bridges that span our waterways to neighborhood parks – for nearly 30 years, Penny for Pinellas has supported investments in areas that matter most to Pinellas County residents: faster travel with 68 new lane miles, 16 major roads with added lanes, and rebuilt bridges; safer communities with more than 20 fire and emergency facilities built or renovated, and more than 150 projects to enhance our stormwater systems and flood control; and protection of natural resources with hundreds of acres of land preserved, upgrades to 21 parks and more than 50 new miles of multiuse trails, including the Pinellas Trail.

Penny for Pinellas Facts:

- This 1 percent sales tax is paid by everyone who spends money in Pinellas County.
- More than 30% of all Penny revenue is generated by tourists and seasonal visitors, resulting in more cost-savings to our Citizens.
- Penny has funded thousands of county and city projects since 1990 without relying on property taxes.
- This tax is not collected on essentials like food and medications, and is only collected on the first \$5000 of a single purchase, like a car or boat.
- This tax is used for capital expenditures for law enforcement, fire departments, stormwater, sewer and reclaimed water systems, roadway improvements and many more community investments that directly benefit you.
- Only capital projects are eligible for Penny for Pinellas funding. It is never used for operations, salaries, or on-going maintenance expenses.
- Your “YES” vote in November would not create a new tax. The vote would renew a tax that has been in effect since 1990.

This is What Your Penny Paid For In South Pasadena

South Pasadena residents have benefitted from Penny for Pinellas funding since 1990. The Penny has paid for projects and equipment ranging from a new aerial platform ladder truck and a new fire rescue vehicle to playground equipment and refurbished crosswalks.

Here are a few examples of the items or projects funded by Penny for Pinellas in your City in just in the past three years that have improved safety, infrastructure and quality of life in South Pasadena:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Cost*</u>
Fire Department Aerial Platform Ladder Truck	\$855,000
Fire Department Rescue Vehicle	\$180,000
Firefighting Equipment (2015-2016)	\$ 82,000
Roadway and Alleyway Paving (2015-2017)	\$893,000
Stormwater/sewer slip-lining (2015-2016)	\$168,000
Shore Drive/Pasadena Isle Bridge (2017)	\$555,000
City Vehicles – Fire, Public Works, Community Improvement Departments	\$ 84,000

*Actual cost has been rounded to nearest thousand

The \$2.817 million in Penny for Pinellas revenue for Capitol Expenditures shown above enabled your City to upgrade and replace systems such as sewers and roadways, in a timely and well-planned manner, and avert the crises other cities in our county have faced.

We urge you to keep South Pasadena as your special Place in the Sun.

Vote YES on renewal of Penny for Pinellas on November 7, 2017.



From the Mayor's Office

Mayor Max V. Elson

Greetings everyone!

From upcoming events to new business openings, things are happening in the city! Several new businesses have recently opened or have undergone major renovations and upgrades in order to better serve our community. Our staff, volunteers, and community business partners are busy preparing for the upcoming Artspring Exhibition and Block Party events. Two new Commissioners will soon be sworn in and begin their terms in office. Exciting things are in the works!

For those of you who caught my article in the last issue of our newsletter, you already know that I have taken an active interest in the Hope, Health, and Sunshine Foundation, a local charity that supports cancer patients. Last fall, they organized Todd's Walk which raised \$10,000. This spring they have planned a charity

bike ride from South Pasadena to Dunedin. Please be sure to check out page 9 for more information on this event.

In addition to local goings-on, the City Commission has been actively following county and state legislative issues that directly affect our community. I would specifically like to mention House Bill 17 (HB 17). This piece of proposed legislation will restrict Home Rule authority, which effectively takes regulatory power from local governments and shifts it to the state. Home Rule is what gives our citizens the ability to influence the policies that affect them and we are hopeful that this authority will be protected.

In closing, on a personal note, I want to take a moment to express how much I am going to miss Bruce Howry and Arthur Penny being members of our Commission. Arthur having been termed out and Bruce planning a move outside our city limits means that each, for now, will not be a part of the Commission. These gentlemen were members in good standing when I was first elected six years ago and have since become my good friends. Our friendship will obviously continue, but I will not soon forget the issues we faced shoulder to shoulder during that valued period of time in my life.

Mayor Max Elson



Members of the City Commission with representatives from Marine Max at their recent grand re-opening event.



31st Annual Art Exhibition

All are welcome to the City's 31st Annual Artspring Exhibition to be held March 31 - April 2, 2017. Our show will feature artwork in clay, wood, metals, glass, paper, photography, watercolor, acrylic, and oil paintings. Come and enjoy a showcase of innovations and traditional artwork by over 100 local artists.

— Gallery Hours —

Friday, March 31, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Saturday, April 1, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Sunday, April 2, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Free Admission!

South Pasadena City Hall

7047 Sunset Drive South

(727) 347-4171



Palms Of Pasadena Hospital

Presents

THE CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA **BLOCK PARTY**



FEATURING:
Live Music & Car Show
Food & Drinks
Health Screenings
Fire Truck Demonstration
Bounce House & Face Painting
Arbor Day Recognition



Saturday, April 1, 2017

Noon - 4:00 PM

Bay View Park - 7054 Sunset Drive

Also sponsored by:



For more information visit www.mysouthpasadena.com or call City Hall at 727-347-4171.



CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA

Arthur Penny, Vice Mayor

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Dear Friends and Fellow South Pasadena Residents,

I will reach the end of my three terms in office as allowed by our City Charter on March 28, 2017. Serving as your Vice Mayor and Commissioner has been one of the great honors of my life, and I thank each and every one of you for your votes of confidence and support. Though I will no longer be a member of the City Commission, I will continue to serve the city as a member of the Firefighters' Pension Board.

Over the past eight years, I managed four different departments for our City: Finance, Public Works, Public Safety, and Community Improvement. I feel qualified to say that we have the hardest working and devoted employees of any city. Our Fire Department continues to have the fastest response times of any department in Pinellas County. Thank you to all our firefighters and EMS personnel for being ready and able when our citizens need you most.

As the city's representative on the board of the Suncoast League of Cities (SLC) and current SLC President, I committed myself to ensuring that our city would have a voice in Tallahassee and beyond. The Suncoast League of Cities consists of 25 member cities in 3 counties spanning from St. Leo in the north to Gulfport in the south. This growing, active organization works closely with and is supported by the Florida League of Cities, who represents the interests of West Central Florida's municipalities to the Florida Legislature, Governor's office, and state agencies.

Thank you, Mayor Max Elson, and my fellow Commissioners, Gail Neidinger, Lari Johnson, and Bruce Howry and all those who have served on the Commission since my beginning. While we may not have seen eye to eye on every decision, we always talked it through and cast our votes for what was best for our city and the people who live here.

A special thank you to City Clerk Carley Lewis, Finance Director Jim Graham, Public Works Director Garry Anderson, Public Safety Director Dayton Saltsman, and Community Improvement Director Neal Schwartz. Everything I know about how our city works, I learned from all of you. I will miss your honesty and straightforwardness during our department head report sessions. Each of you has and I'm sure will continue to have the city's best interests and the safety of our residents as your number one priority.

Thank you for allowing me to serve all of you and for all the great memories.

Sincerely,

Arthur Penny, Vice Mayor
Protecting "Our Place in the Sun"





BEST WISHES ON YOUR RETIREMENT FIRE CHIEF, DAYTON SALTSMAN!

After 36 dedicated years to fire service in Pinellas County, our South Pasadena Fire Chief Dayton Saltzman is retiring on May 31, 2017, 10 years to the day that he became chief. He began his career as a firefighter/EMT in Belleair Bluffs in June 1981 and remained there until January 1982. In February 1982 he joined the South Pasadena Fire Department as a firefighter/EMT II. In April 1982 he took the exam and became a state certified paramedic. In October 1992 he was promoted to Lieutenant and in June 1997 he was promoted to Deputy Chief. He became Fire Chief of the South Pasadena Fire Department on June 1, 2007.

Dayton attained a BA in philosophy from the University of South Florida. He followed that with a master's degree in interdisciplinary liberal arts from Excelsior College in New York. His master's thesis was on the relationship of Plato to Hamlet. During his master's program, he was fortunate to attend Exeter College of Oxford University in England during a summer where he studied the works of William Shakespeare and Jane Austen and acquired an expertise in Shakespearean literature.

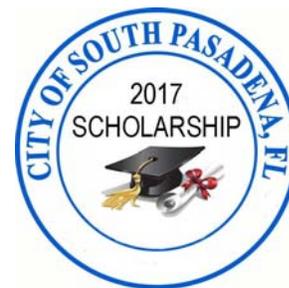
When asked what inspired him to join the fire service, he said that he wanted to get involved in a line of work that was beneficial and provided value to the community. He was recruited to South Pasadena by former Lieutenant Larry Wilson, whom he met in paramedic school.

Dayton's plans after retirement include teaching part-time at the Florida State Fire College. Since he has a master's degree, he will be able to teach upper division fire courses.

We sincerely thank Dayton for all his years in fire service and in particular his dedication to the people of South Pasadena. We wish him the very best in his well-deserved retirement.

\$1,000 Scholarship Available

The City is accepting applications for its annual scholarship award until 4 PM on May 31st 2017. Applicants shall have been a resident of the City for one year OR may be sponsored by a qualifying relative (parent/grandparent) who has been a resident of the City for one year.



For additional eligibility requirements and application information, please visit www.mysouthpasadena.com or contact the City Clerk's Office at 727-347-4171.

Employee "Spotlight" Article - Jeff Ulevich South Pasadena Public Safety Department



Meet Jeff Ulevich, Lieutenant Firefighter Paramedic in our South Pasadena Fire Department. Jeff grew up in central Massachusetts where several members of his family were employed in public service. This inspired him to get involved in a career in community services.

After graduating from high school Jeff had an opportunity to work in security for Future Electronics. During this employment, he attended Fordham University in New York. While on the job, Jeff experienced someone having a cardiac arrest. This event moved him to attend Northeastern University where he became a paramedic.

In 2000, Jeff moved to Florida and attended the Fire Academy at the PTEC in St. Petersburg. He was hired in December of that year by our South Pasadena Fire Department as a Firefighter Paramedic. In October 2014, he was promoted to Lieutenant where he leads the A shift team. He truly enjoys the small department dynamic in our city and the camaraderie among the other firefighters he lives and works with.

Jeff is also an adjunct faculty member teaching at the St. Petersburg Fire Academy. In this role he performs live fire training, specializing in ship board fires

on cruise ships, tankers and other water vessels. Teaching is a true passion of Jeff's. He is respectful for those who have taught him through the years and this has inspired him to give back by mentoring others. He learns something every time from the students he teaches.

While working at the fire department and teaching at the academy, Jeff attended St. Petersburg College where he attained a Bachelor of Applied Science degree in Public Safety Administration in December 2016.

When Jeff is not working or teaching, he spends time with his wife and three sons, ages 15, 12 and 8. The boys are active in lacrosse and other athletic activities and they like to fish with dad and take advantage of the Florida outdoors.

Thank you Jeff for your dedication to your job and for supporting the residents and business partners who live and work in our great city.

NEWS . . . FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

SAFETY TIPS High Rise Condos & Automatic Sprinklers – Most residents of these buildings know that their association was required to vote by December 31, 2016, to opt-out of the Fire Code requirement to retrofit all high rise condominiums with full automatic fire sprinkler systems by December 31, 2019. If your building voted to opt-out of full sprinklers, there is still another requirement that must be met by December 31, 2019. You will be required to have an approved, engineered life safety system (ELSS). An ELSS must be developed by an engineer experienced in fire and life safety system design, and be submitted to the fire department for approval. An ELSS should include any or all of the following: (1) Partial automatic sprinkler protection; (2) Smoke detection systems; (3) Smoke control systems; (4) Compartmentation, and; (5) Other approved systems. 'Other approved systems' are items that the engineer designs into the system, and can include such things as Fire Escapes, Heat Detection Systems, Automatic Door Closing Systems, etc.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT INFORMATION Pinellas County has recently experienced an increase in thefts of valuable items from cars that have been left unlocked, and sometimes theft of the vehicle itself when left unlocked. Always lock your car when you leave it unattended, even if it's only for a moment. If you discover that your car has been burglarized or stolen, report it immediately to the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office at 582-6200.



Be a part of a local effort to support cancer patients!

The Hope, Health, and Sunshine Foundation is a local 501(c)3 charity organization that works to provide support and donations to cancer patients. Founded by Justin Doyle of the Horse and Jockey British Pub, the group raises funds through events and donations in order to provide things like gift cards and toys to cancer patients in the area. Please consider participating in their upcoming events!

2nd Annual Bike Ride
(from South Pasadena to Dunedin and back)
April 22, 2017
No entry fee

To register, donate or find more information, please visit www.hhsfoundation.org

In Recongition of Service

The following employees are celebrating milestone anniversaries with the City:

Chief Dayton Saltsman - 35 years
 Director of Public Safety
 February 1

David Tyszka - 25 years
 Maintenance Worker II - Public Works
 March 31

Thank You for Your Service!

In Memoriam



Mary (Mickie) Elizabeth McMenamin

Former City Commissioner Mary (Mickie) McMenamin passed away on November 2, 2016 in Cumming, GA. McMenamin served on the City Commission from June of 2009 until March of 2011.



Estelle F. Denslow

Former City Commissioner Estelle F. Denslow passed away on February 3, 2017. Denslow served on the City Commission from March of 1987 until March of 1990.

FEMA

The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) is a Federal program enabling property owners in participating communities (the City of South Pasadena is a participating community) to purchase insurance protection against losses from flooding. Participation in the NFIP is based on an agreement between local communities and the Federal Government that states if a community will adopt and enforce a floodplain management ordinance to reduce future flood risks to new construction in Special Flood Hazard Areas, the Federal Government will make flood insurance available within the community as a financial protection against flood losses. The NFIP has three interrelated components.

- **Floodplain Management** — By law, FEMA is prohibited from providing flood insurance to property owners unless the community adopts and enforces floodplain management criteria, which are established in the NFIP regulations. The City of South Pasadena has complied with regulation.
- **Flood Hazard Mapping** — Communities must be mapped and have flood risk zones established. The results of Flood Insurance Study (FIS) are presented on a map, referred to as a Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM).

Flood Hazard Maps are the risk assessment tools vital for floodplain management and for establishing flood insurance rates.

- **Flood Insurance** — Through partnerships with communities, such as the City of South Pasadena, the insurance industry and the lending industry, the NFIP helps to reduce flood damage by almost \$1 billion a year. Furthermore, buildings constructed in compliance with NFIP building standards suffer approximately 80% less damage annually than those not built in compliance.

169-25. ILLICIT DISCHARGES

Specific prohibitions. Any discharge to the stormwater system containing sewage, oil, or petroleum products, grass clippings, fertilizers, paints or paint solvents, industrial waste or other waste materials or containing any materials in violation of federal, state, county or municipal laws, rules, regulations, orders or permits is prohibited.

**Stormwater 24-Hour Watchline
464-5060**

Contact:

Chip Heintz, cheintz@pinellascounty.org

Bill Sova, wsova@pinellascounty.org
727-464-4425

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PERMIT REMINDER

Be sure to only hire licensed contractors when having work done at your house, condo unit or business. No permit is necessary for painting or installation of carpet, but most other items DO require a permit.

All contractors must REGISTER with the City of South Pasadena at the Community Improvement Department **before** they can work in the City or be issued a permit in the City. This is done to ensure that only qualified licensed and insured contractors are doing work for the residents of our community.

Remember, it is your responsibility to make sure that a permit has been obtained and posted prior to work being started. If there are any questions as to whether or not a permit is necessary, please do not hesitate to contact the Community Improvement Department at 343-4192 between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

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Free Outdoor Concert by the South Pasadena Community Band

**THURSDAY, MAY 18, 2017
7:30 P.M.**

Galatea Garden Band Shell
7015 Sunset Drive South



Bring Your Own Chairs &
Blankets!

Band Sponsored by the City of South Pasadena

ALL PROPERTY IN THE CITY LIMITS OF SOUTH PASADENA IS SUBJECT TO FLOODING!

CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA FLOOD FACTS

The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) policies issued or renewed in the City of South Pasadena receives a 15% premium discount. According to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), this discount is the result of the City's qualifying as a Class 7 in the NFIP Flood Insurance Program's Community Rating System. The City has achieved this rating through activities such as maintenance of drainage facilities, regulation of stormwater discharge and distribution of this information as part of the Community Outreach Program.

Assistance is Available

Publications pertaining to property protection, flood safety, etc. can be obtained at South Pasadena City Hall – 7047 Sunset Drive South, South Pasadena, FL or information links on the City of South Pasadena website: mysouthpasadena.com. Questions pertaining to flood zone, protection methods, flood elevation certificates, grand assistance, etc. **please contact South Pasadena Community Improvement Department at (727) 343-4192**

Flood Insurance Rate Maps

The most recent Flood Insurance Rate Map for South Pasadena went into effect in 2003. Since all of South Pasadena is in a Special Flood Hazard Area, it is important to know the base flood elevation of the property and the flood insurance purchase requirements. The City of South Pasadena has copies of the elevation certificates for many structures in the community.

Are you insured?

The 2005 Hurricane Season was one of the worst on record and saw Florida impacted by four major hurricanes. Property losses due to flooding are not covered under most standard homeowner insurance policies. You can protect your home and its contents with flood insurance through the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). The NFIP is a federal program that enables property owners to buy flood insurance at reasonable rates in participating communities. In return, participating communities carry out flood management measures designed to protect life and property from future flooding. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) through its Federal Insurance Administration administers the NFIP.

As a Special Flood Hazard Area, flood insurance is required for all properties in the City of South Pasadena with a federally backed mortgage. To find out more about flood insurance for your property and its contents, contact your insurance agent. There is usually a waiting period before a flood insurance policy takes effects, so do not wait until a storm threatens before you secure the flood insurance you need.

Flood Threat

Flooding in South Pasadena can be caused by heavy rainfall that occurs in short periods of time, as is common during summer thunderstorms, and by tidal surges that accompany coastal storms, tropical storms and hurricanes. Hurricane tidal surges are the City's greatest threat and can cause flooding up to 24 hours before the "eye" of the storm reaches the coast. Because the City has low land elevations and abuts the Boca Ciega Bay, the flood threat is significant. FEMA has identified the entire City as a Special Flood Hazard Area on the Flood Insurance Rate Maps. These maps establish base flood elevations for development within these areas with the lowest permitted habitable flood levels ranging from 10 to 15 feet above sea level.

Flood Warning Systems

The Pinellas County Emergency Operations Center (EOC) works with the National Weather Service, the National Hurricane Center, and the cities to monitor flood and storm threats and advise the communities accordingly. Flood alerts are issued by: TV 8; TV 13; TV10; and Bay News 9. For evacuation centers or other information on flooding, write to: Pinellas County Emergency Management, 400 S. Fort Harrison Avenue Room #111 Clearwater, FL. 33756 OR visit the County website: pinellascounty.org/emergency/shelters.htm

Storm Warnings

- Tropical storm watch: Tropical storm conditions are possible within 48 hours.
- Tropical storm warning: Tropical storm conditions are expected within 36 hours.
- Hurricane watch: Hurricane conditions are possible within 48 hours.
- Hurricane warning: Hurricane conditions expected within 36 hours.

All preparations should be complete.

Flood Safety Measures

South Pasadena residents can protect themselves from flood hazards by taking measures to ensure the safety of life and property before, during, and after a flood occurs. These safety measures include:



Prepare before the storm

- Know your evacuation plan. Evacuation time for South Pasadena could take hours because the City's evacuation routes are prone to flooding early in a storm. Pinellas County has posted all primary evacuation routes with blue and white signs.
- Review your family disaster plan.
- Get your survival kit (double check your kit and make necessary purchases of food, water, and medicines to avoid lines and traffic), important insurance papers, and identification ready.
- Prepare your home and yard (shop early, be sure you have all materials and tools necessary to shutter windows)
- If you have special needs, be sure your caregiver begins to implement your plan and, if needed, you are registered for a special needs shelter.
- Gather special supplies for infants, children, seniors and pets.

Pinellas County EMS, the South Pasadena Fire Department and PSTA work together to provide evacuation assistance to those persons requiring special assistance enrolled in the County's special assistance program. **If you are physically impaired or require special assistance to evacuate, write to:** Pinellas Co. Emergency Management 400 S. Fort Harrison Ave. Room #111 Clearwater, FL 33756 OR call (727) 464-3800 to register. Do not wait for a storm to strike! Write or call as soon as possible for an application requesting placement into the program.

Preparation for evacuation

Keep a battery-powered radio tuned to local stations, and if an evacuation order is given, comply with it. Even if the evacuation order turns out to be unnecessary, leaving the area is better than potentially risking the loss of life by staying.

When preparing your home prior to evacuation, it is advisable to:

- Turn off all the electricity, with the possible exception of the power to your refrigerator;
- Fill your tubs, sinks, and any available containers with water, in case fresh water is not available after the storm (Sanitize tubs and sinks with bleach, rinse and then fill);
- Shut off your water line to prevent any contaminated water from backing up into your house;
- Move as many valuables as possible to upper floor;
- Elevate furniture, if possible;
- Create floodway openings in non-habitable areas such as garage doors;
- Seal off sewer lines to the dwelling to prevent the backflow of sewer waters.

After the storm

The City will be working as quickly as possible to ensure a speedy and safe return to your homes.

- Keep a battery-powered radio with you so you can listen for emergency updates and news reports.
- Use a battery-powered flash light to inspect a damaged home (The flashlight should be turned on outside before entering- the battery may produce a spark that could ignite leaking gas, if present).
- Stay off the streets. If you must go out, watch for fallen objects; downed electrical wires; and weakened walls, bridges, roads, and sidewalks.
- Do not drive through a flooded area.
- Keep children away from the floodwaters, ditches, culverts and storm drains.
- Clean everything that has been wet.
- Use the phone only to report life-threatening emergencies.
- Watch out for animals, especially poisonous snakes.

More people are injured after a storm due to unsafe buildings, downed power lines, contaminated water, and other unsafe conditions than are injured in the storm itself. Carefully check for structural damage prior to entering a building. Use caution when re-entering the structure. Turn on electricity one breaker at a time and watch for smoke or sparks.

Property Protection

While recent construction practices and regulations have made new homes less prone to flooding, many existing structures remain susceptible. Retrofitting non-compliant buildings is a recommended approach to reduce flooding because the property itself remains subject to flooding while the building is modified to prevent or minimize flooding of habitable space. Several approaches to retrofitting are:

- Elevation of the structure above flood protection levels
 - Construction of barriers (floodwalls, berms)
 - Dry flood proofing (water tight floor and wall systems)
 - Wet flood proofing (construction that allows the entry and passage of flood water and also removing or relocating items of value to higher elevation levels)
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Floodplain Management

The City's Stormwater Management Regulations require new construction and substantial remodeling to meet stringent standards in order to increase the survivability of structures, reduce the cost of repair and reconstruction after a storm event, and ensure that reasonably priced flood insurance is available.

Drainage System Maintenance

The City continues to improve and maintain its stormwater management system. This has reduced the amount and duration of road and yard flooding during the rainy season. The City routinely inspects and performs maintenance on drainage ditches, catch basins, and culverts that comprise the City's stormwater drainage system. **If you see any areas that may need additional maintenance or if you experience any localized drainage problems, please call South Pasadena (727) 343-4192.**

Permit Requirements

The City administers flood management regulations that are designed to minimize the potential of flood losses in the City. Any development requires a permit from the City of South Pasadena Community Improvement Department, which ensures that all construction meets the Flood Insurance Rate Map (F.I.R.M.) elevation requirements. Such regulations include minimum elevations of lowest living floor areas plus an additional two (2) feet of elevation known as freeboard. Flood proofing of non-residential property will also have an additional two (2) feet of freeboard added and the placement of fill shall only be allowed on a stem wall foundation and limitations on non-substantial improvements, additions and reconstruction. Following NFIP standards, the city mandates that if the cost of any reconstruction, rehabilitation, addition or other improvements to a building equals or exceeds 50% of the building's depreciated value, then such work is considered a substantial improvement. The existing building is then required to meet the same standards as a new building.

The NFIP standards relating to substantial improvement are enforced through the development and building permitting process. Applicants for remodeling or repair of "nonconforming" structures (i.e. buildings which are not elevated to or above the base flood elevation) are required to submit a cost estimate of the improvement and, if necessary, an appraised value of the existing structure, to determine if the work constitutes a substantial improvement.

The building permit review is a necessary component of its participation in the NFIP, making flood insurance available to those who want to protect their property from flood damage. Development that occurs without permits threatens the City's continued participation in the NFIP and the ability to obtain flood insurance. If you see development occurring without permits, protect your rights and immediately contact the City. Two funding programs are available to reduce or eliminate the long-term risk of flood damage to buildings insured under the National Flood Insurance Program.

SAFIR-SIMPSON HURRICANE WIND SCALE	
Category	Wind Speed
1	74-95 MPH
2	96-110 MPH
3	111-129 MPH
4	130-156 MPH
5	157 + MPH

POTENTIAL SURGE HEIGHTS (IN FEET)		
EVACUATION ZONES	A	4-8 FEET
	B	8-14 FEET
	C	14-19 FEET
	D	19-26 FEET
	E	26-29 FEET

Flood Mitigation Assistance

Qualified mitigation activities include elevation of the existing home or commercial structure, acquisition of the property, or relocation of insured structure out of the floodplain. The structure must be insured under the NFIP and have suffered 2 or more flood losses; each with a claim of at least \$1,000 within any ten-year period since 1978.

Sever Repetitive Loss Program

A Severe Repetitive Loss property is defined as a **residential property** that is insured under the National Flood Insurance Program and has at least 4 Flood Insurance claim payments (building and contents) over \$5,000 each, and the cumulative amount of such claims payments exceeds \$20,000 within any ten-year period; Or has at least 2 separate Flood Insurance claims payments (building payments only) have been made with cumulative amount of the building portion of such claims exceeding the market value of the building within any ten-year period.

*For more information go to:
FEMA/NFIP at fema.gov/*

Pinellas County Emergency Management at pinellascounty.org/emergency

Florida Department of Emergency Management at floridadisaster.org

The Official Hurricane Guide for Pinellas County at pinellascounty.org/emergency/hurricaneguide.htm

A Clean Environment Is Important To All Of Us!

In Pinellas County, storm drains flow directly into our creeks, lakes, Tampa Bay and the Gulf of Mexico without treatment. In recent years, sources of water pollution, like industrial wastes from factories, have been greatly reduced. However, the majority of water pollution now occurs from things like cars leaking oil, wash water from restaurants, fertilizers from lawns and gardens, failing septic tanks, residential car washing and pet waste washing into the storm drains and into waterways. All these sources add up to a pollution problem! But each of us can do small things to help clean up our water too - and that adds up to a pollution solution! The City and the County are committed to improving water quality and reducing the amount of pollutants that enter our precious waterways.

ONLY RAIN DOWN THE STORM DRAIN!!

Pollution Prevention Is Up To You!

Did you know that storm drains are NOT connected to sanitary sewer systems or treatment plants? The primary purpose of storm drains is to carry rainwater away from developed areas to prevent flooding. Untreated pollutants such as concrete, mortar, fertilizer in the grass clippings and many more flow directly into creeks, rivers, lakes and the ocean and are toxic to fish and other wildlife. Disposing of these materials into the storm drains causes serious ecological problems - and is PROHIBITED by law.

Best Management Practices

Best Management Practices, or BMP's, are procedures that help to prevent pollutants such as chemicals, concrete, mortar, pesticides, waste, paint and other hazardous materials from entering our storm drains. All of these sources add up to a pollution problem. But each of us can do our part to keep storm water clean. The efforts add up to a pollution solution!

What Can You Do?

- ✓ **Never** sweep or blow grass/lawn clippings into driveways, sidewalks, streets, gutters or storm drains.
- ✓ **Always** store both dry and wet materials under cover, protected from rainfall and runoff and away from storm drains and waterways.
- ✓ **Keep all construction debris away from the street, gutter and storm drains.**
- ✓ **Never dispose of washout into the street, storm drains, landscape drains, drainage ditches or streams.**
- ✓ Look for and clean up material that may have traveled away from your property after each days work.
- ✓ If you or your contractor keep a dumpster at your site, be sure it is securely covered with a lid or tarp when not in use.
- ✓ **Protect** dry materials from the wind. Don't allow dry products to blow into driveways, sidewalks, streets, gutters or storm drains.
- ✓ **Don't** place fill material, soil or compost piles on the sidewalk or street.
- ✓ During cleanups, check the street and gutters for sediment, refuse or debris. Look around the corner or down the street and clean up any materials that may have already traveled away from your property.

WHO CAN YOU CONTACT? FOR MORE INFORMATION, OR TO REPORT ILLEGAL DUMPING, PLEASE CALL:

Community Improvement Department
(727) 343-4192

DISPOSAL OF HOUSEHOLD CHEMICALS

Household Electronics & Chemical Collection Center (HEC₃)
2855 109th Avenue North (off 28th St. N.), St. Petersburg

Hours:

Monday - Friday

6:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Saturday

7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Closed on all county observed holidays.

For more information including what items to bring and what not to bring,
 call (727) 464-7500 or visit www.pinellascounty.org/utilities (A-Z Guide)

AUTOMOTIVE/LEAD ACID BATTERIES:

Most auto part retailers accept an old vehicle battery for no charge even if new battery is not purchased.

County Sanitation
 5601 Haines Rd. N.
 St. Petersburg, FL
 (727) 522-5794

Electro Battery
 3138 23rd Ave. N.
 St. Petersburg, FL
 (727) 323-4848

St. Pete Battery World
 2705 54th Ave. N.
 St. Petersburg, FL
 (727) 526-2200

MOTOR OIL (USED):

Advance Auto Parts
 4901 Gulfport Blvd.
 (727) 323-2971
 Accepts up to 5 gallons.

WHITE GOODS:

Waste Services Inc.
 (727) 572-6800
 (call first)
 No freon accepted.

GREASE (household):

Put in paper towels to absorb
 grease, place in bag and dispose in
 regular trash.

FUEL:

(diesel, gasoline, heating oil, boat fuel, kerosene,
 mixed fuels (clean/contaminated))

HEC₃ Facility
 2855 109th Avenue North

- Transport in approved fuel container
 (not returned)
- Do not smoke while transporting fuel
- If fuel exceeds 15 gallons call first
 (727) 464-7500

PAINT:

(water-based latex, vinyl or acrylic paint in spray or
 can)

Only empty/dry paint cans can be disposed in regular
 trash - take lid off container and place outside to dry.

HEC₃ will accept unopened/partially used cans.

Donate leftover paint to:

Habitat for Humanity (727) 209-2199

City of St. Petersburg (727) 893-7373 - repainting
 elderly/low-income residents.

PROPANE GAS CYLINDERS:

Small Tanks (up to 1 lb.)
 (Ex: camping stove tank)

HEC₃ Facility
 2900 110th Avenue North

Medium Tanks
 (2-20 lbs.)
 (Ex: gas grill or turkey
 fryer tank)

Reuse by refilling tank
**If tank's wheel is round/
 star shaped,
 it cannot be refilled**

20 lb. Tank

Blue Rhino Propane
 Tank Exchange
 1-800-258-7466

Over 20 lbs.

Contact propane distribu-
 tor
 (on tank decal or stamp)

CLOSURE SCHEDULE

City Hall will be closed on the following dates:

Friday, April 14, 2017
 Good Friday
 (City Hall closes at 12 Noon)

Monday, May 29, 2017
 Memorial Day

Brochures and pamphlets are available on environmentally friendly landscaping from the Public Works Department at 384-0701.



COMMISSION MEETINGS

South Pasadena City Commission Meetings are broadcast live on Bright House Channel 643 and rebroadcast the following Wednesday and Monday at 11:00 a.m.



2017 CALENDAR MEETINGS

- Mar. 28 9:00 a.m. Regular Commission Meeting followed by Special Commission Meeting & Administrative Workshop Meeting
- Apr. 4 9:00 a.m. Agenda Meeting followed by Administrative Workshop Meeting
- Apr. 11 7:00 p.m. Regular Commission Meeting
- Apr. 18 9:00 a.m. Administrative Workshop Meeting
- May 2 9:00 a.m. Agenda Meeting followed by Administrative Workshop Meeting
- May 9 7:00 p.m. Regular Commission Meeting
- May 16 9:00 a.m. Administrative Workshop Meeting
- Jun. 6 9:00 a.m. Agenda Meeting followed by Administrative Workshop Meeting
- Jun. 13 7:00 p.m. Regular Commission Meeting
- Jun. 20 9:00 a.m. Agenda Meeting followed by Administrative Workshop Meeting

Budget workshops have yet to be scheduled. They will be held during the month of June.

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO CALL 9-1-1
 IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY.
 DO NOT CALL THE FIRE DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATION NUMBER.**

<p>CITY HALL 7047 Sunset Drive South Hours: 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.</p> <p>Mayor, Commission, Finance & Administration Departments Phone: 727-347-4171 Fax: 727-345-0518</p>	<p>FIRE STATION 911 Oleander Way S.</p> <p>Public Safety Department Phone: 727-344-1666 Fax: 727-381-4324</p> <p>Pinellas County Sheriff Phone: 727-582-6200</p>	<p>CITY HALL ANNEX 6940 Hibiscus Avenue South Hours: 7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td data-bbox="841 1793 1166 1915"> <p>Community Improvement Department Phone: 727-343-4192 Fax: 727-381-4819</p> </td> <td data-bbox="1224 1793 1485 1915"> <p>Public Works Department Phone: 727-384-0701 Fax: 727-347-4254</p> </td> </tr> </table>	<p>Community Improvement Department Phone: 727-343-4192 Fax: 727-381-4819</p>	<p>Public Works Department Phone: 727-384-0701 Fax: 727-347-4254</p>
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