



TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

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INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this report is to provide the Town of Lantana (Town) Town Council and Community with a high-level executive summary of the status of the Town's major projects and various current and upcoming operational matters. Additional information may be available upon request.

MISSION STATEMENT

To preserve Lantana's small-town atmosphere through responsible government and quality service.

NEWS RELEASES

Sea Turtle Nesting and Hatching Season

March 1st marks the beginning of the Sea Turtle Nesting and Hatching Season which runs annually from 03/01 – 10/31. During this period of time, sea turtles make their way to Florida beaches to lay their eggs. Please help us protect these sea creatures by staying clear of any such nests.

2024 Hurricane Season Preparedness

The Town is committed to assisting residents in preparing for the potential impacts of a hurricane. To ensure everyone's safety, we provide some recommendations below to properly prepare for a hurricane in advance:

Before:

- ✓ Install straps or additional clips to securely fasten your roof to the frame structure. This will reduce roof damage.
- ✓ Be sure trees and shrubs around your home are well trimmed.
- ✓ Obtain cash or travelers checks.
- ✓ Fuel up vehicles and propane tanks.
- ✓ Determine how and where to secure your boat.
- ✓ Purchase supplies for your family's disaster supply kit.
- ✓ Make plans to board your pet if you plan to go to a shelter.
- ✓ Check your shelter information and location.

ARE YOU PREPARED?



After:

- ✓ Report downed lines to FPL or the Lantana Police Department.
- ✓ Do not drive into flooded areas.
- ✓ Check for gas leaks.
- ✓ If you think sewage lines are damaged, don't use toilets and call a plumber. If water pipes are damaged, don't use tap water; call the Town's Water Treatment Plant at (561) 540-5760.

Please make sure you are prepared and visit [Public Safety - Emergency Management Hurricane \(pbcgov.org\)](http://Public Safety - Emergency Management Hurricane (pbcgov.org)) for an official hurricane guide from the PBC Emergency Information Center (available in English, Spanish and Creole).

FLOODING: KNOW YOUR HAZARDS



Know Your Zone: The Town has areas that are considered Special Flood Hazard Areas which require all buildings to be constructed at or above, the Base Flood Elevation. Please visit the following link Lantana Emergency Management to have more information about your zone and the hurricane season.

Community Rating System (CRS): The Town participates in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Community Rating System (CRS) and is currently rated a Class 8 Community. This allows a property owner who purchases a flood insurance policy to receive a discount

on its cost. As part of our participation, the Development Services Department offers a service to answer questions on Flood Zone and Base Flood Elevation determinations from the Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMS). Please feel free to stop by or call them at (561) 540-5780 for help answering questions regarding your Flood Zone. The FIRMS and various other publications on flood prevention are available at Development Services and the Library.

New Flood Insurance Rate Maps: The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has notified the Town that revisions to FIRMS and the Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report for the Town have been completed and will become effective on 12/20/2024.

Prior to the effective date, the Town is required, as a condition of continued eligibility in the NFIP, to adopt certain regulations. If you have questions on what this means for your property, please feel free to reach out to planning@lantana.org. Additional information and resources regarding NFIP and floodplain management can be found at <https://www.fema.gov/flood-maps>.

Palm Beach County (PBC) will conduct a public outreach meeting for our residents who have questions pertaining to the new FIRMS on 09/14/2024 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Howard Park Community Center, 1301 Parker Ave, West Palm Beach, FL 33401.

Town Directory

If you have any questions or concerns or would like to obtain specific information, please utilize the Directory below to contact the department that may be most able to assist you. At times, due to the high call and customer volumes, we may be unable to answer your call immediately. In those instances, please leave a voicemail with your name, number and the reason for your call and we will return your call within 24 hours. If you don't receive a call back within that time period, please contact Maria Rios, Executive Assistant to the Town Manager at (561) 540-5004 or mrios@lantana.org.

Town of Lantana Offices	Phone Numbers
Town General Information	561.540.5000
Building Division / Planning and Zoning (Permits, Inspections, Business Tax Receipts)	561.540.5780
Code Enforcement	561.540.5790
Parks and Recreation Division / Facility Rentals	561.540.5754
Utilities / Water Plant	561.540.5760
Utility Billing	561.540.5020
Public Services Center (e.g., Missed Garbage Pick-Up)	561.540.5750
Parking Permits (Townwide and Boat Trailer)	561.540.5008
Lantana Public Library	561.540.5740
Emergency	911
Police Non-Emergency	561.540.5701
PBC Fire Rescue Non-Emergency	561.616.7000

Notice of Proposed Stormwater Management and Flooding Improvement System Assessment

On 08/13/2024, the Town mailed a notice letter to all property owners regarding the Proposed Stormwater Management and Flooding Improvement System Assessment. The revenue from this assessment will be used for the construction and maintenance of stormwater management and flooding improvement systems to reduce flooding impacts for the FY 2024/25. A public hearing will be held on 09/09/2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the Town Council Chambers at 500 Greynolds Circle, Lantana, Florida, to receive comments on the proposed assessment, including its levy and collection via your ad valorem tax bill and to discuss its final adoption. If you have any questions regarding the number of units assigned to your property or the amount of the Stormwater Management and Flooding Improvement System Assessment, please contact Customer Service for the Town at (561) 540-5020.

Awards and Recognitions

Proclamation Recognizing September as National Hunger Month

At the 08/12/2024 Town Council Meeting, Mayor Lythgoe presented a proclamation recognizing September as Hunger Action Month to Amy Talbot, Director of Development at Feeding South Florida, in acknowledgment of their efforts to combat hunger in the Town by providing immediate access to nutritious food. The Town is committed to supporting Feeding South Florida in their goal of achieving a hunger-free South Florida.



Police Department's Life Saving Award

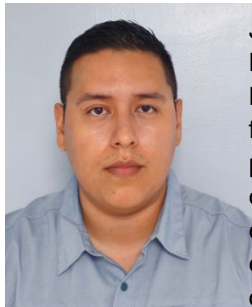
During the 08/12/2024 Town Council Meeting, two (2) of our Police Officers were nominated for the Life Saving Award due to their courageous efforts. On 05/10/2024, Officers Kevin Neus and Jace Alexander responded to a call regarding an adult male who was not breathing and had no pulse. They immediately began CPR and delivered one (1) shock from an AED device which caused the subject to start agonal breathing and to regain partial consciousness. Palm Beach County Fire Rescue arrived on the scene and took over the subject's care. Thanks to the swift actions of both officers, the individual survived. The Town is very proud to have such well-prepared and courageous officers.

Police Department's Promotion and Swearing-in Ceremony

The Town is honored to recognize Peter Cummings for his recent promotion from Police Officer to Sergeant and to welcome the swearing-in of our new Police Officer, Joseph Alvarado. They were honored on 08/16/2024, during a promotional ceremony at the Police Department.

Newly Hired Employees

The Town is pleased to introduce the following newly hired employees. Please join the Town in welcoming them to our Lantana Family!



Joseph Alvarado as a new Police Officer for the Police Department. He is responsible for the protection of all life and property; the prevention of crime; the apprehension of criminals; and the general enforcement of laws and ordinances.



Aniyah Watson as the new Police Dispatcher for the Police Department. She is responsible for answering incoming emergency and non-emergency calls; communicating with police officers and police personnel; and assisting other agencies in communicating with each other during emergency calls.

Solid Waste Authority (SWA) of PBC News

Labor Day Waste Collection



Garbage, recyclables, yard waste, and bulk waste collection for residents and businesses in unincorporated PBC will not be affected on Monday, 09/02/2024, due to the Labor Day holiday. SWA disposal facilities will be open, and haulers will run their regular routes. Residents should place all garbage, recyclables, and yard waste curbside by 6:00 a.m.

While SWA administrative offices will be closed, a limited number of customer service team members will be available to assist residents with any garbage or recycling collection questions or concerns.

SWA Customer Information Services can be reached at (561) 697-2700, (866) 792-4636 (toll-free), or contactcis@swa.org.

More information on [holiday collection](#) can be found online, as can additional information about SWA [facilities and hours](#).

If you're replacing your U.S. flag in honor of the holiday, bring your old flag to any one of seven (7) SWA [Home Chemical & Recycling Centers](#) for proper, honorable disposal. More information about U.S. flag disposal is on the SWA's [website](#), and you can watch our [ad on proper flag disposal](#).

PBC's Dual-stream Recycling Program

The Town would like to announce the success of the 3rd quarter of the recycling program of 2024. We want to thank all residents for their continued commitment to making our dual-stream recycling program successful. The SWA of PBC reported that our municipality recycled 156.63 tons of blue and yellow bin material in the 3rd quarter of 2024. For more information on what goes into various colored bins, please visit <https://swa.org/149/Recycling>.

If you have any questions or concerns about your home or business waste and recycling collection, please contact Coastal Waste & Recycling of Florida, Inc. directly at lantana@coastalwasteinc.com or (561) 819-8887.

Repairs at Central County Transfer Station

On 06/11/2024, representatives from SWA of PBC informed the Town that as part of their routine maintenance procedures, the Central County Transfer Station located in the Town would commence repairs to the tipping floor on 07/22/2024. During this period, the facility was unable to accept garbage and vegetation. The Town is pleased to inform you that the project has been completed and the station was reopened on 08/22/2024.

Employee Spotlight

Meet Jackson Payne, one (1) of the invaluable members of our Parks and Recreation team who has been making our Town's parks shine. Jackson is especially focused on maintaining the Sports Park and Nature Preserve, ensuring they are in tip top shape for all residents. His meticulous care and dedication have made him an indispensable part of our Town.

Jackson's commitment extends beyond the fields and parks. He plays a crucial role in supporting Town events, bringing the same level of care and enthusiasm to every task. His colleagues often compare him to Gandalf the White from *The Lord of the Rings*—a wise and dependable presence within the Parks and Recreation Division.



Jackson Payne – General Maintenance Worker I

Jackson's interests reach far beyond his daily responsibilities. He is passionate about classical literature, philosophy, history and personal development books, many of which he finds in the Little Library boxes scattered throughout Town. His love for learning recently led him to earn his Associate Arts Degree and he is now pursuing a Bachelor's Degree in business with a focus on entrepreneurship. In addition to his literary pursuits, Jackson harbors a unique dream: to become a contestant on *Jeopardy!* His broad knowledge base and love for trivia make this a natural goal and he has been diligently preparing by immersing himself in a wide range of topics. When he is not taking care of our parks or studying, you can find Jackson enjoying the great outdoors. Whether he is surfing at the beach or running on the trails, his love for nature is evident in everything he does.

Jackson Payne truly embodies the spirit of our Town, bringing wisdom, dedication and a love of

learning to all aspects of his life. We are proud to have him as part of our team and look forward to seeing all the great things he will continue to accomplish.

Bonefish Cove Habitat Restoration Project Update

On 06/24/2024, the Town received the following information regarding the Bonefish Cove Habitat Restoration Project from PBC's Department of Environmental Resources Management (ERM):

- Last week, they held a productive meeting with the US Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) team, who confirmed they are finalizing the engineering and contract requirements for a design modification that will not affect the traditional route to the Intracoastal Waterway.
- Once the ACOE finalizes the drawing of the new configuration, they will share it.
- Meanwhile, sand for constructing intertidal mangrove islands and oyster reefs will be transported from Peanut Island's dredge material management areas, likely starting later this month or in early July 2024, and barged to the Bonefish Cove Habitat Restoration project location just south of the Lake Worth Ave Bridge. Once the intertidal islands are created, they will be stabilized with limestone rock breakwaters.
- Yellow turbidity curtains are currently in place around the active work area to contain and minimize any turbidity plumes resulting from the sand placement. Daily turbidity monitoring will occur during all sand placement activities.
- Construction will be conducted from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday, as approved by the Town of Palm Beach. Each island's construction will take several months, with the contractor scheduled to complete all islands, oyster reefs and mangrove plantings by Summer 2025.
- Upon completion, these islands and oyster reefs will provide critical habitat for threatened shorebirds and protected native mangroves. Additionally, submerged seagrass and oysters will colonize, contributing to improved water quality.
- Representatives from PBC's Department of ERM are waiting to receive proposed modifications to the project from ACOE and plan to meet with them to discuss these proposals. They will also provide a formal update once they receive the proposal.

PBC will continue to post periodic construction updates on the PBCLakeWorthLagoon.com website, and the Town will also provide Project updates as we receive them from ERM.

2-1-1 Palm Beach and Treasure Coast



The 2-1-1 Helpline is a one-stop resource for suicide prevention, crisis intervention and community services for Palm Beach, Indian River, Martin, Okeechobee and St. Lucie County residents in different languages (i.e., English, Spanish and Creole), for people of all ages. For more information or assistance, please follow the link below and find the 2-1-1 PBC website at <https://www.lantana.org/links>.

Florida Power & Light Company (FPL) News

Lantana Vegetation Management Plan Maintenance

The Town would like to inform you that FPL conducted Utility Tree Maintenance in July. This work was performed by FPL's line-clearing qualified contractor, Asplundh Tree Expert Company. FPL is currently awaiting Quality Assurance (QA) on this work and will inform us if any rework is needed. Please view the [General Boundary Map](#) of the area where the maintenance occurred.

Reporting and Tracking an Outage

FPL understands that power outages can be an inconvenience. FPL provides tools for you to track outages and get updates on power restoration in your area. For faster access, download the FPL app from the App Store or Google Play, or text “App” to MyFPL (69375) to stay connected and informed with ease. You can also visit [FPL.com](https://www.fpl.com) to report or check the status of your outage.



How FPL Restores Your Power

FPL is dedicated to restoring your power safely and as quickly as possible after a storm. Their highly skilled restoration teams work around the clock, prioritizing critical infrastructure to ensure power is restored to our community. Click [here](#) to learn how FPL restores power. Additionally, the company urges you to always be aware of potential safety hazards, especially before, during and after severe weather. Find tips on how to prepare on [FPL.com/Storm](https://www.fpl.com/storm).

Be Proactive: Storm Preparedness

FPL works year-round to prepare for severe weather and is ready to respond to whatever weather comes our way. Prepare your family and/or business for storm season by visiting [FPL.com/Storm](https://www.fpl.com/storm) and access helpful resources, tips and guidelines to ensure you and your loved ones are ready when storms strike.



Lantana Feeder Hardening Project

19 new Concrete Poles were recently installed around S Arnold Ave from W Pine St to Garnett St. In order to make this installation possible, some light fixtures were removed. FPL and their contractors are currently working on the Feeder Hardening Project in the area. As a result, Lantana Feeder #2839 (i.e., Skylark Ln, Julia Heights Dr, Cardinal Ln, Garnett St, S Arnold Ave, S 4th St and Lantana Rd from N 8th St to Dixie Hwy) is expected to be 100% complete by the end of September 2024. Lantana Feeder #2836 (i.e., North on S 14th St and west of I-95 on Lantana Rd) is expected to be 100% complete by the end of October 2024.

We Need Your Help to “Light up Lantana” by identifying any streetlights that are not working in your neighborhood or anywhere around Town by reporting them on the FPL website at [FPL.com/Create a New Report](https://www.fpl.com/create-a-new-report) or by contacting Glenn Ellis, Public Works Superintendent at gellis@lantana.org or (561) 540-5764.

Sign Up for CodeRED Alerts!

To enroll, visit <https://www.lantana.org/> and click on CodeRED alerts OR text “Lantanaalerts” (as one word) to 99411.

Things to Know About CodeRED

- CodeRED delivers notifications by phone, email, text and mobile alerts.
- CodeRED is compatible with TDD/TTY devices for those who are deaf or hard of hearing.
- Individuals and businesses may add as many phone numbers, emails and texts numbers as they choose.

For more information about CodeRED Lantana Alerts, contact Kathleen Dominguez, Town Clerk at kdominguez@lantana.org or (561) 540-5016.



Water Treatment Plant and Water Distribution System Improvements Update

All of the new high service pumps are now online and are operating as designed. They will be closely monitored to ensure that they continue to operate smoothly.

Periodically, it has been brought to the attention of Town staff that some areas of the Town occasionally experience water discoloration or “yellow tinted water” coming from their tap. Please be advised that the Town’s drinking water is monitored and tested on a daily basis and continues to confirm that it is safe to drink and that it is well within all mandatory Florida Department of Health water treatment parameters. The Town internally tests the water on a daily basis for chlorine, hardness, color, iron, PH, alkalinity, chlorides, total dissolved solids, temperature and conductivity. In addition, the water is tested externally three (3) times per month for various conditions (i.e., total coliform/E.coli; total coliform/fecal; enterococci; coliphage and HPC) and semi-annually for lead and copper.

In order to provide an immediate response to this concern, the Town continues to perform an aggressive hydrant flushing program that helps to properly distribute the treated water within the system. In addition, we have three (3) automatic flushing devices in various locations throughout the Town. Due to the complex and intricate design of our Water Treatment Plant (WTP), Town staff continues to work closely with our engineers to design cost-effective long-lasting improvements which are expected to significantly improve this issue. At the 06/12/2023 Town Council Meeting, a contract was awarded to RF Environmental Services, Inc. in the amount of \$2.4M for Filter Media Replacement and WTP improvements. The contractor has ordered the long lead time items and the 2nd of five (5) resin tanks has been restored and is back in service as of 08/2024. As a result, improvements have been observed in the water discoloration. In addition, the restoration of the 3rd resin tank began on 08/19/2024.



Moreover, Town staff continues to work closely with our engineers on other water-related improvement projects to ensure that the Town continues to provide quality potable water in a safe, consistent and cost-effective manner. These include:

- Phase I of the A/C Water Main Pipe Replacement Project continues.
- Design work for Phase II of the Broadway and WTP Discharge Water Main Pipe Replacement Project is underway.
- The Water Main Replacement Project under the Florida East Coast (FEC) Railway tracks at Pine St was substantially completed in 05/2024. Due to additional work conducted by the FEC in that vicinity, both sides of the intersection had to remain closed but have now reopened.
- Replacement of the temporary WTP Softening System with a permanent solution once it can be designed/acquired (contract awarded at the 01/22/2024 Town Council Meeting).

All of these projects are ongoing simultaneously, are in various stages of progression and are of the highest priority to Town Officials and staff. In addition, the staff meets monthly with our engineers to ensure that we remain on task. In many cases, there are multiple regulatory agencies that we need to coordinate with and design issues which need to be addressed in order to ensure the delivery of safe and reliable projects to the Town’s residents and business owners.

Due to the enormity and complexity of these projects, in many cases, they are phased in over multiple years in order to effectively plan, design, bid, award, fund and construct the projects at hand. Funding has been provided for many of these projects from Federal and State appropriations (through

Congresswoman Lois Frankel's Office and with the assistance of our Lobbyist – Ballard Partners, respectively). We are also pursuing other grant opportunities to assist with our funding needs for these and our other infrastructure related projects with the assistance of our professional grant writer (see **GRANTS**). The Town will continue to provide updates as to the status and progress of these projects.

The Town recently received some inquiries from residents in specific areas about a chlorine smell in the water. As result, we immediately flushed the affected areas to remove the chlorine odor. Please be assured that the water was safe to use. Additionally, we are now producing water with very low color, which has effectively addressed the yellow water issue that was previously reported. If you should have any concerns regarding the color, odor and/or quality of your drinking water, please call the Town's WTP at (561) 540-5760 between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. so that we may address your specific concerns.

Thank you in advance for your patience and cooperation as it is greatly appreciated!

[2023 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report](#)

Each year, the Town takes great pride in preparing its Annual Drinking Water Quality Report (Report) which is designed to provide our valued customers with comprehensive information regarding the quality of our water and the services that we consistently deliver. Ensuring a safe and reliable supply of drinking water is one (1) of our highest priorities and this Report serves as a vital tool in conveying the rigorous efforts undertaken to achieve this objective.

In strict adherence to Federal and State laws, regulations, and guidelines set forth by the Florida Department of Health in PBC (DOH-Palm Beach), the Town conducts regular monitoring of its drinking water to detect any potential contaminants. The Report meticulously outlines the results of this monitoring process and elucidates their significance for the period spanning from 01/01/2023 to 12/31/2023, unless otherwise specified. You may access the complete report by clicking on the following link: [Town of Lantana Annual Drinking Water Quality Report](#).

[Dune Restoration Project Delayed until End of Year/Early 2025](#)

On 10/24/2022, the Town Council approved the 1st Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement (ILA) for the Dune Restoration Project – Reach 9 (Project) with the Town of South Palm Beach and Temporary Easement Access Agreement with the Town of South Palm Beach and the Town of Palm Beach which extended the term of the project through 02/28/2023.

Over the past 2½ years the Project had been delayed for many reasons. On 02/05/2024, the Town was informed by the Town of Palm Beach's Engineering Department that they were continuing to work on the Beach Nourishment Project. A dredge is planned to pump sand from an offshore source onto the beach in Reach 7 (Phipps Park to Kreusler Park) and they will stockpile additional sand and truck it into Reach 8 (Palm Beach south of the Lake Worth pier) to build dunes. At that time, they had planned to utilize the Town's beach access at Dorothy Rissler for the Project into Reach 9, which is expected to be completed by the end of 2024/beginning of 2025.

On 08/13/2024, the Town received an update on the Dune Restoration Project from the Town of Palm Beach's Director of Public Works. The project is scheduled for Winter 2024, with access now planned south of the Lake Worth pier, which eliminates the need for access through the Town's Dorothy Rissler. The Town of Palm Beach is now requesting reimbursement from the Town for sand costs only and is obtaining estimates for sand rates and quantities needed. Since the sand was initially to be provided in exchange for Dorothy Rissler access (no longer required), they will seek funds from PBC ERM for sand placement in the Town. We are currently evaluating the need for a new ILA to proceed if the project is financially feasible for the Town.

TOWN CLERK

PBC 2024 Presidential Election Dates and Deadlines – Mark Your Calendars!

The Presidential Election Day is Tuesday, 11/05/2024.

- Early voting begins on **Monday, 10/21/2024, through Sunday, 11/03/2024, from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at select locations.**
- The deadline to register to vote is **Monday, 10/07/2024.**
- Deadline to request that a Vote-by-Mail ballot be mailed to you: **5:00 p.m. on Thursday, 10/24/2024.**
- Deadline to return your Vote-by-Mail ballot to the Main Office: **7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 11/05/2024.**

For more information on early voting, vote-by-mail, and registration deadlines, please visit: <https://www.votepalmbeach.gov/>, or call (561) 656-6200.

2025 Town Election Information

The next Town Election will be held on Tuesday, 03/11/2025.

Please visit <https://www.lantana.org/town-elections> for more information.

Get Ready for a New Town Website

On 03/25/2024, the Town Council approved a contract with CivicPlus, LLC, to completely revamp our website. This means a more user-friendly experience, a fresh new look and easier access to all the information you need. Stay tuned for the launch this Fall – September/October 2024!

Town's Livestreaming Platform and Agenda Notifications

To use the platform for accessing the livestreamed and recorded Town Council Meetings please adhere the following instructions:

Tune in Live or Catch up Later

- Visit <https://www.lantana.org/TownAgendas>.
- Click the "View Event" link for the live broadcast when the Town Council Meeting starts.
- Recordings are available on-demand after each meeting in the Past Events section.

Stay informed

Sign up for email notifications when new agendas are posted and never miss an update at <https://www.lantana.org/TownAgendas>.

Schedule of Future Events/Important Dates

- 09/02/2024 - Town Offices Closed in Observance of Labor Day.
- 09/09/2024 - First Public Budget Hearing, Town Hall Council Chambers, 5:30 p.m.
- 09/09/2024 - Town Council Meeting, Town Hall Council Chambers, 6:00 p.m.
- 09/18/2024 - Second Public Budget Hearing, Town Hall Council Chambers, 5:30 p.m.
- 09/19/2024 - Special Magistrate Hearing, Town Hall Council Chambers, 5:30 p.m.
- 09/23/2024 - Town Council Meeting, Town Hall Council Chambers, 6:00 p.m.
- 09/25/2024 - Planning Commission Meeting, Town Hall Council Chambers, 6:30 p.m.
- 10/14/2024 - Town Council Meeting, Town Hall Council Chambers, 6:00 p.m.
- 10/17/2024 - Special Magistrate Hearing, Town Hall Council Chambers, 5:30 p.m.
- 10/23/2024 - Planning Commission Meeting, Town Hall Council Chambers, 6:30 p.m.
- 10/25/2024 - Haunted Nature Preserve, 440 E Ocean Ave, 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
- 10/28/2024 - Town Council Meeting, Town Hall Council Chambers, 6:00 p.m.

PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Invasive Removal Efforts and Projects in the Lantana Nature Preserve (Preserve)

The Town continues to work closely with SOLitude Lake Management, a certified invasive removal company to treat and remove invasive plants and trees from the Preserve and to identify the different exotic plants. The company comes out twice a year (February and August) to remove invasive plants/trees from inside the Preserve, including pathways and the parking lot areas. The maintenance area includes the middle and borders of the Preserve and does not include the mangrove area or the butterfly garden plants.

In addition, on 03/14/2024, the Town began replacing two (2) of the Preserve's deteriorated timber pedestrian bridges along the hiking paths. The construction of the largest bridge was completed on 08/02/2024, while the smaller bridge will remain closed until further notice so that additional construction work can be done. The parking lot is open and will not be affected by any additional construction. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause and appreciate your patience.



The Town continues to enhance the Preserve so that our residents and visitors can enjoy the great Lantana Outdoors! If you have any questions or concerns about the Preserve, please contact Nadine Shawah at nshawah@lantana.org or (561) 234-0181.

Sea Pines Neighborhood Drainage Information

The Stormwater Pump Station has been completed and is fully operational in the Sea Pines area to control the water level and reduce the likelihood of street flooding there.

Hypoluxo Island Drainage Information

- 01/20/2022 – staff and Town Engineer met with Hypoluxo residents to obtain an understanding of their drainage concerns on the entire Island, resulting in our Engineer (CSA 2022-04) studying the areas that tend to flood during severe rainfall and/or high tide events.
- 10/19/2022 – staff met with Engineer to review potential drainage system improvements, followed by an on-site meeting on 11/02/2022.
- 12/12/2022 – a Workshop was held to discuss the Engineer's preliminary findings so they could finalize their report (02/15/2023).
- 04/24/2023 – Town Council approved our Engineer to design, permit and bid the Drainage Improvement Project for N Atlantic Dr and Beach Curve Rd (CSA No 2023-03). N Atlantic Dr has reached the 90% design submittal stage, which includes updated drawings, specifications, and cost estimates. These plans are scheduled to be submitted to the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) in the coming days. We are preparing for a final review and approval process. This process is expected to be wrapped up in September 2024.

Railway Information

- 01/24/2023 – staff met with FEC and brightline representatives to discuss plans for a potential Corridor Improvement Project (Project) that would limit trespassing and vagrancy incidents along the corridor while maintaining/improving the visual aesthetics throughout the Town.
- 02/27/2023 – FEC, brightline and Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) representatives hold a Workshop to discuss with Town Council the potential closing of the W Pine St crossing in exchange for substantial infrastructure type improvements along the entire railroad corridor (i.e., fencing, sidewalks, landscaping, intersection/roadway improvements, etc.) which would likely be funded from a federal grant and local sources. Representatives from FDOT and the Palm Beach Transportation Planning Agency (TPA) were present to lend their support. There was consensus to continue exploring this opportunity and to hold a Community Workshop.

- 04/06/2023 – staff and our railroad partners hosted a public Railroad Corridor Municipal Workshop to discuss the Project. A Working Lunch followed for staff and railroad partners.
- 06/21/2024 – staff and our brightline partners met to discuss and evaluate the cost/benefit of the potential project and application for the Railroad Crossing Elimination (RCE) Grant.
- Staff is currently working with the FEC to determine the annual cost/feasibility of entering into a lease with them to utilize their right-of-way (ROW) property so that the Town could make potential improvements on their land (i.e., to add sidewalks, fencing etc.).



Temporary Crossing Closure

In February 2024, The Town restarted the FEC Water Main Replacement Project. The W Pine St railroad crossing was closed on 02/12/2024. Detour signs and barricades were placed on both sides of the construction site. The project was completed in 06/2024, and the W Pine St railroad crossing was initially scheduled to reopen in June. However, additional work required by FEC in the vicinity caused a delay, but we are pleased to inform you that W Pine St is now open. We apologize for any inconvenience this closure caused and appreciate your understanding.

Dixie Hwy and Lakeview Ave Intersection

Residents requested that the lighting be upgraded to support safety concerns at this intersection. Staff submitted the request to FPL and the additional light (on a brand-new pole) was installed in 10/2023. Additionally, staff is working with FPL to remove the old wooden pole(s) which no longer appear needed.

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Exhibit A – Public Services Department’s Ongoing Prior Year Capital Projects

Project	Funding Year	Start Date	Estimated Completion	Comments
Lift Station Rehabilitation (6-N Atlantic Dr, 16-Lantana Beach & 18-Police Dept.)	FY 2020/21 (rolled over to FY 2021/22)	TBD	09/1/2024	Contract awarded & underway. Lift station 6 & 18 are complete, while construction for 16 is substantially complete.
Sea Pines Stormwater Pump Station	FY 2020/21 (rolled over to FY 2021/22)	07/2023	08/2024	Complete and Operational
Water Main Replacement Under FEC @ Pine St	FY 2020/21 (rolled over to FY 2021/22)	06/2023	08/2024	Project is substantially complete. Additional pavement marking required.
Beach Pavilion Repairs	FY 2020/21 (FY 2021/22 not funded)	TBD	TBD	Bldg. use/purpose being evaluated as part of the Master Plan.
Filter Media Replacement & WTP Improvements	FY 2020/21 (rolled over to FY 2021/22), additional funds added in FY 2022/23	02/2024	05/2025	Filter media replaced in (2) of (5) vessels. Noticeable decrease in water color should be noted. Rehabilitation of 3 rd vessel started 08/19/2024.
Design of SE Atlantic Dr, Beach Curve Rd, Barefoot Ln, Lagoon Ln, N Atlantic Drainage Improvements	Included in FY 2021/22 year-end budget amendment	TBD	08/2024	Design underway & is anticipated to be completed in 08/2024.
Beach Rails (Phase II)	FY 2021/22	TBD	TBD	Project was deferred until FY 2022/23. CSA being evaluated. Master Plan impact to be considered.
Pipe Lining/Manhole Rehabilitation Sanitary Sewer	FY 2021/22	TBD	09/2024	Two (2) related contracts approved by Town Council on 06/24/2024.
Phase I AC Pipe Replacement (Phase I)	FY 2021/22	03/2024	01/2025	Town Council awarded engineering CSA to B & W & construction contract to FG Construction on 01/08/2024. NTP was issued in February 2024. Project underway.
Repair Seawall @ Bicentennial & Sportsman’s Parks	FY 2022/23	08/2022	TBD	Grant agreement approved by Town Council on 01/22/2024.
Recoat Seawall Sheet (Lantana Beach)	FY 2022/23	TBD	TBD	None at this time.
Additional Funding for ADA Ramp Replacement (Lantana Beach)	FY 2022/23	TBD	TBD	Insurance claim has been settled, Ramp Design TBD.
Replace Wooden Decking, Rafters & Rails (Lantana Beach)	FY 2022/23	10/2022	TBD	CSA for Design being evaluated. Impact of Master Plan being considered.
Design: Asbestos Cement (AC) Water Mains (Phase II)	FY 2022/23	TBD	TBD	None at this time.
Vulnerability Assessment/Ocean Ave.	FY 2022/23	08/2023	10/2024	Approved by Town Council 08/14/2023. CSA underway.
Install Emergency water main connection with City of Lake Worth Beach (LWB) through an Interlocal Agreement (ILA)	FY 2022/23	TBD	TBD	ILA approved by Town Council 08/14/2023 & by LWB City Commission 09/14/2023. LWB expected to approve contractor work order shortly.

Exhibit B – Public Services Department’s Capital Projects included in FY 2023/24 Adopted/Amended Budget

Project	Funding Year	Start Date	Estimated Completion	Comments
Townwide improvements (e.g., trash receptacles, landscaping, etc.)	FY 2023/24	10/2023	09/2024	Ongoing.
Holiday decorations for Greynolds Circle	FY 2023/24	TBD	09/2024	Decorations being reviewed.
Community/park improvements (e.g., benches, trash receptacles, landscaping, etc.)	FY 2023/24	10/2023	09/2024	Ongoing.
Upgrade playground equipment at Maddock Park	FY 2023/24	TBD	9/2024	Project underway
Replace fence around northern tennis court	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	Awaiting code change to issue permit.
Replacement of 2004 Ford Ranger	FY 2023/24	10/2023	05/2024	Purchase was approved by Town Council on 10/23/2023. Vehicle received.
Repair smaller beach pavilion	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	TBD
Replace roof at Recreation Center	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	On hold for further evaluation.
Replace Marine Safety building roof and sidewalk; paint building	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	TBD
Replace roof and flooring in Development Services building	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	Roof contractor approved by Town Council on 07/22/2024. Awaiting contract scheduling and permits.
Repair and replace tiles and upgrade fountain system to the Police Memorial	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	TBD
Reseal walls at the Police Department building	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	TBD
Recoat the sea wall at the Lantana Municipal Beach	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	TBD
Air conditioner replacements	FY 2023/24	10/2023	09/2024	Ongoing.
Additional funding to replace the ADA Ramp at Lantana Beach	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	TBD
Additional funding to replace wooden decking, rafters and railing along the beach boardwalk.	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	TBD
Replace Town Hall windows with hurricane-rated impact windows	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	TBD
Council Chambers Renovations	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	TBD
Construct classrooms and Emergency Operations Center at Police Department	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	TBD
Architectural services to design office space at the Operations Center	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	TBD
Automatic flushing system for water distribution system	FY 2023/24	10/2023	09/2024	Nine (9) Auto flush systems installed at various locations Townwide (mobile).
Replacement of asbestos concrete piping	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	Phase II Engineering CSA approved by Town Council 04/08/2024. Underway.
Replacement of a utility truck including a lift gate	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	Approved by Town Council on 12/11/2023. Vehicle ordered. One (1) vehicle delivered.
Replace water meters w/Automated Meter Reading System (AMR)	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	Meter types being evaluated.
Storage building at Master Lift Station	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	TBD
Design to convert lift stations 3, 4, 8, & 9 from a dry pit to submersible pump system	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	CSA from B & W being evaluated.
Begin GIS location and mapping for stormwater and sewer infrastructure	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	Stormwater system completed. Approved by Town Council on 06/24/2024. Project underway
Replacement of a 2011 Ford F350 crane utility truck	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	Approved by Town Council on 12/11/2023. Vehicle ordered.
Replace roof at Water Treatment Plant (WTP)	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	Approved by Town Council on 07/22/2024.
Brine Tank Replacement	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	Approved by Town Council on 01/22/2024. New tank ordered.
Bicentennial Park Seawall Hardening	FY 2023/24	01/22/2024	10/2024	Approved by Town Council 01/22/2024. CSA underway.
WTP Instrumentation & Control Improvements	FY 2023/24	05/13/2024	03/15/2025	Engineering CSA approved by Town Council 05/13/2024. Underway.
GIS Implementation - Phase II	FY 2023/24	05/13/2024	TBD	TBD
Maddock Park ADA Ramp Replacement	FY 2023/24	08/26/2024	11/23/2024	PO issued.

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Water Tower Commons Project Update

Town staff continues to work closely with the Developers of the Water Tower Commons site (site). Currently, staff is processing appropriate permits and inspections for the approved eastern commercial side of the site as well as a Fifth Third Bank. On 08/12/2024, the Town Council approved a Special Exception, Site Plan and Landscape Plan for a modification to the eastern commercial portion of the site to include a Carl's Jr. and Panda Express. As part of the approval of the Water Tower Commons Project, the Developer was required by PBC to install a mast arm traffic light at the project's entrance. Since Lantana Rd is County-owned and maintained, Town Staff has recently been engaged in discussions with PBC as well as the Developer regarding the mast arm. Ongoing traffic analyses will be conducted to determine when the mast arm is warranted.

Lantana ParkSquare Update

In April 2023, Integra Solutions, LLC (Integra) purchased the 18-acre site located at the corner of Hypoluxo Rd and Dixie Hwy, commonly referred to as the vacant Kmart site. Since that time, staff has been collaborating and coordinating with Integra's development team to deliver a well-planned mixed-use development and vibrant space that will enhance the site's visual appeal and address the community's diverse needs. On 02/12/2024 a public workshop was held whereby Integra presented the site's conceptual site plan and renderings (as currently drafted). During the workshop, the Town Council provided positive feedback on the project's conceptual plan, commending its thoughtful design and alignment with the community's vision and Master Plan. Overall, the Council's endorsement (through consensus), signifies confidence in the project's potential to breathe new life into the community's fabric. In addition, the public was given the opportunity to ask questions and provide comments. As a result, staff has moved forward with next steps including both text and Comprehensive Plan amendments. Most recently, staff has provided the developer with comments after reviewing the Special Exception, Site Plan and Landscape Plan. For more information regarding the materials that were presented at the 02/13/2024 workshop (e.g., Site Plan, Renderings and PowerPoints), please contact Town Administration at (561) 540-5004.



Rendering of Lantana ParkSquare as seen from the FEC Railway

Master Plan Update

The Master Plan was successfully adopted by the Town Council at the 07/24/2023 Town Council Meeting. Since that time, the following actions have been taken:

- The adopted Townwide Master Plan has been posted on the Town's website at: <https://www.lantana.org/news/post/15421/>.
- Staff has formed the Master Plan Committee, a volunteer group of residents from various neighborhoods to provide input on the Master Plan and ongoing projects.

- Digital copies of the Master Plan have been distributed to potential developers and stakeholders.
- Staff presented to the Town Council highlights of the Master Plan in relation to the proposed redevelopment of the Kmart site on 02/13/2024.
- Staff has worked with the vacant Ocean Ave property owners on a redevelopment plan for the parcels, in keeping with the Master Plan proposal for the properties. A Demolition Permit for this site was approved the week of 04/15/2024 and has been completed. On 07/18/2024, staff had a conference call with the owners to discuss next steps for redevelopment.



- Staff has and will continue to explore redevelopment plans for Lantana Beach as it relates to the Master Plan.
- \$100k worth of funding has been included in the FY 2023/24 budget for related projects and another \$100k is proposed in the FY 2024/25 budget.

Traffic Calming

Staff is currently working with our contracted Traffic Engineer on residents who have expressed traffic concerns for their neighborhoods. New speed limit signage was recently installed in the Hypoluxo Island neighborhood in an effort to slow traffic speeds. Traffic data was recently gathered in the Southwinds neighborhood and community meetings were held and a recommendation from the engineers was provided to install temporary speed cushions for six (6) months to determine the impacts to the neighborhood. A community meeting was held for the S Lake Dr traffic calming application where it was determined that temporary speed cushions should be installed. These temporary speed cushions have been installed and will be monitored for a six (6) month period to determine the impacts to the neighborhood. The Town Council recently approved the speed cushions for the W Pine St project to remain in place permanently. Please reach out to the Development Services Department at Planning@lantana.org for additional information regarding these projects.

Elevation Requirements for New Construction and Substantial Improvement Projects in Special Flood Hazard Areas

In designated flood zones, building codes require new construction and substantially improved building projects to be built at a minimum height of the designated Base Flood Elevation (BFE) plus one (1) foot. "Substantial improvement" means any reconstruction, rehabilitation, addition or other improvement to a structure, where the total cost equals or exceeds 50% of the market value of the structure before the start of construction of the improvement. Please contact our Planning and Zoning Division for more information regarding these requirements at planning@lantana.org.

Assistance with New Businesses and those making Home Improvements

Please help us help you! It's never too early to reach out to the Development Services Department if you are thinking of opening a new business in Town, moving your business to a new location or doing a home improvement project. The earlier you know if permits are needed, if your use is permitted at a location and/or if there are certain code requirements that need to be met, the more seamless we can make the process. Having the information ahead of time will help facilitate a successful outcome and

will assist in preventing frustration and unnecessary delays. The Development Services Department is here to guide you through every step of the Town's processes and requirements.

Permit Extensions

Building Permits can expire if there is no activity on the project. Work shall be considered to be in active progress when the permit has received an approved inspection within six (6) months. If your permit is set to expire, you can request an extension in writing with justifiable cause prior to the expiration. The Town's Building Official has authorization to grant, in writing, one (1) or more extensions of time, for periods not more than three (3) months each. Please contact the Building Division for more information regarding these requirements at buildingpermit@lantana.org.

Business Tax Receipts (BTRs) for Sale

FY 2024/25 BTRs went on sale as of 07/01/2024 at the Development Services Department. Any business or rental property operating in the Town should pay their business tax receipt for the upcoming fiscal year (10/01/2024 – 09/30/2025) by 09/30/2024 which is the deadline to be in compliance. Payments can be made in person or by mail, via check. All businesses in Town must obtain a business tax receipt.

Reporting Code Violations

If you are reporting a potential Code Violation, you must include your name, address and contact number for an investigation to occur. Per a Florida State Statute passed in the Summer of 2021, Code Enforcement can no longer act upon anonymous complaints. However, this does not apply if the code inspector has reason to believe the violation presents an imminent threat to public health, safety or welfare or imminent destruction of habitat or sensitive resources. For more information on the legislation, please see the following link <https://flsenate.gov/Session/Bill/2021/60/?Tab=BillText>.

Development Services' Ongoing Projects

- Multiple Variance, Site Plans and Special Exception requests. Feel free to reach out to the Development Services Department at Planning@lantana.org for details.
- Ongoing discussions with the property owners/representatives of the recently demolished vacant Ocean Ave properties, in order to determine next steps for redevelopment.
- Coordination with CentralSquare Technologies to implement online permitting.
- Formation and Coordination of the Resident Master Plan Committee.
- Coordination with the Greater Lantana Chamber of Commerce.
- Participation in the Intergovernmental Plan Amendment Committee.
- Monthly Special Magistrate Hearings.
- Monthly (as needed) Planning Commission Meetings.

LIBRARY DEPARTMENT

Library Update: Recent Happenings and News

Starting in mid-September, the Town and the Library will be partnering with the Literacy Coalition of PBC for literacy tutoring for 1st through 3rd grade. The tutoring will take place after school on Thursdays, 3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Each tutor will be paired with a student, a significant relationship that will develop over time as the child builds their skills and bonds with their tutor. We are very excited about this pilot program (we are the first municipality in PBC to offer this program) because we believe Literacy and Lantana go hand in hand. We want our youth to have the best start to prepare them for future success.



Summer Reading Wrap-Up!

We started a Renaissance Fair in Medieval times at the beginning of summer and journeyed all the way to the Future in Outer Space. Thank you to all of our patrons and residents who adventured through time with us over the last few months. It was a road traveled together with lots of reading, laughs, learning and so much **FUN!**

This Summer Reading Program was a whopping success! The community shattered the records that we just set last year, which were higher than ever before.



Here are a few of the highlights from over the summer:

- Over 1,000 more books were checked out than were checked out last summer.
- We made 355 new cards compared to 209 last summer, marking a 70% increase!
- Summer Reading Club registration statistics:
 - ✓ 81 adults registered, up from 20 in summer 2023, a whopping 305% increase.
 - ✓ 67 teens registered, up from 25 in 2023, which is a 125% increase.
 - ✓ 133 kids and tots registered, up from 59 in 2023, which is a 168% increase.
 - ✓ We had 673 community members attend programs, compared to 341 in summer 2023.



Another number that the Town should be very proud of is our e-materials check-outs went from being ranked in the bottom three (3) of all municipalities in South Florida, to just behind Delray Beach, Boynton Beach, and Lake Park, three (3) libraries that have always led the pack with a high number of check-outs! **Way to go Lantana!**

The Library takes a break from most programming during the month of August to regroup after Summer Reading Club and to clean and organize. Storytimes will continue on Mondays at 10:30 a.m. with Miss. Tracy. We will offer limited programs in September as it is the end of the Town's fiscal year, but in October we will be back with a full schedule of fun, spooky and educational programming!

Seeking Community Help

The Library is seeking volunteers for Read For The Record on 10/24/2024. Volunteers will go to area Schools and Daycares to read a book to community youth. Please contact Maria Rios at mrrios@lantana.org for more information and to sign up!

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Parking and Boat Trailer Decals

Parking and boat trailer decals are on sale now at Town Hall and are good through 09/30/2025. Additional information may be found at <https://www.lantana.org/parkingpermit>.

Town Council Visioning Session

On 04/19/2024, the Town Council held a Workshop/Visioning Session at the Finland House, which was publicly noticed and open to the public. In attendance were all elected officials, Town Manager, Town Attorney, Town Clerk, department heads and other key staff. The meeting was designed to assist in the preparation of the FY 2024/25 Operating and Capital Budget. At the meeting, the following items were discussed:

- The Town Attorney provided a Town Councilmember Orientation Session.
- The Town Manager reviewed the Town's recent accomplishments, improvements as well as both current and future projects.
- Various Department Heads and staff members provided departmental overviews that outlined each department's accomplishments and short and long-term goals.
- The Town Manager provided a list of items to determine if there was consensus to bring these items back for future Council consideration, if necessary.
- The Town Manager reviewed short-term goals that each Councilmember had individually identified as priorities to determine if there was consensus to make it a Town priority.

No formal action was taken at this meeting, as it was a Workshop.

FY 2024/25 Proposed Annual Budget

The Town's FY 2024/25 budgeting process is nearing completion. In April 2024, the budget documents were distributed to departments that submitted their requests back to the Finance Department by the end of the month. Departmental meetings were held where management and department heads initially reviewed all budget requests. The tentative remaining important budget dates are as follows:

- 09/09/2024 - 1st Public Budget Hearing.
- 09/09/2024 - adoption of the Stormwater and Flooding Improvement Assessment at the Town Council Meeting.
- 09/18/2024 - 2nd Public Budget Hearing.

Hiring Opportunities

The Town of Lantana is accepting applications for career opportunities. Interested applicants can apply online for positions by visiting our career page at <https://www.lantana.org/jobs>.

Exhibit C – Finance Department's Monthly Report

Item	July
Number of Accounts Payable Checks Issued	175
Amount of Accounts Payable Checks	\$ 1,581,159
Utility Bills Prepared	3,548
Utility Accounts on Auto-Pay	984
Utility Accounts Opened	29
Town Water Consumption (in thousands of gallons)	5,603
Water Consumed (net of Town usage in thousands of gallons)	55,513
Water/Wastewater Utility Revenue Billed	\$ 397,806
New Employees	1
Separated Employees	2
Number of Interviews	-
Number of Insurance Claims Managed	16
SysAid Tickets completed (Information Technology)	45
Security Logs Reviewed	4,491
Backups Performed (i.e., computer, server, etc.)	405
Network Add/Change/Deletions	92

Exhibit D – Budget-In-Brief



BUDGET-IN-BRIEF as of July 31, 2024

(83.33% of year elapsed)

General Fund Revenues				Other Town Funds			
Revenues	Budget	Year-to-Date	%	Police Education Fund	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
Taxes	10,196,348	9,326,257	91.5%	Revenues	3,664	3,063	83.6%
Licenses & Permits	812,964	907,653	111.6%	Use of Reserves	-	-	N/A
Assessments	997,514	978,789	98.1%	Total Revenues	\$ 3,664	\$ 3,063	83.6%
Intergovernmental Revenue	3,533,231	1,317,391	37.3%	Total Expenses	\$ 3,664	\$ 2,607	71.2%
Charges for Services	940,222	923,355	98.2%				
Fines & Forfeitures	211,200	464,844	220.1%	Police Forfeiture Fund*	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
Misc. Revenue	1,263,486	1,634,264	129.3%	Total Revenues	\$ -	\$ 17,884	N/A
Interfund Transfers	-	-	N/A	Total Expenses	\$ -	\$ 3,011	N/A
Use of Reserves	3,498,055	2,914,929	83.3%	*Per Florida Statute fund is not budgeted			
Total Revenues	\$ 21,453,020	\$ 18,467,482	86.1%				

General Fund Expenditures				Grants Fund (incl. ARPA)			
Expenditures	Budget	Year-to-Date	%	Revenues	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
Town Council	144,455	110,824	76.7%	Use of Reserves	4,246,813	3,538,869	83.3%
Town Manager	588,231	459,312	78.1%	Total Revenues	\$ 4,666,883	\$ 3,787,647	81.2%
Finance	667,206	538,922	80.8%	Total Expenses	\$ 4,666,883	\$ 3,543,107	75.9%
Non-Departmental	281,178	142,702	50.8%				
Police	7,839,302	6,385,034	81.4%	Insurance Fund	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
Development Services	1,661,527	945,365	56.9%	Revenues	917,023	917,023	100.0%
Operations	4,186,056	3,457,807	82.6%	Use of Reserves	-	-	N/A
Library	426,265	368,151	86.4%	Total Revenues	\$ 917,023	\$ 917,023	100.0%
Capital Outlay	5,609,800	534,027	9.5%	Total Expenses	\$ 917,023	\$ 853,123	93.0%
Debt Service	-	-	N/A				
Interfund Transfers	-	-	N/A				
Contingency	49,000	-	0.0%				
Total Expenditures	\$ 21,453,020	\$ 12,942,144	60.3%				

Other Town Funds				YTD-Total Town-wide Budget			
Water & Sewer Utility Fund	Budget	Year-to-Date	%	Expenditures	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
Revenues	9,761,407	7,468,303	76.5%	Total Town-wide Budget	\$ 47,189,646	\$ 25,892,603	54.9%
Use of Reserves	8,368,504	6,973,474	83.3%	(not including Police Forfeiture Fund)			
Total Revenues	\$ 18,129,911	\$ 14,441,777	79.7%				
Total Expenses	\$ 18,129,911	\$ 8,542,802	47.1%				

Infrastructure Surtax Fund			
	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
Total Revenues	1,045,436	844,807	80.8%
Use of Reserves	973,709	811,392	83.3%
Total Revenues	\$ 2,019,145	\$ 1,656,199	82.0%
Total Expenses	\$ 2,019,145	\$ 8,820	0.4%

POLICE DEPARTMENT



Traffic Enforcement

The Police Department continues to routinely conduct a Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) in various areas throughout the Town to address traffic violators and areas of concern.

Police Department's Ongoing Projects and Current Trends

- Staff continues to work with the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) with the migration of Uniform Crime Reporting under the new Florida Incident-Based Reporting System (FIBRS).
- Staff is working with County liaisons to assist homeless subjects to obtain available services.
- Road Patrol shifts continue to conduct in-service training on various tactical plans.
- Police Department staff are recruiting residents in order to reinstate the Citizens on Patrol Program.
- Police Department staff attended training on records management systems and various topics from the Florida Department of Health.
- Officers Kevin Neus and Jace Alexander received the Police Department's Life Saving Award at the 08/12/2024 Town Council Meeting. In addition, they were recently recognized and received Palm Beach County Fire Rescue's Life Saving Award for their swift actions and courageous acts.

Exhibit E – Police Department's Capital Projects included in FY 2023/24 Adopted/Amended Budget

Project	Funding Year	Start Date	Estimated Completion	Comments
One (1) SUV-type vehicle for Police Administration	FY 2023/24	10/01/2023	09/2024	Awaiting delivery of vehicle.
Three (3) SUV-type vehicles and related equipment for Uniform Division	FY 2023/24	10/01/2023	09/2024	All three (3) vehicles have been delivered. Scheduling installation of equipment.
Computer replacement and related equipment: three (3) laptops for Uniform Division	FY 2023/24	10/01/2023	Completed	Received and ready for use.
Axon Air Skydio Drone and related accessories.	FY 2023/24 ARPA Funded	03/2024	09/2024	Awaiting delivery of equipment.
Motorola Purchase of Interoperability Radios	FY 2023/24 ARPA Funded	02/2024	09/2024	Scheduling appointment with Motorola to program the radios.
Purchase of six (6) non-lethal PepperBall devices	FY 2023/24 LETF Funded	06/2024	09/2024	Awaiting delivery of equipment.

FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT

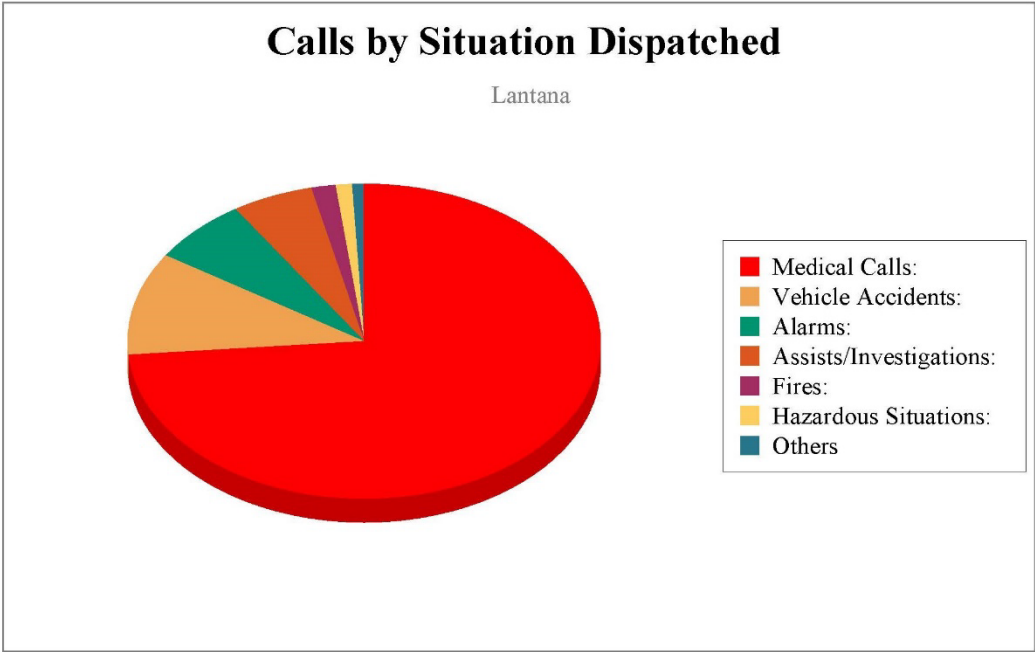
Exhibit F – Fire Rescue Department’s Municipal Call Type Report Chart



Palm Beach County Fire Rescue
Lantana
07/01/2024 to 07/31/2024

Average Response Times	Disp Hand	Turnout	Travel	Resp Time
Emergency Calls:	<u>0:00:48</u>	<u>0:00:53</u>	<u>0:04:10</u>	<u>0:05:50</u>

<u>Type - Situation Dispatched</u>	<u># of Incidents</u>	<u>%</u>
Medical Calls:	191	73.75%
Vehicle Accidents:	27	10.42%
Alarms:	17	6.56%
Assists/Investigations:	15	5.79%
Fires:	4	1.54%
Hazardous Situations:	3	1.16%
Others	2	0.77%
Total	<u>259</u>	<u>100.00%</u>



PBC Fire Rescue Car Seat Check Locations

For Information on PBC Fire Rescue Car Seat Check Locations, please click on the link to the Town’s website here: <https://www.lantana.org/links>.

Note: Fire Rescue Services (Fire Station #37) are provided through a 10-year interlocal agreement with PBC that expires on 12/31/2027.

GRANTS/APPROPRIATIONS/AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT INFORMATION

Grants/Appropriations Funding Update

The Town's Contract and Grants Administrator aggressively pursues operating and capital grant opportunities in areas that improve and enhance the delivery of our services. In order to maximize the Town's potential to obtain these vital funding sources, she works closely with many business partners including:

- Ryan Ruskay from RMPK Funding (RMPK). RMPK is an external grant writing firm that assists the Town in obtaining funding for a wide range of capital improvement projects that enables us to better meet the unique and diverse needs of our community. To date, RMPK has been instrumental in the Town securing more than \$2.3M in such funding.
- In March 2023, Mat Forrest from our Lobbying firm – Ballard Partners, set up in-person meetings with Senator Bobby Powell Jr. and Representative Mike Caruso during Palm Beach Day in our State Capitol so that the Town could gain their support in funding the Town's FY 2023/24 state appropriation request. As a result of Mr. Forrest's efforts, the Town was awarded \$1.2M to fund the Town's Water Main Replacement Project.

Additionally, we recently sought Mr. Forrest's assistance to secure \$2.5M worth of FY 2024/25 state appropriation requests to support our Water Main (\$1.2M) and WTP (\$1.3M) infrastructure projects. On 02/10/2024, Mr. Forrest confirmed that the Town had tentatively received \$350k of the \$1.3M requested for the WTP infrastructure project in the Senate and that he would continue to work to keep the Senate funded and to have the House agree to the Senate's position during the Budget Conference. On 03/05/2024, Mr. Forest confirmed that the Legislature completed their budget negotiations and unfortunately, we were unable to maintain the funding for the WTP infrastructure project.

- In addition, we work very closely with our Congressional partners – Congresswoman Lois Frankel and her staff. The Congresswoman has supported and assisted/is assisting the Town in securing the following federal appropriations:
 - secured \$1.2M in FY 2022/23 to assist in funding our Water Main Replacement Project (includes Phase I of our A/C Pipe Replacement Project).
 - secured nearly \$960k in FY 2023/24 to assist in funding our Water Main Replacement Project and Water Treatment Plant Improvements (i.e., includes Filter Media Project).
 - on 07/15/2024, the Congresswoman's staff informed the Town that \$1.1M was included the FY 2025 Interior Appropriations Bill that the House Appropriations Committee recently passed to assist in WTP Upgrades (i.e., includes Control Panels and Instrumentation Equipment). The final determination of this appropriation will not be made until Congress passes the FY 2025 Budget.

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funding Update

The Town received a total of \$6.3M in ARPA funds to be used for various eligible operating and capital projects that benefit the Town. To date, all of the ARPA funds have been committed which must be obligated by 12/31/2024 and expended by 12/31/2026. In addition, all of the ARPA annual reports have been submitted timely to the U.S. Department of the Treasury.

For a complete listing of the Town's Active Grants/Appropriations Schedule, please see [Exhibit G](#) on the following page.

Exhibit G – Active Grants/Appropriations Schedule

Name of Grantor/Name of Grant/Scope of Work	Date Agreement		Grant Amount	Town Match	Total Grant	Status
	Date Awarded	Approved by Town				
<u>American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funding</u>						
			\$ 6,300,000	\$ -	\$ 6,300,000	
<u>American Library Association's (ALA) Libraries Transforming Communities Grant</u>						
Accessible for Small and Rural Communities	04/19/2023	04/19/2023	\$ 20,000	\$ -	\$ 20,000	Grant Rec'd 11/02/2023.
<u>American Library Association's (ALA) Libraries Transforming Communities Grant</u>						
Accessible for Small and Rural Communities	02/14/2024	TBD	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ 10,000	TBD
<u>Southeast Florida Library Information Network (SEFLIN)</u>						
SEFLIN Library Cooperative Grant Program 2023-2024						
Strategic Planning and Succession Planning Grant	11/27/2023	12/06/2023	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Grant Rec'd 11/27/2023.
<u>Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)</u>						
						Requested that funding be moved to FY 2024/25.
FY 2023/24 Community Sensory Garden with ADA Accessibility	07/12/2023	09/11/2023	\$ 52,623	\$ -	\$ 52,623	
FY 2024/25 Sports Park Improvements	5/14/2024	TBD	\$ 99,952	\$ -	\$ 99,952	Agreement Pending.
<u>Congressional Community Project Funding (CPF) Opportunities through Congresswoman Lois Frankel's Office</u>						
						Federal funds have been awarded but not appropriated.
FY 2022/23 Grant Submission - Water Main Replacement Project	12/24/2022	TBD	\$ 1,200,000	\$ 240,000	\$ 1,440,000	
						Nearly \$960k has been included in the Federal Interior Appropriation Bill for this purpose.
FY 2023/24 Grant Submission - Water Main Replacement Project and Water Treatment Plant (WTP) Improvements	03/25/2024	TBD	\$ 959,757	\$ 191,951	\$ 1,151,708	
						This project was included in the FY 2024/25 Interior Appropriation Bill that the House Appropriations Committee passed the week of 07/08/2024.
FY 2024/25 Grant Submission - Water Treatment Plant Upgrades - Control Panels and Instrumentation Equipment	TBD	TBD	\$ 1,100,000	\$ 220,000	\$ 1,320,000	
<u>Florida Department of Environmental Protection - Resilient Florida Grant Program</u>						
To conduct an Asset Inventory and Ocean Ave Vulnerability Assessment	02/22/2023	10/09/2023	\$ 167,000	\$ -	\$ 167,000	Survey underway.
						Town awaiting completed design.
Beach Curve Flood Protection	07/13/2023	11/13/2023	\$ 710,600	\$ 710,600	\$ 1,421,200	
						Town staff awaiting completed design.
Seawall Hardening	07/13/2023	01/22/2024	\$ 900,000	\$ 900,000	\$ 1,800,000	
<u>Florida Department of Transportation</u>						
Beautification Grant for Dixie Hwy Medians	01/05/2024	09/11/2023	\$ 72,444	\$ 56,368	\$ 128,812	Awaiting NTP from FDOT.
<u>Florida Recreational Development Assistance Program (FRDAP)</u>						
FY 2023/24 Bicentennial Park Improvements Potentially seawall hardening	06/15/2023	01/08/2024	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 400,000	B&W working on design for seawall.
						CSA tentatively scheduled to go to Town Council 10/2024.
FY 2023/24 Maddock Park Improvements Gazebo at Maddock Park Dog Park.	06/15/2023	01/08/2024	\$ 112,500	\$ 37,500	\$ 150,000	
						Notified by Ryan Ruskay on 03/06/2024 that this project is being funded in the State's FY 2024/25 budget.
FY 2024/25 Beach Park Improvements Irrigation on the north side of the park, removal of outdated light poles, updating parking lot drainage system, seawall re-coating, installation of turf/grass and salt tolerant vegetation and removal of invasive plants from dune.	TBD	TBD	\$ 112,500	\$ 37,500	\$ 150,000	
<u>State Appropriation Requests</u>						
<u>working in conjunction with our Lobbyist Mat Forrest from Ballard Partners and State Representative, Mike Caruso and State Senator Bobby Powell Jr.</u>						
FY 2023/24 Grant Submission - Water Main Replacement Project	06/15/2023	09/11/2023	\$ 1,200,000	\$ -	\$ 1,200,000	Grant funded portion of project complete.
Total			\$ 13,217,376	\$ 2,593,919	\$ 15,811,295	



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