



Gulfport Community Update

January 10-16, 2016

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

Gulfport City Hall and facilities will be closed on Monday, January 18 in observance of **Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**. The Sanitation schedule will not be affected.

Fire Chief James Marenkovic would like to remind Gulfport residents that **smoke detectors** are available free of charge to elderly and low income households *within Gulfport City limits*. Call Chief Marenkovic at 893-1062 for more information.

Upcoming Events:

On January 16, 2016 Gulfport residents, businesses and civic organizations will join Americans across the U.S. for the **Second Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service**. The event will begin at 8:30 a.m. with an opening ceremony hosted by Mayor Sam Henderson and Vice Mayor Yolanda Roman at Tomlinson Park on the corner of 19th Avenue & 54th Street. Volunteers will be at their service project destinations from 9 a.m. until noon, and return to Tomlinson Park for closing ceremonies and a picnic. For more information call 893-1118, email gbiron@mygulfport.us, or visit www.mygulfport.us/mlkdayofservice.

Visit the 49th Street South Business Association (So49) weekly **SoTangerine Market** every Saturday, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. For more information, visit www.SoTangerine.com or call 439-0164.

The **Gulfport Tuesday Fresh Market** is a weekly year-round open-air market featuring fruits, vegetables and a wide variety of foods, hand-made arts & crafts, bath, body & wellness products, live music and more. Over 50 vendors and exhibitors participate each Tuesday, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Bring donations of non-perishable food, toiletries and personal needs for the Gulfport Multipurpose Center Pantry to the Gulfport Merchants Association tent every Tuesday. For more information visit www.gulfportma.com, call Susan Blankenship at 453-9093 or Chris Spencer at 902-2326, or email FreshMarket@GulfportMA.com.

It's time again for **Junk in the Trunk** on Saturday, January 23, 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. Bring your Gulfport I.D. and your junk to the Gulfport Neighborhood Center parking lot, 1617 49th Street. If you have good junk that works, drop it off at the free trade table. Free bike registration and kids free helmets. Have coffee with Zack and Josh and meet the folks from the Gulfport Gecko Garden. For more information call 893-1118.

The Professional Association of Visual Artists (PAVA) will host the **Fourth Annual 2Cool Art Show** at the Gulfport Casino on Saturday & Sunday, January 30 & 31, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Thirty eight juried fine artists will display and offer their works for sale. Free parking and admission.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Patrol

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| Dispatch calls for service | 117 |
| Self-initiated calls for service | 384 |
| Offenses | 21 |
| Arrests | 1 |
| Traffic citations | 64 |
| Ordinance violations | 25 |

Examples of arrests or significant incidents or calls this week:

A resident in the 3100 block of 58th Street reported on January 8 that an offensive word was scratched into the paint of her car while it was parked at her apartment building.

A resident in the 1500 block of 59th Street reported that his identity was stolen and used in an attempt to obtain a loan in Wichita, Kansas. Information was forwarded to the Wichita Police Department.

Officers conducted a welfare check on January 9 after a resident in the 5200 block of 8th Avenue reported several packages were left on a neighbor's porch for an extended period of time. They discovered the homeowner deceased in his kitchen. The man had a history of medical problems, and his death appears to be from natural causes.

A resident in the 1600 block of 55th Street reported on January 12 that she could not find her handgun. She believed that she might have misplaced it in her home, but would not let the responding officer help her look for it. She was unable to provide the make, model or serial number of the firearm. An information report was generated to document the loss.

Two people reported that the tenant of an apartment building in the 3100 block of Clinton Street moved out recently and stole their property. Police are attempting to positively identify and locate the suspect.

Officers responded to the 2900 block of 57th Street on January 13 regarding a call from adult protection services indicating a male had possibly been battered. He was located and stated he was very intoxicated and probably fell. He has no recollection of that evening.

The marine unit is out of service for regular maintenance.

Criminal Investigative Section (CIS)

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| New cases: | 11 |
| Cases assigned: | 2 |
| Cases suspended-no leads: | 5 |
| Cases cleared with arrest: | 0 |
| Cases exceptionally cleared: | 0 |
| Cases unfounded/no crime: | 2 |
| Cases referred back to patrol: | 3 |
| Supplements received: | 13 |
| Cases cleared with arrest: | 0 |
| Previously cleared with arrest: | 1 |
| Cases suspended-no leads: | 3 |
| Cases unfounded-no crime: | 2 |
| Cases exceptionally cleared: | 3 |
| Cases still active: | 9 |

Investigator Highlights

Detective Pham conducted follow up investigations and completed supplemental reports for a hit and run case, a grand theft, a fraud, a death investigation, and a burglary; developed probable cause for a suspect in a vehicle burglary case, and; attended a State Attorney's Office Invest for a hit and run case.

Detective Crowson conducted follow up investigations and completed supplemental reports for a credit card fraud case, a fraud, a burglary and a robbery; interviewed a suspect in a burglary case and developed probable cause for false verification of ownership, and; collected video surveillance in a credit card fraud case.

Officer Motte met with PCSO, SPPD, and PPPD to arrange for the Summer Multi-jurisdictional Police Explorer Academy. Tentative dates have been selected and responsibilities have been delegated. He also attended the Bridging the G.A.A.P. meeting in St. Petersburg hosted by DJJ, and scheduled police coverage for several district-level school events at BCHS.

Crime Analyst, Margaret Palmisano finished tabulating the 2015 annual UCR submission. Once the data is reviewed and approved it will be submitted to FDLE. She also created and distributed an attempt to locate bulletin for Det. Pham for a suspect wanted for leaving the scene of an accident with property damage; started compiling various statistics for the GPD annual report; compiled and distributed the open case lists; created and distributed an attempt to ID bulletin for Det. Crowson's robbery by sudden snatching case; completed pawn checks on 12 cases with a named suspect, known serial number or searchable property description, and; processed and distributed 62 case agent evidence review forms.

Records

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| Reports reviewed | 10 |
| Supplements reviewed: | 80 |
| Public Records requests: | 25 |
| Background checks: | 8 |
| Bike registrations: | 1 |
| Fingerprints | 1 |
| Subpoenas processed: | 12 |
| Citizens assisted: | 37 |

LIBRARY

Visit the **Circle of Friends Book Shop** during Library hours.

Public Programs/Meetings/Events:

Tuesday, January 5, 10:15 a.m. - *Mommy & Me Yoga.*

Monday, January 4, 3 p.m. - *K-5th Grade Science Club* facilitated by Cailey Klasson.

Tuesday, January 5, 2 p.m. - *Ukulele Group* meeting.

Tuesday, January 5, 5:30 p.m. - *Free Thinkers Open Twelve Step* meeting.

Wednesday, January 6, 10 a.m. - *Gulfport Writers* meeting.

Wednesday, January 6, 3 p.m. - *Teen Hangout.*

Wednesday, January 6, 6 p.m. - *Gulfport Toastmasters.*

Thursday, January 7, 10:30 a.m. - *Storytime* facilitated by Cailey Klasson.

Thursday, January 7, 5:30 p.m. - *LGBT Meet up.*

Friday, January 8, 10 a.m. - *Welcome to Gulfport* workshop.

Friday, January 8, 6:45 p.m. - *Women's AA Club.*

Upcoming Events:

Saturday, January 16, 10:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m. - *Free Family Movie Day:* For movie titles, call 893-1074.

Thursday, January 21, 11 a.m. - *Coffee/Talk Book Club* discussion of *The Goldfinch* by Donna Tartt over coffee & light refreshments. Stop by the Circulation Desk to pick up a copy.

Sponsored by Circle of Friends of the Gulfport Library. Call 893-1073 or visit the Library for more information.

Monday, January 25, 5 p.m. - *Open Mic Night*: Alex invites everyone to share their talents, musical and otherwise for a lively season of spontaneity. Call 893-1073 for more information.

Thursday, January 28, 7 p.m. - *Chamber Music for Flute & Strings*: Live concert performed by a local musical group. Call 893-1073 for more information.

Tuesday, February 2, 10:15 a.m. - *Mommy & Me Yoga*: Instructed by registered yoga teacher Ms. Christa, for parents and babies ages 6 weeks to 18 months. Stretch, laugh, get some strength back and rejuvenate! Call 893-1074 or email cklasson@mygulfport.us to register.

Every Monday - Wednesday beginning January 19, 12:30 p.m. - *Lunch in a Foreign Language*: Informal gatherings to brush up on conversational skills. All levels are welcome; this is not a class, simply an opportunity to practice and improve. Bring a bag lunch and a dictionary. A different language group meets each weekday: Monday - French; Tuesday - Italian; Wednesday - Spanish. For more information call Mel Donovan at 893-1074.

Every Monday, 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. and Friday, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. beginning February 1 - *AARP Income Tax Assistance*: Taxpayers must bring Social Security cards for all persons listed on their tax returns, photo ID and all pertinent records such as W2s, 1099s, other income & credits, & a copy of last year's return if available. For more information call 893-1073.

Every Monday, 3 p.m. - *K-5th Grade Science Club*: We try a fun new activity every week, explore engineering through building with Legos, and meet other young scientists and engineers in the community! Parents get to join in on the fun too! Email cklasson@mygulfport.us or call 893-1074 for more information.

Every Tuesday, 5:30 p.m. - *Free Thinkers Open Twelve Step* meeting. For more information call 360-9069.

Every first & third Tuesday, 2 p.m. - *Ukulele Group*: Everyone is invited to join Allen Goldenson for some strummin' fun!

Every Wednesday, 10 a.m. - *Gulfport Writers* meeting.

Every Wednesday, 3 p.m. - *Teen Hangout*: Games and activities for teens and tweens.

Every Wednesday, 6 p.m. - *Gulfport Toastmasters*. Email robynfeatherstonesq@gmail.com for more information.

Every Thursday, 10:30 a.m. - *Storytime*: Join us for stories & activities selected for toddlers & preschoolers in the Youth Services area around the rocking chair near the Easy books. Cailey leads the group in singing songs, playing instruments & networking with other caregivers in our community.

Every Friday, 6:45 p.m. - *Women's AA Club*. For more information call 893-1073.

Library Services/Statistics January 3-9, 2015:

Items Circulated Patrons

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| Weekly Circulation: | 2,394 | 819 |
| Sun. 1/3 | Library closed | |
| Mon. 1/4 | 440 | 152 |
| Tue. 1/5 | 536 | 166 |
| Wed. 1/6 | 327 | 125 |
| Thu. 1/7 | 384 | 125 |
| Fri. 1/8 | 325 | 117 |
| Sat. 1/9 | 325 | 101 |

PARKS & RECREATION

Technical Events

Visit www.mygulfport.us or www.youtube.com/user/cityofgulfport to watch videos of recent City events. Cable and DSL internet users can access live and web stream rebroadcasts at www.mygulfport.us/gtv-640. Spread the word!

- Distributed press releases to Gabber, and weekly Constant Contact newsletter to email distribution list.
- Rebooted TV station equipment.
- Continued updates and enhancements to mygulfport.us.
- Continued preparations for MLK Day of Service and Arbor Day event.

Multipurpose Center

The Gulfport Multipurpose Center invites everyone 50+ to sign up for free. The Center is open 8 a.m. - 7 p.m. Monday-Thursday, and Fridays, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Like us on Facebook at Gulfport Senior Center and Foundation. Help our page grow and get daily valuable information! Stop by the Senior Center for this month's calendar or download a copy at www.mygulfport.us.

Gulfport Extended Mobility Service (GEMS) offers transportation to grocery stores, medical appointments, etc. Gulfport residents 55 & older or residents with a disability can take advantage of GEMS door to door service for a yearly membership of \$65 plus \$2 per ride. GEMS also offers transportation to Bay Pines VA Hospital & Medical Center, Northside Hospital and the St. Pete Beach Family Aquatic Center. For more information call 893-2242 between 8 a.m. & 1 p.m.

The Senior Center participates in the **Neighborly Dining & Meals on Wheels** program, offering lunches for seniors 60 and older. Call Joe at 344-2111 to inquire about the program or to lend a hand as a volunteer driver.

The **Gulfport Multipurpose Center Pantry** is in need of peanut butter, tuna, dry cereal, pasta sauce, soups & canned meats. The pantry is open 1 - 3 p.m. every Tuesday & Thursday for qualified Gulfport residents 50 & older. Applicants should bring a photo I.D., a utility bill or bank statement and proof of income (SSI). For more information please see Rachel, or call 893-1231.

The Gulfport Multi-Purpose Senior Center has **many volunteer opportunities** available. If you want to make a difference and help your community, join the volunteer program at the Senior Center. It's a great way to meet new friends and to get acquainted with more than 50 programs, classes and workshops. Volunteers assist as Lobby Receptionist, Fitness Center Attendants, Reassurance Callers, Class/Activity Instructors, Special Events, Food Pantry, Clerical Support, Flea Market, Promotions, Bingo, Card/Magazine organizing, etc. Call Rachel at 893-1231 or stop by the Center at 5501 27th Avenue South for more information.

Ever wonder what Face Book is all about? **Tech Talk: Face Book** is Wednesday, January 20 at 2 p.m. This event is offered by The Gulfport Library.

Learn about a nationally recognized program that matches people looking for a room to rent with people who have a room to rent. **Home Share Pinellas** is Wednesday, January 20 at 2:30 p.m.

Happy Birthday to You! Help us celebrate this month's birthdays with cake, games and more at 3 p.m. Friday, January 22. Sponsored by Robert Galban of Family Focus Insurance.

Waddell & Reed, Inc. CRPC Daniel Ramsey will present **Filing for Social Security: Flexibility and Choices for Your Retirement Income** on Monday, January 25 at 5:30 p.m.

Florida consistently leads the nation in pedestrian deaths. Join **Walk Wise Tampa Bay** at 2 p.m. Wednesday, January 27 for great safety tips for pedestrians, bicyclists, and drivers.

The Senior Center offers free blood pressure and health screenings at 10 a.m. on the last Thursday of every month. Our next **Monthly Mini Health Clinic** is January 28.

You got a Tablet! Now What? Learn the basic functions of Android Tablets during the **Cell Phone Solutions** class at 2 p.m. Thursday, January 28.

Join Financial Advisor Scott O'Berry for a discussion of current events, the economy & investing over coffee & donuts during **Coffee Club** at 10 a.m. Tuesday, February 2.

Heidi Crockett of Aging Care Advocates returns with the second of an exciting 4-part Health Series that looks at neuroscience, brain health, and relationships. Join us at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, February 3 for **Loving, Relationships, and Dating after 60**.

Discover the great selection of jewelry, home décor, cook books, collectibles, and many other goodies at **First Friday Flea Market** on February 5 at 9 a.m.

The Alzheimer's Association offers free **Monthly Memory Screenings** the second Monday of each month, 9 - 11:30 am. The next screening is February 8. By appointment only; call 893-5657 to schedule your screening.

Enjoy a healthy snack as Robert Galban of Family Focus Insurance Services presents **Fruit for Thought** every second Monday of the month. The next meeting is February 8.

Volunteers for the **Telephone Reassurance Program** call Gulfport seniors every Monday through Saturday between 7:30 & 8:30 a.m. To sign up for this program visit the Gulfport Senior Center and bring valid I.D.

The **Community Law Program** provides legal assistance to qualified seniors at 9:30 a.m. on the third Thursday of each month. Call 582-7480 to schedule an appointment.

Having a problem hearing on the phone? Florida residents with a hearing loss qualify for a **FREE amplified home phone**. Florida Telecommunications Relay Inc., Family Center on Deafness issues equipment at the Gulfport Senior Center at 10 a.m. every third Tuesday of the month. This program is paid for by a surcharge on all Florida households with home phone lines and all business lines, and has been available since 1991. Call 399-9983 for more information.

Recycle your old cell phone, General Mills Box tops, Campbell's labels, can tabs and eye glasses at the Senior Center. Staff forwards these items to the proper organizations for reuse, recycle or education.

Gulfport Casino, Catherine Hickman Theater, Neighborhood Center & Scout Hall

Casino (last week's events):

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| Monday, January 3 | 6 p.m. - Ballroom Dance with Daniel Fugazzotto (Turnout 26) |
| Tuesday, January 5 | Noon - Ballroom lessons with Katy Flanery (Turnout 31) 7 p.m. - Argentine Tango lesson & dance (Turnout 75) |
| Wednesday, January 6 | 11 a.m. - Chair yoga with Barbara Newborn (Turnout 42) 6 p.m. - Swing dance with Swingtime (Turnout 286) |
| Thursday, January 7 | 6 p.m. - Latin Night lesson with Carol Rivera (Turnout 43) |
| Friday, January 8 | 11 a.m. - Chair yoga with Joyce Bloom (Turnout 29) 8 p.m. - Private party (Turnout 195) |
| Saturday, January 9 | 6 p.m. - BCYC Banquet (Turnout 80) |

Casino (*upcoming events*):

- Every Sunday 6 p.m. - Ballroom dance lesson
7 p.m. - Band & Ballroom Fusion dance Admission \$8
- Every Tuesday 12 p.m. - Ballroom lessons with Carol Baker
2 p.m. - Ballroom dance Admission \$8
6:30 p.m. - Beginning Argentine Tango lesson
8 p.m. - Milonga dance Admission \$8
- Every Wednesday 10 a.m. - Yoga with Barbara Newborn/Joyce Bloom
6 p.m. - Bonus dance lesson with Swingtime
7 p.m. - Beginner Swing lesson with Swingtime
8 p.m. - Swing dance Admission \$8
- Every Thursday 6 p.m. - Latin Night lesson with Carol Rivera
8 p.m. - Latin dance Admission \$8
- Every Friday 11 a.m. - Chair yoga with Joyce Bloom
- Saturday, January 16 8 p.m. - Silver Threads presents *After the Divorce*: A comedic skit looking into the lives of women coping with the age-old question; what do I do now? Spin the groove with DJ LucyBlu after the show. Advance tickets; \$25, available online at www.silverthreadscelebration.org, Beach Bazaar, or \$30 at the door.

Catherine Hickman Theater (*last week's events*):

Friday, January 8, 6 p.m. - Art Reception with Janet Shepherd (Turnout 75)

Catherine Hickman Theater (*upcoming events*):

Thursday-Saturday, January 14-16 & 21-23, 8 p.m., Saturday & Sunday, January 16 & 17 and January 23 & 24, 2 p.m. - The **Gulfport Community Players** present *In the Restroom at Rosenblooms* Tickets: \$16; available online at www.gulfportcommunityplayers.org, at Beach Bazaar, and at the door within one hour of performance.

Gulfport Neighborhood Center (*last week's events*):

- Sunday, January 3 9 a.m. - Faith Cathedral Int'l Church services (Turnout 24)
6:15 p.m. - Overeaters Anonymous
- Tuesday, January 5 10 a.m. - Easy Tai Chi (Turnout 21)
7 p.m. - Overeaters Anonymous
- Wednesday, January 6 7 p.m. - Crimewatch meeting (Turnout 21)
- Thursday, January 7 10 a.m. - Easy Tai Chi (Turnout 25)
2:30 p.m. - Juvenile Welfare Board meeting (Turnout 46)

Neighborhood Center (*upcoming events*):

- Every Sunday 6 p.m. - Overeaters Anonymous meeting
- Every first - third Sunday 9 a.m. - Faith Cathedral International Church services

Every fourth Sunday 9:15 a.m. - Bible study

Every Tuesday 7 p.m. - Overeaters Anonymous meeting

Every Tuesday & Thursday 10 a.m. - Easy Tai Chi

Every first Wednesday 7 p.m. - Crimewatch meeting

Scout Hall (*last week's events*)

Sunday, January 3 9 a.m. - Calvary Christian Assembly church services (Turnout 14)

Monday - Friday 7 a.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous meeting

Monday, January 4 11 a.m. - Chair Yoga (Turnout 31)

Tuesday, January 5 10:30 a.m. - Line dancing (Turnout 20)

Friday, January 8 10:30 a.m. - Line dancing (Turnout 21)

Scout Hall (*upcoming events*):

Every Monday - Friday 7 a.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous meeting

Every Monday 11 a.m. - Chair Yoga

Every Tuesday & Friday 10:30 a.m. - Line dancing

Recreation Center

Programs, Classes & Activities

Sixty children are registered for the **2015/16 School Year Child Care Program** for children in Kindergarten thru age 14. Program hours are until 5:30 p.m. with extended hours available until 6 p.m. for an extra charge. Monthly fees are \$150 for residents and \$188 for non-residents. Bus transportation is available from Pasadena Fundamental, Gulfport Elementary, Bear Creek Elementary and Douglas Jamerson Elementary.

Fourteen children have been registered for the **2015/16 Tot Time Program**, and ten for **VPK (Voluntary Prekindergarten)**. Tot Time is a pre-school, hands-on program for children ages 3-5. VPK is FREE for children who live in Florida and who turn 4 years of age by September 1. Parents must apply at the Early Learning Coalition of Pinellas County, Inc. and the child must receive a Certificate of Eligibility. Both programs aim to make learning fun for children and help prepare them for Kindergarten. Sixteen Tot Time/VPK participants and eight parents visited the Main Library in St. Petersburg on Monday.

Thirty seven teens are registered for the **2015/16 Teen Night Program** for teens in middle school thru age 17. Program hours are 6 - 9 p.m. Monday, Wednesday & Friday. Annual registration fee: \$2 for residents, \$22 for nonresidents.

Contractual classes: Bootcamp, Karate, Japanese, Mat Pilates, Pickleball, Spanish, Stretch & Tone, Table Tennis, Tennis, Walking Club, Women's Self-Defense, Yoga and Zumba.

Staff Activities

Marivel Gutierrez met with the Director of Ovations School for the Arts on Friday to discuss a Homeschool Co-op. She also attended the Teen Council meeting on Friday and met with the City Manager on Tuesday to discuss the Homeschool Co-op.

John Lapham used the school bus to transport sixteen Tot Time/VPK participants and eight adults to the St. Petersburg Main Library on Monday.

Five regular Teen Councilmembers attended the monthly meeting on Friday afternoon. Topics discussed: Advisor Report, approval of December minutes, Special Events, Old Business and New Business.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Calls for Service:

- 41 Emergency Medical Calls
- 4 Structure Fires
- 3 Fire Alarms
- 7 Vehicle Crashes
- 1 Gas Leak
- 3 Fires Outside Structure

Life Safety:

- 9 Fire Inspections
- 2 Re-Inspections
- 1 Plans Review FDC

The Gulfport Fire Department received a Certificate of Appreciation for 100% Florida Fire Incident Reporting for 2014 from the State Fire Marshal's Office.

The Gulfport Fire Department commenced their online 2016 CME training with Target Solutions. This month's topics: Introduction to the new CME and Medical Assessment on patients for Paramedics and EMT's.

Inspector Lundh met with the manager of a new restaurant at 3038 Beach Boulevard to discuss occupant load.

PUBLIC WORKS

Staff continues daily water quality testing at Gulfport Beach, Gulfport Shores and the Marina. The beach is currently open. The results of January 14 are provided below. Visit www.mygulfport.us for the most up-to-date information.

Gulfport Casino

| Sample ID | Date/Time |
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| 1601410-01 | 1/14/16 7:57 a.m. |

Enterococci EPA 1600 – (CFU/100 ML)

| Result | MDL | Analyzed date/time |
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| 8 B | 4 | 1/14/16 9:50 a.m. |

Fecal coliform – SM 922D- (CFU 100 ML)

| Result | MDL | Analyzed date/time |
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| 20 B | 10 | 1/14/16 9:50 a.m. |

Gulfport Marina

| Sample ID | Date/Time |
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| 1601410-02 | 1/14/16 8:11 a.m. |

Enterococci EPA 1600 – (CFU/100 ML)

| Result | MDL | Analyzed date/time |
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| 32 B | 4 | 1/14/16 9:50 a.m. |

Fecal coliform – SM 922D- (CFU 100 ML)

| Result | MDL | Analyzed date/time |
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| 10 U | 10 | 1/14/16 9:50 a.m. |

Gulfport Shores

| Sample ID | Date/Time |
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| 1601410-03 | 1/14/16 8:24 a.m. |

Enterococci EPA 1600 – (CFU/100 ML)

| Result | MDL | Analyzed date/time |
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| 400 B | 4 | 1/14/16 9:50 a.m. |

Fecal coliform – SM 922D- (CFU 100 ML)

| Result | MDL | Analyzed date/time |
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| 90 B | 10 | 1/14/16 9:50 a.m. |

| Enterococcus Results Description | | |
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| <u>Good</u> | <u>Moderate</u> | <u>Poor*</u> |
| 0-35 Enterococcus sp per 100 ml of marine water | 36 – 104 Enterococcus sp per 100 ml of marine water | 105 or greater Enterococcus sp per 100 ml of marine water |
| 0-35 CFU/100 ml Enterococcus sp Geometric Mean | | 36 and over CFU/100 ml Enterococcus sp Geometric Mean |
| Fecal Coliform Results Description | | |
| <u>Good</u> | <u>Moderate</u> | <u>Poor*</u> |
| 0-199 fecal coliform organisms per 100 ml of marine water | 200-399 fecal coliform organisms per 100 ml of marine water | 400 or greater fecal coliform organisms per 100 ml of marine water |

*A poor rating may result in a resampling event to confirm poor conditions; otherwise a Health Advisory or Warning will be issued immediately. These indicate that contact with the water at this site may pose increased risk of infectious disease, particularly for susceptible individuals. A reading of NR means “No Result”. This could indicate that no sample was taken at this point because of weather or other factors, or that an analysis result was not obtained from the laboratory.

Building Maintenance

- Painted Library Friends Room, hung metal stripping for art, and installed floor stripping to prevent chair damage.
- Cleared blocked toilet in City Hall ladies room.
- Replaced several tiles on Casino exterior.
- Replaced upstairs toilet in Little League building.
- Replaced doors in restrooms at Hoyt Field.
- Delivered mail to main Post Office for Finance Department.

Parks

- Set up temporary fencing and prepped volleyball courts for tournaments.
- Added fill dirt and graded exercise area at Recreation Center.
- Aerated Ball fields.
- Replaced fencing along trail spur, and fencing and gates at Hoyt and Little League fields.
- Closed beach following poor water quality report.
- Ordered trees for Arbor Day.
- Removed past event banners on Gulfport Boulevard, and installed upcoming event banners.
- Continued sanding picnic tables in preparation for installation.
- Continued work on tree lights and electrical outlets on Beach Boulevard.
- Mowed Clam Bayou, Trail spur & Wood Ibis Park.
- Repaired irrigation at Clymer Park, and 49th & Beach Streetscapes.
- Trimmed, weeded, cleaned & mulched Recreation Center & Veterans Park, hand raked around pavilions and cleaned beach.
- Greased mowers, sharpened/replaced blades and replaced ignition coil on lien trimmer.
- Picked up trash and emptied bins along Beach & Shore Boulevards following weekend events.
- Staff continues to rake Gulfport Beach & volleyball areas every Monday and Friday. Trash and debris were picked up along the water and children’s playground areas.
- All City parks trash containers and cigarette waste containers were emptied.
- Watered all non-irrigated areas.
- Cleaned all City playground areas.
- Mowed, raked, lined and dragged all ball fields daily.

Streets & Sanitation

- Delivered recycling bins with information sheets.

- Completed billable work orders for brush, Code Enforcement, trash/furniture & electronics.
- Removed and disposed of animal carcasses from City rights of way.
- Removed and disposed of illegal dumping and curbside yard waste throughout City.
- Repaired asphalt and potholes throughout City.
- Assembled & delivered new residential and commercial automated trash containers, and replaced broken containers.
- Cleaned and removed debris from storm drains, inlets, and storm water outfalls and reset storm grates throughout City.
- Set grade and added millings in alleyways per direction.
- Removed limbs & branches obstructing City roadways, alleyways & sidewalks.
- Removed several loads of debris from 49th Street holding area.
- Removed low limb and vehicle obstruction, and replaced street signs & stop sign at 53rd Street & Jersey Avenue.
- Completed automated stormline cleaning at 51st Street & Tangerine Avenue.
- Installed two handicap parking signs on Beach Boulevard & 29th Avenue.
- Continued curbside pickup of Christmas trees throughout.
- Replaced sidewalk on 58th Street at 25th & 29th Avenues.

Water

- Daily Chloramines sampling at the points of connection to water distribution system.
- Daily inspection and read of Wholesale meters.
- Disconnected water service at 33 locations for non-payment of service.
- Completed 8 non-pay rechecks to confirm water services were still off.
- Completed 102 miscellaneous customer service department service orders.
- Completed 8 Sunshine One-Call, Call Before You Dig Utility Locates.
- Reviewed permit applications for fences, driveways and irrigation.
- Collected bay water samples at Gulfport Shores, Gulfport Beach & Marina for quality testing.
- Continued locating water mainline valves throughout City.
- Installed new water service lines at 5843, 5844, 5849 & 5850 27th Avenue.

Sewer

- Daily rainfall check and documentation.
- Daily ground water elevation recording.
- Weekly generator exercise & preventive maintenance check on lift stations 1 & 2.
- Weekly generator exercise and preventive maintenance at Fire Department/Garage, Police Station/City Hall & Senior Center.
- Weekly vehicle safety and maintenance inspection.

Vehicle Maintenance

- Replaced front tires on Police vehicle #12, and vehicle to shop for repair of siren/light control unit
- Topped off power steering fluid in Police vehicle #16.
- Inspected brakes and cleaned rotors on Building Maintenance vehicle #65.
- Delivered Police vehicle #2 to dealer for warranty repairs.
- Replaced fuel pressure regulator in Water vehicle #20.
- Replaced front shock absorbers on Recycle vehicle #40.
- Replaced hydraulic fitting for stabilizer cylinder on Sanitation vehicle #29.
- Replaced battery and checked charging system in Parks Division's Sand Pro groomer.
- Performed preventive maintenance and various small repairs on City vehicles.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Thinking of starting a new business? Check out the **New Business Checklist** on the City website at www.mygulfport.us under the Online Services/Documents and Publications section.

For more information, including a number of workshops, on starting a new business, visit the **Pinellas County Economic Development Small Business Development Center** website at www.pced.org/entrepreneurs or call 464-7332. They also offer personalized business consulting to help you become successful with your startup business.

Building Division staff tries to take special time to work with homeowners embarking on do-it-yourself projects. Whether it's deferred maintenance or new improvements, many are electing to do these projects themselves. Before embarking on home improvement projects give us a call at 893-1024 to discuss plans and see what inspections may be necessary, or for an explanation of code requirements.

On anything other than small and simple DIY projects we recommend homeowners consider using a licensed contractor. Unless you are very handy and have the necessary skills to take on more complex construction projects, larger projects can quickly overwhelm those less skilled in construction methodology and management.

Don't take chances with unlicensed contractors

The Pinellas County Communications Department offers the following information when looking for qualified contractors:

The Pinellas County Construction Licensing Board helps guide homeowners in hiring a licensed contractor for home improvements.

Hiring an unlicensed contractor can put residents' homes in jeopardy, produce safety hazards and cost extra money to homeowners when work is not done correctly.

"Do your homework and follow the guidelines and resources provided to you by the Pinellas County Construction Licensing Board," said Executive Director Rodney Fischer. "Why take a chance with your money and safety?"

The function of the Pinellas County Construction Licensing Board is to regulate construction and home improvement contractors practicing in all Pinellas jurisdictions.

The licensing board can tell you if a contractor has a license. They must be licensed by the board or the state of Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation and be registered with the board. Licensed contractors have passed a competency exam and perform electrical, plumbing or structural work in compliance with the building codes.

The state requires licensed contractors to have workers' compensation and liability insurance and the board monitors their insurance coverage. Without these, if a worker gets injured on the job or damages property, the homeowner is liable. Many insurance policies will not pay claims if an unlicensed contractor was doing the work.

WHEN SELECTING A CONTRACTOR, REMEMBER:

- Talk to friends and neighbors for recommendations.
- Home improvement contractors of various skills must be licensed with the Pinellas County Construction Licensing Board. The license number must be displayed on advertising as well as on contracts. You can verify a contractor's license number and check any complaints by contacting the Pinellas County Construction Licensing Board at (727) 582-3100.
- Check with the Department of Justice and Consumer Services at 464-6200 to determine the number of complaints against a business.
- Ask the contractor for references and follow through with verifying them.

- Ask the contractor for proof of insurance.
- Never deal with anyone who solicits or appears at your home unannounced.
- Obtain a minimum of two bids for the work to be done.

WHEN SIGNING A CONTRACT, MAKE SURE:

- All work should be specifically stated in the contract.
- An approximate starting and completion date should be included.
- All warranties including labor and materials should be addressed.
- A payment schedule should be contained in the contract.
- Do not give a large deposit before the beginning of work and do not pay the balance until completion.
- A three-day right to cancel rarely applies to home improvement contracts.
- Do not sign a blank contract or one containing blank spaces.
- Watch for non-refundable deposits and non-escrow accounts. In new home construction, part of the purchase price must be escrowed (this can be waived).

For more information call the board at 582-3100 or visit www.pcclb.com.

Code Enforcement activities continued this week in Section 1 of the City, also known as the Stetson Area which comprises the northwest portion of the City and generally extends south from 7th Avenue to Gulfport Boulevard and east from 64th Street to 58th Street.

The number of code enforcement cases for December was 117. The year-to-date total number of cases is 387. The number of citizen complaints for December was 8, making a year-to-date total of 24. The fiscal year-to-date ratio of complaints to total number of cases is 6.2 percent.

Because the City has one inspector who focuses on one section at a time, we depend on residents to call in violations when they see them. We will inspect within one working day of a complaint to verify any violation. Please call 893-1061 if you see violations. If the inspector is unavailable, leave as detailed a message as possible to help us find the violation. Complaints can be anonymous, but if you want a follow-up you will have to leave contact information which means the complaint is no longer anonymous. E-mail correspondence is considered a public record, so if you wish to make a complaint using e-mail, please understand that such communications are not anonymous.

To review Code Enforcement activities documents for more detailed information and a map of the Code Enforcement areas please visit the Special Documents section of the City's website at www.mygulfport.us.