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Letter FROM THE MAYOR

Fwould like to welcome our new additions to the Golden Beach Police Department, Officers **Alejandro Victores** and **Anna Perez**, both recently sworn-in to the department. I also want to congratulate Officers Danny Avila and Julio Soca on their promotion to the rank of Sergeant. We also congratulate Sgt. Leila Perez on her promotion to Lieutenant. We are proud of all members of the Golden Beach Police Department and we encourage those who seek to develop and improve their ability to provide services to our Town.

Because of ongoing security concerns, we made a decision to close the pedestrian gate at Massini Avenue and Ocean Boulevard permanently. However, out of respect for the religious needs of some of our residents, we have agreed to allow access from 4:00 pm on Friday until early Sunday morning. We have also increased our security patrols with our new special golf cart from 8:00 pm to sunrise. One of our Community Service Aides and/or a Golden Beach Police Officer will operate our new golf cart, which will have flashing lights and easily recognizable features during those hours. I feel this, plus increased police presence, will further deter potential crime in Golden Beach.

We have just installed 4 speed signs on A1A, which should reduce excess speeds on this road. There will be 2 signs heading north and 2 signs heading south. This, and increased traffic watches will remind drivers not to speed when traveling through our Town.

I would also like to give you an update on our Town projects currently in progress:

- The gatehouse is almost complete. We are finishing the interior and we will begin renovations to the fountains and add additional landscaping.
- The beach pavilion bathrooms are getting closer to completion. Renovation of the actual pavilion building will begin by the end of May and will take approximately 60 days to complete.
- The street lighting project should take 6 months to complete. The lights should be delivered to the Town in the next 60 days.
- We are still in the permit process and will commence the bid process soon for canal maintenance, which will remove the excess sludge and improve residents' ability to maneuver through our interior waterways.
- Tweddle Park renovations will begin during the month of June.

I am very proud of our Town Manager and our Town staff for overseeing and controlling these projects. All of our Town projects should be completed within our initial time estimate. All of our projects to date are at, or below, our initial budget for them.

We try to listen to our residents and we acknowledge the need to improve communication. We currently use our newsletter, our website, and Channel 89 to convey information. We recognize that we can improve how we utilize the digital sign at The Strand. We will also install a sign at the South Gate so you may get information as you are leaving town. We are initiating monthly Constant Contact emails to all residents who have provided email addresses. We welcome all suggestions on ways of communicating.

As spring gives way to summer, remember safety first. If you are planning to leave for any extended period, we strongly encourage you to stop by the gatehouse or Town Hall and fill out a House Check form. Always secure your property and above all else, enjoy your summer.

YOUR MAYOR,
Mayor Glenn Singer



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Hurricane Preparedness: What You Need to Know

Living in the Subtropics means we must be ready for inclement weather during the local storm season.

From June 1st to November 30th South Florida braces for the possibilities of some unwelcomed visitors. Thankfully we have seen little activity for the past few years. A smooth-sailing storm season is a luxury that we can't always depend upon. Living in South Florida we must prepare ourselves for all that the sub-tropics can dish out. It's not unusual for a sunny beach day to turn sour and soggy before you expect it. The same can be said for larger scale tropical storms and hurricanes. A storm can develop quickly so it is best to be prepared in advance. Don't be one of those ill-equipped folks lining up for supplies at Publix, battling over that last case of bottled water just as a storm comes rolling in. Plan ahead and start now. Below you'll find an extensive list of things to consider as we enter storm season.

- Stock up on non-perishable food and water supplies in case of a power outage.
- Clear loose and clogged rain gutters and downspouts.
- Make sure your trees and shrubbery are trimmed and dead limbs removed.
- Fuel and service family vehicles.
- Inspect and secure mobile home tie downs.
- Prepare to cover all window and door openings with shutters or other shielding materials such as plywood.

- Check batteries and stock up on canned food, first aid supplies, drinking water and medications.
- Bring lawn furniture and other loose, light-weight objects such as garbage cans and garden tools inside. They can become dangerous projectiles during high winds.
- If you have a boat, moor it securely or move it to a designated safe place.
- Golden Beach is an identified surge zone or area prone to flooding so you may want to move furniture to a higher floor.
- If you have to leave your home, remember to unplug your appliances, turn off the electricity and close the main water valve.
- When you leave your home make sure to lock it and take small valuables with you.
- Do not lower the water level in your swimming pool excessively, or it may pop out of the ground if there is flooding with the storm (softened ground can literally "float" a pool). If flooding is expected, you can lower the water level by up to a few feet, depending on the depth of the pool.
- Add extra chlorine to your pool to fight off contamination. (3 gallons of chlorine per 5,000 gallons of water). Some pool companies recommend that you give your pool a "shock treatment" before the storm hits. (Don't let anyone use the pool after adding the additional chlorine.)

Around TOWN

- Turn off electricity to all of the pool equipment at the breaker.
- Remove pumps from underground pits after all valves have been closed and the electricity has been shut off. Wrap any exposed pool equipment that you can't remove in plastic and secure it tightly with tape/rope.
- Don't throw patio furniture in the pool unless you are willing to have it damaged/bleached by chlorine.
- Secure anything that might tear loose or blow away, including garbage cans, grills, potted plants, garden tools, toys, signs, porch furniture, awnings.
- Check trees and shrubbery and remove limbs that could damage your house or utility lines.

CONSTRUCTION/ WORK SITES

- In the event a hurricane watch or greater advisory is issued, it is the responsibility of the property owner and associated contractor of any on-going construction work to secure all areas of the site. This is mandatory per the Florida Building Code.
- Fasten down or remove all hazardous objects which include: construction shacks, temporary toilets, roofing tiles, building materials, trash, forms, unsecured structures, temporary electric poles, etc.

City Building Officials and Code Enforcement Officers will contact each site to ensure compliance with these regulations. However, it is still your responsibility to ensure all items are secure, etc.

Those failing to follow this procedure will be cited, fined and held legally responsible for any damage caused by failing to secure the above items.

BOATS

Damage caused by your boat during a hurricane is your responsibility, so have a plan in place to protect your boat. Bridges are locked down BEFORE an evacuation is ordered -- generally 24 hours before a storm hits, so

you need to secure your boat and move it to a safe harbor long before the warning and evacuation.

- Keep fuel and water tanks filled.
- Be sure batteries are charged and bilge pumps are operational.
- If you plan to trailer your boat to the mainland, you must do so before an evacuation order is issued.
- Owners of large crafts that must remain in the water must secure their vessels in a predetermined anchorage or mooring area.
- Keep sufficient tie lines and chafing gear, anchors and anchor line, and any other equipment necessary to secure your boat in the water.
- Never stay aboard your boat in a hurricane.

PETS: BEFORE THE STORM

If a local shelter will not accept your pets, you must make your own arrangements to keep your pet safe during a storm.

If you are required to evacuate and are going to spend time in a shelter, it is important that you make plans for your pet well in advance. Some hotels will accept pets during an evacuation.

If you must evacuate to a shelter and leave pets behind, realize that pets may not survive or may be lost. There is no way to know how long it will be before you are permitted back to your home after a hurricane.

Frightened animals quickly slip out of open doors, broken windows, or other damaged areas of your home.

Emergency Management recommends that you make arrangements to evacuate yourself and your pet to a safe location. Friends and relatives in a safe location are your best choice, however, if they are unable to house both you and your pets, arrange shelter for your pets with a veterinarian or kennel near your evacuation location. It is important to do this so that you will be able to have as much contact with them as possible.

Resident NEWS

MICHAEL GLIDDEN

PETS: AFTER THE STORM

Walk your pets on a leash until they become reoriented to their home. Be careful of downed power lines and other debris. Do not allow pets to consume food or water which may have become contaminated. Be extremely careful using candles or oil lamps around pets. Never leave them unattended.

Supplies: Have a two week supply of each item for every person in your home.

WATER

- 2 1/2 gallons of water per person a day (1/2 gallon for drinking, 2 gallons for bathing)
- Store water in clean plastic containers
- Food
- Purchase foods that require no refrigeration and little preparation, such as:
- Ready-to-eat canned food
- Canned juices, milk, soup (if powdered, store extra water)
- Snacks: cookies, cereals, etc.
- Soft drinks, instant coffee, tea
- Lots of ice (you can freeze your water supply)
- For Baby
- Formula, bottles, powdered milk, jarred baby foods
- Diapers, moist towelettes and special medications

PETS

- Newspapers or cat litter
- Moist canned foods (to preserve water)
- Plastic sheets to cover floor of pet's room
- Medicine
- First aid kit
- Rubbing alcohol
- Aspirin, non-aspirin pain reliever, antacid
- Extra prescription medication (especially for heart problems and diabetes)

- Ask your physician how to store prescription medication
- Personal Items
- Toilet paper, towels, soap, shampoo
- Personal and feminine hygiene products
- Denture needs, contact lenses and an extra pair of eyeglasses
- Sun protection, insect repellent

OTHER SUPPLIES

- Battery-operated radio, flashlights, non-electric can opener, extra batteries
- Charcoal, waterproof matches, extra propane gas for grills (Use grills outside only!)
- ABC-rated fire extinguisher in a small canister.
- Portable cooler
- Plenty of absorbent towels, plastic trash bags
- Wind-up or battery-operated clock
- Tarp or sheet plastic, duct tape, hammer and nails for temporary roof repairs
- Cleaning supplies such as chlorine bleach
- Aluminum foil, paper napkins and plates, plastic cups
- Can of spray paint (can be used to identify your home by insurance adjusters in case it's damaged.)
- At least one change of clothing per person, sturdy shoes, hat and work gloves

History teaches that a lack of hurricane awareness and preparation are common threads among all major hurricane disasters. The most important thing that you can do is to be informed and prepared.

STAY SMART AND STAY SAFE THIS AND EVERY HURRICANE SEASON!






Around TOWN



In the Event of a Hurricane

The Town would like to help its Residents stay as safe and informed during Hurricane Season as possible. A storm can be a scary and confusing time, please take a moment to read the Town's policies and procedures in the event of a major storm strike.



IF A MAJOR HURRICANE SHOULD STRIKE:

-  If Miami-Dade County issues a mandatory evacuation order, the Golden Beach Police Department will go door-to-door alerting Residents.
-  The Town will also send out an emergency notification through our CodeRed automated phone messaging and eBlast email system.
-  Prepare your property whether you're evacuating or not. Items that may become airborne in a storm should be properly secured, this includes patio furniture, potted plants, and other objects. It is also a good idea to perform tree trimming in anticipation of storms, fallen branches can be hazardous and can also lead to an isolated power outage to your home, which in the event of a massive storm may take weeks to correct. If your property is currently under construction, reach out to the Town's Building Department to ensure your site is safely secured; unsecured construction debris can be deadly during a storm. DO NOT use an anticipated storm as an opportunity to clear your home of unwanted items; unnecessary trash collection slows the Town's ability to prepare for a storm. Residents found to be discarding unwanted furniture, hazardous items or other debris close to storm landfall may be cited with code violations and fines.
-  The Town may offer sandbags to Residents to help prevent flooding under doors. Residents may be required to fill their own bags. Contact Town Hall for distribution and availability details.
-  The Town encourages Residents to heed any evacuation notices issued by Miami-Dade County. Let Town Hall know whether you are evacuating or if you are staying, and if you are evacuating tell us how soon you expect to leave. Having detailed information on Residents whereabouts will assist Town Hall during and after the storm; we can check on Residents who have stayed behind and also watch for any suspicious activity on the properties of Residents who have evacuated.

AFTER THE STORM:

Once conditions allow, Town Hall will go door-to-door and hand-deliver daily post-storm newsletters. With possible disruptions to power, internet and cellphone service, these physical notices are a critical way for us to keep in contact with you. Information will include details on clean-up, power restorations, water safety, and other pertinent notifications. When possible, we will make contact with Residents directly to see if we may be of any assistance, regardless we will be sure to leave behind a notice with details on how to contact a representative from Town Hall if you have questions. If you have evacuated, these same newsletters will be uploaded daily to the Town's website, we will also include information from the County on when evacuation orders have been lifted.

The Town will have staff on site during the storm, waiting to assist as soon as weather permits them to do so safely.

-  Checkpoints may be put in place by the Police Department to prevent reentry into Town, whether it be a safety concern (flooding, downed powerlines, debris in streets, etc.) or a security concern (to prevent crimes of opportunity on properties that have been evacuated or compromised by the storm). The Police Department will perform health and safety checks on the Residents who reported to the Town that they would not be evacuating.
-  The Public Works Department will begin clearing debris as soon as possible, opening access to streets and removing potential hazards.

KEEP IN MIND:

Power Restoration:

Like our Residents, the Town is also a customer of Florida Power & Light (FP&L). That said, the Town has no more influence or control over when power will be restored than any individual customer. The Town will keep in constant communication with FP&L and will inform Residents of developments as they become available. Inform us if you are still without power when the Town begins reporting areas of Town have had their power restored, this will assist us in directing FP&L specifically to areas that remain offline.

Storm Debris Clean-Up:

Residents are responsible for post-storm clean-up on their own properties. Any debris placed for pick-up must be left curbside, but off of the roadway, in the following distinct categories*:

Vegetative: fallen branches, tree limbs (these do not need to be chopped into smaller pieces), palm fronds and leaves

Bulk: Oversized items that have been damaged in the storm

Household Garbage: Regular household waste from your kitchen, bathroom, office, etc.

**Please note: commingling these wastes WILL delay clean up.*

Do not believe rumors. Misinformation can be dangerous. In the event of a storm if you have any questions, call the Golden Beach Police non-emergency phone number (305)935-0940 or Town Manager Alexander Diaz at (786)236-4211.

Town COUNCIL



(Left to Right) Vice Mayor Jaime Mendal, Councilmember Judy Lusskin, Mayor Glenn Singer, Councilmember Amy Isackson-Rojas, Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein

Town Council Meeting Recap

The following items were discussed at the Regular Town Council Meeting held on May 15, 2018.

An Ordinance of the Town Council Amending the Town's Code To Revise Chapter 66, "Zoning." AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE TOWN'S CODE OF ORDINANCES TO REVISE CHAPTER 66, "ZONING," BY AMENDING THE TITLE OF DIVISION 11 "ACCESSORY BUILDINGS: AND BY AMENDING SECTION 66-251 RELATED TO GAZEBOs, CABANAS AND PERGOLAS, AMENDING SECTION 66-1 DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Agenda Report No. 1

Ordinance No. 579.18

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Ordinance No. 579.18

Status: **APPROVED**

An Ordinance of the Town Council Amending the Town's Code Related to Swimming Pools, Hot Tubs, Spas, and Swimming Pool Decks. AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE TOWN'S CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATED TO SWIMMING POOLS, HOT TUBS, SPAS AND SWIMMING POOL DECKs; AMENDING SECTION 66-1 OF THE ZONING CODE RELATED TO DEFINITIONS; AMENDING THE TITLE OF ARTICLE IV, DIVISION 10 OF THE ZONING CODE TO INCLUDE HOT TUBS AND SPAS; AMENDING SECTION 66-236 OF THE CODE RELATED TO SAFETY BARRIERS; AMENDING SECTION 66-237 OF THE CODE RELATED TO SETBACKS AREAS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Agenda Report No. 2

Ordinance No. 580.18

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Ordinance No. 580.18

Status: **APPROVED**



An Ordinance of the Town Council Amending the Town's Code as it Relates to Seawalls. AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE TOWN'S CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING ARTICLE IV OF CHAPTER 46 ENTITLED WATERWAYS TO REQUIRE ADDITIONAL CONSTRUCTION SURVEYS AND CERTIFICATION OF SEAWALLS AS THEY ARE CONSTRUCTED AND INCREASING MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM SEAWALL HEIGHTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Agenda Report No. 3

Ordinance No. 581.18

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Ordinance No. 581.18

Status: **APPROVED**

An Ordinance of the Town Council Amending the Town's Code Creating Regulations for Outdoor Lighting. AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING

THE TOWN'S CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING DIVISION 4, DESIGN STANDARDS, OF CHAPTER 66, ZONING, TO CREATE REGULATIONS FOR OUTDOOR LIGHTING; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Agenda Report No. 4

Ordinance No. 582.18

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Ordinance No. 582.18

Status: **APPROVED**

Please Note: Some items on the agenda may have elements of discussion. For more detailed information on these items please refer to the Official Minutes of the Town Council Meeting which will be available for review on the Town's website (www.goldenbeach.us) by the end of June.



A Night of Italian Fare at the Pavilion

BY MICHAEL GLIDDEN

Under swaying bistro lights residents gathered for a brand new Town event. Replacing the annual luau that is typically held this time of year, the night of Italian favorites was met with resounding approval amongst those in attendance.

The Herrick's 70th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

BY MARIE TALLEY



The Town of Golden Beach would like to recognize the 70th wedding anniversary of long-time Residents Alfred & Sydel Herrick. We took a moment to sit down with them and ask them about their story.

GOLDEN BEACH MAGAZINE: When, where, and how did you meet? SYDELL HERRICK: At the time, my sister Beverly's future husband, George Blam, was a good friend of Alfie's. When Alfie came back from the Pacific after World War II, George mentioned to him that he had a "good looking sister-in-law" for him to meet. Alfie and Beverly were classmates at James Madison High School, but they disliked each other. (What a way to start off!) We were introduced at my parents' house at 1858 East 38 Street in Brooklyn, New York.

GBM: When and where did you marry? SH: We were married on an unusually hot Sunday afternoon April 18, 1948 at Congregation Ahaveth Achim, located on East 37 Street and Church Avenue in Brooklyn, New York. (Congregation Ahaveth Achim is now a Baptist Church.)

GBM: When did you move to Golden Beach? SH: I believe that we moved in to Golden Beach either in 1986 or 1987?

GBM: Where is your summer home? SH: We return to Woodbury, New York for the summer to aggravate our five full-of-the-devil kids, namely Jack, Ellen, Laurie, Scott and Stuart. We have twelve grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

Some other interesting facts about the Herricks:

- Alf spent three years in the Navy in the Pacific.
- Sydel was Commissioner of Syosset Youth Athletic Council (SYAC) in Syosset, New York launching programs including Boys Softball, Girls Softball and Soccer. SYAC Athletic Programming also included Little League and Basketball teams. These activities involved 1,500 children each year. Mrs. Herrick looks back fondly on her work with the SYOC saying "These were the best years of my life."

In the years prior to the Herricks buying their home in Golden Beach it was rented annually by actor Rodney Dangerfield. After the Herrick's settled in they would still get routine calls from Mr. Dangerfield's agent inquiring on behalf of Mr. Dangerfield if the rates to rent the home were the same that year! It took several attempts to convince the agent that the house was definitely no longer available, I guess Mr. Dangerfield loved Golden Beach as much as we all do!





Doggie Day!

BY MICHAEL GLIDDEN

Scattered showers could have turned April's "Doggie Day at the Beach" to "Soggy Day at the Beach" but a little rain couldn't keep these spirited pooches and their owners from hitting the sand. Town staff and Golden Beach Police were on hand to ensure any possible safety concerns were being addressed and to be sure everyone was having a great time. Stay tuned for future Doggie Day events!

Portraits of Golden Retriever and Rottweiler (top left and center) by Yolanda Freeman

Golden BEACH

Calendar OF EVENTS 2018

ON ALL FRIDAY AND SATURDAY NIGHTS THE NORTH AND SOUTH PEDESTRIAN
GATES SHALL REMAIN OPEN UNTIL 12AM

JUNE

Tuesday, June 5 – Special Town Council Meeting – Town Hall – 7PM

Tuesday, June 26 – Bulky Waste Pick-Up

JULY

Wednesday, July 4* – Independence Day - Town Hall Closed

*Please note Construction is not allowed

Wednesday, July 4 – Independence Day – Hot Dogs on the Beach -12PM

SUMMER FOOD TRUCKS – Vendor Information to Follow

Saturday, July 7 – Food Truck at the Beach Pavilion - 12PM

Sunday, July 15 – Food Truck at the Beach Pavilion - 12PM

Saturday, July 21 – Food Truck at the Beach Pavilion - 12PM

Tuesday, July 24 – Bulky Waste Pick-Up

Sunday, July 29 – Food Truck at the Beach Pavilion - 12PM

Monday, July 30 – Deadline to Register to Vote in National Primary Election

AUGUST

Saturday, August 4 – Food Truck at the Beach Pavilion - 12PM

Sunday, August 12 – Food Truck at the Beach Pavilion - 12PM

Saturday, August 18 – Food Truck at the Beach Pavilion - 12PM

Tuesday, August 21 – Regular Town Council Meeting – Town Hall – 7PM

Sunday, August 26 – Food Truck at the Beach Pavilion - 12PM

Tuesday, August 28 – Bulky Waste Pick-Up

Tuesday, August 28 - National Primary Election

SEPTEMBER

Monday, September 3* – Labor Day - Town Hall Closed

*Please note Construction is not allowed

Monday, September 3 – Labor Day – Hot Dogs on the Beach -12PM

Tuesday, September 4 – First Budget Hearing & Special Town Council Meeting – Town Hall – 7PM

September 9-11 – Pedestrian Gates will be Open until 1AM

Sunday, September 16 - 5K Run - Town Hall - 7:30AM

Tuesday, September 18 – Final Budget Hearing & Special Town Council Meeting – Town Hall – 7PM

September 18-19 – Pedestrian Gates will be Open until 1AM

September 23-25 – Pedestrian Gates will be Open until 1AM

Tuesday, September 25 – Bulky Waste Pick-Up

Friday, September 27 – Doggie Day on Beach - 4PM-6PM

September 30-October 1 – Pedestrian Gates will be Open until 1AM

OCTOBER

October 2 – Pedestrian Gates will be Open until 1AM

Monday, October 8 – Columbus Day – Town Hall Closed

Tuesday, October 9 – Deadline to Register to Vote in National General Election

Tuesday, October 16 – Regular Town Council Meeting – Town Hall – 7PM

Tuesday, October 23 – Bulky Waste Pick-Up

Wednesday, October 31 – Halloween – North Park – 5PM

NOVEMBER

Tuesday, November 6 - National General Election

Sunday, November 11 – Veterans Day Event – Beach Pavilion - 5PM

Monday, November 12 – Veterans Day Observed - Town Hall Closed

Saturday, November 17 – Tea Party – South Park – 4PM

Thursday, November 22* – Thanksgiving Day – Town Hall Closed

*Please note Construction is not allowed

Friday, November 23 – Town Hall Closed

Tuesday, November 27 – Bulky Waste Pick-Up

Thursday, November 29 – Doggie Day on Beach - 4PM-6PM

DECEMBER

Tuesday, December 18 – Bulky Waste Pick-Up

Monday, December 24 – Christmas Eve – Town Hall Closed

Tuesday, December 25* – Christmas Day – Town Hall Closed

*Please note Construction is not allowed

Monday, December 31 – New Year's Eve – Town Hall Closed

Monday, December 31 – New Year's Eve Party – Beach Pavilion – 9PM-1AM

Police BEAT

The month of April 2018 was very quiet and we didn't experience any major crime in Town. Your police department is determined to keep it that way. Staff administrators are constantly relaying intelligence information to our officers in order to keep them abreast of potential problems in the area.

This month the department took several proactive initiatives. Officers approached and interviewed 11 individuals inside the Town who were not residents. Officers made 2 traffic arrests and wrote a total of 269 citations. This year alone officers from the



Golden Beach Police Department have already arrested a total of 37 individuals, 34 for traffic related offenses (including suspended drivers' license, DUI, and bench warrants). To date, officers have written a total of 1,295 summons.

The Town's Marine Patrol Detail currently has a total of 540 warnings/citations and 468 boat inspections. The Golden Beach Police Department has further increased its beach patrol, with a total of 1,566 beach checks so far this year.

To keep our officers physically and mentally prepared for any possible encounter, we put them through on-going training. Besides our own exercises and in-Town training efforts, we also network with community leaders, groups and associations to enhance our police department. We are regularly strengthening our own department by training alongside neighboring municipalities and participating in joint training activities.

Summertime is almost here and that means we are heading into the 2018 Atlantic Hurricane Season. Last year we had an active hurricane season, and as a result we have focused on police response and preparedness, and how to react in the event of a major storm.

Our Town sits in what is colloquially known as "hurricane alley" and we must not be complacent when it comes to storm preparation. Play it safe, we need to anticipate that the 2018 Atlantic basin hurricane season will have slightly above average activity.

Our best protection is to prepare early and get all necessary supplies in advance. Properly preparing your property for an anticipated storm is an important step that should not be neglected, for your own safety and the safety of others. This is particularly important if you are doing any sort of remodeling to your property. In the event a hurricane watch or warning is issued, it is the responsibility of the property owner and/or associate contractor of any on-going construction work to secure all areas of the site. This is mandatory per the Florida Building Code. Fasten down or remove all hazardous objects which includes: construction shacks, temporary toilets, roofing tiles, building materials, trash, unsecured structures, temporary electric poles, etc.

Those failing to follow this procedure will be cited, fined and held legally responsible for any damage caused by failing to secure loose construction equipment or items. Don't put yourself in a position to be liable for damage caused by ill-preparation, be sure to plan ahead.

In closing I would like to remind Residents of a few standing rules in Town.

Curb Your Dog: I would like to remind residents that the Town and its police department have a zero tolerance policy on pet owners/handlers who do not clean up after their pets. Patrolling officers have cited residents, but in many cases, residents' staff are the ones failing to pick up after dogs. Please warn your house staff that patrolling officers WILL cite them if they violate the Town's ordinance regarding removing pet waste.

Traffic Laws in Town: We also need to remind residents to obey all traffic laws, including posted speed limits

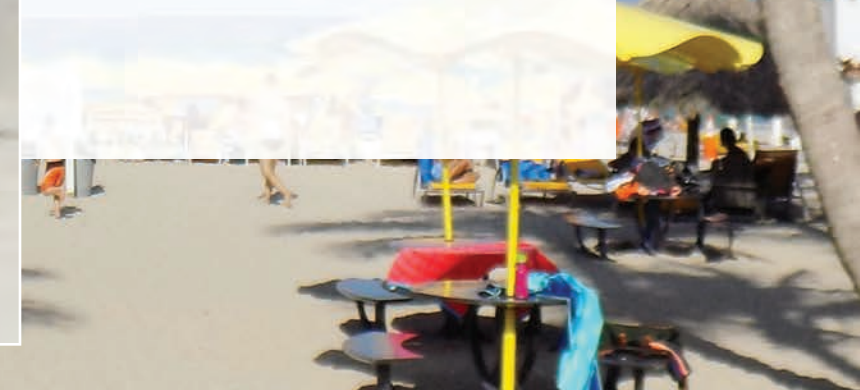
Obey the Town's Codes: Follow the Town's building code ordinances and comply with code violations. Please pay close attention to any warnings issued, and if you have any questions please call Code Compliance Clerk Mike Diaz at (305) 932-0744 ext. 240.

Have a safe and happy summer season. Please feel free to contact me if I may be of any assistance.

YOUR CHIEF OF POLICE,

Rudy Herbello

“OFFICERS APPROACHED AND INTERVIEWED 11 INDIVIDUALS INSIDE THE TOWN WHO WERE NOT RESIDENTS. OFFICERS MADE 2 TRAFFIC ARRESTS AND WROTE A TOTAL OF 269 CITATIONS. THIS YEAR ALONE OFFICERS FROM THE GOLDEN BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT HAVE ALREADY ARRESTED A TOTAL OF 37 INDIVIDUALS, 34 FOR TRAFFIC RELATED OFFENSES (INCLUDING SUSPENDED DRIVERS' LICENSE, DUI, AND BENCH WARRANTS). TO DATE, OFFICERS HAVE WRITTEN A TOTAL OF 1,295 SUMMONS.”



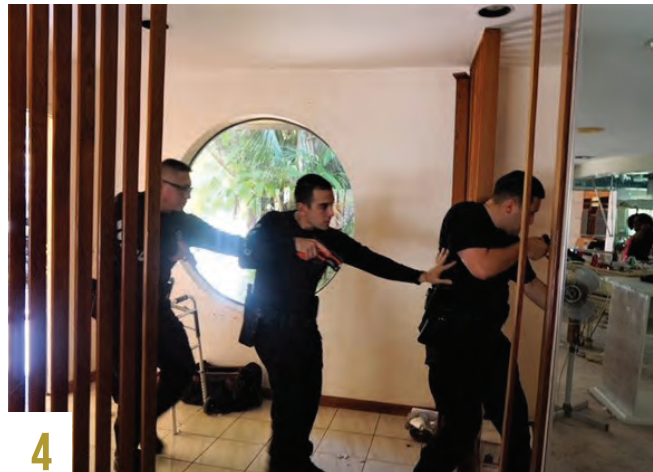
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1. BIKE PATROL WITHIN TOWN
2. FIELD FORCE RANGE TRAINING

Police BEAT



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**SOME EXCITING THINGS ARE BREWING AROUND TOWN.
HERE'S A QUICK BREAKDOWN OF SOME THINGS TO EXPECT:**



TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH 5K RUN & WALK

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Golden Beach Resident Helps Keep Schools Safe

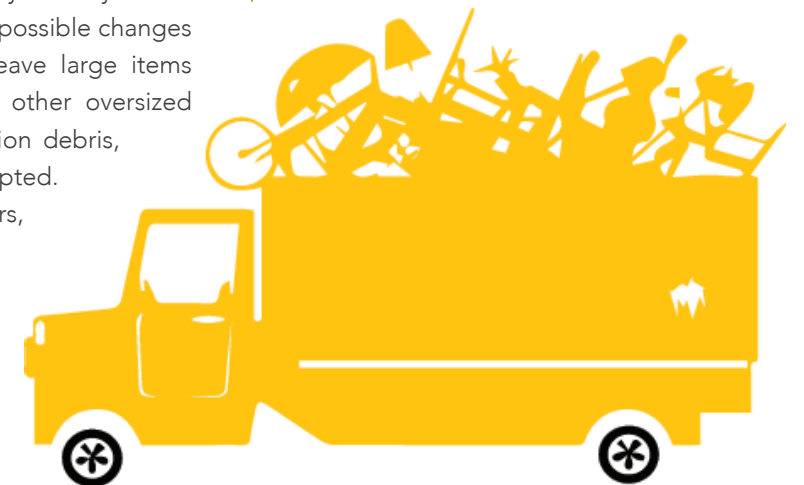
In response to the recent string of school shootings that have been plaguing the nation Golden Beach Resident Benjamin Geduld decided he would do something to help put a stop to the violence. Realizing that reporting suspicious activities or threats is an integral part of preventing a tragedy, he knew that even if students were to hear something alarming often times they don't speak up, either fearing reprisal or because they feel they may not be taken seriously. Benjamin came up with a simple yet effective solution. He created a "See Something, Say Something" sticker that could be placed on the back of the school ID tags that students are required to wear. The sticker lists two phone numbers that students can use to anonymously report potential problems, 305-471-TIPS(8477) and 305-995-COPS(2677). He has already launched the campaign at his school, Alonzo and Tracy Mourning Senior High and plans on speaking to the Superintendent of Schools to expand the movement to additional local campuses. Other safety plans include purchasing a ballistics shield for the school's main office, so that in the event of a shooting a staff member can help students escape without being injured. Benjamin has set up a GoFundMe page for his project. The link is included below.



<https://www.gofundme.com/hear-see-something-say-something>

Town Now Offers Monthly Bulky Waste Pick-Up

The Town will now offer a monthly bulky waste pick-up service. The designated day for pick-up will be the FOURTH Tuesday of every month (holidays excluded, check the Town Calendar for any possible changes to the regular pick-up schedule). Residents may leave large items curbside including furniture, cardboard boxes and other oversized household waste items for collection. No construction debris, glass, paint or other hazardous materials will be accepted. Please note: for pick-up of appliances (i.e. refrigerators, washers, dryers, etc.) Those residents must contact the Public Works Department and pay a collection fee BEFORE putting items out. If you have any questions please contact Public Works Director Kirk McKoy at (305) 932-0744, extension 235 or via email kmckoy@goldenbeach.us.





Town Council Meeting Agendas are posted on the Town Website on the Friday before each meeting.

If you would like to know what items will be discussed at upcoming Town Council Meetings, please visit www.goldenbeach.us. Town Council Agendas can be found on the right-hand side of the main page, the newest one will always be on top. Meeting agendas for Tuesday meetings are always posted by 8PM the previous Friday. So whether

you're planning on joining us at Town Hall for the meeting, watching it from the comfort of your own sofa on Channel 89, or just would like to know what's going on in Town, the Town website is the one place to go to be sure you have the latest and most up-to-date official council agenda.

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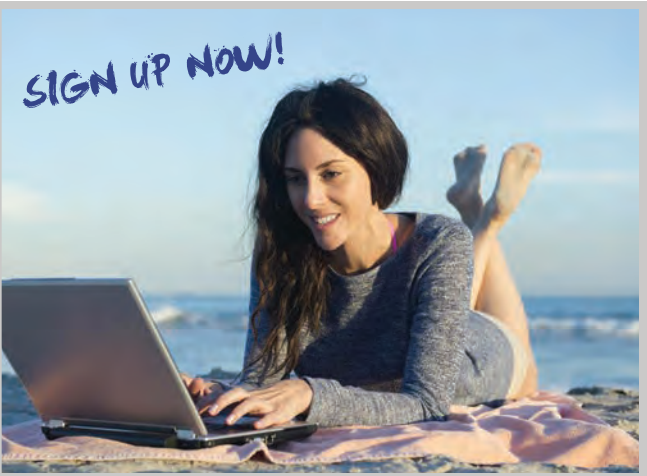
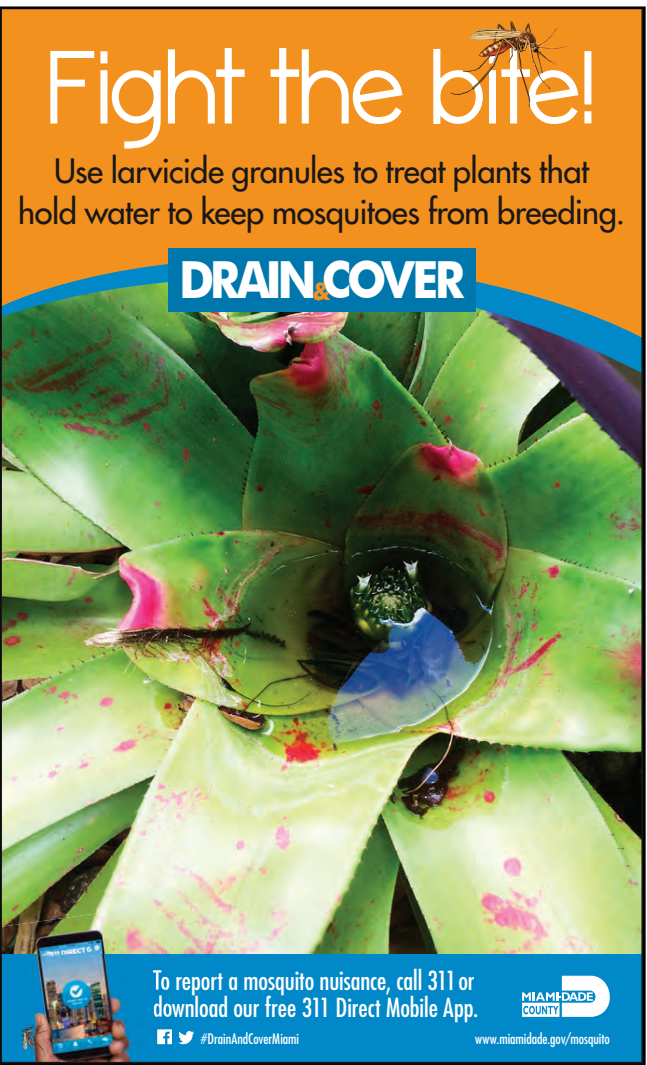


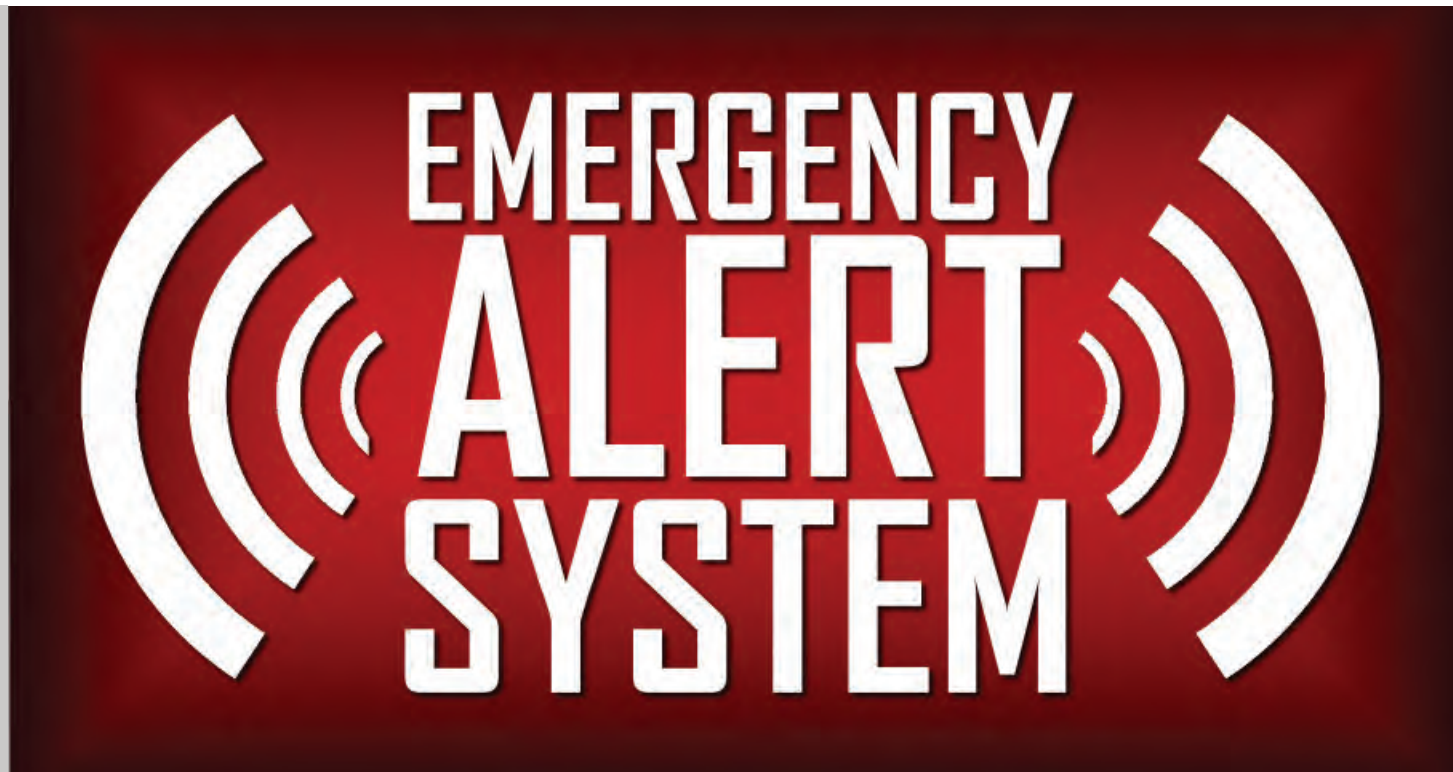
New Hours For Pedestrian Gate At Massini Avenue

Due to on-going security concerns, the Town Council decided at the April 17th, 2018. Town Council Meeting to close the pedestrian gate at the North end of Town on Massini Avenue. However, in respect to the religious needs of some of our Residents, the Town will allow access for Residents to enter and exit the North gate from 4PM on Fridays through Saturday night. The North Gate will be padlocked again as of early Sunday morning. Please plan accordingly. Should you have any questions, please contact Town Hall, (305)932-0744.

E-Blast: Meeting Agendas

We respect your inbox and we only want to send you the most important and informative content in our eBlasts to you. The Town will no longer send reminders to Residents that the latest Town Council Agenda has been added to the Town's website...unless of course you would like us to. If you wish to continue receiving reminders that the agenda is ready please send an email with the subject line "EBLAST AGENDA" to mglidden@goldenbeach.us.





CodeRED: How to Receive Emergency Alert Services

With unpredictable weather, unexpected traffic redirection, and the occasional hazard, the best way to keep you and your family safe is to be informed. The Town of Golden Beach encourages all Residents to register with the CodeRED emergency alert system. The system keeps subscribers informed of everything from evacuation notices, missing child alerts, boil water notices, to fire or flood disasters. CodeRED allows for the delivery of consistent and accurate information to all Residents, though you must register in order to receive any notices. Notifications can be received via cell phone, land line, text messages, or email. The notices have been referred to as “Reverse 911” calls in the past, where instead of you calling emergency services, emergency services call you to warn of a critical situation. The CodeRED system allows for fast updates without having to reach out to emergency personnel and potentially pulling them away from their response efforts.

The Town understands the importance of privacy, so please know that any contact information you supply will be used solely for emergency notification purposes and will not be shared with any third parties. To enroll simply visit the Town’s website www.goldenbeach.us and click on the CodeRED link on the main page. The system is geographically based so please be sure to enter all search fields. Required information includes first and last name, street address (physical address, no P.O. boxes), city, state, zip code and primary phone number. If you do not have Internet access, please contact Marie Talley at (305) 932-0744, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, to register by phone.



We’ve Heard You...

At the April 17th Town Council Meeting, the Town Council decided to table all discussions regarding a new Civic Center. Discussions will resume again in the fall, and we will be sure to update you on when and where we will revisit the topic. In the meantime, we’ll continue to work diligently on the project for you, exploring designs, possible features, and other considerations. Some points we will keep in mind as we look to move forward are:

- Utilizing the existing Budget, no passing along of any new costs to Residents (no tax increase or assessments).
- Keeping the Civic Center design scaled appropriately to a Community our size.
- Using the Project as a way to offer additional amenities to our Residents.
- And also, we will consider adapting the site of the current Town Hall into a maintained green space.

We are receptive to suggestions, feedback and concerns from all Residents. Why listen to the rumor mill? Get your information from the source. You may reach Town Manager Alexander Diaz at Town Hall at (305)932-0744 ex. 224, or on his cell at (786)236-4211.

Mosquito Spraying Notification



Clarke Environmental Mosquito Management has been contracted to provide mosquito management services to the Town of Golden Beach. They will actively address any mosquito-related issues in the Town through October 2018. This will include community-wide truck ULV treatments, barrier treatments for our parks and beach/pavilion, and treatments of our catch basins, inlets, and manholes.

Truck ULV treatments (fogging/spraying) will take place weekly on Wednesday mornings from 5:00 – 6:00 A.M. Following this, Clarke will then conduct the barrier treatments. All treatments shall be completed and Clarke employees will have left Town no later than 9:00 A.M.

Town Hall also has bottles of OFF mosquito repellent spray; Residents wishing to collect a bottle may stop by Town Hall.

Please contact Town Hall with any questions or concerns at (305) 932-0744

A Letter from Your Senator

Dear Constituents and Friends,

The 2018 Legislative Session recently came to an end, and I THANK YOU for the incredible opportunity to serve you in the Florida Senate.

A variety of different issues were presented this Session that sent members of both the House and Senate into an array of emotions. The historic legislation involving gun control and school safety was the main focal point this year as well as other issues such as regulation of condominium associations, education, transportation and the budget.

Please know that I have listened to you on all these very important issues. I thank you for utilizing your voice and allowing it to be heard in Tallahassee.

As you know, District 38 is very diverse, and I have worked hard to tailor the needs of each city within our District. I am proud to report that I was able to secure funding of over \$130 million dollars in projects for District 38, which includes Golden Beach. These funds are vital in ensuring that problems like drainage, senior citizen services and critical infrastructure needs are met in the city of Golden Beach and cities throughout the District.

Championing the voices of Golden Beach residents, and residents from across the District is my top priority. I have an open-door policy and ALWAYS offer convenient ways for you to discuss your pertinent issues with me. A common practice in my office is to give each constituent my personal cell number to ensure that your concerns get directly to me. I extend you the same courtesy, feel free to call me at any time at (786)-274-0166.

As your Senator, I am committed to continuing this important work and promise to always listen to you, while also working alongside state and local leadership to ensure the needs of our community is met. With your continued words of encouragement, I hope to continue to provide a strong voice to the residents of Golden Beach in Tallahassee and continue to bring home critical state funds to District 38.

SINCERELY,

Daphne Campbell
Senator, State of Florida



CBYLC *Garden* **TAKES SHAPE**

The Golden Beach Youth Leadership Group steams ahead with its newest project, a community garden! The idea for the garden was brought to the Group by Co-Vice President Daniel Block, who has been overseeing the project from its inception. The Group has worked together to design a proposal and budget, seek approval from the Mayor and Town Council, construct and prepare the garden area, and even manage a watering schedule with slots being filled by volunteers from the Group. The effort has been a great team-building activity and soon the members will be able to taste the fruits of their labor!



Sea Turtles:

An Important Notice to Residents on the East Side of Ocean Boulevard

Sea Turtle nesting season runs through 10/31. Florida State Statutes require residents living on the east side of Ocean Boulevard to comply with restrictions regarding lighting that may disrupt sea turtles' nesting process.

Artificial lights (meaning the light emanating from any human-made device) includes porch lights, security lights, and even indoor lighting that spills out of windows and glass doors. These forms of light can disorient and deter sea turtles from coming ashore to lay their eggs. The same lights can also cause hatchlings to lose their way. Be sure your home is equipped with turtle-safe lighting and close window shades at night to keep interior light indoors.

Violating Turtle Safety regulations can result in costly civil citations. Should you have any questions as to how to comply with these important regulations please visit the Florida Department of Environmental Protection website at www.dep.state.fl.us.

For reference, below are some selections from the Town's Code of Ordinances regarding proper handling of Turtle-Safe Lighting. The full Code of Ordinances may be viewed online at municode.com.

Sec. 58-51. - Purpose and intent.

The purpose and intent of the article is to implement the Florida Department of Environmental Protection model lighting ordinance for marine turtle protection as authorized by F.S. § 161.163, which requires the Department to designate coastal areas utilized, or likely to be utilized, by sea turtles for nesting, and to establish guidelines for local government regulations that control beachfront lighting to protect hatching sea turtles. This article is intended to protect hatchling marine turtles from the adverse effects of artificial lighting, provide overall improvement in nesting habitat degraded by light pollution, and increase successful nesting activity and production of hatchlings.

(Ord. No. 426.97, § 1, 6-17-97)

Sec. 58-53. - Prohibition of activities disruptive to marine turtles.

The following activities involving direct illumination of portions of the beach are prohibited on the beach at nighttime during the nesting season for the protection of nesting females, nests, and

hatchling marine turtles:

- (1) The operation of motorized vehicles, except emergency and law enforcement vehicles or those permitted on the beach for marine turtle conservation or research.
- (2) The building of open fires.

(Ord. No. 426.97, § 1, 6-17-97)

Sec. 58-54. - Standards for new beachfront lighting.

In order to provide the highest level of protection for nesting marine turtles and their hatchlings, the Town of Golden Beach adopts all of the following standards for artificial light sources on all new coastal construction:

- (1) Exterior artificial light fixtures shall be designed and positioned so that:

- a. The point source of light or any reflective surface of the light fixture is not directly visible from the beach;
- b. Areas seaward of the frontal dune are not directly or indirectly illuminated; and
- c. Areas seaward of the frontal dune are not cumulatively illuminated.

- (2) Exterior artificial light fixtures within direct line-of-sight of the beach are considered appropriately designed if:

- a. Completely shielded downlight only fixtures or recessed fixtures having low wattage (i.e., 60 watts or less) bug type bulbs and non-reflective interior surfaces are used. Other fixtures that have appropriate shields, louvers, or cut-off features may also be used if they are in compliance with subsection (1)(a), (b), and (c) above; and

- b. All fixtures are mounted as low in elevation as possible through use of low-mounted wall fixtures, low bollards, and ground-level fixtures.

- (3) Floodlights, uplights or spotlights for decorative and accent purposes that are directly visible from the beach, or which indirectly or cumulatively illuminate the beach, shall not be used.

- (4) Exterior lights used expressly for safety or security purposes shall be limited to the minimum number and configuration required to achieve their functional role(s). The use of motion detector switches that keep lights off except when approached

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and that switch lights on for the minimum duration possible are preferred.

- (5) Only low intensity lighting shall be used in parking areas within line-of-sight of the beach. Such lighting shall be:

- a. Set on a base which raises the source of light no higher than 48 inches off the ground; and

- b. Positioned or shielded so that the light is cast downward and the source of light or any reflective surface of the light fixture is not visible from the beach and does not directly or indirectly illuminate the beach.

- (6) Parking areas and roadways, including any paved or unpaved areas upon which motorized vehicles will park or operated, shall be designed and located to prevent vehicular headlights from directly or indirectly illuminating the beach.

- (7) Vehicular lighting, parking area lighting, and roadways lighting shall be shielded from the beach through the use of ground-level barriers. Ground-level barriers must not interfere with marine turtle nesting or hatchling emergence, or cause short- or long-term damage to the beach/dune system.

- (8) Use of appropriately shielded low pressure sodium vapor lamps and fixtures shall be preferred for high-intensity lighting applications such as lighting parking areas and roadways, providing security, and similar applications.

- (9) Temporary lighting of construction sites during the marine turtle nesting season shall be restricted to the minimal amount necessary and shall incorporate all of the standards of this section.

(Ord. No. 426.97, § 1, 6-17-97)

Sec. 58-55. - Standards for existing beachfront lighting.

In order to provide the highest level of protection for nesting marine turtles and their hatchlings, the Town of Golden Beach adopts all of the following standards for existing artificial beachfront lighting sources:

- (1) Existing artificial light fixtures shall be repositioned, modified, or removed so that:

- a. The point source of light or any reflective surface of the light fixture is not directly visible from the beach;

- b. Areas seaward of the frontal dune are not directly or indirectly illuminated; and

- c. Areas seaward of the frontal dune are not cumulatively illuminated.

- (2) The following measures shall be taken to reduce or eliminate the negative effects of existing exterior artificial lighting:

- a. Reposition fixtures so that the point source of light or any reflective surface of the light fixture is no longer visible from the beach;

- b. Replace fixtures having an exposed light source with fixtures containing recessed light sources or shields;

- c. Replace traditional light bulbs with yellow bug type bulbs not exceeding 60 watts;

- d. Replace non-directional fixtures with directional fixtures that point down and away from the beach;

- e. Replace fixtures having transparent or translucent coverings with fixtures having opaque shields covering an arc of at least 180 degrees and extending an appropriate distance below bottom edge of the fixture on the seaward side so that the light source or any reflective surface of the light fixture is not visible from the beach;

- f. Replace pole lamps with low-profile, low-level luminaries so that the light source or any reflective surface of the light fixture is not visible from the beach;

- g. Replace incandescent, fluorescent, and high intensity lighting with the lowest

wattage low pressure sodium vapor lighting possible for the specific application;

- h. Plan or improve vegetation buffers between the light source and the beach to screen light from the beach;

- i. Construct a ground level barrier to shield light sources from the beach. Ground-level barriers must not interfere with marine turtle nesting or hatchling emergence, or cause short- or long-term damage to the beach/dune system;

- j. Permanently remove or permanently disable any fixture which cannot be brought into compliance with the provisions of these standards.

(Ord. No. 426.97, § 1, 6-17-97)

The Town's full Code of Ordinances can be viewed online at www.municode.com

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TOWN MANAGER ALEXANDER DIAZ: **305.932.0744** ext. 224

GATE HOUSE: **305.935.0940**

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NORTH MIAMI BEACH WATER DEPARTMENT
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