



Florida's Harborside Hometown

## WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS REPORT JULY 19, 2019

### City Manager

- FY 2020 General Fund Budget** – The proposed FY 2020 millage rate is 3.4337. There will be two public hearings on Sep. 4 and 18, both at 5:01 pm to officially adopt next year's millage rate. The chart below shows the proposed impact on property owners:

Calculation of Estimated City Ad Valorem Tax on various assessed values:					
			Proposed		
	Millage Rate:		Millage Rate:		
	3.1969		3.4337	Effect on	
	City Ad Valorem		City Ad Valorem	City Ad Valorem	Percentage
Assessed Value FY 2019	Tax FY 2019	Assessed Value FY 2020	Tax FY 2020	Tax FY 2020	Change
<b>Homestead Examples:</b>		<b>1.9% incr. CPI:</b>			
\$150,000	\$320	\$152,850	\$353	\$33	10.31%
\$300,000	\$799	\$305,700	\$878	\$79	9.89%
\$400,000	\$1,119	\$407,600	\$1,228	\$109	9.74%
\$500,000	\$1,439	\$509,500	\$1,578	\$139	9.66%
\$600,000	\$1,758	\$611,400	\$1,928	\$170	9.67%
\$700,000	\$2,078	\$713,300	\$2,278	\$200	9.62%
\$800,000	\$2,398	\$815,200	\$2,627	\$229	9.55%
\$900,000	\$2,717	\$917,100	\$2,977	\$260	9.57%
\$1,000,000	\$3,037	\$1,019,000	\$3,327	\$290	9.55%
<b>Non-Homestead Examples:</b>		<b>7.07% incr. City overall:</b>			
\$150,000	\$480	\$160,605	\$551	\$71	15.01%
\$300,000	\$959	\$321,210	\$1,103	\$144	15.02%
\$400,000	\$1,279	\$428,280	\$1,471	\$192	15.01%
\$500,000	\$1,598	\$535,350	\$1,838	\$240	15.02%
\$600,000	\$1,918	\$642,420	\$2,206	\$288	15.02%
\$700,000	\$2,238	\$749,490	\$2,574	\$336	15.01%
\$800,000	\$2,558	\$856,560	\$2,941	\$383	14.97%
\$900,000	\$2,877	\$963,630	\$3,309	\$432	15.02%
\$1,000,000	\$3,197	\$1,070,700	\$3,676	\$479	14.98%

- Citywide Master Plan Draft Presentation** – Aug. 21 at 5 pm Dover Kohl & Partners will present the Draft Citywide Master Plan to the community at the Charlotte Harbor Events Center. Registration is not required and Punta Gorda stakeholders are welcome.
- Buckley's Pass Additional Harbor Access** – As of Jul. 17, prepayments totaled \$1,878,026.44. Staff has notified the county of those accounts which have made payment and confirmed these property owners will not see any reference to the assessment on their proposed property tax notices to be mailed in Aug. Any payments received by the City after Jul. 17 will still be accepted and transmitted to the county prior to the final tax bills being issued in Nov.

- Update on Assisted Living Facility** – Vice Mayor Matthews, City Urban Design staff and several volunteer citizens met this week with the design team for the assisted living facility to be built on Aqui Esta at Socorro in PGI. The developer, architect, landscape architect, project manager and project engineers were all present, and updated architectural designs were presented to the group. The project has been updated to reflect the overall concept as a Coastal design, with articulated rooflines and more modern design features. The citizen volunteer committee unanimously concurred that the new design will be much more compatible with the surrounding residences in the community. The developer has met or exceeded all the requirements that had been part of the approval criteria when the Council approved the project in Jun. 2017. The development team will continue with final architectural, engineering and site plans to be presented to the City’s Development Review Committee in early fall, and then on to file necessary building permits. Anticipated construction will most likely begin in the first quarter of next year with a 16-18 month build out. The rendering photo shows what the new design will look like when construction is complete.



### Upcoming Events

Date	Event	Location	Contact
7/20	Monthly Car Show	Muscle Car City	<a href="http://musclearcity.net/events/">http://musclearcity.net/events/</a>
7/23	Finishing Your Book with James Abraham	PGI Civic Association	<a href="http://www.pgica.org/">www.pgica.org/</a>
7/27	Cocktails for a Cause Pub Crawl	Downtown Punta Gorda	<a href="mailto:cjfanky@hotmail.com">cjfanky@hotmail.com</a>
7/27	Beeswax Wrap Workshop	Punta Gorda City Hall	<a href="mailto:smoen@chnep.org">smoen@chnep.org</a>
7/28	Monthly Auto Flea Market	Muscle Car City	<a href="http://musclearcity.net/events/">http://musclearcity.net/events/</a>
7/30	Finishing Your Book with James Abraham	PGI Civic Association	<a href="http://www.pgica.org/">www.pgica.org/</a>
8/3	August Rummage Sale	The Society of St. Vincent De Paul Sacred Heart Church	<a href="http://www.svdpusa.org/">www.svdpusa.org/</a>

### Lot Mowing Program

- City mowers have completed mowing the following areas; Colony Point (Colony Point Dr., W. Marion Ave., Socorro Dr., and Coronado Dr.), PGI (Magdalena Drive, Via Veneto, W. Henry Street, Appain Drive, and Columbian Drive), PGI Bird Section (Almar Dr., Albatross Dr., Whippoorwill Blvd, and Turtle Dove Blvd) and Burnt Store Isles (Monaco Dr., Tripoli Blvd., Madrid Blvd., and Macedonia Dr.).
- City mowers are currently mowing the following areas; Burnt Store Meadows (Areas of Tamiami Tr., N. Blue Sage, S. Blue Sage, Royal Poinciana, and Gold Tree).

## Public Works Department

### Engineering

- **Pavement Rejuvenation** – The contractor has provided the signed Statement of Work. Staff is preparing the requisition and Press Release for review. Work is scheduled to commence following the issuance of the Purchase Order, tentatively scheduled to commence Aug. 1 through Aug.7, weather depending.
- **Paving Program - street resurfacing** – Milling and resurfacing has been completed on: Ida Ave. Elizabeth St. Coco Plum, Carissa and Philodendron. Striping is pending installation.
- **Alligator Creek pedestrian bridges along US41 NB-FDOT Right of Way** – Construction is anticipated to commence in Aug., Bi-Weekly Progress meetings are to be held.
- **Citywide Drainage Swale Regrading** – To date JRL Underground has completed work at 442 properties totaling 326,750 square feet of grading/sodding. Sodding was completed this week at 123-137 Acalypha, 7417-7447 S. Blue Sage and 335 W. William, Excavation and grading is underway at 7131-7191 N. Plum Tree and will then move to locations on Schefflera in Burnt Store Meadows.
- **Harborwalk at Justice Center boardwalk & Pier at Adrienne St.** – Work to begin on support piles the week of Jul. 22. It is not yet known if closure of the walkways is necessary
- **Goldstein Street Bricking between Marion and Olympia Ave.** – The road closure remains in effect with work to be continued.
- **Harborwalk West Area 2a & 2b** – The project submittals are under Procurement review.



### Canal Maintenance

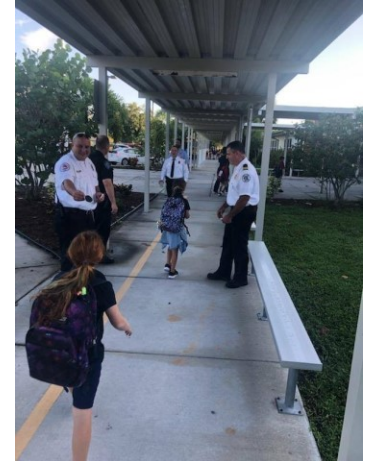
- An estimated 52,936 feet of seawall was damaged during Hurricane Irma. There has been a 4.5% length increase of replaced seawall due to unforeseen damage. The additional damage brings the estimated total up to 55,335 feet. To date, 99.5% of this seawall has been replaced with new wall; 94.7% of the project has been closed out with grading and sod complete. The current combined pace (three month average) of the contractors is 1,770 feet per month. Crews also filled 19 depressions in PGI and three seawall caps. Table 1 represents the progress made in each of the zones. The corresponding sequence maps can be found on the City’s website here: <http://www.ci.punta-gorda.fl.us/government/public-works/storm-related-seawall-failures>.

Table 1

Zone	Work underway on Projects	Work not yet started on Projects	Number of Projects Per Zone
PGI-NE1	56, 81, 83, 87	0	90
PGI-NE2	0	0	82
PGI-NW1	0	0	54
PGI-NW2	50, 58	0	87
PGI-SE	0	0	55
PGI-SW	0	0	47
Harborwalk	0	0	1
BSI-N	8, 9	0	11
BSI-S	0	0	11

## **Fire Department**

- Members of the Punta Gorda Fire Department and Police Department greeted students on their first full day of school at Sallie Jones Elementary School this morning. Students received stickers, high-fives and smiles as they made their way into school.



## **Police Department**

- The Volunteers In Policing (VIP) program contributed a total of 761.5 hours of volunteer time to the City of Punta Gorda during the month of June 2019. Our Administrative Volunteers contributed 172.5 hours. Our Volunteers on Patrol, Marine Patrol, and Bike Patrol contributed a total of 283.5 hours. Our Records Department Volunteers contributed 209 hours and generated \$345 in fingerprinting revenue. Our volunteers are an absolutely vital part of this police department and we appreciate them greatly! Members of the community interested in volunteering with the police department are encouraged to contact Volunteer Staff Coordinator Al Rusca at ARusca@pcityofpuntagordafl.com or (941) 575-5536.
- The Punta Gorda Police Department is currently accepting applications for the position of Police Officer. Police Officer testing will be held from Tuesday, September 3, 2019 through Thursday, September 5, 2019. Applications must be submitted prior to 4:00 PM on Wednesday, August 28, 2019. To apply visit [www.puntagordapolice.com](http://www.puntagordapolice.com) and select "Employment Opportunities." For more information, contact Lieutenant Dylan Renz at 941-575-5503 or by email at [drenz@cityofpuntagordafl.com](mailto:drenz@cityofpuntagordafl.com).

## **Utilities Department**

- **Groundwater RO Construction Week 55 – Inside the process Room**



A report containing the previous month's progress as well as a 30 day look ahead may be found on the City of Punta Gorda website under the City Capital Improvement Projects link: <http://www.ci.punta-gorda.fl.us/government/capital-projects/ponce-park-redesign/cip-projects>

### **Water Treatment Plant Operations**

- 26.4 MG of water was delivered to the distribution system with a 3.8 MG daily average
- Peace River Manasota regional Water Supply Authority Emergency Interconnect – Sending water at a rate of .5 million gallons per day, started Jul. 16.
- Rainfall in Jul. 2018 6.80” and Jul. 2019 6.0”
- Hardness is a measurement of calcium and magnesium ions naturally occurring in the raw water. Current Condition “hard” – Grains of Hardness 11 ppm – Total hardness 188 ppm
- TDS for Jul. 18 – Current 326 ppm, Low 228 ppm, High 499 ppm, Year Avg. 373 ppm
- Reservoir Jul. 18 – Current 5.34’, Record Low 5.03’, Record High 6.14’, Year Avg. 5.50’

### **Water Distribution**

- City of Punta Gorda Water Distribution Division forces have taken over completion of the AMI meter change out program. Last week crews changed out nine meters with the new AMI meters. Of the 13,204 total water meters in the city, only 30 remain (residential and approximately 8 large meters) to complete the project. The project is 99% complete.

### **City Clerk**

#### **Current Board & Committee Vacancies ([Volunteer Appointment Information Form](#))**

- Historic Preservation Advisory Board – (One alternate vacancy) Meets the 4th Thursday at 9 a.m. in City Council Chambers. Must be City resident. Seven member board with two alternate members. Three year terms – maximum of three terms. Identifies for the City Council historically significant structures and sites that should be considered for designation as a “Local Historic Landmark” or be nominated for listing on the Florida Master Site File and the National Register of Historic Places. Makes recommendations of the policies for the protection of historically significant structures and sites. Makes recommendations to staff with regard to certificates of appropriateness for any demolition, variance, sign or relocation of structures. Promotes public awareness of historic archaeological preservation and its community benefits.
- Punta Gorda Housing Authority – (One resident Commissioner vacancy) Meets the third Thursday at 8:30 a.m. at the PGHA Community Room, 340 Gulf Breeze Avenue, Punta Gorda. Must be a resident of Charlotte County. At least one commissioner shall reside within the Housing Authority’s jurisdiction and receive rent subsidy through a program administered by the Authority. Seven member board. Four-year terms – no maximum. Financial disclosure required. The mission of the Housing Authority is to provide decent, safe and sanitary affordable housing.
- Utility Advisory Board – (One vacancy) Meets the fourth Monday at 9 a.m. in City Council Chambers. Must be City resident. Seven member board. Three-year terms, maximum of two terms. Makes recommendations to City Council with regard to, but not limited to, revisions to the utility construction standards, alleged billing discrepancies and review of utility drawings.
- Board of Zoning Appeals – (One vacancy) Meets the 4th Tuesday at 4 p.m. in City Council Chambers. City residency required. Seven member board with two alternate members. Three year terms - maximum of three terms. Financial disclosure required. Makes recommendations to City Council on variances to City Code.
- Code Enforcement Board – (One vacancy) Meets the 4th Wednesday at 9 a.m. in City Council Chambers. Must be City resident. Seven member board with two alternate members. Three year terms – maximum of three terms. Hears and decides alleged violations of the City Code of Ordinances.