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INTRODUCTION

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

MISSION STATEMENT

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

NEWS RELEASES

Sea Turtle Nesting and Hatching Season

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

2024 Hurricane Season Preparedness

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

Before:

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

After:

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

ARE YOU PREPARED?



FLOODING: KNOW YOUR HAZARDS



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

Community Rating System: The Town participates in the National Flood Insurance Program Community Rating System and is currently rated a Class 9 community. This allows a property owner who purchases a flood insurance policy to receive a 5% reduction from the cost of their flood insurance policy.

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

Grant Check Presentation by Congresswoman Lois Frankel

On 05/20/2024, the Town had the privilege of hosting Congresswoman Frankel and her team. During their visit, Congresswoman Frankel presented a Grant Check totaling \$960k awarded to the Town for infrastructure projects related to the Water Treatment Plant, which had been approved in federal appropriations the previous year. The Town extends its heartfelt gratitude for Congresswoman Frankel's dedicated support and contributions. We eagerly anticipate the opportunity to continue our collaborative efforts with her and her esteemed team.



Palm Beach County Fire Rescue (PBCFR) News

PBCFR is the first and only Fire Rescue Agency in the County to carry Whole Blood on field units, a program launched two (2) years ago. The paramedics and firefighters are highly trained and they are recognized as one of the best Agencies.

Recently, PBCFR was featured on national news for this innovative program. The story highlighted a District Chief's daughter who received this life-saving treatment. Please click [here](#) to access the news story.

Additionally, the PBCFR Video Department created a feature available on social media, showcasing the EMS Captain unit stationed in downtown Lake Worth Beach only minutes away from any scene within the Fire Rescue service area. To watch the video, please follow the link: [Firefighters Give Blood Transfusion to Save 6yr old girl - YouTube](#).

Traffic Light Synchronization

In response to high traffic volume, the Town recently contacted the Palm Beach County (PBC) Traffic Division to request a review of the Traffic Light Synchronization on Lantana Rd. On 05/15/2024, the Town received notification from the PBC Traffic Division team that a 15-second green light deficiency issue at I-95 westbound was corrected, with an additional five (5) seconds of green time reallocated from other phases. While it is not expected that this adjustment will fully resolve the issue during peak traffic conditions, the Town will continue to work closely with PBC's Traffic Division and our traffic engineer to determine if other modifications in and around this intersection as well as others, may be warranted to keep traffic flowing as smoothly as possible.

End of Session Report Presentation by Mat Forrest

At the 05/13/2024 Town Council meeting, we had the privilege of hosting Mat Forrest from our lobbying firm, Ballard Partners, Inc. to provide valuable insights into the discussions held during the 2024 Legislative Session. During his presentation, Mr. Forrest highlighting both the proposed bills that were approved and those that failed, which could potentially impact the Town now or in the future. In addition, Mr. Forrest mentioned the funding opportunities he had previously secured for the Town. We would like to acknowledge Mr. Forrest for his great work in finding these opportunities for the Town and we will continue working closely with him to develop new strategies to pursue further funding opportunities!

Recent Happenings in Lantana



Lantana Great American Cleanup

On 04/20/2024, the Town held the “Lantana Great American Cleanup” event at Lantana Beach. The Town partnered with PBC and the Keep PBC Beautiful Organization to help provide supplies. The volunteers came from Lantana, Greenacres, Palm Springs, West Palm Beach, Lake Worth, Wellington, Royal Palm Beach, Boynton Beach and Riviera Beach. Approximately 48 volunteers walked the beach, parking lot and park area, picking up trash consisting of plastic bottles, foam pieces,

plastic pieces, cigarette butts, bottle caps, foam cups, drinking straws, plastic bags and many more items. After weighing all the collected trash, the volunteers picked up 96.68 lbs. of litter. All participants enjoyed a gratifying day. The Town looks forward to continuing annual beach cleanups and thanks everyone for participating in this highly successful event!

Take Your Child to Work Day

On 04/25/2024, the Town celebrated Take Your Child to Work Day by offering Town staff with the option to bring their children to work that day in order for them to gain insight into various careers and work responsibilities within the Town. This initiative is designed to spark children’s curiosity by encouraging them to explore diverse professional fields while fostering an understanding of the significance of work and cultivating early professional skills. During the event, the children enjoyed guided tours of the Town’s facilities and participated in engaging activities at the Library, ensuring a fun and educational experience for all involved.



Arbor Day Ceremony

On 04/26/2024, the Town celebrated Arbor Day at the Lantana Sports Park. The Mayor, Councilmembers and the Town Manager planted a Gumbo Limbo Tree, showcasing and reaffirming their commitment to preserving and nurturing the natural beauty of Lantana.

DEA National Rx Take Back Day

On 04/27/2024, the Lantana Police Department hosted the DEA National Rx Take Back Day event, providing the community with the opportunity to safely dispose of unneeded medications. This initiative serves as a crucial step in preventing misuse and combating opioid addiction within our community. With the support of approximately 45 participants, the Town successfully collected 28.5 pounds of pharmaceuticals. We extend our heartfelt appreciation to all the volunteers who got involved and made this important event possible!

Lantana Lifeguards Honored for Lifesaving Rescue



Catherine Girard, Jasper Cataldo and Samuel Janssen from the Marine Safety for their heroic actions during a recent beach rescue that occurred on 05/05/2024. Two (2) beachgoers were caught in strong currents south of the lifeguard tower. Lifeguards Catherine and Jasper acted swiftly, with Catherine reaching the first distressed patron and Jasper aiding the second victim, who was struggling 100 meters from shore. Lifeguard Sam, stationed atop the tower, joined the rescue effort upon Catherine’s signal, assisting Jasper in bringing the second victim to safety after a challenging 10-minute struggle against the current. Both victims were assessed by the fire rescue team and were safe. These lifeguards will be recognized at the 06/10/2024 Town Council meeting for their lifesaving efforts.

Delray Beach 33rd Annual Lifeguard Tournament

On 05/15/2024, four (4) lifeguards from the Marine Safety Department participated in the Delray Beach 33rd Annual Lifeguard Tournament. It had been over a decade since lifeguards from the Town entered competitions of this magnitude and the results were the following:



Jasper	2k Beach Run	1 st place
	Beach Flag	4 th place
Sam	90-meter Sprint Out	4 th place
	90-meter Sprint Out	12 th place
Hannah	Beach Flags	6 th place
	2k Beach Run	20 th place
Marc	Ironman/Woman	10 th place
	Open Swim	10 th place
	Board Race	11 th place
	International Ironman	4 th place



The Town is proud of its lifeguards’ dedication and effort!

Improvements to Sports Park Basketball Court

The Sports Park Basketball courts have undergone their inaugural resurfacing which was completed on 05/10/2024. Featuring crisp white lines, vibrant blue and green paint, this makeover promises an upgraded experience for players. Get ready to enjoy the revitalized court!



Congressional Community Project Funding (CPF) Opportunity

On 04/29/2024, the Town submitted a \$1.9M grant application through Congresswoman Lois Frankel’s Office for the CPF opportunity for the Lantana’s Water Treatment Plant Control Panel Upgrade Project. As of now, the Town is eagerly awaiting a response regarding the status of the grant application.

Securing funding for this project would be a significant step forward in our efforts to continually enhance the infrastructure that supports our community's water supply. (see [Grants/Appropriations Update](#) under **GRANTS**).

Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County (PBC) News **Is it Recyclable? – Mail and Magazines**

Today, many things are recyclable, but not everything. Let's focus on mail and magazines. It seems we all get a lot of mail these days. According to the United States Postal Service, they process and deliver more than 421M pieces of mail each day.

When you're done going through your mail and have removed any personal information, put it into the yellow recycling bin. At the [SWA's recycling facility](#), mail and magazines from your yellow recycling bin are sorted from other paper (fiber) materials and sold to mills and manufacturers to make new paper (fiber) products. In 2023, more than 30,800 tons of mixed paper were recycled.

If you happen to get more mail and paper (fiber) than fits into your yellow recycling bin, you have options. You can take it to one of more than 250 yellow community cardboard dumpsters stationed throughout our county, [Find your nearest yellow community cardboard dumpster](#) or you can take it to one of seven (7) [Home Chemical & Recycling Centers \(HCRCs\)](#).

The full list of items accepted items in the SWA's dual-stream recycling program [can be found online](#).



Additionally, for information regarding the holiday collection, please click [here](#).

Employee Spotlight

Angela Guillen began her employment as the Police Department Public Records Specialist in 05/2021. Angela hit the ground running by implementing the Police Department's Body-Worn Camera (BWC) program and establishing the related policies and procedures. She immediately forged business partnerships with other agencies that had already implemented similar programs. Angela quickly familiarized herself with the rules governing the BWC program, including Florida State Statutes, retention laws, and requirements from the State Attorney's Office. She is responsible for fulfilling all public records requests regarding the data and video on the BWC, a task that is very tedious and time-consuming, and she performs this duty at an exemplary level. Angela continues to train and educate the officers on the BWC daily to ensure successful case prosecution in the criminal justice system. Angela is a true asset to the Lantana Police Department. In her spare time, she enjoys scrapbooking, and she has two (2) cats named "Frank" and "Beans".

Awards and Recognitions

Chief of Police Sean Scheller 29th Employment Anniversary

The Town would like to recognize and congratulate Chief of Police Sean Scheller for his 29 years of dedicated service to our community. He joined the Town family in May 1995 as a Police Officer and swiftly rose through the ranks, attaining the positions of Detective, Sergeant, Police Commander and ultimately Chief of Police, a role he has



held for the past 12 years. Chief Scheller remains an invaluable member of our Management Team, demonstrating exceptional leadership and dedication. His deep familiarity with our community's needs and unique characteristics further strengthens our collective efforts. The Town is extremely fortunate to have Chief Scheller as a member of our organization and would like to extend our gratitude for his outstanding work.

National Gun Violence Awareness Day

During the 05/13/2024 Town Council meeting, Mayor Lythgoe recognized Friday, June 7, 2024, as National Gun Violence Awareness Day. Representatives from Moms Demand Action were present to accept the proclamation and lend their support to this important cause. Mayor Lythgoe urged all citizens to join their local communities in preventing the tragic consequences of gun violence and to cherish and uphold the value of human life.



Police Department's Employee of the 1st Quarter Award 2024

During the 05/13/2024 Town Council meeting, The Police Department recognized Investigator Christian Vargas as the Employee of the 1st Quarter 2024 for his diligence in investigating an Armed Robbery and Carjacking incident.

Annual Law Enforcement Award Ceremony

On 05/02/2024, during the Palm Beach and Martin County Annual Law Enforcement Award Ceremony, Officer Arianna Morris was nominated in the Life-saving category. Her commendation acknowledged her composed response and swift administration of life-saving measures to assist a young autistic boy who had suffered a severe arm injury from broken glass. Additionally, Officer Arianna Morris was honored with the Life Saving Award by the Lantana Police Department earlier in the year.

Demolition Project on E Ocean Ave

Demolition has begun on 201, 211, 225 and 235 E Ocean Ave. Town staff approved a demolition permit in April for all structures, hardscape as well as some trees and landscaping to be removed. Staff continues to work with the property owner to communicate the Town's vision for the future redevelopment of the parcels and has been meeting with potential developers to hear their design ideas and concepts. We are looking forward to what's ahead for our Downtown.



2-1-1 Palm Beach and Treasure Coast

Need Help?
For yourself, a family member or someone you know....
Calls are free, confidential, 24/7



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



FIRST RESPONDERS
Supportline
24/7- DIAL 2-1-1
Palm Beach and Treasure Coast

Florida Power & Light Company (FPL) News

Reporting and Tracking an Outage

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



How FPL Restores Your Power



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

Be Proactive: Storm Preparedness

Living in Lantana, we are no strangers to unpredictable weather conditions. With hurricane season it's essential to be prepared. FPL works year-round to prepare for severe weather and is ready to respond to whatever weather comes our way. Prepare your family and/or business for storm season by visiting [FPL.com/Storm](https://www.fpl.com/storm) and access helpful resources, tips and guidelines to ensure you and your loved ones are ready when storms strike.



Lantana Feeder Hardening Project

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

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

Sign Up for CodeRED Alerts!

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

Things to Know About CodeRED

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

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

Water Treatment Plant and Water Distribution System Improvements Update

All of the new high service pumps are now online and are operating as designed. They will continue to be closely monitored to ensure that their smooth operation continues.



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

In order to provide an immediate response to this concern, the Town continues to perform an aggressive hydrant flushing program that helps to properly distribute the treated water within the system. In addition, we have recently installed three (3) automatic flushing devices in various locations throughout the Town. Due to the complex and intricate design of our Water Treatment Plant (WTP), Town staff continues to work closely with our engineers to design cost-effective long-lasting improvements which are expected to significantly improve this issue. At the 06/12/2023 Town Council Meeting, a contract was awarded to RF Environmental Services, Inc. in the amount of \$2.4M for Filter Media Replacement and WTP improvements. The contractor has ordered the long lead time items and the first resin tank of five (5) began to be replaced in 02/2024. The first tank should be completed in 06/2024.



If you should have any concerns regarding the color and/or quality of your drinking water, please call the Town’s WTP at (561) 540-5760 between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. so that we may address your specific concerns.

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

- Completing the design work for the Broadway and WTP Discharge Water Main Pipe Replacement Phase II Project (contract awarded at the 01/08/2024 Town Council Meeting).
- Water Main Replacement Project under the Florida East Coast Railway tracks at Pine St (project expected to be completed in 05/2024).
- Replacement of the temporary WTP Softening System with a permanent solution once it can be designed/acquired (contract awarded at the 01/22/2024 Town Council Meeting).

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

Due to the enormity and complexity of these projects, in many cases, they are phased in over multiple years in order to effectively plan, design, bid, award, fund and construct the projects at hand. Funding has been provided for many of these projects including Federal and State appropriations (through Congresswoman Lois Frankel's Office and with the assistance of our Lobbyist – Ballard Partners, respectively). We are also pursuing other grant opportunities to assist with our funding needs for these and our other infrastructure related projects with the assistance of our professional grant writer (see **GRANTS**). The Town will continue to provide updates as to the status and progress of these projects.

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

Dune Restoration Project Delayed until End of year 2025

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

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

TOWN CLERK

Palm Beach County 2024 Primary and General Election Dates – Mark Your Calendars!

Primary Election Day is Tuesday, 08/20/2024.

General Election Day is Tuesday, 11/05/2024.

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

2025 Town Election Information

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

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

Lantana Police Relief and Pension Fund Board

The Police Relief and Pension Fund Board of Trustees in the Town is currently seeking applicants for two (2) positions. One (1) position is vacant while the other has an expired term. If you are a Town resident and are interested in applying for either of these positions, you can submit a completed application via email to the Town Clerk, Kathleen Dominguez, at kdominguez@lantana.org, or you can call (561) 540-5016 to request an application.

For more information and to access the online application form titled "General Application 2023", please visit: <https://www.lantana.org/town-advisory-boards>.

The deadline to apply is **05/31/2024**. Applications will be considered for appointment/reappointment at the 06/10/2024 Town Council meeting.

Get Ready for a New Town Website

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

Town's Livestreaming Platform and Agenda Notifications

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

Tune in Live or Catch up Later

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

Stay informed

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

Schedule of Future Events/Important Dates

- 05/22/2024 – Planning Commission Meeting, Town Hall Council Chambers, 6:30 p.m.
- 05/27/2024 – Town Offices Closed in Observance of Memorial Day.
- 06/01/2024 – Hurricane Season Begins and Mini Renaissance Fest Summer Reading Kick-Off Party, Lantana Public Library, 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- 06/10/2024 – Town Council Meeting, Town Hall Council Chambers, 6:00 p.m.
- 06/17/2024 – 1st Budget Workshop, Town Hall Council Chambers, 5:30 p.m.
- 06/19/2024 – Town Offices Closed in Observance of Juneteenth
- 06/24/2024 – Town Council Meeting, Town Hall Council Chambers, 6:00 p.m.
- 06/26/2024 – Planning Commission Meeting, Town Hall Council Chambers, 6:30 p.m.
- 06/27/2024 – Special Magistrate Hearing, Town Hall Council Chambers, 5:30 p.m.
- 07/04/2024 – Town Offices Closed in Observance of July 4th
- 07/04/2024 – Annual Independence Day Celebration, Bicentennial Park, 6:30 – 9:30 p.m.

PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Optimizing Traffic Flow: Pavement Markings Initiative

In February, the Town submitted a request to the PBC Traffic Division to investigate the feasibility of installing "Do Not Block" pavement markings at intersections along Lantana Rd, including Andrew Redding Rd, S Broadway and Dixie Hwy. Additionally, the Town requested similar pavement markings at the Seacrest Intersection, N Broadway and Dixie Hwy on Hypoluxo Rd in response to traffic concerns reported.

The Town received confirmation that studies would be conducted to ensure alignment with the PBC's Traffic Division's policies. Field observations commenced in March, beginning with Lantana Rd and the aforementioned intersections. Following their assessment, the PBC Traffic Division determined that "Do Not Block" pavement markings will be implemented at the Lantana Rd intersections with Dixie Hwy and S Broadway, while no markings are required on N Broadway.

The Town continues to collaborate with the PBC Traffic Division to schedule additional field observations for the remaining intersections mentioned. We are committed to keeping Lantana residents informed about the progress of this matter.

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

The Town continues to work closely with SOLitude Lake Management, a certified invasive removal company to treat and remove invasive plants and trees from the Preserve and to identify the different exotic plants. The company comes out twice a year (February and August) to remove invasive plants/trees from the inside of the Preserve, including the pathways and the parking lot areas. The

maintenance area includes the middle and borders of the Preserve and does not include the mangrove area or the butterfly garden plants.

In addition, on 03/14/2024, the Town began replacing two (2) of the Preserve's deteriorated timber pedestrian bridges along the hiking paths. During construction, although the Preserve will remain opened, certain sections and parking spaces will be temporarily closed. The project is expected to be completed in May 2024. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause and appreciate your understanding.



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

Sea Pines Neighborhood Drainage Information

The Public Services' Utilities Division is equipped with pumps that can be immediately mobilized to mitigate potential street flooding and threats to property. Stormwater infrastructure maintenance is routinely performed and a Stormwater Pump Station contract was awarded to Ferreira Construction Southern Division Co., in 09/2022. This Pump Station will be utilized to control the water level there and reduce the likelihood of street flooding in the area. The pump station is currently substantially complete and operational.

Hypoluxo Island Drainage Information

- On 01/20/2022, staff and the Town Engineer met with Hypoluxo residents to listen to their drainage concerns on both the north and south sides of the Island. As a result of that meeting the Town Council approved CSA 2022-04 with the engineer to prepare a study in areas on Hypoluxo Island that are prone to flooding during periods of intense rainfall and/or high tides.
- On 10/19/2022, Town staff met with the engineer preparing the drainage study to review preliminary recommended drainage system improvements.
 - An on-site meeting occurred on 11/02/2022 to review the potential locations of the recommended drainage system improvements.
 - A Workshop was held on 12/12/2022 at 5:30 p.m. to discuss the engineer's preliminary findings and they finalized their report on 02/15/2023. On 04/24/2023, the Town Council approved CSA No. 2023-03 with our engineer for the design, permitting and bidding for the drainage improvement project for N Atlantic Dr and Beach Curve Rd. This process is expected to be wrapped up in September 2024.

Railway Information

On 01/24/2023, a meeting was held between the Town and representatives from the FEC and Brightline to discuss and review plans for a potential Corridor Improvement Project. The purpose of the meeting was to walk the corridor and survey the area for potential improvements that will limit trespassing and vagrancy incidents along the corridor while maintaining or improving the visual aesthetics throughout the Town.

On 02/27/2023, a Workshop was held at 5:30 p.m. so that representatives from the FEC could discuss with the Town Council the potential closing of the W Pine St crossing in exchange for substantial infrastructure type improvements along the entire railroad corridor (i.e., fencing, sidewalks, landscaping, intersection/roadway improvements, etc.). Such projects would likely be funded from a combination of a federal grant and local sources. Representatives from Brightline and the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) assisted in the presentation. In addition, representatives from the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) and the Palm Beach Transportation Planning Agency (TPA) were present to lend their support to the potential project. At the meeting, there was consensus

among the Town Council for staff to continue exploring this opportunity and to hold an informational Workshop for our community.

On 04/06/2023, the Town and our railroad partners hosted a public Railroad Corridor Municipal Workshop to discuss the FEC's potential closing of the W Pine St Railroad Crossing in exchange for substantial infrastructure type improvements along the Town's entire railroad corridor. The meeting was well attended and many issues and concerns were discussed. Immediately following the Workshop, a Working Lunch was held between Town staff and our railroad partners.

Although the project referenced above is still being considered by the Town, the FRA has yet to release the current year's Railroad Crossing Elimination (RCE) Grant Program application that would be necessary in order to make this Project financially viable. The Town will continue to monitor and work with our transportation partners to obtain grant updates.

Temporary Crossing Closure

In February, The Town restarted the Water Main Replacement Project. The W Pine St railroad crossing was closed on 02/12/2024. Detour signs and barricades are placed on both sides of the construction site. We anticipate that this project is expected to be completed in 04/2024 and the W Pine St railroad crossing will be opened in May. We apologize for any inconvenience this closure may cause.

Please plan to use alternate routes. If you have questions, please contact the Public Services Department at (561) 540-5758 or email jdarr@lantana.org.



Dixie Hwy and Lakeview Ave Intersection

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

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

Project	Funding Year	Start Date	Estimated Completion	Comments
WTP High Service Pumps Replacement	FY 2020/21 (rolled over to FY 2021/22)	08/2021	04/2024	Completed.
Lift Station Rehabilitation (6-N Atlantic Dr, 16-Lantana Beach & 18-Police Dept.)	FY 2020/21 (rolled over to FY 2021/22)	TBD	TBD	Contract awarded & underway. Lift station 6 complete, while construction for 16 & 18 is underway.
Sea Pines Stormwater Pump Station	FY 2020/21 (rolled over to FY 2021/22)	07/2023	05/2024	Substantially complete and operational.
Water Main Replacement Under FEC @ Pine St	FY 2020/21 (rolled over to FY 2021/22)	06/2023	05/2024	Project is underway. W Pine St railroad crossing is closed and is anticipated to be reopened in May 2024.
Beach Pavilion Repairs	FY 2020/21 (FY 2021/22 not funded)	TBD	TBD	Bldg. use/purpose being evaluated as part of the Master Plan.
Filter Media Replacement & WTP Improvements	FY 2020/21 (rolled over to FY 2021/22), additional funds added in FY 2022/23	02/2024	12/2024	Filter media replacement in first tank is underway and is anticipated to be completed in June 2024.
SE Atlantic Dr, Beach Curve Rd, Barefoot Lane, Lagoon Lane, N Atlantic Drainage Improvements	Included in FY 2021/22 year-end budget amendment	TBD	TBD	Design underway and is anticipated to be completed in July 2024.
Beach Rails (Phase II)	FY 2021/22	TBD	TBD	Project was deferred until FY 2022/23. CSA being evaluated. Master Plan impact to be considered.
Pipe Lining/Manhole Rehabilitation Sanitary Sewer	FY 2021/22	TBD	09/2024	Underway.
Phase I AC Pipe Replacement (Phase I)	FY 2021/22	03/2024	01/2025	Town Council awarded engineering CSA to B & W and construction contract to FG Construction at the 01/08/2024 Town Council Mtg. NTP was issued in February 2024. Project underway.
Replace Bus Shelters	FY 2022/23	10/2022	09/2024	Bus Shelters delivered. Replacement underway.
Repair Seawall @ Bicentennial & Sportsman's Parks	FY 2022/23	08/2022	TBD	Grant agreement approved at 01/22/2024 Town Council Mtg.
Recoat Seawall Sheet (Lantana Beach)	FY 2022/23	TBD	TBD	None at this time.
Additional Funding for ADA Ramp Replacement (Lantana Beach)	FY 2022/23	TBD	TBD	Insurance claim has been settled, Ramp Design TBD.
Replace Wooden Decking, Rafters & Rails (Lantana Beach)	FY 2022/23	10/2022	TBD	CSA for Design being evaluated. Impact of Master Plan being considered.
Design: Asbestos Cement (AC) Water Mains (Phase II)	FY 2022/23	TBD	TBD	CSA awarded for Phase II.
CSA to Prepare Town's Comprehensive Water, Wastewater, Roadway, Seawall, Parks & Recreation Facilities & Stormwater Master Plan	FY 2022/23	01/2023	06/2024	Approved 11/14/2022. PO awarded to B & W. Kickoff meeting held 02/09/2023. Project underway, 90% review underway.
Install Emergency water main connection with City of Lake Worth Beach (LWB) through an Interlocal Agreement (ILA)	FY 2022/23	TBD	06/2024	ILA approved by Town Council 08/14/2023 & by LWB City Commission 09/14/2023. LWB expected to approve contractor work order shortly.

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

Project	Funding Year	Start Date	Estimated Completion	Comments
Townwide improvements (e.g., trash receptacles, landscaping, etc.)	FY 2023/24	10/2023	09/2024	Ongoing.
Holiday decorations for Greynolds Circle	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	TBD
Community/park improvements (e.g., benches, trash receptacles, landscaping, etc.)	FY 2023/24	10/2023	09/2024	Ongoing.
Upgrade playground equipment at Maddock Park	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	TBD
Replace fence around northern tennis court	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	Quotes being evaluated.
Resurface basketball court at Sports Park	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	Completed.
Replacement of 2004 Ford Ranger	FY 2023/24	10/2023	TBD	Purchase was approved by Town Council on 10/23/2023. Vehicle received.
Repair smaller beach pavilion	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	TBD
Replace roof at Recreation Center	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	On hold for further evaluation.
Replace Marine Safety building roof and sidewalk; paint building	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	TBD
Replace roof and flooring in Development Services building	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	TBD
Repair and replace tiles and upgrade fountain system to the Police Memorial	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	TBD
Reseal walls at the Police Department building	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	TBD
Recoat the sea wall at the Lantana Municipal Beach	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	TBD
Air conditioner replacements	FY 2023/24	10/2023	09/2024	Ongoing.
Additional funding to replace the ADA Ramp at Lantana Beach	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	TBD
Additional funding to replace wooden decking, rafters and railing along the beach boardwalk	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	TBD
Replace Town Hall windows with hurricane-rated impact windows	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	TBD
Council Chambers Renovations	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	TBD
Construct classrooms and Emergency Operations Center at Police Department	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	TBD
Architectural services to design office space at the Operations Center	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	TBD
Automatic flushing system for water distribution system	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	9 Flusher Valves ordered.
Replacement of asbestos concrete piping	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	Phase II Engineering CSA approved by Town Council 04/08/2024. Underway.
Replacement of a utility truck including a lift gate	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	Approved by Town Council at the 12/11/2023 Town Council Mtg. Vehicle ordered.
Replace water meters w/Automated Meter Reading System (AMR)	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	Meter types being evaluated.
Storage building at Master Lift Station	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	TBD
Design to convert lift stations 3, 4, 8, & 9 from a dry pit to submersible pump system	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	Awaiting CSA from B & W.
Begin GIS location and mapping for stormwater and sewer infrastructure	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	Stormwater system completed. CSA for remaining sewer system pending Town Council approval.
Replacement of a 2011 Ford F350 crane utility truck	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	Approved at 12/11/2023 Town Council Mtg. Vehicle ordered.
Replace roof at Water Treatment Plant (WTP)	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	Prebid site visit held on 05/07/2024.
Brine Tank Replacement	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	Approved by Town Council at the 01/22/2024 Town Council Mtg. New tank ordered.

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Water Tower Commons Project Update

Town staff continues to work closely with the Developers of the Water Tower Commons site (site). On 04/04/2024, Dunkin' received its Certificate of Occupancy and held its grand opening on 04/20/2024. The Town is excited that Dunkin' is continuing to invest and expand in the Town.

Currently, staff is processing appropriate permits and inspections for the approved eastern commercial side of the site as well as a Fifth Third Bank. Town Staff is currently working on a review of site plans for Carl's Jr. and Panda Express to be included in the eastern commercial portion of the site. As part of the approval of the Water Tower Commons Project, the Developer was required by the County to install a mast arm traffic light at the project's entrance. Since Lantana Rd is County-owned and maintained, Town Staff has recently been engaged in discussions with the County as well as the Developer regarding the mast arm. Ongoing traffic analyses will be conducted to determine when the mast arm is warranted.

Lantana ParkSquare Update

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



Rendering of Lantana ParkSquare as seen from the FEC Railway

Master Plan Update

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

- The adopted Townwide Master Plan has been posted on the Town's website at: <https://www.lantana.org/news/post/15421/>.

- Staff has formed the Master Plan Committee, a volunteer group of residents from various neighborhoods to provide input on the Master Plan and ongoing projects.
- Digital copies of the Master Plan have been distributed to potential developers and stakeholders.
- Staff presented to the Town Council on highlights of the Master Plan in relation to the proposed redevelopment of the Kmart Plaza on 02/13/2024.
- Staff has worked with the vacant Ocean Ave property owners on a redevelopment plan for the parcels, in keeping with the Master Plan proposal for the properties. A Demolition Permit for this site was approved the week of 04/15/2024 and demolition began on 05/14/2024.
- Staff has and will continue to explore redevelopment plans for Lantana Beach as it relates to the Master Plan.
- \$100k worth of funding has been included in the FY 2023/24 budget for related projects.

Traffic Calming

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

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

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

Assistance with New Businesses and those making Home Improvements

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

Permit Extensions

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

Reporting Code Violations

If you are reporting a potential Code Violation, you must include your name, address and contact number for an investigation to occur. Per a Florida State Statute passed in the Summer of 2021, Code Enforcement can no longer act upon anonymous complaints. However, this does not apply if the code

inspector has reason to believe the violation presents an imminent threat to public health, safety, or welfare or imminent destruction of habitat or sensitive resources. For more information on the legislation, please see the following link <https://flsenate.gov/Session/Bill/2021/60/?Tab=BillText>.

Development Services Ongoing Projects

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

LIBRARY DEPARTMENT

Library Update: Recent Happenings and News

The Library is busy preparing for its Annual Summer Reading Program (SRP) and Kick-Off Party! The theme this year is Adventure Through Time so look for throwbacks to the 60's, 80's, 90's, 2000's, and more! The SRP Kick-Off will be a mini-Renaissance Fest with Knight battles, mermaids, fairies, falconry, and fun. It will take place on 06/01/2024 from 12:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. There will be food trucks and bounce houses as well!



SRP is an effort to stem the summer slide and keep kids and teens reading and learning over the summer. The more they read and the more library programs they attend, the more chances they have to win prizes!

For a full list of upcoming programs, please visit <https://www.lantanalibrary.org/calendar-of-events/>.

Haitian American Celebration

In honor of May's Haitian American Month, the library hosted a cultural celebration featuring Haitian food, dance, and crafts. Le Bon Gout Restaurant donated a portion of the food, and Sony and Shay from KOTR Dance Studio taught us about Kompa dancing. Over 50 people attended, and we all had so much fun. We can't wait to do it again next year, bigger and better! A group of 6th-grade girls complimented the Library and our Town Council, saying they appreciated the celebration of their culture and that it made them feel understood and happy!



FINANCE DEPARTMENT

FY 2024/25 Proposed Annual Budget

The Town has begun its FY 2024/25 budgeting process. In April 2024, the budget documents were distributed to departments who will submit their requests back to the Finance Department by the end of the month. Departmental meetings were recently held where management and department heads initially reviewed all budget requests. Tentative important budget dates are as follows:

- 04/19/2024 – Town Council Visioning Session.
- 06/17 and 07/08/2024 – 1st and 2nd Public Budget Workshops, respectively.
- 09/09 and 09/18/2024 – 1st and 2nd Public Budget Hearings, respectively.

Town Council Visioning Session

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

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

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

Hiring Opportunities

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

Exhibit C – Finance Department’s Monthly Report

Item	April
Number of Accounts Payable Checks Issued	169
Amount of Accounts Payable Checks	\$ 2,066,367
Utility Bills Prepared	3,558
Utility Accounts on Auto-Pay	957
Utility Accounts Opened	32
Town Water Consumption (in thousands of gallons)	4,707
Water Consumed (net of Town usage in thousands of gallons)	49,001
Water/Wastewater Utility Revenue Billed	\$ 669,266
New Employees	1
Separated Employees	1
Number of Interviews	19
Number of Insurance Claims Managed	16
SysAid Tickets completed (Information Technology)	38
Security Logs Reviewed	7,349
Backups Performed (i.e., computer, server, etc.)	392
Network Add/Change/Deletions	92

Exhibit D – Budget-In-Brief



BUDGET-IN-BRIEF as of April 30, 2024
(58.33% of year elapsed)

General Fund Revenues			
Revenues	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
Taxes	10,196,348	8,174,504	80.2%
Licenses & Permits	812,964	685,582	84.3%
Assessments	997,514	921,735	92.4%
Intergovernmental Revenue	1,922,631	861,725	44.8%
Charges for Services	940,222	905,613	96.3%
Fines & Forfeitures	211,200	364,189	172.4%
Misc. Revenue	1,216,279	1,099,078	90.4%
Interfund Transfers	-	-	N/A
Use of Reserves	1,176,857	686,461	58.3%
Total Revenues	\$ 17,474,015	\$ 13,698,887	78.4%

Other Town Funds			
	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
Police Education Fund			
Revenues	3,664	2,056	56.1%
Use of Reserves	-	-	N/A
Total Revenues	\$ 3,664	\$ 2,056	56.1%
Total Expenses	\$ 3,664	\$ -	0.0%
Police Forfeiture Fund*			
Total Revenues	\$ -	\$ 1,208	N/A
Total Expenses	\$ -	\$ 1,080	N/A

*Per Florida Statute fund is not budgeted

General Fund Expenditures			
Expenditures	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
Town Council	144,455	79,822	55.3%
Town Manager	565,231	311,759	55.2%
Finance	670,082	382,243	57.0%
Non-Departmental	119,515	150,660	126.1%
Police	7,846,967	4,823,193	61.5%
Development Services	1,669,027	660,110	39.6%
Operations	4,219,403	2,341,396	55.5%
Library	383,665	247,307	64.5%
Capital Outlay	1,806,670	382,121	21.2%
Debt Service	-	-	N/A
Interfund Transfers	-	-	N/A
Contingency	49,000	-	0.0%
Total Expenditures	\$ 17,474,015	\$ 9,378,611	53.7%

Grants Fund (incl. ARPA)			
	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
Revenues	253,070	206,722	81.7%
Use of Reserves	2,209,302	1,288,686	58.3%
Total Revenues	\$ 2,462,372	\$ 1,495,408	60.7%
Total Expenses	\$ 2,462,372	\$ 1,782,842	72.4%

Insurance Fund			
	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
Revenues	917,023	917,023	100.0%
Use of Reserves	-	-	N/A
Total Revenues	\$ 917,023	\$ 917,023	100.0%
Total Expenses	\$ 917,023	\$ 645,330	70.4%

Other Town Funds			
	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
Water & Sewer Utility Fund			
Revenues	9,757,896	4,357,190	44.7%
Use of Reserves	8,186,354	4,775,100	58.3%
Total Revenues	\$ 17,944,250	\$ 9,132,290	50.9%
Total Expenses	\$ 17,944,250	\$ 4,813,522	26.8%

YTD-Total Town-wide Budget			
Expenditures	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
Total Town-wide Budget	\$ 40,820,469	\$ 16,629,125	40.7%

(not including Police Forfeiture Fund)

Infrastructure Surtax Fund			
	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
Total Revenues	1,045,436	506,658	48.5%
Use of Reserves	973,709	567,964	58.3%
Total Revenues	\$ 2,019,145	\$ 1,074,622	53.2%
Total Expenses	\$ 2,019,145	\$ 8,820	0.4%

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Traffic Enforcement

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

Police Department's Ongoing Projects and Current Trends

- Staff continues to work with the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) with the migration of Uniform Crime Reporting under the new Florida Incident-Based Reporting System (FIBRS).
- Staff is working with County liaisons to assist homeless subjects to obtain available services.
- Road Patrol shifts continue to conduct in-service training on various tactical plans.
- Police Department staff are scheduled to attend Mental Health and Wellness training in the upcoming months.
- The Police Department recently installed a new and upgraded access key card system for all staff of the entire facility.

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

Project	Funding Year	Start Date	Estimated Completion	Comments
Six (6) less lethal tactical launchers and rounds	FY 2022/23 ARPA Funded	April 2023	May 2024	Equipment recently received and officers will receive training.
One (1) SUV-type vehicle for Police Administration	FY 2023/24	October 2023	May 2024	Awaiting delivery of vehicle.
Three (3) SUV-type vehicles and related equipment for Uniform Division	FY 2023/24	October 2023	May 2024	All three (3) vehicles have been delivered. Scheduling installation of equipment.
Computer replacement and related equipment: three (3) laptops for Uniform Division	FY 2023/24	October 2023	April 2024	Received and ready for use.
Computer replacement and related equipment: one (1) high performing workstation and two (2) laptops for a Detective and Investigator	FY 2023/24	October 2023	April 2024	Received and ready for use.
One (1) Pickup Style Vehicle for Detective Bureau	FY 2023/24 ARPA Funded	January 2024	Completed	Completed.
Repair of Access Control System to the Police Department	FY 2023/24 Emergency Purchase	February 2024	Completed	Completed.
Speed/Radar Trailer	FY 2023/24 ARPA Funded	February 2024	Completed	Completed.
Motorola Purchase of Interoperability Radios	FY 2023/24 ARPA Funded	February 2024	August 2024	Awaiting delivery of equipment.

FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT

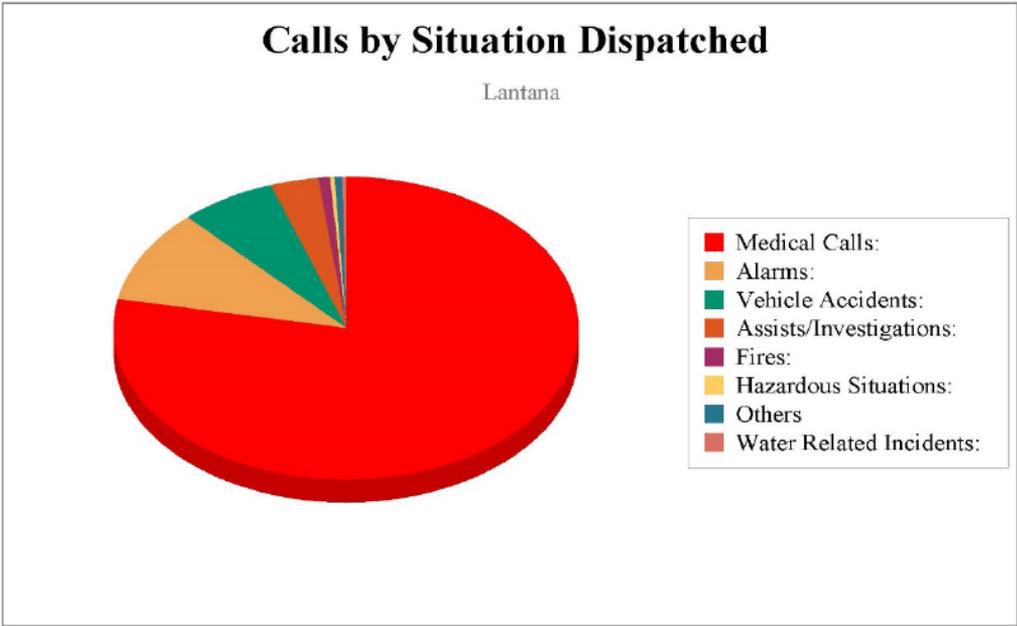
Exhibit F – Fire Rescue Department’s Municipal Call Type Report Chart



Palm Beach County Fire Rescue
Lantana
04/01/2024 to 04/30/2024

Average Response Times	Disp Hand	Turnout	Travel	Resp Time
Emergency Calls:	<u>0:00:42</u>	<u>0:00:50</u>	<u>0:04:05</u>	<u>0:05:37</u>

<u>Type - Situation Dispatched</u>	<u># of Incidents</u>	<u>%</u>
Medical Calls:	195	78.00%
Alarms:	25	10.00%
Vehicle Accidents:	17	6.80%
Assists/Investigations:	8	3.20%
Fires:	2	0.80%
Hazardous Situations:	1	0.40%
Others	1	0.40%
Water Related Incidents:	1	0.40%
Total	<u>250</u>	<u>100.00%</u>



[Palm Beach County Fire Rescue Car Seat Check Locations](#)

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

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

GRANTS/APPROPRIATIONS/AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT INFORMATION

Grants/Appropriations Update

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

- Ryan Ruskay from RMPK Funding (RMPK). RMPK is an external grant writing firm that assists the Town in obtaining funding for a wide range of capital improvement projects that enables us to better meet the unique and diverse needs of our community. To date, RMPK has been instrumental in the Town securing nearly \$2.3M in such funding.
- In March 2023, Mat Forrest from our Lobbying firm – Ballard Partners, set up in-person meetings with Senator Bobby Powell Jr. and Representative Mike Caruso during Palm Beach Day in our State Capitol so that the Town could gain their support in funding the Town's FY 2023/24 state appropriation request. As a result of Mr. Forrest's efforts, the Town was awarded \$1.2M to fund the Town's Water Main Replacement Project.
- Additionally, we recently sought Mr. Forrest's assistance to secure \$2.5M worth of FY 2024/25 state appropriation requests to support our Water Main (\$1.2M) and WTP (\$1.3M) infrastructure projects. On 02/10/2024, Mr. Forrest confirmed that the Town had tentatively received \$350k of the \$1.3M requested for the WTP infrastructure project in the Senate and that he would continue to work to keep the Senate funded and to have the House agree to the Senate's position during the Budget Conference. On 03/05/2024, Mr. Forest confirmed that the Legislature completed their budget negotiations and unfortunately, we were unable to maintain the funding for the WTP infrastructure project.
- In addition, we work very closely with our Congressional partners – Congresswoman Lois Frankel and her staff. Last year, Congresswoman Frankel supported and assisted the Town in securing our federal appropriation request of \$1.2M to help support our Water Main Replacement Project. In the coming year's federal budget, Congresswoman Frankel assisted the Town in securing nearly \$960k in federal appropriations to support the WTP Infrastructure Projects. Additionally, on 04/29/2024, the Town submitted a \$1.9M grant application for the Lantana's Water Treatment Plant Control Panel Upgrade Project. The Town is awaiting for a response and will keep you updated on any developments regarding this grant application.

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funding Update

The Town received a total of \$6.3M in ARPA funds to be used for various eligible operating and capital projects that benefit the Town. The ARPA annual reports were submitted to the U.S. Department of the Treasury on 04/08/2022 and 04/20/2023, respectively. To date, nearly \$6.1M of ARPA funds have been committed for various related projects, leaving approximately \$200k for other projects. Staff continues to evaluate and recommend projects to be funded from this source for Council consideration which must be obligated by 12/31/2024, and expended by 12/31/2026.

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

Exhibit G – Active Grants/Appropriations Schedule

Name of Grantor/Name of Grant/Scope of Work	Date Agreement		Grant Amount	Town Match	Total Grant	Status
	Date Awarded	Approved by Town				
<u>American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funding</u>						
<u>American Library Association's (ALA) Libraries Transforming Communities Grant</u>			\$ 6,300,000	\$ -	\$ 6,300,000	
Accessible for Small and Rural Communities	04/19/2023	04/19/2023	\$ 20,000	\$ -	\$ 20,000	Grant Rec'd 11/02/2023.
<u>American Library Association's (ALA) Libraries Transforming Communities Grant</u>						
Accessible for Small and Rural Communities	02/14/2024	TBD	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ 10,000	TBD
<u>Southeast Florida Library Information Network (SEFLIN)</u>						
SEFLIN Library Cooperative Grant Program 2023-2024						
Strategic Planning and Succession Planning Grant	11/27/2023	12/06/2023	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Grant Rec'd 11/27/2023.
<u>Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)</u>						
FY 2023/24 Community Sensory Garden with ADA Accessibility	07/12/2023	09/11/2023	\$ 52,623	\$ -	\$ 52,623	In Planning Phase.
FY 2024/25 3 rd Street Parking Lot Improvements	5/14/2024	TBD	\$ 47,329	\$ -	\$ 47,329	Agreement Pending.
<u>Congressional Community Project Funding (CPF) Opportunities through Congresswoman Lois Frankel's Office</u>						
FY 2022/23 Grant Submission - Water Main Replacement Project	12/24/2022	TBD	\$ 1,200,000	\$ 300,000	\$ 1,500,000	Federal funds have been awarded but not appropriated.
FY 2023/24 Grant Submission - Water Main Replacement Project and Water Treatment Plant (WTP) Improvements	03/25/2024	TBD	\$ 959,757	\$ 239,939	\$ 1,199,696	Nearly \$960k has been included in the Federal Interior Bill for this purpose.
FY 2043/25 Grant Submission - Water Treatment Plant Upgrades - Control Panels and Instrumentation Equipment	TBD	TBD	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 375,000	\$ 1,875,000	Application submitted.
<u>Florida Department of Environmental Protection - Resilient Florida Grant Program</u>						
To conduct an Asset Inventory and Ocean Ave Vulnerability Assessment	02/22/2023	10/09/2023	\$ 167,000	\$ -	\$ 167,000	Survey underway.
Beach Curve Flood Protection	07/13/2023	11/13/2023	\$ 710,600	\$ 710,600	\$ 1,421,200	Engineering design underway (90%) and is anticipated to be completed in 05/2024.
Seawall Hardening	07/13/2023	01/22/2024	\$ 900,000	\$ 900,000	\$ 1,800,000	Town staff reviewing 60% design.
<u>Florida Department of Transportation</u>						
Beautification Grant for Dixie Hwy Medians	01/05/2024	TBD	\$ 72,444	\$ 56,368	\$ 128,812	Landscape & irrigation plans being finalized. Project tentatively scheduled to start Summer 2024.
<u>Florida Recreational Development Assistance Program (FRDAP)</u>						
FY 2023/24 Bicentennial Park Improvements Potentially seawall hardening	06/15/2023	01/08/2024	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 400,000	B&W working on design for seawall.
FY 2023/24 Maddock Park Improvements Gazebo at Maddock Park Dog Park.	06/15/2023	01/08/2024	\$ 112,500	\$ 37,500	\$ 150,000	KH CSA under review.
FY 2024/25 Beach Park Improvements Irrigation on the north side of the park, removal of outdated light poles, updating parking lot drainage system, seawall re-coating, installation of turf/grass and salt tolerant vegetation and removal of invasive plants from dune.	TBD	TBD	\$ 112,500	\$ 37,500	\$ 150,000	Notified by Ryan Ruskay on 03/06/2024 that this project is being funded in the State's FY 2024/25 budget.
<u>State Appropriation Requests</u>						
<u>working in conjunction with our Lobbyist Mat Forrest from Ballard Partners and State Representative, Mike Caruso and State Senator Bobby Powell Jr.</u>						
FY 2023/24 Grant Submission - Water Main Replacement Project	06/15/2023	09/11/2023	\$ 1,200,000	\$ -	\$ 1,200,000	Notice to Proceed issued 02/23/2024.
Total			\$ 13,564,753	\$ 2,856,907	\$ 16,421,660	



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