

**TOWN OF LANTANA  
TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT**



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## INTRODUCTION

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

## MISSION STATEMENT

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

## NEWS RELEASES

### Sea Turtle Nesting and Hatching Season

March 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

### Legislative Session Update from State Senator Bobby Powell Jr.

At the 04/08/2024 Town Council meeting, the Town had the honor of hosting State Senator Bobby Powell Jr. and his staff in order for them to provide an end of legislative session report to our Town Council and residents. At that meeting, Senator Powell shared a review of this year's Legislative Session as well as some of the legislative proposals that were crafted by him and his team and that were recently approved.



### Evergreen Cemetery Information

A plaque in memory of Mr. Dwight Bradshaw, a former resident and Lantana Historical Society member, was recently installed at the Evergreen Cemetery for his contribution to the improvement of the site. A small rededication ceremony took place on 04/10/2024 at 11:00 a.m. for the improvements that were made possible as a result of his contribution which included new fencing and concrete monuments.

### 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.

### Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run Event

On 04/17/2024, our Police Department and other Town staff, participated in a three (3) mile run that commenced at the Winn Dixie parking lot and concluded at the Royal Palm School for Autism. Each year, police officers and staff from 300 different Florida agencies, representing 67 counties participate in the Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR) to support Special Olympics Florida. The LETR is the largest annual public relations and fund-raising event that supports this cause and assists athletes by helping them reach their full potential and ensures they receive the respect and opportunities they deserve. The Town is extremely proud to have been able to host this event for the past several years as well as participate in this very meaningful cause!



### Palm Beach County (PBC) Fire Rescue Update

The Town extends its sincere gratitude and appreciation to District Chief Geraldine Jaramillo, representing PBC Fire Rescue, for her exceptional service to our community, particularly within Battalion 3. Chief Jaramillo has recently accepted a new position and will be transitioning to serve the Glades Area – Battalion 7. The Town will certainly miss Chief Jaramillo “fiery spirit” and wishes her continued success in her new role.

We are pleased to introduce our new District Chief, Craig Spiegelhalter, who brings with him a distinguished 36-year career in the fire service, with a significant portion dedicated to Battalion 3. We warmly invite you to join us in welcoming Chief Spiegelhalter as he assumes his new responsibilities!

### Installation of “Permit & Reservation Only” Signs at the Sports Park

In April, seven (7) “Permit and Reservation Only” Signs were installed at the Sports Park. Effective immediately, enforcement of field use permit regulations for pickup games/practices and organized groups on baseball and soccer fields will commence. This initiative aims to ensure orderly and fair use of the facilities while promoting safety and adherence to established guidelines.



### 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 will 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.

### Dog Park Closures at Maddock Park

The Town would like to inform our residents that every Wednesday, the Town provides maintenance to the Dog Park. Although we have a sign at the Dog Park that states that every Wednesday, the park will be closed, it will only be closed for the entire day if we are doing extensive maintenance (e.g., spraying chemicals for weed and ant killer, tree trimming or installing new mulch). Other than that, we will try to reopen the park as soon as is practical in order to minimize the disruption in service.

### Demolition Project on E Ocean Ave

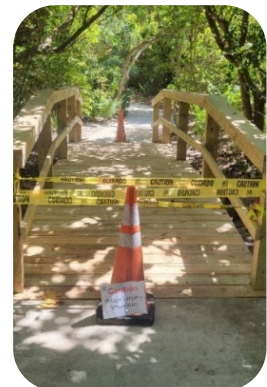
The Town continues to work closely with the property owner’s attorney and their engineers to bring these properties into compliance and to redevelop E Ocean Ave. In order to start the demolition phase of the project, the Town has been working closely with the property owner’s engineers and Florida Power & Light Company to properly identify all of the properties in question so that electrical service may be safely discontinued and building permit applications may be submitted and approved for demolition. A Demolition Permit for this site was approved the week of 04/15/2024.

### 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](mailto:nshawah@lantana.org) or call (561) 234-0181.

## Newly Hired Employees



The Town is pleased to introduce the following newly hired employee. Please join us in welcoming her to our Lantana family!

Corrine Okun is the new Executive Assistant to the Development Services Director. She is responsible for assisting with administrative work, including keeping and scanning records, scheduling, handling inquiries, preparing correspondence, reports, forms, purchasing and conducting research and special assignments.

## Employee Spotlight

Nyka Watson is our Customer Service Technician, affectionately known as “the face of the Town”. She is the one that you will often find engaging with Town residents, whether they are paying utility bills, seeking answers to questions, or purchasing their annual parking decals.

Starting as a temporary hire, Nyka made such a remarkable impression on us that we offered her a full-time position in December 2022. Our customers absolutely adore her, showering her with compliments and positive feedback. We firmly believe this praise comes from her approach of treating our residents with the utmost respect, grace and a keen ear for their needs.

And here is a fun tidbit about Nyka: she has a “hidden” talent that she rarely showcases—crocheting! From charming coasters to stylish clothing, she crafts designs that are a hit with her family. It is safe to say our customers are completely enamored with Nyka—so keep those crochet hooks busy, Nyka! We are so grateful that you joined our team.

## Awards and Recognitions

During the 04/08/2024 Town Council meeting, Mayor Karen Lythgoe made the following proclamations:

### Municipal Clerks Week, May 5-11, 2024

Mayor Lythgoe recognized Town Clerk, Kathleen Dominguez, Deputy Town Clerk, Maria Rios and all municipal clerks for the vital services they perform and their exemplary dedication to the communities they represent.



### Public Service Recognition Week, May 5-11, 2024

In addition, Mayor Lythgoe recognized the Town’s public servants and extended her appreciation to the people who serve our nation as federal, state, local and tribal employees.



### Teacher Appreciation Week, May 6-10, 2024

In addition, Mayor Lythgoe recognized and extended her appreciation to all of the principals, teachers and staff members of Lantana schools for their dedication and commitment to excellence in education. The Town encourages its citizens to celebrate and express gratitude toward teachers and school support staff in Lantana and Palm Beach County.





## 2-1-1 Palm Beach and Treasure Coast



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

Palm Beach County website at <https://www.lantana.org/links>.



## Florida Power & Light Company (FPL) News – “Light up Lantana”

The Town continues to work closely with FPL and their contractors to illuminate some streetlights that have been out for some time on Lantana Rd, Hypoluxo Rd and Dixie Hwy. Although substantial progress has been made on these major roadway corridors, there is more work to be done in and around certain intersections and on some of the interior roads.

Going forward **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 <https://www.fpl.com/my-account/streetlight.html#landingView> or by contacting Glenn Ellis, Public Works Superintendent at [gellis@lantana.org](mailto:gellis@lantana.org) or (561) 540-5764. When reporting this information on FPL’s website you will be prompted to answer the following questions:

- Address or pole number?
- Nearest intersection?
- Number of lights out in immediate proximity?
- Is it accessible to a bucket truck? (usually yes, as they are working from the street)
- Any pets that need to be secured? (usually no, as they are working from the street)
- Access code to get to address? (usually no)
- Has it been reported to FPL in the recent past? (unknown)
- Out at night? / On during day?



## 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 4<sup>th</sup> St and Lantana Rd from N 8<sup>th</sup> 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 14<sup>th</sup> St and West of I-95 on Lantana Rd) is expected to be 100% complete by mid July 2024.

## CodeRED

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](mailto: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 and the first tank should be completed in 05/2024.



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 04/2024).
- 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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**

##### 2025 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](mailto: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>.

##### 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 livestreaming and recording Town Council Meetings please follow 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

- 04/24/2024 – Planning Commission Meeting, Town Hall Council Chambers, 6:30 p.m.
- 04/26/2024 – Arbor Day Tree Planting, Lantana Sports Park Playground, 9:00 a.m.
- 04/27/2024 – DEA National Rx Take Back Day Event, Lantana Police Department, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- 05/01/2024 – Lantana Police Relief and Pension Board of Trustees Quarterly Meeting, Lantana Police Department, 9:00 a.m.
- 05/13/2024 – Town Council Meeting, Town Hall Council Chambers, 6:00 p.m.
- 05/16/2024 – Special Magistrate Hearing, Town Hall Council Chambers, 5:30 p.m.
- 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.

## **PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

### 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 projected to be completed in April 2024.



### 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 early 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](mailto: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.

## 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	Project is substantially complete and undergoing evaluation. Required Fire Code modifications are underway.
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	04/2024	Final testing underway. April 2024 completion expected.
Water Main Replacement Under FEC @ Pine St	FY 2020/21 (rolled over to FY 2021/22)	06/2023	04/2024	Project is underway. W Pine St railroad crossing is closed and is anticipated to be reopened in early 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 April 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 May 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.
Additional Funds to Replace 2008 International 430C (Grapple Truck)	FY 2022/23	10/2022	03/2024	Completed. 2024 Mack has been delivered and in use.
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 being evaluated.
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 05/07/2024.

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	PO awarded. Anticipated start 05/2024.
Replacement of 2004 Ford Ranger	FY 2023/24	10/2023	TBD	Purchase was approved by Town Council on 10/23/2023. Vehicle has been ordered.
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	Sub-application pending with FDEM.
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	TBD
Replacement of asbestos concrete piping	FY 2023/24	TBD	TBD	Phase II Engineering CSA approved by Town Council 04/08/2024.
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	TBD
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 CO and held its grand opening on 04/20/2024. The Town would like to congratulate and welcome Dunkin to our community!

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.
- 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 recently 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. Recently, Melody Ln was permanently closed due to concerns with traffic between E Coast Dr and Melody Ln by installing new gates. Please reach out to the Development Services Department at [Planning@lantana.org](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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.

## **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 have been scheduled for mid-May where management and department heads will review all budget requests. Tentative important budget dates are as follows:

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

### 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

<b>Item</b>	<b>March</b>
Number of Accounts Payable Checks Issued	216
Amount of Accounts Payable Checks	\$ 2,151,240
Utility Bills Prepared	3,560
Utility Accounts on Auto-Pay	956
Utility Accounts Opened	34
Town Water Consumption (in thousands of gallons)	5,104
Water Consumed (net of Town usage in thousands of gallons)	49,707
Water/Wastewater Utility Revenue Billed	\$ 913,630
New Employees	-
Separated Employees	1
Number of Interviews	13
Number of Insurance Claims Managed	16
SysAid Tickets completed (Information Technology)	45
Security Logs Reviewed	4,752
Backups Performed (i.e., computer, server, etc.)	392
Network Add/Change/Deletions	87

Exhibit D – Budget-In-Brief



**BUDGET-IN-BRIEF as of February 29, 2024**

(41.67% of year elapsed)

**General Fund Revenues**

Revenues	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
Taxes	10,196,348	7,209,334	70.7%
Licenses & Permits	812,964	587,031	72.2%
Assessments	997,514	860,139	86.2%
Intergovernmental Revenue	1,922,631	558,916	29.1%
Charges for Services	940,222	893,723	95.1%
Fines & Forfeitures	211,200	338,960	160.5%
Misc. Revenue	1,216,279	758,382	62.4%
Interfund Transfers	-	-	N/A
Use of Reserves	1,176,857	490,396	41.7%
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 17,474,015</b>	<b>\$ 11,696,881</b>	<b>66.9%</b>

**Other Town Funds**

Police Education Fund	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
Revenues	3,664	1,384	37.8%
Use of Reserves	-	-	N/A
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 3,664</b>	<b>\$ 1,384</b>	<b>37.8%</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 3,664</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>0.0%</b>

Police Forfeiture Fund*	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
Total Revenues	\$ -	\$ 788	N/A
Total Expenses	\$ -	\$ 970	N/A

\*Per Florida Statute fund is not budgeted

**General Fund Expenditures**

Expenditures	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
Town Council	144,455	60,100	41.6%
Town Manager	565,231	220,836	39.1%
Finance	670,082	265,428	39.6%
Non-Departmental	119,515	81,892	68.5%
Police	7,865,367	3,429,177	43.6%
Development Services	1,669,027	463,460	27.8%
Operations	4,204,203	1,737,725	41.3%
Library	380,665	170,021	44.7%
Capital Outlay	1,806,470	289,545	16.0%
Debt Service	-	-	N/A
Interfund Transfers	-	-	N/A
Contingency	49,000	-	0.0%
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 17,474,015</b>	<b>\$ 6,718,184</b>	<b>38.4%</b>

Grants Fund (incl. ARPA)	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
Revenues	253,070	189,330	74.8%
Use of Reserves	2,209,302	920,616	41.7%
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 2,462,372</b>	<b>\$ 1,109,946</b>	<b>45.1%</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 2,462,372</b>	<b>\$ 734,515</b>	<b>29.8%</b>

Insurance Fund	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
Revenues	917,023	458,525	50.0%
Use of Reserves	-	-	N/A
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 917,023</b>	<b>\$ 458,525</b>	<b>50.0%</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 917,023</b>	<b>\$ 438,996</b>	<b>47.9%</b>

**Other Town Funds**

Water & Sewer Utility Fund	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
Revenues	9,757,896	2,752,826	28.2%
Use of Reserves	8,186,354	3,411,254	41.7%
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 17,944,250</b>	<b>\$ 6,164,080</b>	<b>34.4%</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 17,944,250</b>	<b>\$ 2,916,410</b>	<b>16.3%</b>

Infrastructure Surtax Fund	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
Total Revenues	1,045,436	325,236	31.1%
Use of Reserves	973,709	405,745	41.7%
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 2,019,145</b>	<b>\$ 730,981</b>	<b>36.2%</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 2,019,145</b>	<b>\$ 8,820</b>	<b>0.4%</b>

**YTD-Total Town-wide Budget**

Expenditures	Budget	Year-to-Date	%
<b>Total Town-wide Budget</b>	<b>\$ 40,820,469</b>	<b>\$ 10,816,925</b>	<b>26.5%</b>

(not including Police Forfeiture Fund)

## **LIBRARY DEPARTMENT**

### Library Update: Recent Happenings and News

The Library hosted 24 programs during the past month, including a live-action Among Us teen program, a bi-weekly all-levels yoga which is now weekly and meets every Thursday, a Renter's Rights presentation with the Legal Aid Society and the continued pre-K weekly Storytime.

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

The Library also hosted a teen volunteer orientation that welcomed our group of 20 active volunteers who assist all areas of library operations, including shelving, assisting patrons with checkouts and using library technology.

The new all-in-one copy/scanner/fax machine is now operational and anyone can come by to use it! Patrons and visitors can send mobile prints to release at the Library by visiting <https://print.princh.com/> and upload their photos or documents. The Library printer code is 107164. As always, the first ten (10) prints are free and it's just \$.05 per page thereafter!

Finally, the Library has welcomed a new Friends' board and officers, including Rosemary Mouring, President; Karen Bishop, Vice President; Christine Burtch, Secretary; and the Library's very own Jennifer Sweeten as Treasurer! For more information on joining the Friends and supporting the Library, please ask a Library staff member.

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

### Traffic Enforcement

The Police Department continues to routinely conduct a Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) in various areas throughout 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.
- The officer and Management Team conduct in-service training on upgraded software and reporting platforms.
- Police Officers attended the Town's Easter Eggstravaganza Event on 03/30/2024.
- Police Officers and other Town staff participated in the Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run Event on 04/17/2024.

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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.
Computer laptop for proposed Assistant Police Chief position	FY 2023/24	October 2023	Completed	Completed.
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.
Computer replacement and related equipment: Communications Supervisor	FY 2023/24	October 2023	Completed	Received and in use.
AB4 Multi Bay Dock Bundle	FY 2023/24 ARPA Funded	November 2023	Completed	Received and in use.
Three (3) Axon Body Worn Cameras	FY 2023/24 ARPA Funded	November 2023	Completed	Received and in use.
36 3 <sup>rd</sup> -Party Video Support Licenses	FY 2023/24 ARPA Funded	November 2023	Completed	Received and in use.
One (1) Pickup Style Vehicle for Detective Bureau	FY 2023/24 ARPA Funded	January 2024	May 2024	Awaiting delivery of vehicle.
Communications Center Digital Recording Equipment	FY 2023/24 ARPA Funded	February 2024	Completed	Completed.
Repair of Access Control System to the Police Department	FY 2023/24 Emergency Purchase	February 2024	May 2024	Vendor has begun the project.
Speed/Radar Trailer	FY 2023/24 ARPA Funded	February 2024	June 2024	Equipment ordered. Awaiting estimated delivery in June 2024.
Motorola Purchase of Interoperability Radios	FY 2023/24 ARPA Funded	February 2024	August 2024	Town Council Approved/ Purchase Order in Review Process.

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**FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT**

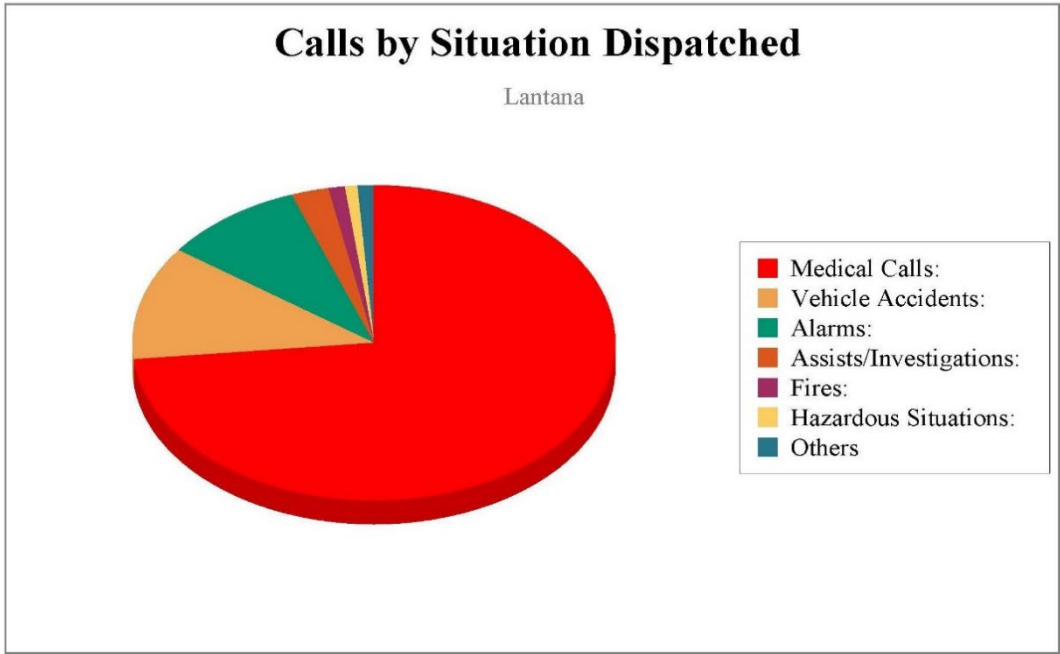
Exhibit F – Fire Rescue Department’s Municipal Call Type Report Chart



**Palm Beach County Fire Rescue**  
**Lantana**  
**03/01/2024 to 03/31/2024**

Average Response Times	Disp Hand	Turnout	Travel	Resp Time
Emergency Calls:	<u>0:00:47</u>	<u>0:00:49</u>	<u>0:04:04</u>	<u>0:05:40</u>

<u>Type - Situation Dispatched</u>	<u># of Incidents</u>	<u>%</u>
Medical Calls:	211	73.26%
Vehicle Accidents:	34	11.81%
Alarms:	27	9.38%
Assists/Investigations:	7	2.43%
Fires:	3	1.04%
Hazardous Situations:	3	1.04%
Others	3	1.04%
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>288</u></b>	<b><u>100.00%</u></b>



[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 \$2.1M 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.

### 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>						
American Library Association's (ALA) Libraries Transforming Communities Grant			\$ 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>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.
<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>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.
<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	TBD	\$ 900,000	\$ 900,000	\$ 1,800,000	Survey completed. Geotechnical to be completed 03/2024.
<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	06/15/2023	01/08/2024	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 400,000	B&W working on design for seawall.
Potentially seawall hardening						
FY 2023/24 Maddock Park Improvements	06/15/2023	01/08/2024	\$ 112,500	\$ 37,500	\$ 150,000	KH CSA under review. Boundary Survey of park scheduled with Calvin, Giordano.
Gazebo at Maddock Park Dog Park.						
FY 2024/25 Beach Park Improvements	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.
Asphalt walking path w/ signage, shade structures for playground and exercise station						
<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.
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$ 12,017,424</b>	<b>\$ 2,481,907</b>	<b>\$ 14,499,331</b>	





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