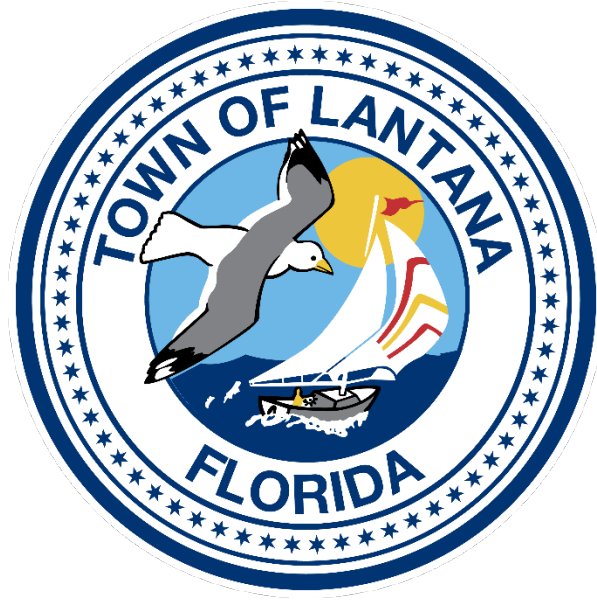


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INTRODUCTION

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.

SEA TURTLE NESTING AND HATCHING SEASON

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

2023 HURRICANE SEASON PREPAREDNESS

Hurricane season is here and begins 06/01/2023. Please make sure you are prepared and visit [Public Safety - Emergency Management Hurricane \(pbcgov.org\)](https://www.pbcgov.org/publicsafety/emergencymanagement/hurricane) for an official hurricane guide from the Palm Beach County Emergency Information Center (available in English, Spanish and Creole).

NEWS RELEASES

CodeRED

Lantana urges citizens and business owners to sign up for our new alert system, "CodeRED," to receive emergency and non-emergency notifications to stay informed on emergency and non-emergency issues such as upcoming events, beach updates, planned road closures, etc. There is no charge to register for or to use CodeRED, and personal information is kept confidential. Please see below for more details.

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

- Add the CodeRED phone number to your Caller ID – (866) 419-5000 for EMERGENCY CALLS
- Add the CodeRED phone number to your Caller ID – (855) 969-4636 for GENERAL CALLS
- Add the CodeRED phone number to your Caller ID – (800) 566-9780 for WEATHER WARNING CALLS

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 (561) 540-5016 or kdominguez@lantana.org.

Water Treatment Plant and Water Distribution System Improvements Update

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 (total coliform/E.coli; total coliform/fecal; enterococci; coliphage; 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. Due to the complex and intricate design of our Water Treatment Plant (WTP), Town staff is working closely with our engineers to provide cost-effective long-lasting improvements which are expected to significantly improve this issue. On 05/15/2023, the Town opened a bid for Filter Media Replacement and WPT Improvements. The submissions are currently under evaluation and a recommendation to award a construction contract to replace the Filter Media Resins and to upgrade the Treatment Units (Vessels) at the WTP is expected to be made in the near future.

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 discuss your specific concerns.

In addition, 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:

- Replacing the High Service Pumps that deliver the water throughout our service area which is projected to be completed in August 2023.
- The Town's engineers are in the process of completing the design work for the *Broadway and WTP Discharge Watermain Pipe Replacement Project* which is projected to be advertised for construction bids in the Fall of 2023.

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 and we are also aggressively pursuing Federal and State appropriations (through Congresswoman Lois Frankel's Office and with the assistance of our Lobbyist, 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!

Palm Beach County Day

On 03/07 and 03/08/2023, members of our Town Council and the Town Manager traveled to our State Capitol in Tallahassee for Palm Beach County Day. This provided an incredible opportunity to observe our Legislative Process in person, meet with members of our Lobbying Firm – Ballard Partners and network with many individuals from other municipalities and organizations attending the event.

The Town was also able to utilize this time to meet with both Senator Bobby Powell Jr. and Representative Mike Caruso to discuss the opportunity of gaining their support to fund the Town's current State Appropriation Requests (see [State Appropriations Project Request – FY 2023/24 under GRANTS](#)). During this time, the Town was able to provide a first-hand account of the Town's capital and infrastructure needs as well as provide them with some insight into the Town's unique set of challenges.

Hurricane Nicole Update

Between 11/09/2022 and 11/10/2022, the Town experienced impacts from Hurricane Nicole (i.e., storm surge and the unusually high tide which caused normally dry areas near the coast to flood).

Although the impacts to our community were fairly light, the Town experienced the following damage:

- Lantana Municipal Beach Damage

Both of the staircases that provide access to the Lantana Municipal Beach were destroyed during Hurricane Nicole. On 11/29/2022, a temporary staircase at the top of Dorothy Rissler Lane was opened to the public. All beach access has been restored.

- Seawall Update

During the storm, sand along a portion of the south side of our seawall at the top of Dorothy Rissler Lane was washed out. On 11/18/2022, our engineer and staff reviewed the damage that was done to the seawall. On 11/24/2022, in order to make the site safe, staff temporarily filled the hole near the seawall with sand. This sand will need to be excavated at a later date in order to make the permanent repairs.

During the 02/13/2022 Town Council meeting, a Consulting Services Agreement (CSA) with Kimley-Horn and Associates was approved to provide designs, drawings and specifications to repair the seawall as a result of the damage that is described above.

- Dune Restoration Project Delayed

On 10/24/2022, the Town Council approved the First Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement (ILA) for the Dune Restoration Project – Reach 9 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.

On 11/21/2022, the Town was informed by the Town Manager of the Town of South Palm Beach that the Dune Restoration Project will most likely be delayed until later this year or early 2024. This was due to the fact that the sand stockpile that was reserved for this project at Phipps Ocean Park was washed away during Hurricane Nicole. As a result, both the ILA and Temporary Easement Access Agreement referenced above will need to be extended in the near future, in order for this project to take place at a later date.







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, the total cost of which 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.

Home/Year-Round Water Restrictions for Existing and New Landscaping

At the 09/12/2022 Town Council meeting, the Town Council adopted Ordinance No. O-08-2022, amending Chapter 21 of the Town Code of Ordinances at Article IV – Water Conservation and Regulation. This Ordinance Modified the Implementation of Mandatory Year-Round Landscape Irrigation Conservation Measures so that they are consistent with that of the South Florida Water Management District. These water restrictions apply to any use of water for irrigation purposes, regardless of the source and pertain to both existing and new landscaping as follows:

Landscape irrigation is prohibited between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

If your address ends in...	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
0, 2, 4, 6, 8							
1, 3, 5, 7, 9							

Water Restrictions for New Landscaping:

New landscaping may be irrigated once when installed without regard to the above watering days and times. In addition, irrigation of the soil immediately before the new landscaping is allowed without regard to the normal watering days and times.

For additional questions, please call (561) 540-5758. You may also visit the: [Lawn Watering Restrictions | South Florida Water Management District \(sfwmd.gov\)](#)

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>.

The Most Common Code Violations

- Placing garbage out too early or on the wrong day.
- Parking a vehicle in the yard.
- Failing to obtain necessary Town permits for construction, renovation or garage sales.
- Landscape issues, such as “hat-racking” tree trimming or removing a protected tree.
- Too many paper signs in business windows.
- Maintaining a property below the minimum housing standards.
- House numbers are not visible: too small, or not of a contrasting color to the background.
- Improper display of signs on the swale, trees or utility poles, etc.
- Outdoor storage in public view.
- Inoperable/unregistered vehicles.

TOWN CLERK

Granicus Agenda and Meeting Management Software Solution

On 12/12/2022, the Town Council approved entering into a piggyback agreement with Granicus, LLC for agenda and meeting management software solutions for a three-year term. This product will automate and streamline the creation of the Town’s public meeting agendas and minutes, publish the meeting documents online in an ADA-accessible format, live stream and record public meetings, and provide closed captioning of the meeting audio for ADA accessibility.

A link will be provided on the Town’s website in a central location where citizens can search, find and review meeting recordings, agenda packets and minutes on demand. This product also has an indexing feature that allows the meeting clerk to timestamp discussions for each agenda item during the meeting, so anyone who wishes to listen to the recording afterwards can go right to that item. Citizens can also sign up to receive notifications of Town meetings with links to the meeting agendas when published.

This software implementation will improve transparency and comply with the ADA by utilizing agenda software with ADA enhancements, thus providing a better experience for our citizens. The Town expects to implement the new software as soon as possible.

2024 Election Information

The Town’s next general election day is on Tuesday, 03/19/2024, which is also the 2024 Presidential Preference Primary (PPP). Please visit <https://www.lantana.org/town-elections> for more information.

New Election Laws Require Voters to Renew their Mail Ballot Requests After Every General Election Cycle

Under the current Florida Laws, ALL Vote-by-Mail requests submitted before the 11/08/2022, General Election expired on 12/31/2022. Therefore, voters who wish to receive a Vote-by-Mail ballot for the 2023 through 2024 elections must complete a new Vote-by-Mail ballot request.

Updated Vote-by-Mail requests will be valid until 12/31/2024. After the next General Election, voters will need to make the request again, and it will need to be renewed after every General Election cycle for future elections. Vote-by-Mail requests can be made online at [Palm Beach Supervisor of Elections > Home \(votepalmbeach.gov\)](https://www.palmbeach.fl.gov/votepalmbeach), or by calling (561) 656-6200.

Schedule of Future Events/Important Dates

- 05/29/2023 – Town Offices Closed in Observance of Memorial Day
- 06/01/2023 – Hurricane Season Begins
- 06/12/2023 – 1st Town Council Budget Workshop, Town Hall Council Chambers, 5:30 p.m.
- 06/12/2023 – Town Council Meeting, Town Hall Council Chambers, 6:00 p.m.

- 06/14/2023 – Town Council Workshop – Master Plan Presentation, Town Hall Council Chambers, 5:30 p.m.
- 06/15/2023 – Special Magistrate Hearing, Town Hall Council Chambers, 5:30 p.m.
- 06/19/2023 – Town Offices Closed in Observance of Juneteenth
- 06/26/2023 – Town Council Meeting, Town Hall Council Chambers, 6:00 p.m.
- 07/04/2023 – Town Offices Closed in Observance of July 4th
- 07/04/2023 – July 4th Celebration, Bicentennial Park, 6:30 – 9:30 p.m.**
- 07/10/2023 – 2nd Town Council Budget Workshop, Town Hall Council Chambers, 5:30 p.m.
- 07/10/2023 – Town Council Meeting, Town Hall Council Chambers, 6:00 p.m.
- 07/20/2023 – Special Magistrate Hearing, Town Hall Council Chambers, 5:30 p.m.
- 07/24/2023 – Town Council Meeting, Town Hall Council Chambers, 6:00 p.m.

**** Enjoy Lantana! Events**

PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT

New Beach Cleanup Station

The Town takes great pride in ensuring our beach and park stay litter-free for all guests and marine life. The Town has partnered with The Beach Bucket Foundation and Keep Palm Beach County Beautiful to provide a new Beach Cleanup Station located on the boardwalk at Lantana Beach. The Cleanup Station includes four (4) buckets for beachgoers to help pick up litter from our park and beach areas. This added feature to our beach will help efforts to keep our ocean and land free of trash and foreign debris that could harm our wildlife and oceans.



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., at the 09/12/2022 Town Council Meeting. 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 within 270 days from when the Notice to Proceed is issued. The purchase order has been received and we are currently awaiting submittals for long lead time equipment which is expected to be delivered in 07/2023.

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 side of the Island. As a result of that meeting the Town Council approved Consultant Service Authorization (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 08/24/2022, staff met with residents on Pelican Lane to listen to their drainage concerns at this location. Although this is a privately-owned road that is not maintained by the Town, staff will continue to monitor and follow-up with residents on any updates that may affect surrounding drainage infrastructure and improvements.
- On 10/14/2022, staff attended the Hypoluxo Island History Tour meeting and provided members of the Hypoluxo Island Property Owners' Association and others with the status of the drainage study referenced above. In addition, staff addressed various drainage inquiries

and heard concerns related to the maintenance of privately-owned drainage systems that impact the surrounding community. The Town will review these concerns to determine how the Town may best proceed in these instances. In addition, at that meeting, staff also shared the following information with the residents:

- During August 2022, all of the Town-owned and operated stormwater infrastructure on Hypoluxo Island was cleaned by a contractor and was determined to be operating as designed.
 - During Hurricane Ian and other significant rain events, staff was proactively positioned throughout the Town so that they could immediately address and respond to any potential drainage issues.
- 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 @ 5:30 p.m. to discuss the engineer's preliminary findings and 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.
 - On 04/17/2023, Town staff met with the owner of a property on Lagoon Lane to discuss his concerns regarding his private drainage system that is located there. On 04/18/2023, Town staff met again with the owner and some of his neighbors to discuss the possibility for a both a temporary and more permanent solution to the drainage issue. On 04/21/2023, the South Florida Water Management District granted an emergency pumping authorization to the Intracoastal Waterway that will expire on 05/21/2023. Staff is currently working with the owner, neighbors and our engineers toward the implementation of both a temporary as well as a permanent solution.

Railway Information

On 03/17/2022, at the request of Brightline, the Town sent a letter of support to the Honorable Pete Buttigieg of the U.S. Department of Transportation that expressed the Town's strong support for the Florida East Coast Corridor Trespassing and Intrusion Mitigation Project. It is our understanding that this RAISE grant would make available nearly \$45M in funds from the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) and Brightline. These funds would be utilized for safety enhancements along the corridor that services our community, residents and visitors.

On 03/23/2022, staff had an on-site meeting with Florida East Coast Railway (FEC) and Brightline engineers to establish a better working relationship with both organizations. In addition, we discussed the possibility of applying for and obtaining some potential federal grant funding or participating in some sort of cost sharing project to upgrade and enhance safety features along the corridor that services our community.

On 07/20/2022, the Town received a letter from the FEC stating that they had completed their field inspection for all grade crossings and identified the Central Blvd crossing as one (1) needing to be re-worked as part of their 2023 Grade Crossing Maintenance Program. The work is expected to begin after 03/01/2023 at a projected cost of approximately \$214k which the Town will be responsible for. On 03/13/2023, the Town Council approved payment to the FEC for these upgrades.

On 08/10/2022, Town staff met with officials from the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), FEC and Brightline to identify any potential safety concerns with the W Ocean Ave and Central Blvd crossings. The intent of the inspections was to identify any common issues and to develop and share ideas that would improve overall safety at these crossings.

On 09/09/2022, staff entered into discussions with the FRA to provide updated information regarding the quiet zones in the Towns of Lantana and Hypoluxo. Engineering studies were recently completed to meet this requirement and the Town of Hypoluxo has agreed to share in their proportionate cost of the update. On 03/23/2023 the Town provided the updated quiet zone information to the appropriate regulatory agencies.

On 12/08/2022 a meeting was held between the FEC, Brightline and Town staff to discuss crossing safety improvements, the FRA grant opportunity and a corridor approach to mitigate crossing accident risk.

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, pocket park, etc.). Such projects would likely be funded from a combination of a federal grant and local sources. Representatives from Brightline and the 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.

A temporary close is tentatively planned and scheduled for the W Pine St Crossing from 06/20/2023 through the end of August 2023 in order to support construction project related to the watermain repair that will run under the railroad track at this location. During the temporary closure, staff will study the impact on traffic at the remaining crossings which include: W Lantana Rd, W Ocean Ave, W Central Blvd and Hypoluxo Rd.

From 6:00 p.m. on 05/14/2023 – thru midnight on 05/16/2023, the Central Blvd. grade crossing was temporarily closed so that the FEC Railroad could complete some scheduled track maintenance at this location. During this period, no significant delays, backups or issues were noted at that location or any of our other four (4) crossings. Thank you for your patience and cooperation during this period.

Evergreen Cemetery Information

The Town and the Lantana Historical Society are partnering together to install a fence around the perimeter and concrete monuments for the SW and SE boundaries of the Evergreen Cemetery site. As a result, staff had the property surveyed and is in the process (in conjunction with our engineer) of preparing the necessary bid documents, related to the purchase/installation of the fence. A vendor for the monuments has been selected and a purchase order has been recently issued. Bids related to the fence installation were opened on 05/09/2023 and are currently being evaluated.

Infrastructure Master Plan

As discussed during the April 2022 Visioning Session, on 12/12/2022 staff recommended and the Town Council approved the development of a Master Plan that will include a comprehensive analysis of the Town's potable water distribution system, wastewater collection and transmission system, roadway, seawalls, parks and recreation facilities and stormwater system. The recommended plan shall include recommendations for Capital Improvement Projects (CIP). The CIP shall include improvement recommendations with estimated budgetary cost estimates for short-term (1-5 years) and long-term (6-10 years) planning horizons for the potable water distribution system and include extended term (11–20 years) for the wastewater collection and transmission system and the stormwater system to meet the requirements of Stormwater and Wastewater 20 Year Needs Analyses which have recently been adopted by Florida Statutes. The Master Plan is expected to be completed within 52 weeks of the issuance of the Notice to Proceed. A kickoff meeting took place on 02/09/2023 between the Town and the engineers overseeing this project and the project is now underway.

Copper and Lead Report

Due to the fact that the Town had an exceedance report for lead and copper in 2021, the Town was placed in a Bi-annual Lead and Copper reporting protocol by the Palm Beach County Health Department. In response, the Town made adjustments to the corrosion control inhibitor and had to submit an additional 40 tap samples on 12/14/2022. The test results determined that the Town's water supply met the County's standards and we can be placed back on reduced monitoring of only supplying one (1) group of 40 tap samples. Currently, the Town has been placed on enhanced monitoring, which requires us to provide 40 tap samples (for lead and copper) twice a year.

New Stop Signs

Two (2) new stops signs were added on 03/03/2023 on the eastbound and westbound corners of the intersection of W Ocean Ave and S Arnold Ave. These stops signs were added as a result of a comment that was made by a resident during the 02/27/2023 Town Council Meeting regarding unsafe vehicular travel near the Lantana Elementary School. The placement of these stop signs is designed to enhance the safety and security of pedestrian traffic in and around that area.

Townwide Paving Information

Although permanent markings may still be required in some cases, Phase I and II of the FY 2022/23 Townwide Paving Project has been completed on the following roads:

Phase I

- Right turn lane of Andrew Redding Rd
- Barefoot Ln from SE Atlantic Dr to Dead End
- Lands End Rd from Lands End Rd to S Atlantic Dr
- N Arnold Ave from W Lantana Rd to W Ocean Ave
- S Arnold Ave from W Ocean Ave to W Mango St
- Iris Ave from S Lake Dr to Dead End
- Milton St from Dixie Hwy to S Lake Dr
- New World Ave from Andrew Redding Rd to Ridge Rd
- S Lake Dr from E Ocean Ave to S Oak St
- W Drew St from S Arnold Ave to S Broadway
- Washington Ave from W Palm to W Ocean Ave
- W Drew St from S 14th St to S 12th St
- W Bloxham St

Phase II

- W Mango from S Arnold to 3rd St
- W Marabella Ln from S Atlantic Dr to Dead End
- W Branch from S 13th Ct to 13th Pl
- W Branch St from 11th St to 9th St
- W Branch St from S Arnold to S Broadway
- W Broward St from S 13th Ct to S 12th St
- W Broward St from S 11th St to S 9th St
- W Broward St from S Arnold to S Broadway
- W Central St from 11th St to 9th St
- W Central St from Arnold Ave to S Broadway

E Lantana Rd Improvements Project Information

The contractor for this project began work on 01/31/2023. In order to minimize disruption to the surrounding community, all businesses and residents were notified of the work ahead of time. Proper Maintenance of Traffic (MOT) and detour signage has been established. The current phase of the scheduled work includes the cutting and removal of asphalt in preparation for excavation.

Miami Parking Authority Site Visit

Due to constant maintenance issues and the high cost of untimely repairs to the Town's current kiosk parking system, staff made a site visit to the Miami Parking Authority on 01/19/2023 to look at their facilities, command center and the wireless parking system that they primarily use to collect parking fees and to determine if a similar system might fit our Town's needs. Such a system would result in the payment of parking fees, primarily by phone.

As a result, staff will review multiple wireless platforms to ensure that the system that is eventually recommended will be efficient, cost-effective, easy to administer and improve the overall customer experience for our residents and visitors.

Special thanks should be given to the staff of the Miami Parking Authority who spent nearly four (4) hours with our staff reviewing the pros and cons of their various parking systems, provided tours of their facilities, and provided recommendations and best practices to minimize implementation issues.

July 4th Celebration

Tuesday, July 4, 2023 from 6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.
Bicentennial Park
321 E Ocean Ave

Live Concert Featuring: "Nikki Kidd and The Collective"
Spectacular Fireworks Display at 9:05 p.m.

Food and Craft Vendors | Stilt Walker | Family Games
Most Patriotic Baby Contest
Bring your Chairs and Blankets!

Free Parking and Shuttle Buses Available from 6:00 p.m. to 10:15 p.m. from Lantana Town Hall and Finland House Parking Lot

For more information, including volunteering please contact
Nadine Shawah at nshawah@lantana.org or (561) 540-5754.

Please visit our event site at <https://www.lantana.org/enjoy-lantana-events>

Exhibit A – Public Services Department's Ongoing 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	08/2023	Change order to extend completion time and install valves to support pump replacement approved on 02/13/2023.
E Lantana Rd Improvements	FY 2020/21 (rolled over to FY 2021/22)	01/2023	06/2023	Construction started in 01/2023, change order pending.
Lift Station Rehabilitation (6,16 & 18)	FY 2020/21 (rolled over to FY 2021/22)	Not Determined	Not Determined	Contract awarded & underway. Submittals approved awaiting equipment delivery. Some items have an expected delivery time of 04/2023.
Sea Pines Stormwater Pump Station	FY 2020/21 (rolled over to FY 2021/22)	Not Determined	Not Determined	PO has been received, awaiting submittals for long lead time equipment. Equipment deliveries expected 07/2023.
Watermain Replacement Under FEC @ Pine St	FY 2020/21 (rolled over to FY 2021/22)	06/2023	11/2023	Contract awarded 12/12/2022. Pre construction meeting held 04/14/2023. Project scheduled to start 06/20/2023 with an estimated completion date of 11/2023. Crossing will be closed from 06/21/2023 thru 08/2023.
ADA Ramp Re-Bid	FY 2021/22	Not Determined	Not Determined	Insurance claim has been settled, Ramp Design TBD upon completion of the Dune Restoration Project.
SE Atlantic Dr, Beach Curve Rd, Barefoot Lane, Lagoon Lane, N Atlantic Drainage Improvements	Included in FY 2021/22 year-end budget amendment	Not Determined	Not Determined	Preliminary recommendations presented at 12/12/2022 Workshop. Final Report received 02/15/2023. Related CSA being developed.
Beach Pavilion Repairs	FY 2020/21 (FY 2021/22 not funded)	Not Determined	Not Determined	Bldg. use/purpose being evaluated as part of the Master Plan.
Maddock Park CDBG (Phase I)	FY 2021/22 Grant	07/2022	06/2023	Project is being closed out with Palm Beach County.
Maddock Park CDBG (Phase II)	FY 2022/23 Grant	Not Determined	Not Determined	CDBG Agreement approved by Town Council on 09/12/2022. Contract award approved by Town Council on 03/27/2023. Awaiting Contractor scheduling.
Community Planning Technical Assistance Grant (Stormwater Infrastructure Analysis)	FY 2022/23 Grant	Not Determined	Not Determined	CPTA Grant awarded in the amount of \$62k. Grant requirements requirements being wrapped up for final payment submission.
Beach Rails Phase II	FY 2021/22	Not Determined	Not Determined	Project deferred until FY 2022/23. CSA being evaluated.
Pipe Lining/Manhole Rehabilitation Sanitary Sewer	FY 2021/22	TBD	09/30/2023	Contract options are being evaluated.
Phase I AC Pipe Replacement Phase I	FY 2021/22	TBD	TBD	CSA awarded to Baxter/Woodman 11/14/2022, design is underway.

Exhibit B – Public Services Department's Capital Projects included in FY 2022/23 Adopted/Amended Budget

Project	Funding Year	Start Date	Estimated Completion	Comments
Townwide Improvements	FY 2022/23	Ongoing	09/30/2023	Ongoing incidental non-programmed improvements.
Install Holiday Lights	FY 2022/23	TBD	12/2023	Phase II being evaluated.
Replace 2000 F-250 (Roads & Grounds)	FY 2022/23	10/2022	03/2023	Vehicle in use.
Additional Funds to Replace 2008 International 430C (Grapple Truck)	FY 2022/23	10/2022	Summer 2023	Vehicle ordered.
Replace 2003 Ford F-250 (Roads & Grounds)	FY 2022/23	10/2022	Summer 2023	Vehicle ordered.
Replace 2007 F-150 (Roads & Grounds)	FY 2022/23	10/2022	Summer 2023	Vehicle ordered.
Various Park Improvements	FY 2022/23	Ongoing	09/30/2023	Ongoing incidental non-programmed improvements.
Replace 2006 Crown Vic (Parks & Recreation)	FY 2022/23	10/2022	05/2023	Vehicle ordered.
Replace Bus Shelters	FY 2022/23	10/2022	09/2023	PO submitted. Bus stop being manufactured.
Repair Seawall @ Bicentennial & Sportsman's Parks	FY 2022/23	August 2022	Not Determined	Pending Grant Approval.
Recoat Seawall Sheet (Lantana Beach)	FY 2022/23	Not Determined	Not Determined	None at this time.
Townwide Air Conditioner Replacements	FY 2022/23	Ongoing	09/30/2023	As required.
Additional Funding for ADA Ramp Replacement (Lantana Beach)	FY 2022/23	Not Determined	Not Determined	Insurance claim has been settled, Ramp Design TBD upon completion of the Dune Restoration Project.
Replace Wooden Decking, Rafters & Rails (Lantana Beach)	FY 2022/23	10/2022	05/2023	CSA for Design being evaluated.
Install Automatic Flush Valves (Townwide Fire Hydrants)	FY 2022/23	12/2022	09/2023	Locations being confirmed.
Design: Asbestos Cement (AC) Water Mains Phase II	FY 2022/23	Not Determined	Not Determined	Awaiting CSA.
CSA to Prepare Town's Comprehensive Water, Wastewater, Roadway, Seawall, Parks & Recreation Facilities & Stormwater Master Plan	FY 2022/23	01/2023	12/2023	Approved 11/14/2022. PO awarded to Baxter & Woodman. Kickoff meeting held 02/09/2023. Project underway.
Filter Media Replacement & WPT Improvements	FY 2020/21 (rolled over to FY 2021/22), additional funds added in FY 2022/23	Underway	Not Determined	Bid closed 05/15/2023, submissions under evaluation.
Townwide Paving	FY 2022/23	02/2023	04/2023	Phase I and Phase II Townwide paving completed.
CSA to Prepare Town's Comprehensive Water, Wastewater, Roadway, Seawall, Parks & Recreation Facilities & Stormwater Master Plan	FY 2022/23	01/2023	12/2023	Approved 11/14/2022. PO awarded to Baxter & Woodman. Kickoff meeting held 02/09/2023. Project underway.

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Water Tower Commons Project Update

Construction for the Wawa is still underway. Town staff is continuing to work with the developer on appropriate permits for the recently approved amendment to the Special Exception, Site Plan and Landscape Plan to include the use of a car wash and additional drive-through uses for a portion of the eastern commercial side of the project. Staff has recently reviewed and issued comments for a Fifth Third bank in the commercial portion which will be scheduled onto an upcoming Town Council agenda for approval. In addition, the developer has installed a piece of artwork to fulfill the requirement of Art in Public Places for the Development.

Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council (TCRPC), Master Plan Update

After a successful Master Plan Charrette and design studio in early July, Dana Little, Urban Design Director for TCRPC, made a “Work-In-Progress” presentation on the Master Plan at the 07/25/2022 Town Council meeting. Another Public Input meeting was held on 09/19/2022 to gather additional feedback from residents and stakeholders on the future of the Town.

Staff continues to work with TCRPC on finalizing the draft Master Plan. Staff recently met with Mr. Little to review staff comments on the draft plan. The final draft of the Townwide Master Plan is anticipated to be presented to the Town Council during a Workshop on 06/14/2023 at 5:30 p.m. Nicole A. Dritz, Development Services Director is available to provide additional information, upon request.

Traffic Calming Information

The Town engaged Kimley-Horn, the Town’s Traffic Engineers, to review our existing Traffic Calming Policy and Guidelines and the processes in which traffic calming requests are made and reviewed to determine if any changes may be necessary. The engineers held public input Workshops in August and September in an effort to gather community feedback on the policy and considered the possibility of incorporating this information into their final report. The final draft of the policy was discussed at a Workshop held on 4/10/2023 and approved by Town Council at the regularly scheduled meeting immediately following the Workshop.

Potential Code of Ordinance Modifications

In the past, Town residents and property owners have expressed concerns with the Palm Beach County Right-of-Way dedication along Lantana Road. Town Staff is currently working with the Town Attorney to draft an Ordinance that clarifies the process regarding the Palm Beach County Right-of-Way dedication along Lantana Road. Such a potential ordinance would first require a recommendation by the Planning Commission before being scheduled onto a future Town Council agenda.

LEED for Cities

Town Staff recently applied for and was accepted into the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) Local Government Leadership Program. The program is meant to help support cities and towns as they explore and get organized around the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) for Cities framework and collect data in hopes to soon achieve a LEED for Cities certification. Included in the acceptance of the program is a one-year USGBC Silver level membership, an assigned USGBC Liaison, Press Releases and many hours of training for Town Staff. As a USGBC member, we are supporting the green building movement, the development of USGBC programs like LEED and a healthy, sustainable future for all.

Exhibit C – Development Services Department's Ongoing Projects

Ongoing Applicant-Initiated Projects	Lantana Cabana (Restaurant at the Moorings) – Site Plan, Landscape Plan, Special Exception for a Planned Development. 1300 W Lantana Rd – Site Plan and Landscape Plan for construction of a car wash. Modification for the commercial portion of Water Tower Commons Phase II, Site Plan and Landscape Plan. A text amendment to amend language related to small scale Solar Energy Systems. Multiple Variance requests for docks, hardscape and/or setbacks in residential zoning districts. Feel free to reach out to Development Services Department at Planning@lantana.org for details.
Other Ongoing Projects	Coordination with outside vendors on permit process improvements, including future online permitting capabilities. Coordination with the Greater Lantana Chamber of Commerce. Participation in the Intergovernmental Plan Amendment Committee.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Parking and Boat Trailer Decals

Parking and boat trailer decals are on sale at Town Hall and are good through 09/30/2023. Additional information may be found at <https://www.lantana.org/parkingpermit>.

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funding Update

The Town received more than \$3.1M in ARPA funds in September 2021 and July 2022, respectively for a total of approximately \$6.3M. The ARPA annual report was submitted to the U.S. Treasury on 04/08/2022.

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. Eligible uses of funds include a wide range of projects that benefit the Town. The FY 2022/23 Adopted Budget includes \$420k in projects funded by ARPA and was amended during the FY 2022/23 Mid-Year Budget Amendment (04/10/2023) for any additional recently Council-approved projects. To date, nearly \$3.6M worth of ARPA funds have been committed for various related projects.

FY 2021/22 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR)

The ACFR was presented to the Town Council at their regular 04/10/2023 meeting with an unqualified (clean) opinion which is expressed when the auditor concludes the financial statements are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with the applicable financial reporting framework.

FY 2022/23 Mid-Fiscal-Year Budget Amendment

The first of two (2) budget amendments to the FY 2022/23 Adopted Budget was approved at the 04/10/2023 regular Town Council Meeting. The second and final budget amendment is tentatively scheduled for 09/11/2023.

FY 2022/23 Adopted Annual Budget

The budget process began in April 2022. The FY 2022/23 annual budget documents were distributed to departments who submitted their requests back to the Finance Department at the end of April. Meetings were held in mid-May where Management reviewed their requests. Public Workshops to discuss the budget were held on 06/13/2022 and 07/12/2022. The draft budget and proposed millage rate were provided and discussed at the first public hearing on 09/12/2022. The FY 2022/23 millage rate of 3.7500 and budget were adopted at the second and final hearing on 09/21/2022. Budget-related documents may be found at <https://www.lantana.org/Accounting>.

FY 2023/24 Annual Budget

The budget process began in April 2023. The FY 2023/24 annual budget documents were distributed to departments who submitted their requests back to the Finance Department at the end of April. Meetings are planned for mid-May where Management will review departmental requests. Public Workshops to discuss the budget are scheduled for 06/12/2023 and 07/10/2023. The draft budget and proposed millage rate are scheduled for discussion at the first public hearing on 9/11/2023. The second and final public hearing is scheduled on 09/20/2023. Please note dates are subject to change and will be communicated in subsequent Town Manager monthly reports.

Town Council Visioning Session

On 04/21/2023, 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 and other staff. The meeting was designed to assist in the preparation of the FY 2023/24 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>.

GFOA Award

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) has awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to Town for its annual comprehensive financial report for the fiscal year ended 09/30/2021. The report has been judged by an impartial panel to meet the high standards of the program, which includes demonstrating a constructive "spirit of full disclosure" to clearly communicate its financial story and motivate potential users and user groups to read the report. The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management.

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Exhibit D – Finance Department's Monthly Report (April 2023)



**Town of Lantana
Finance Department
Monthly Report**

Item	April
Number of accounts payable checks issued	155
Amount of accounts payable checks	\$ 1,794,038
Utility bills prepared	3,547
Utility accounts on Auto-Pay	881
Utility accounts opened	28
Town water consumption (in thousands of gallons)	3,878
Water consumed (net of Town usage in thousands of gallons)	64,633
Water/Wastewater Utility Revenue Billed	\$ 698,041
New employees	-
Separated employees	1
Number of interviews	-
Number of insurance claims managed	17
SysAid tickets completed (I.T.)	54
Security logs reviewed	3,585
Backups performed (computer, server, etc.)	393
Network add/change/deletions	142

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GRANTS

Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)

- FY 2021/22 CDBG Grant (Maddock Park – Phase I)

On 09/13/2021, the Town Council approved entering into an agreement with Palm Beach County (County) for the above-referred grant in the amount of \$133k for improvements to Maddock Park – Phase I. The improvements included the installation of grills, picnic tables, exercise equipment and additions to the existing playground. On 07/25/2022, the Town Council approved awarding a \$67k (approximately) contract to Conengineers Builders LLC to perform the related work which was substantially completed in March of 2023.

The Town is pleased to announce that the improvements referenced above have been completed and include the following; a section has been added to the playground to accommodate smaller children ages 2-5 years old; added an adult exercise feature; and installed three (3) picnic areas (each with a picnic table and BBQ grill). The playground and exercise features both have ADA compliant mulch around the amenity. On 02/28/2023 the Town submitted a request to the County to combine the remaining \$66k (approximately) worth of CDBG funds from FY 2021/22 with that of FY 2022/23, for a combined total of nearly \$122k. The County's decision is pending.

- FY 2022/23 CDBG Grant (Maddock Park – Phase II)

On 09/12/2022, the Town Council approved entering into an agreement with Palm Beach County for the above-referred grant in the amount of \$56k for improvements to Maddock Park – Phase II. The improvements will provide the Maddock Park Dog Park with new fencing, benches, waste stations, water fountains and obstacle courses/exercise stations. At the 03/27/2023, Town Council Meeting, the Town Council awarded the construction contract related to the project.

- FY 2023/24 CDBG Grant (Community Sensory Garden with ADA Accessibility)

On 03/08/2023, the Town applied for the above referenced grant in the amount of \$56k for improvements to the Library's Outdoor Garden Area. The current outdoor space would be replaced with an ADA accessible Garden Area that is designed to accommodate and engage individuals with physical disabilities and sensory processing disorders. This project will focus on adding elements that engage the five (5) senses and making the space an inviting area that can be used by individuals in wheelchairs and those using walkers. The main elements that this project will incorporate are as follows:

- Remove sections of existing pavers.
- Install ADA accessible winding path.
- Install raised planters at ADA accessible height with plants that appeal to multiple senses.
- Install a shade structure.
- Provide toys and activity stations that engage multiple senses, including a custom water station.

The status of the project currently is in the planning phase pending funding.

American Library Association's (ALA) Libraries Transforming Communities Grant: Accessible for Small and Rural Communities

- In the beginning of March 2023, the Library applied for the above referred grant in the amount of \$20k for the purpose of increasing the accessibility of facilities, services and programs to

better serve people with disabilities. This would include adding automatic door openers to our front and garden doors, along with starting an accessible sensory garden and special morning program for those with disabilities and processing disorders. On 04/19/2023, the Library was informed that it had been selected to receive the grant.

2022 Florida Recreational Development Assistance Grant (FRDAP)

The Town worked with our professional grant writer to research, write, prepare and submit two (2) grant applications for the 2023 FRDAP Grant Program. The grant applications pertain to various improvements at Maddock and Bicentennial Parks.

- The Town of Lantana conducted a public meeting on 08/17/2022 to discuss capital improvements to Lantana Bicentennial Park. The sole purpose of this meeting was to discuss a \$200k FRDAP grant application to help finance improvements at the Park.
- The Town of Lantana conduct a public meeting on 08/17/2022 to discuss capital improvements to Maddock Park. The sole purpose of this meeting was to discuss a \$113k FRDAP grant application to help finance improvements at the Park.

On 05/03/2023, the Town was informed (via email) from our professional grant writer that both of the grants referenced above have been funded in the State's upcoming budget.

Congressional Community Project Funding (CPF) Opportunities

FY 2022/23 Grant Submission

On 04/12/2022, staff held a conference call with Congresswoman Lois Frankel's (FL-21) Deputy Chief of Staff | Legislative Director to discuss the possibility of the Town receiving funding (i.e., earmarks) from the Federal Government. As a result of the meeting, the following occurred:

- 04/14/2022 – the Town submitted a \$1.2M grant application through Congresswoman Lois Frankel's Office for CPF to replace some of the Town's oldest water mains that are made up of Asbestos Cement (A/C).
- 05/19/2022 – the Town received a letter from Congresswoman Lois Frankel's Office confirming they had selected our proposal and were submitting it to the House Committee on Appropriations for inclusion in the 2023 federal budget.
- 05/23/2022 – the Town Council adopted a Resolution supporting the Town's submission of CPF for this project.
- 12/24/2022 – the Town was notified by Congresswoman Lois Frankel's Office that the Community Project Funding request for \$1.2M for water main replacement was included in the final bill passed by the House and Senate and signed by President Biden. The Town would like to give a special thanks to the Congresswoman for selecting and sponsoring the Town's project and to the Public Services Department for their hard work on preparing the proposal. The Town is excited for this project to move forward and improve our community and we will work with the appropriate federal agency to submit the required documentation in order to receive the funding.

FY 2023/24 Grant Submission

Town staff has recently submitted through Congresswoman Lois Frankel's Office the following two (2) additional grant applications for FY 2023/24:

- Priority 1 – \$3.6M grant application to continue the Town's asbestos cement (A/C) Watermain Replacement Program.
- Priority 2 – \$3.6M to replace the filter media and associated upgrades to the resin containment vessels at the Town's WTP Facility.

Infrastructure Grant Information

On 02/22/2022 and on 03/22/2022, staff met with our engineers, consultant and a professional grant writer to discuss multiple potential grant funding opportunities to the Town including:

Community Planning Technical Assistance (CPTA) Grants

Stormwater Drainage System and Future Needs Analysis

CPTA Grants assist local governments in implementing various planning projects. On 04/06/2022, the Town submitted an application for consideration of the CPTA Grant to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity for Stormwater System Analysis.

Background

The Town of Lantana is located in coastal Palm Beach County and faces increasing impacts from sea-level rise and more frequent rain events. As potential damage to residences, businesses, critical facilities, and transportation corridors becomes more of an immediate threat, the Town must take action to develop effective and resilient infrastructure, especially for stormwater facilities. The proposed project is requesting funding in the amount of \$62k to complete an assessment of the existing drainage system and use that data to develop a long-term level of service standards that meet the changing coastal conditions. This effort will include evaluation, modeling, land use planning and recommendations for improvements to the stormwater system that are needed to further the Town's goal of resiliency.

- Resilient Florida Grant Program within the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) – provides funding to local governments for community resilience planning, (i.e., Public Seawall)
- Rebuild Florida Mitigation General Infrastructure Program – provides funding to local governments to assist in the development of large-scale mitigation projects that promote disaster resiliency, (i.e., Hardening of Water Plant)

On 06/14/2022, the Town received formal notification from the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (FDEO) that confirmed our grant proposal for the Stormwater Drainage System and Future Needs Analysis was selected for funding in the amount up to \$62k. An agreement between the FDEO and the Town was approved by the Town Council at the 10/24/2022 Town Council Meeting and was executed by the FDEO on 12/12/2022.

2023 Resilient Florida Grant Program

Asset Inventory and Ocean Avenue Vulnerability Assessment

On 06/22/2022, Town staff worked in conjunction with our professional grant writer to submit through the Florida Department of Environmental Protection an Asset Inventory and Ocean Ave. Vulnerability Assessment in the amount of \$167k (with no grant match amount) to:

- 1) conduct a Critical Asset Inventory for Lantana (as required by statute); and
- 2) complete a Vulnerability Assessment for the assets owned and managed by the Town located within the Ocean Ave corridor from US-1 to the Municipal Beach, which includes Bicentennial Park, Lyman Kayak Park, Sportsman's Park boat ramps, Lantana Nature Preserve and the Municipal Beach facilities.

At the 07/11/2022 Town Council Meeting, the Town Council adopted Resolution No. R-08-2022, supporting the initiative.

On 02/22/2023 the Town received notification from the Resilient Florida Program that our grant application had been included in the [Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Resilient Florida Program Planning Grant Awards](#) and that we would receive \$167k to conduct an Asset Inventory and Ocean Ave. Vulnerability

Assessment. Staff will continue to work with the appropriate oversight agencies to ensure all grant requirements are met.

On 09/01/2022, our professional grant writer (with assistance from staff) submitted two (2) other Grant applications under this funding source that included:

- 1) Seawall Hardening – \$900k, with a Town Match of \$900k for a total of \$1.8M.
- 2) Beach Curve Flood Protection – \$711k, with a Town Match of \$711k for a total of \$1.4M.

2023 Rebuild Florida General Infrastructure Grant

Staff is currently working with our professional grant writer to submit two (2) Grant applications under this funding source that may include:

- 1) Watermain Improvements.
- 2) WTP Improvements.

State Appropriations Project Request – FY 2023/24

The Town has recently submitted two (2) state appropriation project requests through our Lobbyist Mat Forrest which will be considered for funding by the State for their fiscal year which begins 06/01/2023. These projects include:

- 1) \$1.2M for a Watermain Replacement Project.
- 2) \$750k for a Project to Replace Resins, Filter Media and the Upgrade of Treatment Units at our Water Treatment Facility.

On 05/10/2023, we were informed by our Lobbyist that our \$1.2M for a Watermain Replacement Project Budget Line 1705A is included in the State's FY 2023-2024 Budget. The Budget has been passed by the Legislature, but is subject to the Governor's line-item veto authority, meaning that he can veto any and all parts of the budget – including line items.

Our Lobbyist will work with Town staff to provide information to the Governor's Office about our project, and why they should keep our project in this year's budget. The Legislature can send the budget to the Governor at any time between now and the next several weeks, and they will begin to immediately protect our project from a line-item veto.

The Town is grateful to all of the organizations that have sent letters of support to the Governor's Office including:

- Greater Lantana Chamber of Commerce
- Hypoluxo Island Property Owners Association
- Palm Beach County Fire Rescue
- Palm Beach County Commissioner Marci Woodward
- The Kiwanis Club of Hypoluxo-Lantana Sunrise, Inc.
- Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council

Florida Local Government Cybersecurity Grant

The Town's Information Technology Division is pleased to announce its application for the Florida Local Government Cybersecurity Grant has been accepted by the State. This is a competitive grant program to provide cybersecurity technical assistance and capabilities to Florida's local governments to improve their cybersecurity posture and resiliency. If awarded, this grant will fund and expand the Town's security infrastructure to include a dedicated 24 hours-a-day security operations monitoring system, enhanced endpoint protection with expanded security event information management and an expanded multifactor authentication for Town computers.

It is important to note, that all of these funding sources have various deadlines, criteria and possibly cost-sharing requirements that the Town would need to meet in order to qualify for consideration. We are working with all of our business partners referenced above to determine which current and/or future projects may be most likely to be funded under the existing provisions and we will continue to apply for such funding, if applicable.

LIBRARY DEPARTMENT

New Spring Programs at the Library!

The library has started their new spring programming and the storytimes and teen programs have been a hit! Last Thursday, there were families in the hall participating because it was so full! The teens ate pizza and enjoyed discussing the book Solo Leveling. They used cut-out faces of book characters to show how they felt about plot developments.

Ready, Set, Read!

Ages 3 – 5 years old

Every Monday 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. (Program Starts April 3rd)

Get ready for kindergarten with Ms. Tracy! Focusing on key early literacy practices, this library storytime combine stories, fingerplays, action rhymes, music and a craft to get the kids ready for school.

Seaweed Storytime

Families with infants up to 5 years old

Every Thursday 10:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. (Program Starts April 6th)

Join Ms. Sam for our family storytime. Each week will feature stories, songs and rhymes. Afterwards, the toys come out for playtime while caregivers can get social! *Coffee provided.*

My First Book Club

6 – 8 years old

Wednesdays April 5th, May 3rd, June 7th, Monday 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Want to grow a reader? Sign them up for our monthly kids' book club designed for kindergarten through second grade. Early reader books will be provided (while supplies last) and kids will meet once a month for fun activities, a snack, and book chat! Pre-registration is required. Email kkreidler@lantana.org to register.

Teen Night

Every Friday 4:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Ages: 6th – 12th grade

We close the Library and open it just for teens on Friday nights! Board games, video games, discussions and activities for teens. Bring your own favorite game or choose from the Library's growing collection. We take our cue from those that join us, so tournaments, quizzes and staff vs. patrons are all possibilities!

Teen Book Club

Tuesdays – April 11th, May 9th, June 13th 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Ages: 6th – 12th grade

Calling all teens! Join Danielle and Feelds for the latest YA books – manga, graphic novels, and more! Enjoy snacks and beverages while discussing the book. Books will be provided while supplies last. Pre-Registration required - Email dfleurant@lantana.org to register.

Looking Ahead

The Library has selected the summer reading theme “Let Yourself Bloom.” The schedule of programs will be out on June 1. All kids, babies, teens, and adults are welcome to sign up for the summer reading

program, which incentivizes reading and attending library programs Please stop by to register for the program and get your picture taken for social media!

The Library was one of only 15 libraries in America invited to apply for a Public Library Association pilot program which would grant the Town \$10,000 to pay teens to teach technology over the summer.

The newest location of Lantana's Little Libraries is at Lantana Elementary School, just outside of the perimeter fence so kids can access it over the summer. If you have children's books to donate, please drop them off at the Little Library or bring them by our big Library at 205 W Ocean Ave.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Police Department's Ongoing Projects and Current Trends

- Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) continues in various areas throughout Town to address traffic violators.
- 15 of 16 Flock Safety LPR cameras have been installed and are operational in predetermined areas throughout the Town.
- All of the equipment for in-car license plate reader systems has been installed and the associated training has been completed. The system is fully operational.
- Staff continues to work with 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 services to assist homeless subjects obtain services offered.
- Officers attended the Lantana Fishing Derby and assisted with the kids fishing event

Exhibit E – Police Department's Capital Projects included in FY 2022/23 Adopted/Amended Budget

Project	Funding Year	Start Date	Estimated Completion	Comments
Purchase and installation of an in-car camera recording system	FY 2022/23	October 2022	Completed	Equipment has been installed and training completed. System is operational.
License plate recognition cameras	FY 2022/23	October 2022	May 2023	15 cameras installed and operational, one (1) remaining.
Bi-Directional Antennas inside Police Department Facility	FY 2022/23	October 2022	March 2023	Completed.
One (1) utility vehicle and related equipment for road patrol	FY 2022/23	October 2022	June 2023	Vehicle has been received, waiting for vendor to provide available equipment and installation date.
One (1) cargo style van and related equipment for Community Service Aide and Crime Scene Technician	FY 2022/23	October 2022	June 2023	Vehicle has been received, waiting for vendor to provide available equipment and installation date.
One (1) unmarked detective vehicle with related equipment	FY 2022/23	October 2022	May 2023	Waiting for arrival of the vehicle at the dealership.

FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT

Personal Rescue Water Craft Program (PRWC)

With nearly 50 miles of coastline in Palm Beach County, Palm Beach County Fire Rescue (PBCFR) is proud to have service on land and in the water for our residents and visitors. Our PRWC just placed two (2) new Water Rescue Skis (Ski 37 and Ski 237) in service at PBCFR's Station 37 in the Town as of Monday, 05/01/2023. The new Water Rescue Skis are ready to respond immediately, launching from the Boynton Beach boat ramps. These PRWCs are staffed with PBCFR Rescue Swimmers, also firefighters/Paramedics. These crew members have worked diligently to meet the additional training requirements to be part of the PRWC Program.

How can the new Water Rescue Skis be used? The current operational parameters are: rescuing distressed people in the water, rescuing unconscious victims in the water, searching for lost swimmers/victims, and rescuing those from a boat or vessel when life safety is a concern. The first rescue with the PRWCs was in Lake Worth Beach when Hurricane Ian was affecting our weather. The PRWCs are on a trailer and can be brought anywhere in Palm Beach County. The Fire Department's PRWC program began in September 2022 at PBCFR's Station 18 in Jupiter.



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

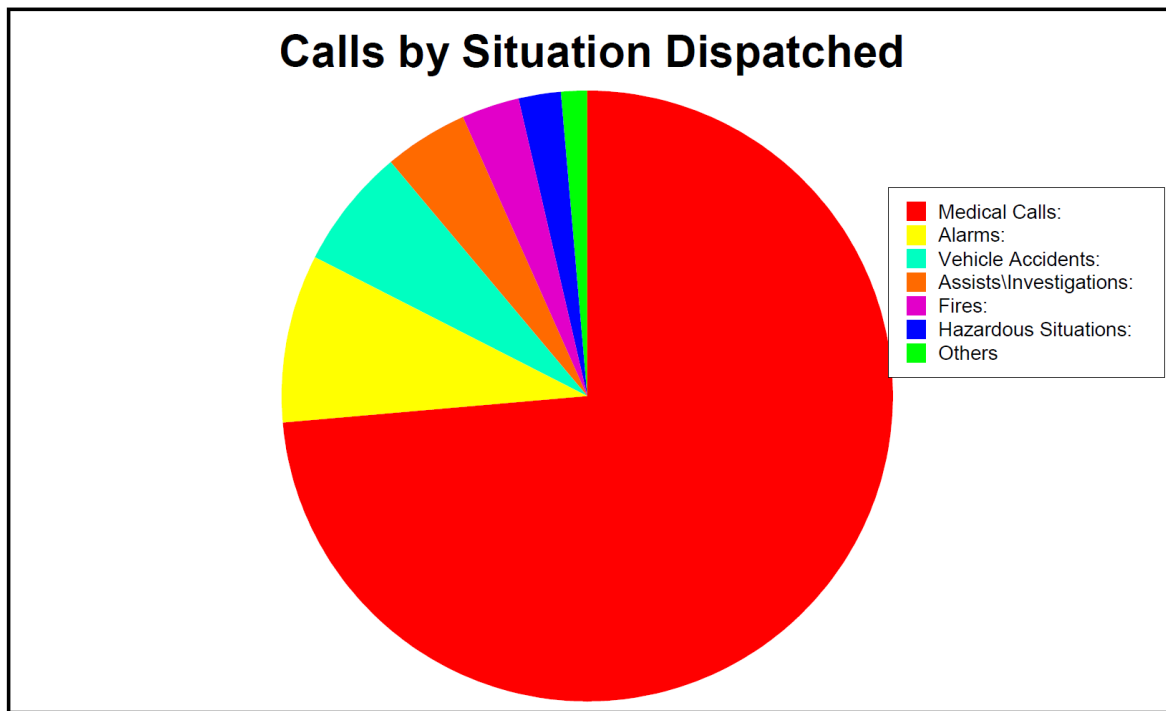


Palm Beach County Fire Rescue

Lantana - # of Calls by Type

20230401 to 20230430

Type - Situation Dispatched	# of Incidents
Medical Calls:	197
Alarms:	24
Vehicle Accidents:	17
Assists\Investigations:	12
Fires:	8
Hazardous Situations:	6
Others	4
Total number of Events:	268



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

Exhibit G – Palm Beach County Fire Rescue Car Seat Check Locations



Palm Beach County Fire Rescue Car Seat Check Locations

Scan QR Code to schedule an appointment, or
visit our Car Seat Scheduler online at www.pbcfr.org



USE CAMERA & SCAN

North County 1st Wednesday Every Month



Station 16
3550 S. Military Trail,
Jupiter 33458

South County 3rd Wednesday Every Month



Station 57
9030 Vista Del Lago,
Boca Raton 33428



East County 2nd Wednesday Every Month



Station 37
496 Greynolds Circle,
Lantana 33462

West County 4th Wednesday Every Month



Station 28
1040 Royal Palm Beach Blvd,
Royal Palm Beach 33411

**Palm Beach County offices are closed on observed holidays. The car seat check schedule will be adjusted accordingly during those weeks.*



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