



*City of St. Augustine Beach Seal*

## **City of St. Augustine Beach February 2021 Newsletter**

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**Margaret England elected to a second term as  
Mayor, Don Samora to serve as Vice Mayor**



**Pictured above: Commissioner Ernesto Torres, Mayor Margaret England, Vice Mayor Don Samora, Commissioner Undine George and Commissioner Dylan Rumrell.**

The City of St. Augustine Beach elected its Mayor, Vice Mayor and swore in two Commissioners.

Margaret England who has served as Mayor for the last year, was elected to serve for another year.

England states, "I am humbled and honored to serve another year as Mayor of St Augustine Beach with such a great team of Commissioners, professional staff, and interested, engaged residents."

Don Samora who has served on the Commission for three years, was elected as Vice Mayor and is honored to serve the St. Augustine Beach Community. He is looking forward to serving his 4th year as the Vice Mayor. In addition, Dylan Rumrell was sworn in for his second term as a Commissioner.

Ernesto Torres was sworn in as a Commissioner and received a special plaque for his years of service on the Code Enforcement Board which he served on before being elected to the City Commission.

In addition to the elections, former Chief of St. Augustine Beach Police and

newly elected Sheriff of St. Johns County, Robert Hardwick received a special plaque for his years of dedication and service to the City of St. Augustine Beach.

The next regular City Commission will be held on Monday, February 1, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. This is a public meeting, and the public is invited to attend.



**Above: Former Chief of Police for the City and current Sheriff for St. Johns County, Robert Hardwick receives a plaque for his years of service to the City.**



**Dylan Rumrell is sworn in for a second term as Commissioner.**



**Ernesto Torres is recognized for his many years of service on the Code Enforcement board and he was also sworn in as a Commissioner.**

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*Entrance to St. Augustine Beach City Hall*

## City Hall Update

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*Max Royle, City Manager*

## UPDATE

Here's an update on what has happening during the past three months concerning the budget and projects.

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**Ron Parker Memorial  
Service**



On January 12, 2021 a memorial service was held to remember fallen Beach Marshall Ron Parker (1947-1975) who lost his life in the line of duty. The event is hosted each year by the St. Augustine Beach Police Department.




## St. Johns County COVID-19 Vaccination Information

ST. JOHNS COUNTY COVID-19  
VACCINATION TEXT UPDATES

Text **SJCVACCINE** to  
**888777** to register for  
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**Information regarding St. Johns County**

**vaccination operations:**

- [www.sjcfl.us/coronavirusvaccinations](http://www.sjcfl.us/coronavirusvaccinations)
- Text SJC VACCINE to 888777
- St. Johns County Emergency Operations Center Hotline
- 904.295.3711
- 8:00am to 5:00pm daily

**Vaccination registration link (when available)**

- <https://tinyurl.com/y52tcoaz>
- 904.295.3711
- Please note, no app

**Information regarding the State of Florida's vaccination plan:**

- Florida Department of Health
- 866.779.6121
- [covid-19@flhealth.gov](mailto:covid-19@flhealth.gov).



In observance of Presidents' Day, all City Hall offices will be closed on Monday, February 15, 2021

Monday's garbage will be collected on Tuesday.

There will be no change in the schedule for the remainder of the week.

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The North Florida TPO is working with St. Johns County and consultant ETM for a major update of the Transit Development Plan (TDP). A TDP is a 10-year horizon plan required by the Florida Department of Transportation that serves as a basis for defining public transit needs. The plan is a prerequisite for state funds and serves as a transit planning, development and operational guidance document. Public participation is an important part of the plan.

Here is the Public Survey link: <https://publicinput.com/sjtransitsurvey>. Responses from the public survey will be anonymous.

Deadline to complete is Sunday, February 7, 2021.

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## **CoSAB MEETING NOTICES!**

### ***Commission Meeting Notice***

*Monday, February 1, 2021, 6:00 p.m.*

*St. Augustine Beach City Hall*

*2200 A1A South*

*St. Augustine Beach, FL 32080*

The public is encouraged to attend or watch the meeting live on the City's YouTube page.

Questions can be emailed to [braddatz@cityofsab.org](mailto:braddatz@cityofsab.org) and should be submitted no later than 3:00 p.m. on Monday, February 1, 2021.

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### ***Planning & Zoning Board Meeting***

*Tuesday, February 16, 2021, 6:00 p.m.*

*St. Augustine Beach City Hall*

*2200 A1A South*

*St. Augustine Beach, FL 32080*

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### ***Sustainability and Environmental Planning***

*Advisory Committee Meeting*



Wednesday, February 10, 2021, 6:00 p.m.  
St. Augustine Beach City Hall  
2200 A1A South  
St. Augustine Beach, FL 32080

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***Municipal Code Enforcement Board Meeting***  
*No meeting scheduled in February, 2021*

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**ST. AUGUSTINE BEACH SEPAC ANNOUNCES  
ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP AWARDS**

The City of St. Augustine Beach's Sustainability and Environmental Planning Advisory Committee (SEPAC) has selected the winners of the 2020 Anastasia Island Environmental Stewardship Awards (AIESA). These awards recognize individuals, businesses, groups, and educational institutions that are working to protect the Island's natural resources and enhance its ecosystem.

One of the stewardship award winners is Beachcomber Restaurant, pictured below.



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**ST. AUGUSTINE BEACH WADE-INS, SUMMER 1964**





**Some of the most widely-publicized events of the civil rights movement took place at St. Augustine Beach in the summer of 1964, when wade-ins were conducted at what had historically been a beach reserved for “Whites Only”. Many courageous local residents took part in the wade-ins, along with a number of staff members of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), including Rev. C.T. Vivian, Rev. Fred Shuttlesworth, Dorothy Cotton, Al Lingo, Rev. LaVert Taylor, Benjamin Van Clarke, Golden Frinks, Rev. S. B. Wells, Dana Swan, Willie Bolden, and J. T. Johnson.**

**ACCORD and the Northrop Grumman Corporation presented this Freedom Trail marker in 2009 to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the incorporation of St. Augustine Beach, and the 45th Anniversary of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.**

Information provided by: **ACCORD**  
ACCORD Freedom Trail | St. Augustine, Florida | Historic Civil Rights  
Movement

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